

District 07 Mobility Performance Report

2024 First Quarter

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF SYSTEM PERFORMANCE
DIVISION OF OPERATIONS**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Overview

Caltrans District 7, consisting of Los Angeles and Ventura counties, is part of the second-largest urban region in the United States. Los Angeles County is the most populous county in the United States with more than 10.2 million residents as of 2020. Ventura County has a population of 0.84 million.

The Quarterly Mobility Performance Report (MPR) compares information with over a year ago and over previous quarter in the following performance measures:

- Vehicle Miles of Travel (VMT)
- Vehicle Hours of Delay (VHD) and Bottleneck Locations
- Lost Lane Miles Hours (equivalent lost productivity)
- Detection Health

This information is based on daily data collected, 24 hours a day, by automated vehicle detector stations deployed along the State Highway System. The Mobility Performance Report presents congestion information at two speed thresholds: delay from vehicles traveling below 60 miles per hour (mph), and delay from vehicles traveling below 35 mph. The delay at the 35 mph speed threshold represents severe congestion while delay at 60 mph speed threshold represents both light and heavy congestions. These two speed thresholds are set by Caltrans based on engineering judgement.

FINDINGS

- In this first quarter (January to March of 2024), Vehicle miles of Travel (VMT) across all district 7 freeways were 8.86 billion miles, a slight increase of 0.7 percent from previous quarter.
- There was 23.6 million Vehicle Hours of Delay (VHD) at the 60-mph speed threshold, again a slight increase of 0.7 percent over previous quarter and a decrease of 5.8 percent from a year ago.
- Only 2.4 percent of the 23.58 million VHD were generated in Ventura County, and 97.6 percent were generated in Los Angeles County.
- About 48 percent of the total delay in District 7 at the 35-mph speed threshold were generated from 3 freeways only, I-405 (22%), I-10 (14%), and I-5 (12%).
- These delays were equivalent to 301 Lost Lane Miles Hours (LLM)^{*} from the freeway network during the PM Peak Period, compared to 311 LLM from previous quarter.
- The average weekday daily delay in this quarter was approximately 129,000 VHD at 35-mph speed threshold, and 324,000 VHD at 60-mph speed thresholds (0.8 percent and 2.3 Percent increase respectively over the previous quarter.)
- Thursdays are the most congested days of the week in this quarter then Fridays. Morning peak hour was at 8:00 AM. Afternoon peak hour was at 5:00 PM. The peak periods extended from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM and from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM.
- Weekend's peak hour (Saturday and Sunday) was at 3:00 PM, and peak period extended between 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM.

* **Lost Lane Miles Hours (Lost Productivity):** This is the number of lane-mile-hours that are lost due to the freeway operating under congested conditions. When the freeway is in congestion - speed is below 35 mph - PeMS find the ratio between the measured flow and the capacity for this location. This drop in capacity is due to the fact that the freeway is operating in congested conditions instead of in free flow)

➤ By the end of the first quarter, loop detectors in good service condition account for only 29.4 percent of the total loops, while 70.6 percent of total loop detectors are nonoperational. Almost 3.8 percent of the total loops were out due to construction projects.

County	# Det	% Good	% Bad	% Construction
Los Angeles	10595	28.1	71.9	2.2
Ventura	616	51.9	48.1	23.7
Totals	11,211	29.4	70.6	3.4

➤ Top Ten Bottlenecks for the 2024 First Quarter:

