

# Quarterly Congestion Analysis Report

Top 10 Bottlenecks in the Baltimore Region

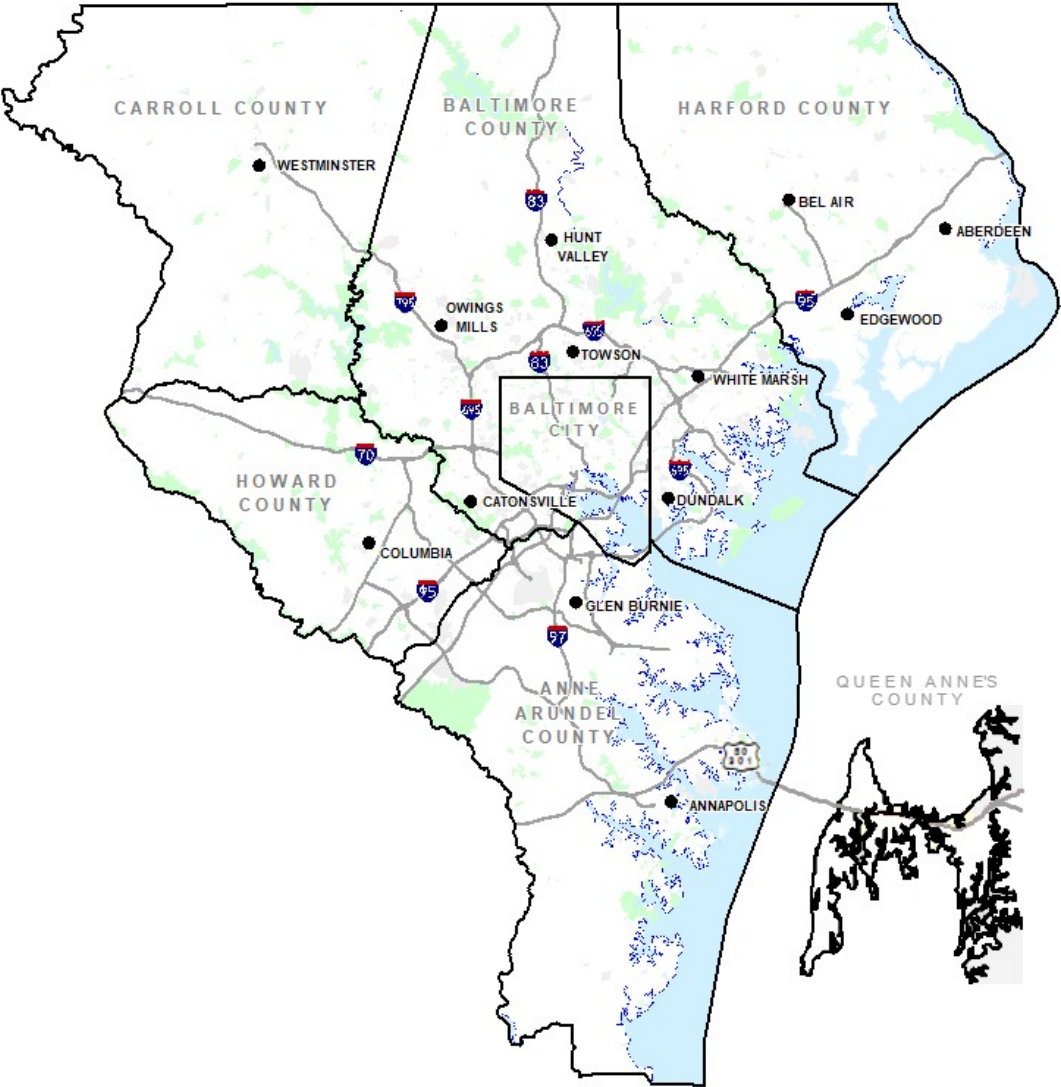
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023

