

**Press
Release****TRUE OR FALSE**
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An electric car does not pollute the atmosphere: TRUE

It does not emit any pollution, either when running, or when being recharged. It does not generate environmental pollution either: no used motor oil or old battery dumped in the middle of nature.

An electric car generates other types of pollution: FALSE

On the one hand, the batteries are 100% recyclable. On the other hand, gases given out by heat vehicles are much more polluting than a well-controlled oil-fired power station.

An electric car is ideal in town: TRUE

In town, one trip out of two does not exceed 3km, and one out of five 1km. The first kilometre pollutes twice as much as the others, and fuel consumption is back to normal only between the third and the sixth kilometre (source: WWF).

An electric car is more expensive: FALSE

Measures have been taken to make the purchase of clean vehicles easier (see press release in regard to purchasing). Maintenance costs and energy consumption are minimal. An electric car can run 100km at a cost of €1.50.

An electric car is less dangerous: TRUE

Insurers have noticed that electric vehicles were less accident-prone. Drivers are more cautious because the car, which is silent and restrained to 95km, is not conducive to excesses. The result: insurance for an electric car is 30% cheaper.

An electric car has a reduced range: FALSE

Presently, electric cars have a range between 80 and 100km, which is more than enough in town. Within two hours, an electric car is recharged at 70%, knowing that you rarely wait to fill up your tank until it is empty.

The shared electric car is the formula of the future: TRUE

Since 1986, in La Rochelle, cars have become a public transport like any other. They are available to everyone for less than €2 per 5km – no more repairs, maintenance, parking problems or filling up the tank.

Electric cars are not suitable for companies: FALSE

The example of La Poste and its 550 vehicles (second fleet after EDF) is a success. Less accidents, less vehicles immobilized, lower insurance premiums, relaxed drivers, fiscal and other government measures, and recharged for €1.50.