Rank	County	Location	Shift	Fwy	Abs PM	CA PM	Latitude	Longitude	# Days Active	Avg Extent (Miles)	Total Delay (veh-hrs)	Total Duration (hours)
1	Los Angeles	Solano Ave	PM	I110-N	25.01	25.08	34.075092	-118.232059	62	3.7	203,259	299
2	Los Angeles	Firestone Blvd	PM	I605-S	10.39	R8.34	33.923989	-118.104406	62	6.6	184,020	248
3	Los Angeles	Howard Hughes Pkwy	PM	I405-S	48.67	24.9	33.976541	-118.387273	54	4.9	168,729	160
4	Los Angeles	Paramount Blvd	PM	SR60-E	7.91	R7.74	34.035853	-118.093489	57	5.2	158,120	210
5	Los Angeles	Adams Blvd	AM	I110-N	20.53	20.6	34.026085	-118.275163	62	4.2	154,598	223
6	Los Angeles	Bel Air Crest Rd	AM	I405-S	59.57	35.8	34.110424	-118.481702	61	4.6	151,625	208
7	Los Angeles	Garfield Ave	PM	I5-S	127.33	10.76	33.986224	-118.136014	61	2.9	146,143	269
8	Los Angeles	Downey Rd	PM	I5-S	130.91	14.34	34.019879	-118.181588	62	2.1	143,455	300
9	Los Angeles	National Blvd	AM	I405-N	52.93	29.16	34.026728	-118.429807	46	5.8	143,326	166
10	Los Angeles	Pasadena Ave	PM	I5-N	136.63	20	34.076978	-118.219273	62	3.1	142,401	243

Project Status:

The following projects are currently being constructed or are scheduled for construction in District 7. These projects are expected to relieve traffic congestion in Los Angeles and Ventura counties.

LA I-405: EA 34070, LA CIENEGA BLVD SOUTHBOUND ON AND OFF-RAMPS IMPROVEMENTS.

This project widens the southbound I-405 La Cienega Blvd exit ramp from one to two lanes, from the diverge point on, and then widens to four lanes at the ramp terminal intersection. The entrance ramp from La Cienega Blvd will be widened from one lane to two lanes up through the ramp meter line and then taper to one lane to join the existing collector-distributor road just before the Century Blvd UC.

LA SR-57: EA 27912, IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IN DIAMOND BAR AND CITY OF INDUSTRY ON ROUTE 60 FROM E60-S57 CONNECTOR OC TO GOLDEN SPRINGS DRIVE UC.

This project will reconstruct Grand Ave OC, and NB SR-57 Connector to EB SR-60. This project will also construct EB SR-60 Bypass Off-Ramp to Grand Ave, EB SR-60 Bypass, and construct SB Grand Ave To EB SR-60 Loop On-Ramp.

LA I-405: EA 29360, IN TORRANCE. INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS AND NEW AUX LN.

This project will improve Interstate 405 (I-405) @ Crenshaw Boulevard & 182nd Street interchange and add auxiliary lanes on I-405 between Western Avenue and Crenshaw Boulevard in Los Angeles County. Improvements include constructing a new southbound on-ramp from northbound Crenshaw Boulevard.

TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PROJECTS TO UPGRADE THE EXISTING COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS.

- **LA I-10: EA 32720**, Upgrade the existing transportation management system elements in and near Santa Monica from Lincoln boulevard to McClure tunnel, on Route 10 (PM 2.1/18.3), Route 2 (PM R18.7), Route 101 (PM 11.8), and Route 105 (pm r1.95).
- **LA SR-91: EA 33860**, Upgrade existing traffic management communication in and near Carson from Route 110 to Orange County line, on Route 2 (PM R18.7), Route 5 (PM 6.8), and Route 105 (PM R2.0).
- **LA SR-60: EA 32710**, Upgrade transportation management system.
- **LA US-101: EA 33780**, This project proposes to upgrade the existing Transportation Management System (TMS) elements including Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras, Changeable Message Signs, Vehicle Detection Stations, Ramp Metering Systems, and Internet Protocol (IP) ready network at various locations in Los Angeles County.

