



Traffic Congestion Trends: 1986-2001

PORTLAND CONGESTION INCREASES MOST ONLY HOUSTON DROPS AMONG 75 AREAS

Rank	Urban Area	Peak Travel Time		Change
		1986	2001	
1	Portland-Vancouver OR-WA	32.4	43.2	33.3%
2	Denver CO	33.9	44.1	30.1%
3	Minneapolis-St. Paul MN	32.4	41.7	28.7%
4	Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood-Pompano Bch FL	33.0	42.0	27.3%
5	Los Angeles CA	43.2	54.9	27.1%
6	San Bernardino-Riverside CA	33.0	41.7	26.4%
7	Atlanta GA	33.6	41.7	24.1%
8	Boston MA	35.7	44.1	23.5%
9	New York NY-Northeastern NJ	34.5	42.3	22.6%
10	San Diego CA	33.3	40.8	22.5%
11	Indianapolis IN	30.9	37.8	22.3%
12	Miami-Hialeah FL	36.0	43.8	21.7%
13	Las Vegas NV	33.3	40.2	20.7%
14	Phoenix AZ	35.7	42.9	20.2%
15	Cincinnati OH-KY	31.5	37.8	20.0%
16	Sacramento CA	33.3	39.9	19.8%
17	Seattle-Everett WA	36.0	42.9	19.2%
18	Austin TX	33.0	39.3	19.1%
19	Tacoma WA	32.1	38.1	18.7%
20	Washington DC-MD-VA	37.2	44.1	18.5%
21	Detroit MI	34.5	40.8	18.3%

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22	W Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch FL	32.1	37.8	17.8%
23	Baltimore MD	33.6	39.3	17.0%
24	Tucson AZ	32.1	37.5	16.8%
25	Milwaukee WI	32.4	37.8	16.7%
26	Memphis TN-AR-MS	31.5	36.6	16.2%
27	Orlando FL	34.2	39.6	15.8%
28	Dallas-Fort Worth TX	34.5	39.9	15.7%
29	Colorado Springs CO	30.9	35.7	15.5%
30	Albuquerque NM	32.1	36.9	15.0%
31	Chicago IL-Northwestern IN	39.0	44.7	14.6%
32	El Paso TX-NM	30.9	35.4	14.6%
33	Columbus OH	31.2	35.7	14.4%
34	Salt Lake City UT	31.5	36.0	14.3%
35	Providence-Pawtucket RI-MA	32.4	36.6	13.0%
36	San Francisco-Oakland CA	42.6	48.0	12.7%
37	Philadelphia PA-NJ	34.8	39.0	12.1%
38	Louisville KY-IN	32.7	36.6	11.9%
39	Charlotte NC	34.2	38.1	11.4%
40	San Antonio TX	32.7	36.3	11.0%
41	San Jose CA	38.7	42.9	10.9%
42	Jacksonville FL	31.5	34.8	10.5%
43	Birmingham AL	31.8	35.1	10.4%
44	Fresno CA	31.8	35.1	10.4%
45	Cleveland OH	30.6	33.6	9.8%
46	Tulsa OK	30.9	33.9	9.7%
47	St. Louis MO-IL	33.3	36.3	9.0%
48	Omaha NE-IA	32.4	35.1	8.3%
49	Nashville TN	32.7	35.4	8.3%
50	Tampa-St Petersburg-Clearwater FL	36.6	39.6	8.2%
51	Eugene-Springfield OR	30.9	33.3	7.8%
52	Kansas City MO-KS	30.9	33.3	7.8%
53	Fort Myers-Cape Coral FL	32.1	34.5	7.5%
54	Charleston SC	33.0	35.4	7.3%

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		1986	2001	
55	Oklahoma City OK	30.9	33.0	6.8%
56	Salem OR	30.9	33.0	6.8%
57	Boulder CO	30.9	33.0	6.8%
58	Pensacola FL	31.5	33.6	6.7%
59	Norfolk-Newport News-Virginia Beach VA	33.6	35.7	6.2%
60	Buffalo-Niagara Falls NY	30.6	32.4	5.9%
61	Richmond VA	31.2	33.0	5.8%
62	Honolulu HI	33.9	35.7	5.3%
63	Bakersfield CA	30.3	31.8	5.0%
64	Albany-Schenectady-Troy NY	30.6	32.1	4.9%
65	Laredo TX	30.9	32.4	4.9%
66	Brownsville TX	30.9	32.4	4.9%
67	Rochester NY	30.6	31.8	3.9%
68	Spokane WA	30.9	32.1	3.9%
69	Hartford-Middletown CT	32.4	33.6	3.7%
70	New Orleans LA	34.2	35.4	3.5%
71	Beaumont TX	30.9	31.8	2.9%
72	Corpus Christi TX	30.9	31.5	1.9%
73	Pittsburgh PA	32.7	33.0	0.9%
74	Anchorage AK	31.5	31.5	0.0%
75	Houston TX	42.6	41.7	-2.1%

Applies Texas Transportation Institute Travel Time Index to a 30 Minute Trip Without Congestion.

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