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# About the Region

# Baltimore Region

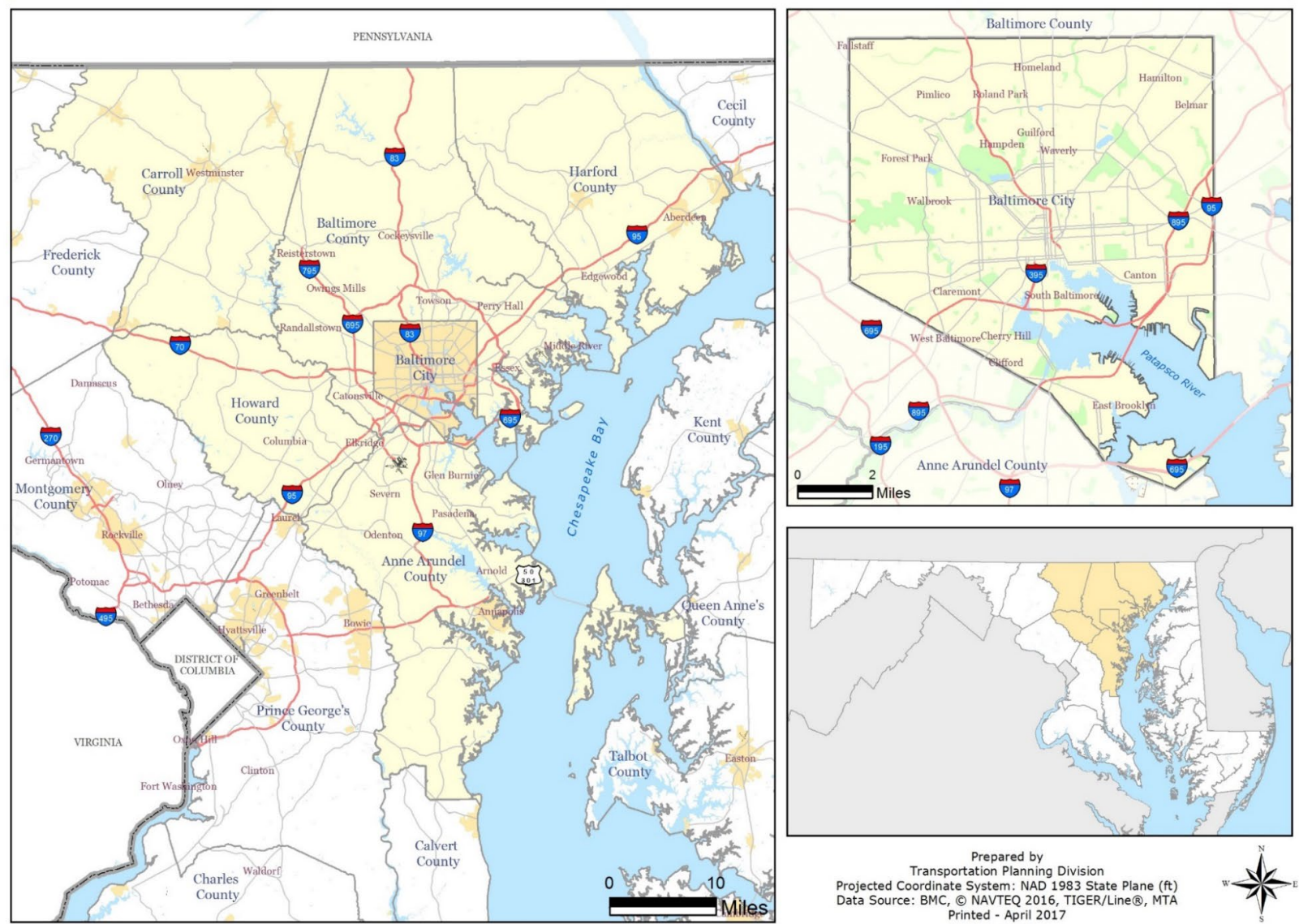


The Baltimore region is the nation's 19<sup>th</sup> largest market, with over 2.8 million people. The market also ranks among the top 20 in the number of households, total effective buying income and retail sales.

