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Zapmap releases EV charging statistics for first half of 2025 showing continued growth

- **27% year on year increase across the board**
- **136 charging hubs installed since the start of the year**

Zapmap, the UK's leading charge point mapping and data service, has published new statistics on public charge point installations throughout the first six months of 2025.

Latest figures show that 8,670 new charge points were installed in H1 2025, a year-on-year increase of 27%. The EV charging infrastructure now encompasses 82,369 devices (110,486 EVSEs) at 40,479 locations.

Charging hubs (defined as six or more rapid or ultra-rapid devices at a single location) continue to show the highest growth, with 136 of them installed across the country in the first half of the year, bringing the total across the UK to 673.

These hubs are popular with electric car drivers, especially to support en-route charging on longer journeys, and are also beginning to show the future direction for the EV infrastructure, with faster charging times, an increased focus on sustainable energy systems and locations which deliver enhanced amenities.

Significant additions to the charging infrastructure since Zapmap's last quarterly update include:

- Osprey Charging installed 24 x 300kW charge points across two locations at Rainhill and Prescot in Merseyside;

- Osprey Charging also announced the launch of its Watford hub, comprising 16 x 300kW charge points, as part of its ongoing partnership with Legal & General;
- Be.EV installed 12 ultra-rapid charge points at Hattersley Trade Park, Greater Manchester;
- Source opened its first ultra-rapid hub at Ocean Terminal in Edinburgh, enabling simultaneous charging for 12 electric vehicles;
- RAW Charging installed a combination of eight AC and eight ultra-rapid chargers in partnership with the National Trust at its Stourhead, Wiltshire estate;
- Be.EV launched its Manchester Charging Oasis, repurposing a derelict petrol station in Failsworth to provide charging of up to 300kW for twelve cars.

The total number of ultra-rapid devices, with a power rating of 150kW+, has increased by almost 23% to 8,619 in the first half of 2025. Overall, ultra-rapid devices have seen 1,598 additions in the past six months, accounting for 18% of all installations, and for the first time now outnumber rapid devices.

Simultaneously, Zapmap's statistics show progress in the regional distribution of high-powered chargers this year: nine out of 12 geographical areas of the UK now have over 1,200 50kW+ chargers and six of those have over 1,500. Of particular note, Scotland has seen 29% year-to-date growth in high-powered chargers and the North West 21%.

Lower powered charging devices continue to represent the largest tranche of the infrastructure, providing charging for longer stops and top-ups, such as in car parks and at tourist attractions. 65,671 charge points are currently defined as low-powered (slow / fast charge points powered at <50kW), representing just under 80% of the total.

On-street charging devices, also falling within the lower powered grouping and designed for overnight charging, are aimed at drivers who wish to charge close to home but do not have off-street parking. These charge points have seen 3,709 new additions in H1 bringing the total to 29,227. While the majority of these (20,490) are located in Greater London, other regions of the UK are now seeing far higher growth in the rate of on-street devices being installed. While London saw an increase of under 11% in the first six months of the year, the rest of the UK saw the number of on-street chargers increase from 7,106 at the end of December to 8,737 at the end of June, an increase of more than 25%.

Linked to this growth is the progress in the delivery of the LEVI (Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure) scheme with 80 LEVI funding projects underway, 19 of which are currently

open to tender. Simultaneously, its predecessor, ORCS (On-Street Residential Charging Scheme) has continued to fund key infrastructure projects. In the second quarter of 2025:

- char.gy announced a LEVI funding enabled partnership with Brighton and Hove City Council, which will see over 6,000 on-street chargers installed throughout the area;
- Suffolk County Council secured £5.3 million of LEVI funding and will work with charge point operator Believ to deliver around 6,000 new charge points across the county;
- Barnet Council announced that it will work with char.gy to deliver 500 new on-street charge points in the next three months, with 500 more to follow within three years. 60% of the cost of delivery is funded by ORCS, with char.gy covering the remainder.

At a regional level, the North East has seen significant growth in charge points across all power ratings, with 40% year-on-year growth, with the East of England and West Midlands close behind with over 39% and 38% year-on-year growth respectively.

