

# THE GREAT AMERICAN COMMUTE

Ranking The Worst (And Best) Commuter Cities

Teletrac Navman is passionate about mobility and developing solutions to improve how vehicles and people move around the world. It was this passion that drove us to build out the Teletrac Navman Commute Index, that ranks the 50 most populous cities in the U.S. using seven key factors covering, commuter volume, commute time, accident rates and road quality to provide a unique commute quality rating.

## WORST

### COMMUTER CITIES IN AMERICA

#### Rank/City – Index

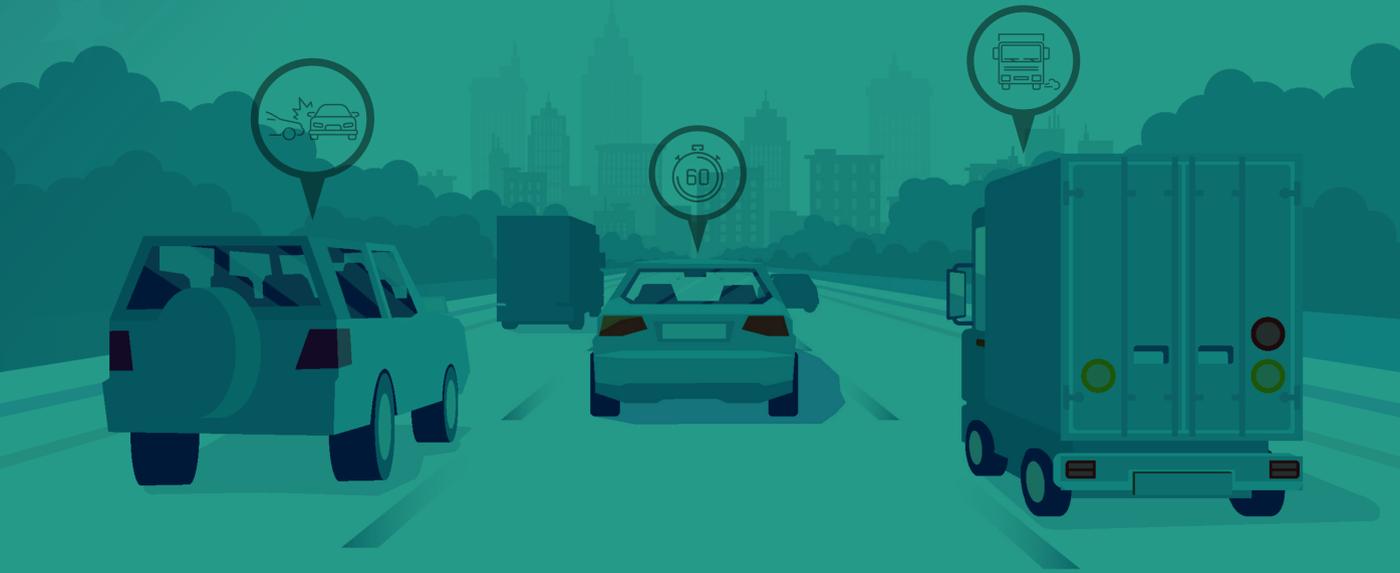
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| 1. Washington DC – 348     | 6. Philadelphia, PA – 292 |
| 2. Baltimore, MD – 324     | 7. New York, NY – 275     |
| 3. Los Angeles, CA – 307   | 8. San Jose, CA – 248     |
| 4. Boston, MA – 304        | 9. Providence, RI – 237   |
| 5. San Francisco, CA – 304 | 10. Chicago, IL – 232     |

## BEST

### COMMUTER CITIES IN AMERICA

#### Rank/City – Index

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Salt Lake City, UT – 62 | 6. Kansas City, MO – 112    |
| 2. Las Vegas, NV – 79      | 7. Jacksonville, FL – 113   |
| 3. Raleigh-Durham, NC – 83 | 8. Indianapolis, IN – 113   |
| 4. Virginia Beach, VA – 87 | 9. Nashville, TN – 117      |
| 5. Buffalo, NY – 99        | 10. Oklahoma City, OK – 123 |



## HOURS LOST IN CONGESTION

Total number of hours lost annually, per driver to traffic congestion during peak commute times.

### WORST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	Hours Lost
1. Boston, MA	149
2. Chicago, IL	145
3. Philadelphia, PA	142
4. New York, NY	140
5. Washington, DC	124

### BEST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	Hours Lost
1. Salt Lake City, UT	9
2. Memphis, TN	10
3. Orlando, FL	16
4. Virginia Beach, VA	16
5. Las Vegas, NV	17

## MORE THAN 1-HOUR COMMUTE

Comparing all commuters with those who travel for more than 60 minutes on their daily morning drive.