County	2020 Census	2010 Census	Change	Area
Anne Arundel	588,261	537,656	+9.41%	414.90 sq mi
Baltimore City	585,708	620,961	-5.68%	80.94 sq mi
Baltimore	854,535	805,029	+6.15%	598.30 sq mi
Carroll	172,891	167,134	+3.44%	447.59 sq mi
Harford	260,924	244,826	+6.58%	437.09 sq mi
Howard	332,317	287,085	+15.76%	250.74 sq mi
Queen Anne's	49,874	47,798	+4.34%	371.91 sq mi
Total	2,844,510	2,710,489	+4.94%	2,601.47 sq mi



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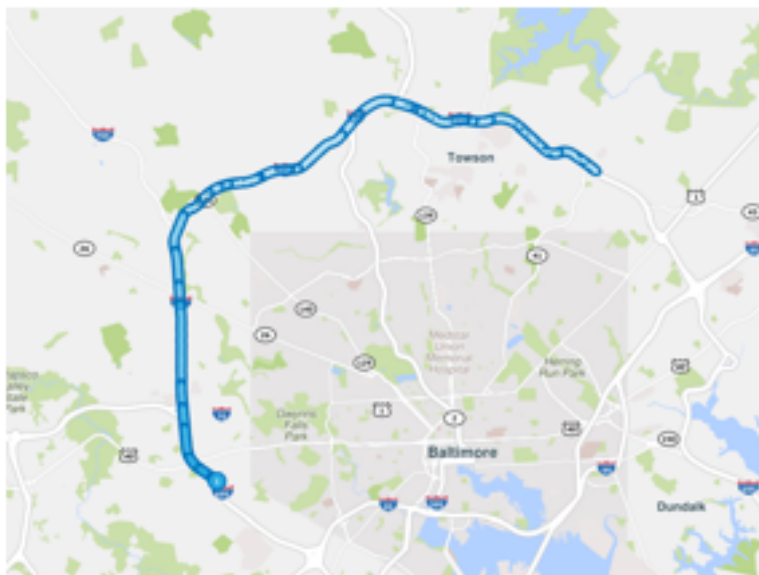
# Bottleneck Analytics

## How are bottleneck conditions tracked?

- **Rank** - The ranked position of the location according to the current table ordering by Base Impact – the aggregation of queue length over time for congestion at each location in mile minutes. It is then weighted by Total Delay – Raw speed drop weighted by VMT factor.
- **Previous Quarter Ranking** - Bottleneck ranking from the previous report if the bottleneck was in the Top 10.
- **Average max length** - The average maximum length, in miles, of queues formed by congestion originating at the location.
- **Average daily duration** - The average amount of time per day that congestion is identified originating at the location.
- **Volume Estimate** - AADT weighted by queue length.
- **Total Delay** - Raw Speed drop weighted by VMT Factor (in millions).

Rank	Location	Previous Quarter Ranking	Avg. Max. Length (mi)	Avg. Daily Duration	Volume Estimate (AADT)	Total Delay (Millions)
1	I-695 OL @MD-26/LIBERTY RD/EXIT 18	1	1.88	2 h 6 m	98,434	82.4
2	I-95 N @ MD-152/MOUNTAIN RD/EXIT 74	3	7.18	40 m	85,463	67.0
3	I-695 IL @ MD-372/WILKENS AVE/EXIT 12	5	2.00	1 h 45 m	98,964	63.7
4	I-95 N @ MD-100/EXIT 43	3	3.50	1 h 15 m	103,385	60.9
5	I-95 S @ MD-24/EXIT 77	4	2.48	1 h 18 m	58,863	43.9
6	I-695 OL @ PROVIDENCE RD/EXIT 28		3.72	38 m	78,288	37.1
7	I-97 S @ MD-178/EXIT 5		2.27	1 h 45 m	58,228	35.6
8	I-695 OL @ I-83/MD-25/EXIT 23		3.50	51 m	93,455	34.6
9	I-695 IL @ MD-22/SECURITY BLVD/EXIT 17		2.18	1 h 15 m	102,889	34.2
10	MD-295 N @ CANINE RD		2.48	1 h 18 m	49,927	31.4

## Maps



The Map view displays selected bottlenecks on a map. Each element occurring at the selected location is layered on the map, extending upstream from the head location to the maximum length of the specific *element*. As each element adds another layer on the map, road segments become more opaque. Segments closest to the head become the most opaque as they are more frequently affected by congestion at the selected location.