Jade Edwards, Head of Insights at Zapmap, said:

“The EV landscape at the mid-point of 2025 looks significantly different to six months ago, in terms of the shape of the infrastructure, EV demand and availability and the legislative landscape. We’re always pleased to see strong growth in en-route charging and hubs, not just because they are so convenient for EV drivers on long journeys, but also because they provide high-visibility and help instill confidence for drivers looking to make the switch.

“Meanwhile, we’re now beginning to see LEVI funding awards feeding through the system, offering the 40% of people who do not have access to off-street parking increased opportunities to charge close to home and benefit from driving electric.

“We look forward to seeing what further measures the government can introduce to make access to public charging more equitable.”

Vicky Read, CEO at ChargeUK, said:

“This sustained growth gives confidence to drivers that the network they need is there for them and will encourage even more to make the switch. With 29% growth across the

whole market, the sector remains on track for the Government's ambition of 300,000 chargers by 2030.

"It's particularly encouraging to see growth accelerating outside of the South East, with the North East, East of England and West Midlands seeing significant increases, as well as the continued rise in the number of high-profile and high-powered hubs to support en-route charging.

"To keep the roll out on track, and to ensure drivers have access to affordable charging, the Government can support the sector by equalising VAT on public charging to five per cent, addressing the rise in standing charges, and extending the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation to include EV charging."

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About Zapmap

Zapmap was founded in 2014 with a mission to to accelerate the transition to low emission mobility by helping people switch to electric vehicles. The Zapmap app helps EV drivers find and pay for public charging with confidence and has over one million registered users. This is powered by Zapmap's charge point data with unrivalled coverage, detailed information and 24/7 live availability data.

An integral part of supporting the wider EV industry, Zapmap Insights is the leading source of EV charging data and insights, providing unrivalled data and expert analysis into the shape and usage of EV charging infrastructure, as well as the attitudes and behaviours of EV drivers.

For more information, please visitwww.zapmap.com.

Accompanying graphic: Growth of charge points: June 2025 Year on Year.

Notes to editors:

1. Breakdown of chargers by power rating (UK)

Power rating	June 2024	Dec 2024	June 2025	YOY growth	YTD growth
Slow / Fast (<50kW)	52,224	59,228	65,671	25.75%	10.88%
Rapid (50kW - 149kW)	7,135	7,450	8,079	13.21%	8.44%
Ultra rapid (150kW+)	5,416	7,021	8,619	59.14%	22.76%
Charging hubs	386	537	673	74.35%	25.33%
Total	**64,775**	**73,699**	**82,369**	**27.16%**	**11.76%**

Source: Zapmap database, 30th June 2025

* Charging hub = six or more rapid or ultra rapid devices, excludes Tesla non-public hubs

2. Breakdown of high powered chargers by geographical area (UK)

Region	June 2024	Dec 2024	June 2025	YOY growth	YTD growth
Channel Islands & Isle of Man	12	11	17	45%	55%
East Midlands	965	1,093	1205	24.87%	10.25%
East of England	1227	1,499	1727	40.75%	15.21%
Greater London	1213	1,341	1432	18.05%	6.79%
North East	384	501	594	54.69%	18.56%
North West	1291	1,509	1826	41.44%	21.01%
N. Ireland	151	164	190	25.83%	15.85%
Scotland	1426	1,578	2042	43.20%	29.40%
South East	1795	2,118	2410	34.26%	13.79%
South West	1296	1,450	1674	29.17%	15.45%
Wales	582	636	753	29.38%	18.40%
West Midlands	1304	1,462	1574	20.71%	7.66%

Yorkshire and the Humber	906	1,109	1254	38.41%	13.07%
Total	**12,552**	**14,471**	**16,698**	**33.03%**	**15.39%**

Source: Zapmap database, 30th June 2025

High powered devices are classified as Rapid (50-149kW) and Ultra-Rapid (150+kW).

Net new figures reflect the number of additions to the Zapmap database minus those devices that have been removed from the database.