ROADSIDE SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

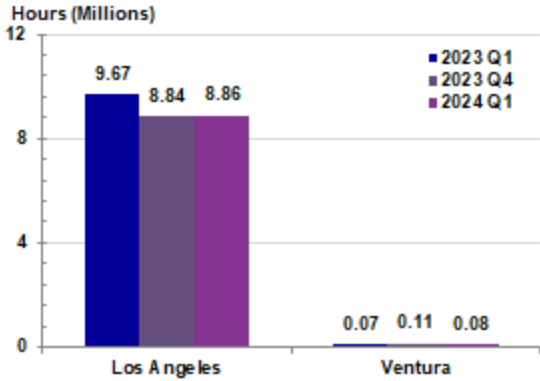
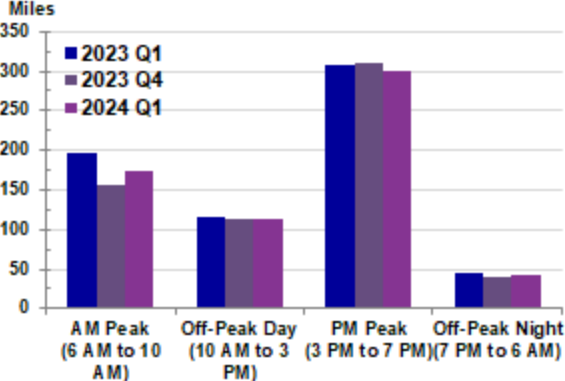
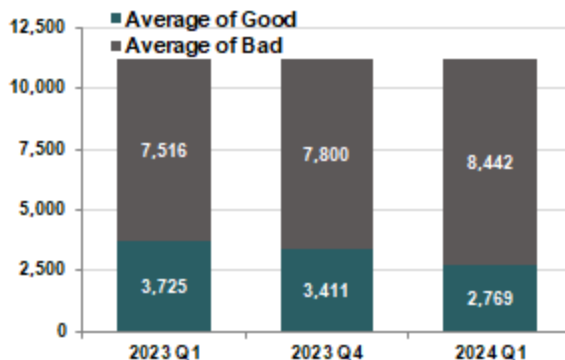
- **LA I-110: EA 31200**, In Los Angeles County at various locations. The project will replace some of the Transportation Management System (TMS) field elements, which includes replacement of the existing copper cables with fiber optic cables along the corridor and at all Closed-Circuit Television Cameras (CCTVs), Ramp Metering Systems (RMS), Vehicle Detection Stations (VDS), and Extinguishable Message Sign (EMS).
- **LA I-405: EA 32180**, in Los Angeles County near Carson and long beach at various locations from 0.1 mile north of route 710 to route 110/405 separation.

This list of ongoing or planned projects is only a partial list, please contact CALTRANS District 7 for more details.

Quarterly Mobility Statistics

Measure	Graph	Percentage Change													
Vehicle Miles of Travel (VMT)	<p>Miles (Billions)</p> <table border="1"> <tr><th>Year</th><th>Q1</th><th>Q4</th><th>Q1</th></tr> <tr><td>2023</td><td>8.73</td><td>8.8</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>2024</td><td></td><td></td><td>8.86</td></tr> </table>	Year	Q1	Q4	Q1	2023	8.73	8.8		2024			8.86	Over one year ago	Over last quarter
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		2023	350	316											
2024			324												
-7.6%	2.3%														

Measure	Graph	Percentage Change	
Average Vehicle Hours of Delay by Day of Week at 60 mph		Largest Magnitude Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Decrease over last quarter
		Friday -14.8% ↓	Sun/Hol -23.5% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Increase over last quarter
		-	Wednesday 4.5% ↑
Average Vehicle Hours of Delay by Hour of Day at 35 mph, Weekdays		Largest Magnitude Weekday Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Weekday Decrease over last quarter
		8 AM -21.4% ↓	5 PM -3.1% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Weekday Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Weekday Increase over last quarter
		8 PM 19.4% ↑	8 AM 10.1% ↑
Average Vehicle Hours of Delay by Hour of Day at 35 mph, Saturdays		Largest Magnitude Saturday Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Saturday Decrease over last quarter
		1 PM -16.9% ↓	5 PM -2.7% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Saturday Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Saturday Increase over last quarter
		7 AM 22.4% ↑	2 PM 14.3% ↑
Average Vehicle Hours of Delay by Hour of Day at 35 mph, Sundays/Holidays		Largest Magnitude Sun./Holiday Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Sun./Holiday Decrease over last quarter
		6 PM -25.1% ↓	5 PM -50.9% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Sun./Holiday Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Sun./Holiday Increase over last quarter
		7 AM 19.8% ↑	8 PM 9.5% ↑