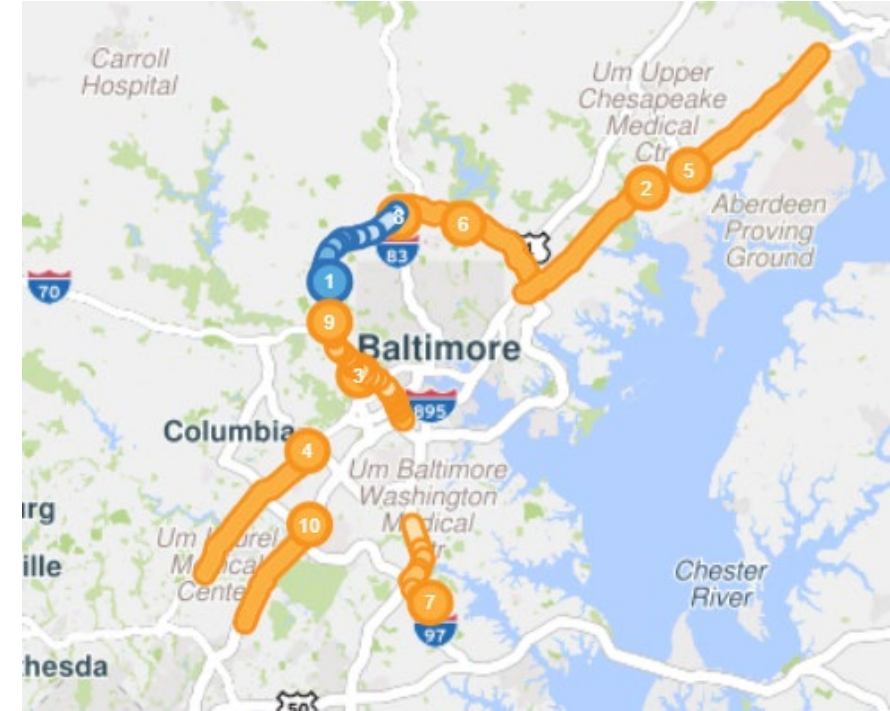


# Top 10 Bottleneck Rankings in the Baltimore Region – 1st Quarter 2023

# Top 10 Bottlenecks in the Region

Q1 2023

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Bottlenecks are ranked by **Base Impact** – the sum of queue lengths over the duration of the bottleneck and weighted by speed differential, congestion and **total delay**.

IL = Inner Loop      OL = Outer Loop

Red #s = highest value for that metric

**Total Delay** = Raw Speed drop weighted by VMT Factor (in millions)

# **Top 10 Bottleneck Rankings in the Baltimore Region – 1st Quarter 2023 by Location**

## **Includes:**

- Location Maps with notes on each bottleneck condition**
- Animated Speed Maps**
- Travel Time Graphs**
- Congestion Scan Heat Diagrams**

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I-695 OL @ MD-26/EXIT 18

## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

Q1 2023



One of the heaviest traveled high volume corridors in the area. The bottlenecks originate at varying exit locations both in the AM and PM peak periods.

In this case the core of the bottleneck extends back to MD-140/Reisterstown Rd /Exit 20. As seen in the location map it sometimes can extend back across the top side of the beltway.

A Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) project is being developed to reduce congestion and delay and increase reliability of travel within the project area from I-70 to MD 43.

PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 8:20AM

**46.1 mph**

(35% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 5:30 PM

**46.0 mph**

(32% slower than free flow)



PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 8:20AM

**9.4 min**

PM Peak | 5:30 PM

**9.5 min**

Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

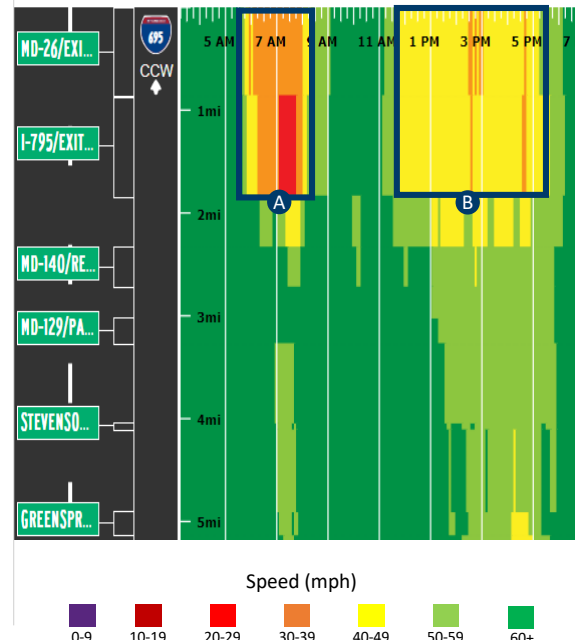
**\$1.193 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**39,513 h**

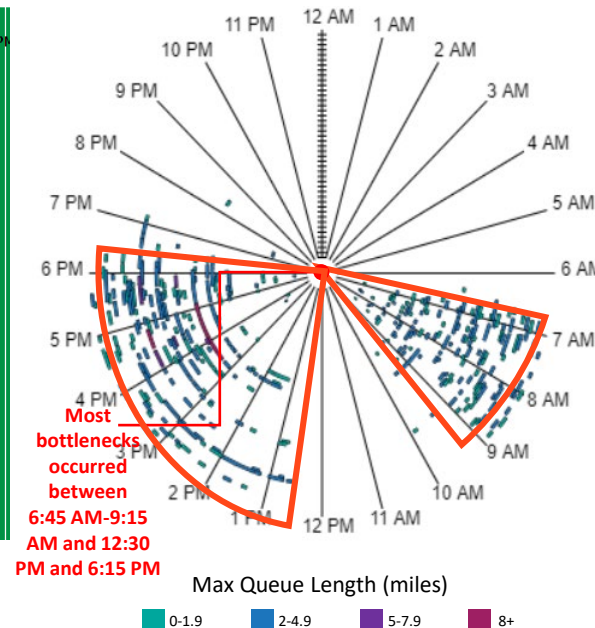
## Congested Locations

- A** 6:45AM – 9:15AM I-795/Exit 19 to MD-26/Exit 18
- B** 12:30PM – 6:30PM I-795/Exit 19 to MD-26/Exit 18



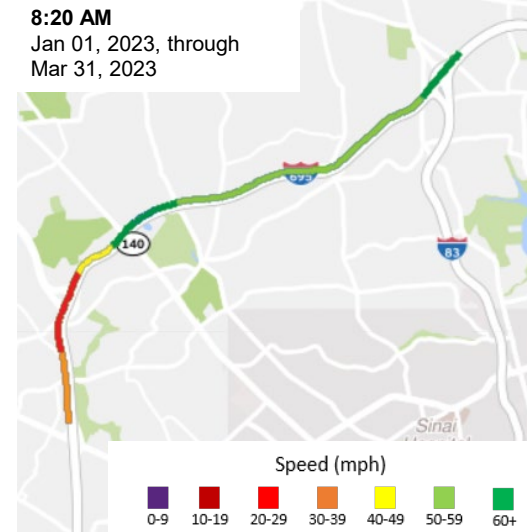
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## Corridor Speeds Over Time

