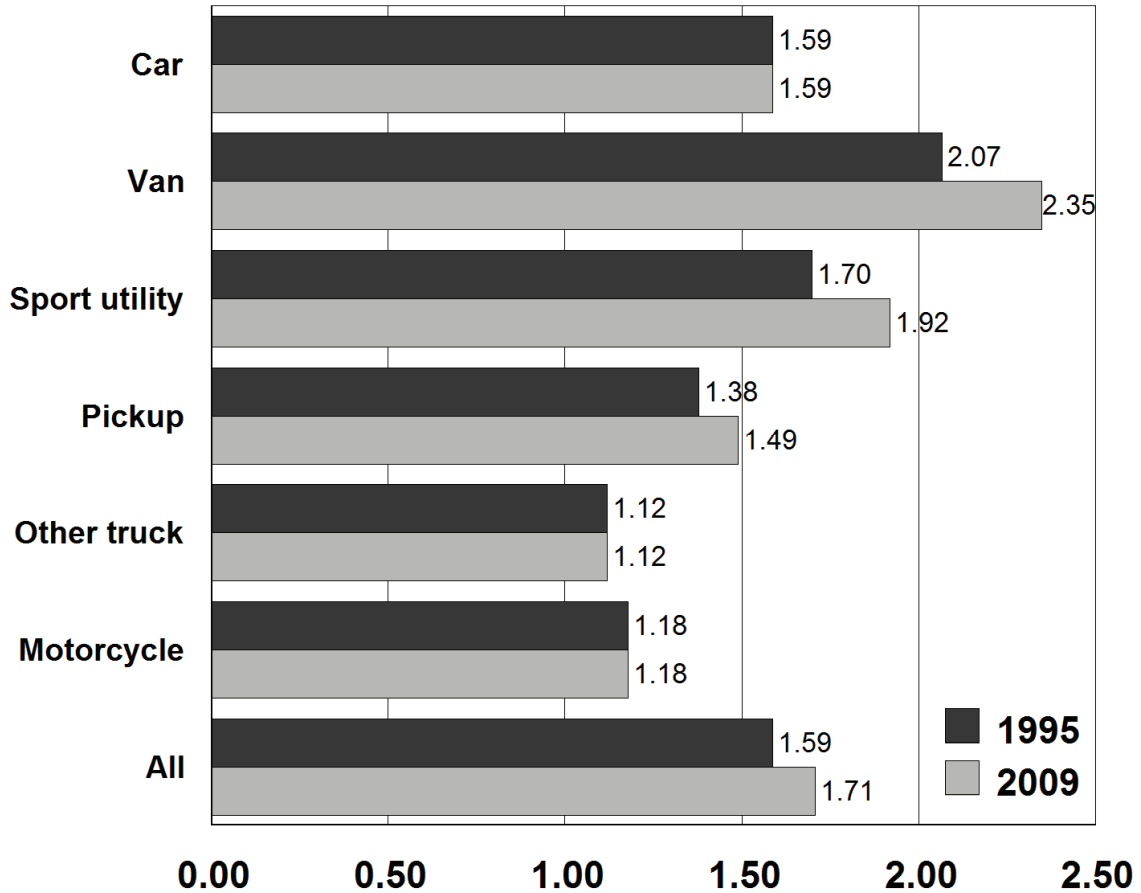


*While car occupancy stayed constant from 1995 to 2009, most other vehicle types showed increased occupancy. Vans and sport utility vehicles have higher vehicle occupancies than cars.*

**Figure 8.1. Average Vehicle Occupancy by Vehicle Type, 1995 NPTS and 2009 NHTS**



**Sources:**

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