

Information on train and coach travel from airports to Cambridge

Please note these details are provided for guidance only – always check current details with the service provider.

Travel from Heathrow Airport:

By rail:

From Heathrow to Paddington station on the Heathrow Express (www.heathrowexpress.com), then London Underground (Tube) (www.tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround/1106.aspx) to Kings Cross station and then train from Kings Cross to Cambridge (<http://www.thetrainline.com>; <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>). Total travel times are dependent on the time of day of travel and range from 1h 58min to 2h 14min.

Note: it is also possible to travel from Heathrow to Kings Cross station using London Underground. This is a slower service than Heathrow Express, but cheaper.

By coach:

Coaches leave 10 past the hour every hour and are direct to Cambridge. Travel time is between 2h 15min to 2h 50min, depending on time of travel. Full details can be found at: <http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from London City Airport:

By rail:

Take the DLR (Docklands Light Railway) from London City Airport and change to London Underground at Bank station (www.tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround/1106.aspx), then straight through to London Liverpool Street station. This part of the journey will take approximately 30 minutes.

Trains from London Liverpool Street to Cambridge depart every 30 minutes. Travel time is approximately 1h 20min. Not all services are direct, so check timetables at: <http://www.thetrainline.com> or <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

By coach:

Hourly coaches leave London City Airport, with one stop at London Stratford station. Travel time is 2h 36min. Full details can be found at: <http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from Gatwick Airport:

By rail:

Travel from Gatwick Airport to London St Pancras International. This takes approximately 50 minutes. Walk from St Pancras to Kings Cross station, which is adjacent (takes approximately 5 minutes). Travel from Kings Cross to Cambridge. This takes from 50 (direct service) to 80 minutes (multi-stop service). Check times at: <http://www.thetrainline.com> or <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

By coach:

Regular coach departures throughout the day from both the South Terminal and North Terminal. The travel time ranges from 4h 05min (direct) to 4h 55min (with one change at Heathrow Airport). Full details can be found at:

<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from Stansted Airport:

By rail:

Direct service from Stansted airport to Cambridge. Travel time is between 37 and 55 minutes, depending on the time of day. Check times at:

<http://www.nationalrail.co.uk> or <http://www.thetrainline.com>

By coach:

Coaches leave Stansted every two hours throughout the day, starting at 09.00. Travel time to Cambridge is approximately 45 minutes. Full details can be found at

<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from East Midlands Airport:

By rail:

The East Midlands Airport link below has full information. East Midlands Parkway is the main station and the cheapest way to travel from East Midlands Airport to East Midlands Parkway is to pre-book the shared taxi service operated by Arrow Cars (01332 814000). The cost is £5.75 per person. A seat can be booked at the same time as booking a train ticket online. The journey takes 10–15 minutes, depending on the traffic.

Train travel time is approximately 2hr 29min (with one change at Leicester) and 2hr 50min (with changes at Nottingham and Ely). Full details can be found on the following links:

<http://www.eastmidlandsairport.com/emaweb.nsf/content/train>

<http://www.buytickets.eastmidlandstrains.co.uk/>

By coach:

National Express Coaches operate from East Midlands Airport. Travel time is approximately 4hr 22min (with one change at Leicester) or 6hr 58min (with changes at Coventry and Milton Keynes). Full details can be found at:

<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from Luton Airport:

By rail:

Total travel time is approximately 1h 55min. Travel from Luton Airport Parkway to London St Pancras International. Walk from St Pancras to Kings Cross station, which is adjacent (takes approximately 5 minutes). Travel from Kings Cross station to Cambridge. This takes from 50 (direct service) to 80 minutes (multi-stop service). Check times at: <http://www.thetrainline.com> or <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>.

By coach:

Coaches depart every couple of hours and take approximately

1h 35min. Full details can be found at:
<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>

Travel from Birmingham Airport:

By rail:

Regular train departures throughout the day to Cambridge. Total journey time ranges from 2h 41min to 3h 32min, depending on time of day. Travel from Birmingham International station to London Euston station (<http://www.thetrainline.com>; <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>), then take London Underground (Tube) to Kings Cross station (www.tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround/1106.aspx). Finally, travel from Kings Cross station to Cambridge (<http://www.thetrainline.com>; <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>).

The following link has useful information regarding both train and coach travel: <http://www.tourinaday.com/cambridge/birmingham-airport-to-cambridge.html>

By coach:

Coach travel times range from 3h 10min (direct) to 4h 33min, depending on the time of day and whether there is a change at Milton Keynes. Full details can be found at:
<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>