Measure	Graph	Percentage Change	
Total Vehicle Hours of Delay (VHD) by County at 35 mph		Largest Magnitude Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Decrease over last quarter
		Los Angeles -8.4% ↓	Ventura -27.8% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Increase over last quarter
		Ventura 12.2% ↑	Los Angeles 0.3% ↑
Average Non-Holiday Weekday Equivalent Lost Lane Mile Hours at 35 mph		Largest Magnitude Decrease over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Decrease over last quarter
		AM Peak -11.8% ↓	PM Peak -3.3% ↓
		Largest Magnitude Increase over one year ago	Largest Magnitude Increase over last quarter
		-	AM Peak 11.8% ↑
Average Number of Good and Bad Detectors		Change in Good over one year ago	Change in Good over last quarter
		-26% ↓	-19% ↓
		Change in Bad over one year ago	Change in Bad over last quarter
		12% ↑	8% ↑

Congestion by Route

Route	County	Vehicle Hours of Delay at 35 mph			Difference 2024 Q1-2023 Q1		Difference 2024 Q1-2023 Q4		Rank		
		2023 Q1	2023 Q4	2024 Q1	Absolute	Percentage	Absolute	Percentage	2023 Q1	2023 Q4	2024 Q1
		I405	Los Angeles	2,054,975	1,940,525	1,925,947	-129,029	-6.3%	-14,578	-0.8%	1
I10	Los Angeles	1,050,673	1,232,559	1,257,416	206,743	19.7%	24,857	2.0%	3	2	2
I5	Los Angeles	1,456,595	1,062,181	1,097,817	-358,778	-24.6%	35,636	3.4%	2	3	3
I210	Los Angeles	757,090	903,997	886,566	129,476	17.1%	-17,431	-1.9%	5	4	4
US101	Los Angeles	1,002,505	799,236	853,343	-149,161	-14.9%	54,108	6.8%	4	5	5
SR60	Los Angeles	605,182	619,584	601,290	-3,892	-0.6%	-18,294	-3.0%	6	6	6
I605	Los Angeles	505,863	576,108	552,677	46,814	9.3%	-23,431	-4.1%	8	7	7
I110	Los Angeles	590,283	522,767	548,812	-41,472	-7.0%	26,045	5.0%	7	8	8
I710	Los Angeles	452,346	343,902	318,523	-133,823	-29.6%	-25,379	-7.4%	9	9	9
SR91	Los Angeles	354,763	262,116	241,464	-113,299	-31.9%	-20,652	-7.9%	10	10	10
SR14	Los Angeles	264,197	176,353	186,468	-77,729	-29.4%	10,116	5.7%	11	11	11
SR134	Los Angeles	198,213	143,919	155,029	-43,184	-21.8%	11,110	7.7%	12	12	12
I105	Los Angeles	156,118	117,282	120,258	-35,861	-23.0%	2,976	2.5%	13	13	13
SR57	Los Angeles	47,045	57,717	48,865	1,821	3.9%	-8,851	-15.3%	16	15	14
SR118	Los Angeles	85,441	72,720	43,730	-41,711	-48.8%	-28,990	-39.9%	14	14	15
SR23	Ventura	16,145	33,262	30,199	14,055	87.1%	-3,063	-9.2%	18	17	16
US101	Ventura	39,100	46,476	29,842	-9,259	-23.7%	-16,634	-35.8%	17	16	17
SR2	Los Angeles	15,614	0	18,936	3,322	21.3%	18,936		19		18
SR118	Ventura	13,644	29,304	17,655	4,011	29.4%	-11,649	-39.8%	20	18	19
SR33	Ventura	3,309	3,167	3,309	0	0.0%	141	4.5%	21	19	20
SR47	Los Angeles	1,626	2,209	1,312	-314	-19.3%	-898	-40.6%	22	20	21
SR126	Los Angeles	972	375	1,188	215	22.2%	813	216.8%	24	22	22
SR71	Los Angeles	1,223	1,624	840	-384	-31.4%	-784	-48.3%	23	21	23
SR90	Los Angeles	189	110	0	-188	-99.8%	-110	-99.6%	25	23	24
SR170	Los Angeles	72,474	0	0	-72,474	-100.0%	0		15		
TOTALS		9,745,584	8,947,490	8,941,484	-804,100	-8.3%	-6,006	-0.03%			