## Insurancewide Warns Staycationers Of Travel Cover Importance



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The first five months of 2009 have been filled with surveys from the travel sector predicting that the number of Brits holidaying at home due to the pound's weakness against the euro and the dollar, will skyrocket this summer. Sainsbury's Finance, for example, recently said that caravan holiday bookings are up by more than 40 percent on last year's levels. Financial information provider Defaqto also revealed that the number of overseas trip taken by people in the UK in 2009 is likely to decline for the first time in 20 years.

However, <u>Insurancewide</u>- a specialist UK insurance comparison website - is urging so-called 'staycationers' not to neglect purchasing travel insurance, even if they are only holidaying a few hours away from their home. Many insurers sell UK travel insurance policies for less than the cost of a cinema ticket, so there should be no financial excuse for forgoing cover on a holiday at home.

Purchasing <u>travel insurance</u> for a holiday at home might not seem as essential as if you were going on holiday in Europe, but it's still an important consideration. For example, just because you haven't left the country, that doesn't mean there's less of a chance of your belongings being stolen or misplaced. With travel insurance, this eventuality will be covered.

Similarly, UK travel insurance will cover disrupted travel arrangements - if you're travelling to your British holiday destination of choice by rail and your train is cancelled or severely delayed, you could make a

claim on your travel insurance policy - provided you've remembered to buy one before setting off. This could be particularly useful if you're travelling over a long distance - for example, Aberdeen to Brighton - and a delay meant that you missed your connecting train in London. What's more, many UK travel insurance policies also include a certain level of medical cover - so if you are injured and need a private ambulance to take you to the nearest hospital or back home, your insurance policy should take care of this.

Insurancewide lets travellers compare <u>UK travel insurance</u> online, allowing users to request quotes and contrast policy benefits from different insurers across the market. In addition to purchasing travel insurance, Insurancewide is urging stay-at-home travellers - especially those who are caravanning or camping this summer - to check their car insurance policy for breakdown cover. Many motor insurance providers do not include breakdown cover as standard and travel insurance policies are unlikely to incorporate this feature either, so anyone planning on driving during their holiday should ensure that they are adequately protected.

**About** Insurancewide

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