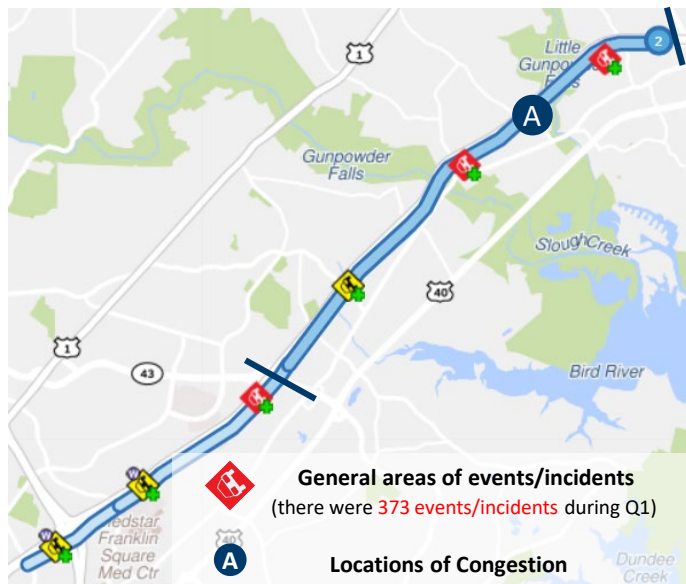
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## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

Q1 2023



PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:05 AM

**57.3 mph**

(19% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 4:25 PM

**54.5 mph**

(22% slower than free flow)



PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 4:25 AM

**11.2 min**

PM Peak | 1:10 PM

**11.8 min**

Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

**\$1.036 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**34,308 h**

## Congested Locations

**A** 6:45AM – 8:00PM MD-43/White Marsh  
Blvd/Exit 67 to MD-152/Mountain Rd/Exit 74

## Bottleneck Occurrences

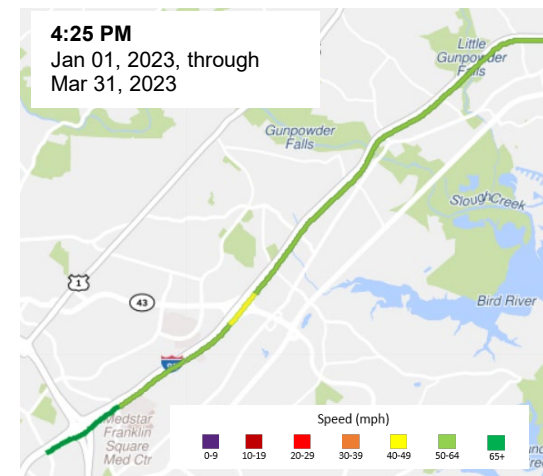
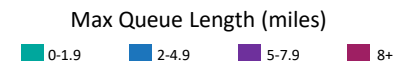
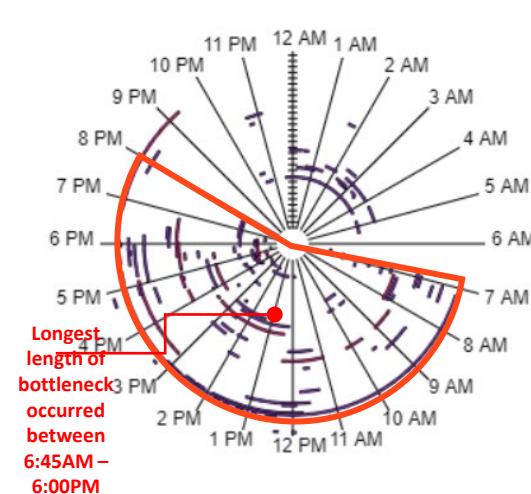
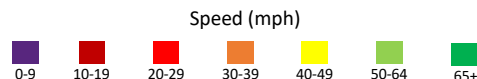
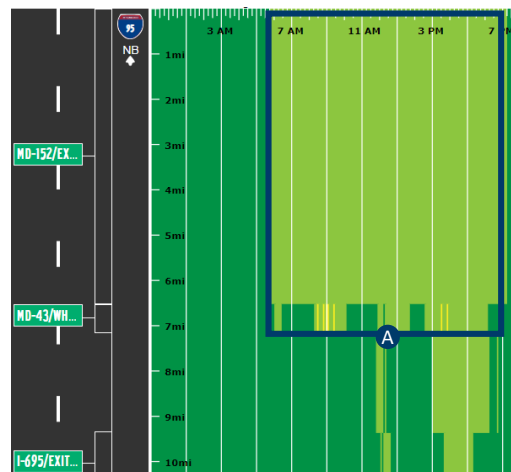
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## Corridor Speeds Over Time