### WORST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	% of Commuters
1. New York, NY	22.5%
2. San Francisco, CA	17.9%
3. Washington, DC	17.5%
4. Riverside, CA	17.1%
5. Atlanta, GA	14.5%

### BEST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	% of Commuters
1. Buffalo, NY	3.4%
2. Salt Lake City, UT	3.5%
3. Kansas City, MO	3.5%
4. Memphis, TN	3.8%
5. Oklahoma City, OK	3.8%

## TRAFFIC FATALITIES

The number of fatal road accidents for every 100,000 people.

### WORST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	Fatality Rate
1. Kansas City, MO	22.2
2. Birmingham, AL	19.9
3. St. Louis, MO	18.1
4. Jacksonville, FL	16.3
5. Phoenix, AZ	15.3

### BEST IN AMERICA

Rank / City	Fatality Rate
1. New York, NY	2.4
2. San Francisco, CA	2.8
3. Boston, MA	3.8
4. Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	4.0
5. Seattle, WA	4.1

## TELETRAC NAVMAN COMMUTE INDEX

### Rank/City – Index (worst to best commute)

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Washington DC – 348     | 11. Hartford, CT – 230    | 21. Detroit, MI – 174     | 31. Birmingham, AL – 144    | 41. Oklahoma City, OK – 123 |
| 2. Baltimore, MD – 324     | 12. New Orleans, LA – 226 | 22. Charlotte, NC – 172   | 32. Phoenix, AZ – 143       | 42. Nashville, TN – 117     |
| 3. Los Angeles, CA – 307   | 13. Sacramento, CA – 224  | 23. Austin, TX – 170      | 33. Cincinnati, OH – 142    | 43. Jacksonville, FL – 113  |
| 4. Boston, MA – 304        | 14. Atlanta, GA – 218     | 24. Milwaukee, WI – 158   | 34. Tampa, FL – 141         | 44. Indianapolis, IN – 113  |
| 5. San Francisco, CA – 304 | 15. Riverside, CA – 217   | 25. Denver, CO – 158      | 35. Miami, FL – 135         | 45. Kansas City, MO – 112   |
| 6. Philadelphia, PA – 292  | 16. Dallas, TX – 212      | 26. St. Louis, MO – 157   | 36. Orlando, FL – 129       | 46. Buffalo, NY – 99        |
| 7. New York, NY – 275      | 17. Houston, TX – 207     | 27. San Diego, CA – 156   | 37. Richmond, VA – 127      | 47. Virginia Beach, VA – 87 |
| 8. San Jose, CA – 248      | 18. Seattle, WA – 199     | 28. San Antonio, TX – 152 | 38. Mpls-St. Paul, MN – 126 | 48. Raleigh-Durham, NC – 83 |
| 9. Providence, RI – 237    | 19. Portland, OR – 184    | 29. Pittsburgh, PA – 148  | 39. Louisville, KY – 126    | 49. Las Vegas, NV – 79      |
| 10. Chicago, IL – 232      | 20. Cleveland, OH – 180   | 30. Memphis, TN – 144     | 40. Columbus, OH – 125      | 50. Salt Lake City, UT – 62 |

### METHODOLOGY

**Percent of Commuters Traveling Between 6 a.m. and 10 a.m.** (Source: [Census.gov](https://www.census.gov)): This factor is a ratio of all of the city's commuters who travel during rush hour in the morning.

**Hours Lost in Congestion** (Source: [Inrix Traffic Scorecard](https://www.inrix.com)): This metric reflects the total number of hours annually, per driver to traffic congestion during peak commute times.

**Percent of Commuters With a More-Than-1-Hour Commute** (Source: [Census.gov](https://www.census.gov)): This percentage compares all commuters with those who travel for more than 60 minutes on their daily morning drive.

**Average Years Between Collisions** (Source: [Allstate America's Best Drivers Report](https://www.allstate.com)): This is the number of years between collisions for a typical driver.

**Relative Collision Likelihood** (Source: [Allstate America's Best Drivers Report](https://www.allstate.com)): This is a percentage comparison between the city and the national average.

**Traffic Fatality Rate per 100,000 People** (Source: [NHTSA](https://www.nhtsa.gov)): This metric shows the number of fatal road accidents for every 100,000 people.

**Percentage of Poor-Quality Roads** (Source: [TRIP](https://www.trip.com)): This factor is the percent of roads that were graded as "poor" by TRIP, a national transportation research group, which grades roads as being poor, mediocre, fair, and good.



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