

THE GREEN CHALLENGE

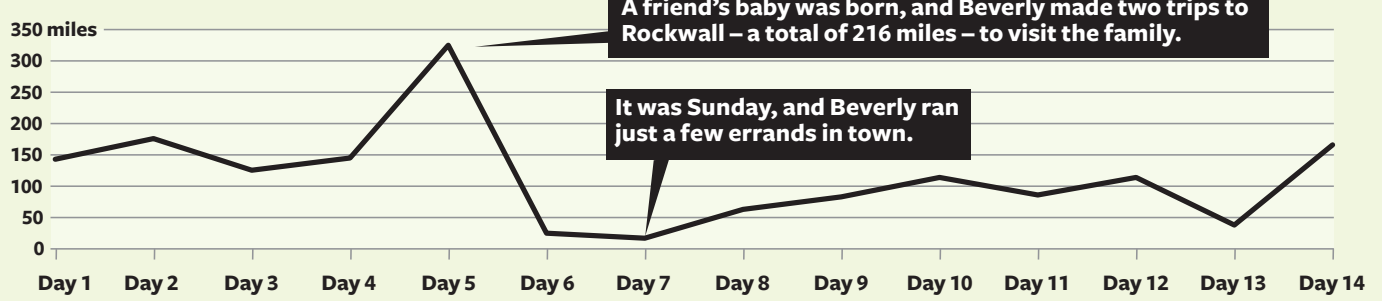
THE GREEN CHALLENGE FAMILIES' DAILY LOGS

The transportation trap

Our four families found they had few options to cut down on driving.

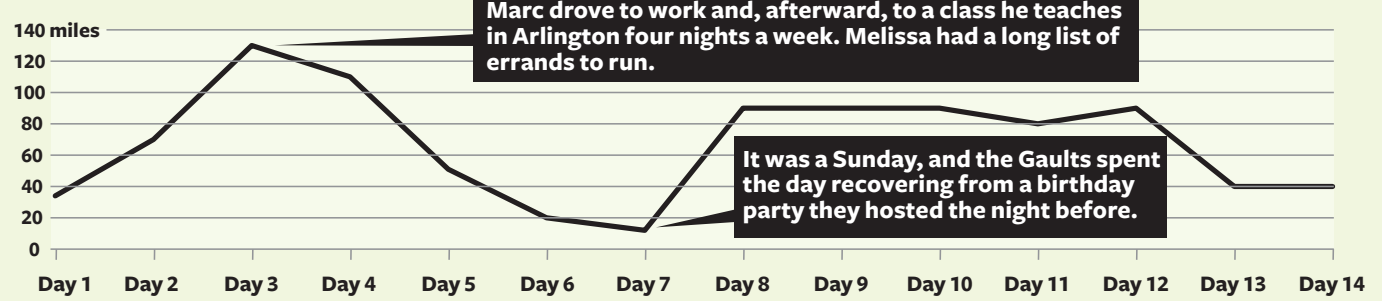
The Davises

Randy Davis' sales job requires him to drive long distances. Since Beverly works in Arlington, public transportation wasn't an option. Despite their commutes, the Davises limited other driving. Beverly shopped at stores she passes on the way home from work, and the couple bundled their errands on weekends.



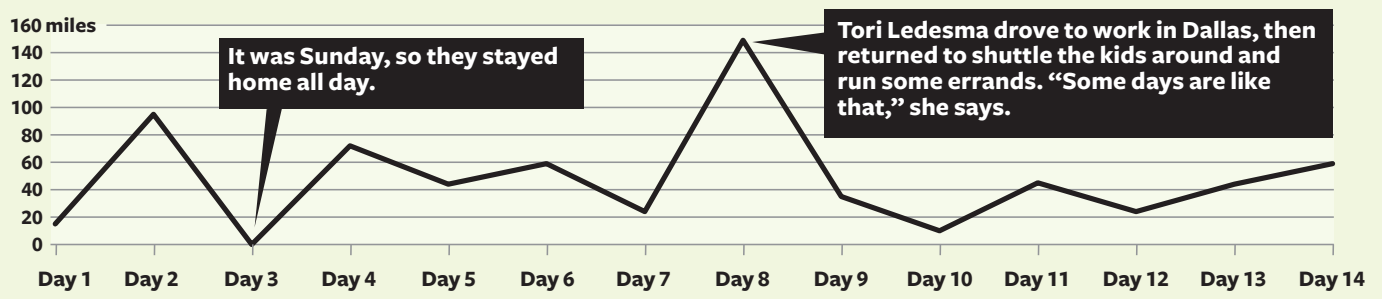
The Gaults

Marc and Melissa Gault live in Benbrook, so they can't take public transportation to their jobs in Fort Worth. They have, however, made efforts to cut down on their driving when possible; Melissa has carpooled with a neighbor to work events, and she has arranged for her daughters to carpool when possible, too.



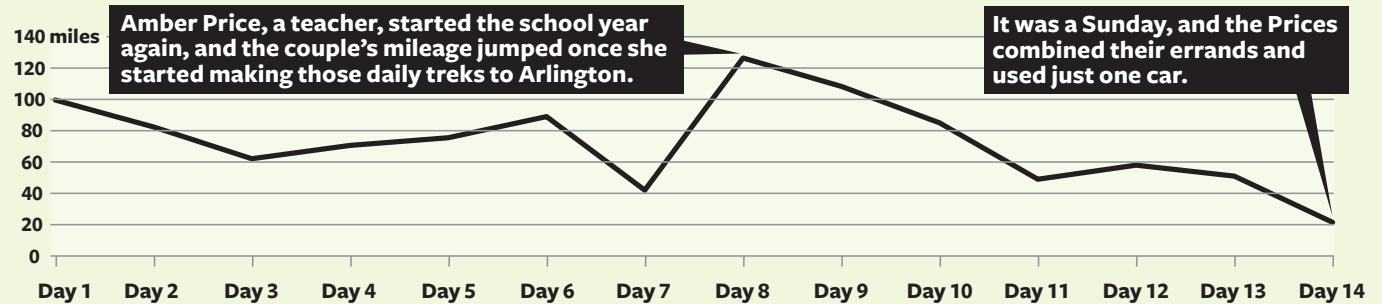
The Ledesmas

The Ledesmas focused on bundling errands instead of making a separate trips, and Ethan and Katie are riding the bus so Tori doesn't have to drive them to school. Gilbert started riding his bike home from the office – 12 miles – on Friday afternoons.



The Prices

Amber and Jonathan Price both must drive to work. But the couple has found a few ways to reduce their gas use, if not their driving. During the challenge, Jonathan tried to drive below the speed limit, increasing his car's efficiency. Outside of work, they now use Amber's more fuel-efficient car.



Sweating it out

Turning the temperature up a few degrees was surprisingly doable for our Green Challenge participants. Experts recommend setting the thermostat no lower than 78 degrees during the day for maximum economic benefit.

● The Davises ● The Gaults ● The Ledesmas ● The Prices