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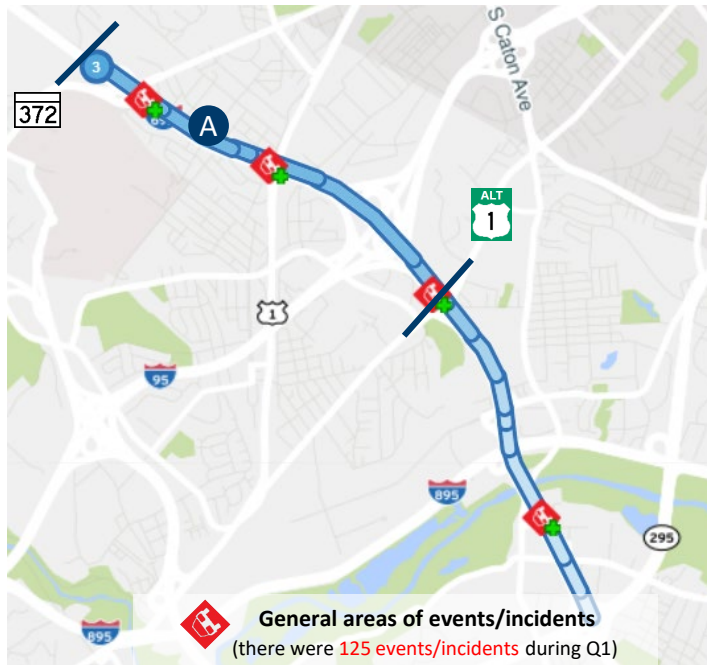
*I-95 Express Toll Lanes Northbound Extension From MD 43 to MD 152 is responsible for shoulder and lane closures primarily in the daylight hours.*

*The extension is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2023 to MD 152, with the full extension to north of MD 24 open to traffic by the end of 2026. This includes the Old Joppa Road Overpass Replacement and off peak shoulder and lane closures.*



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I-695 IL @ MD-372/WILKENS AVE/EXIT 12



A

Locations of Congestion

Afternoon congestion on the inner loop of the beltway with the greatest delays between MD-144 and the lane drop at I-70. High volume ramps from Security Blvd, I-70 and US-40 contributed to the congestion. Section "A" of the bottleneck also sometimes overlaps into the 2nd ranked bottleneck that begins at MD-122/Security Blvd.

# Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

Q1 2023



PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:45 AM

**50.6 mph**

(26% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 4:25 PM

**28.8 mph**

(57% slower than free flow)



PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:45 AM

**5.1 min**

PM Peak | 4:25 PM

**9 min**

Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

**\$0.874 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

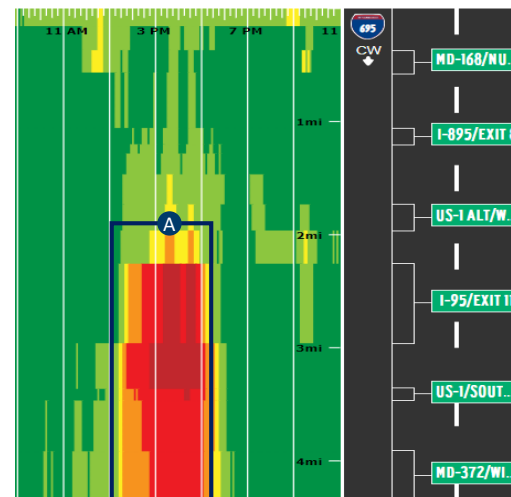
**28,941 h**

## Congested Locations

A 2:15PM – 6:30PM US-1 ALT/Washington Blvd/Exit 10 to MD-372/Wilkens Ave/Exit 12

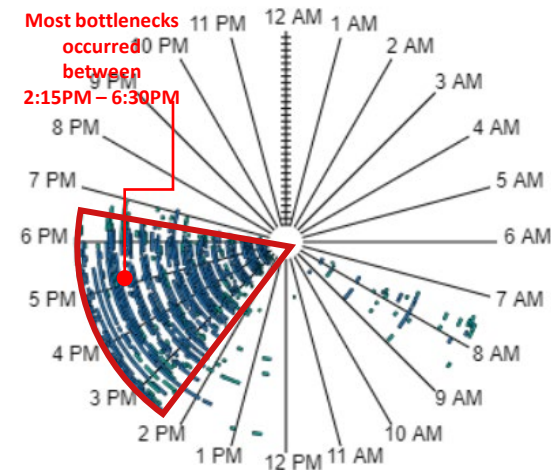
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Speed (mph)

0-9 10-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60+



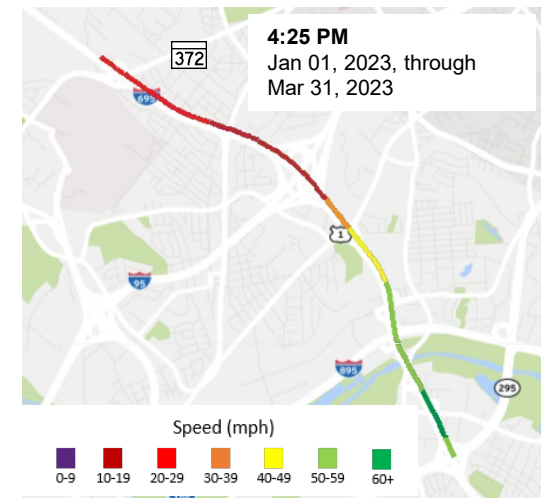
Most bottlenecks occurred between 2:15PM – 6:30PM

Max Queue Length (miles)

0-1.9 2-4.9 5-7.9 8+

## Corridor Speeds Over Time

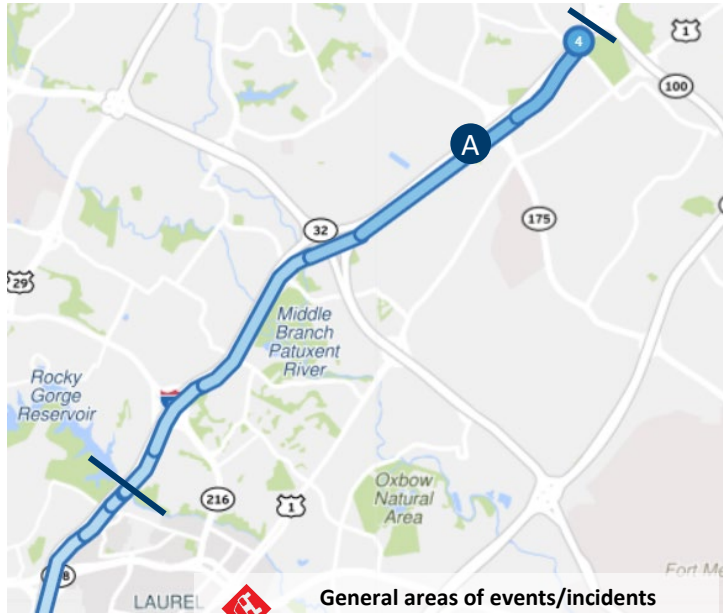
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4:25 PM  
Jan 01, 2023, through  
Mar 31, 2023

Speed (mph)

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A

Locations of Congestion

Congestion in the afternoon rush hour. Contributing factors include traffic entering at MD-175, weaving to exit at MD-100, and the half mile uphill grade midway between MD-175 and MD-100.

# Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

# Q1 2023



PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**60.1 mph**

(16% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 3:45 PM

**41.9 mph**

(41% slower than free flow)



PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**10.9 min**

PM Peak | 3:45 PM

**16.6 min**

Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

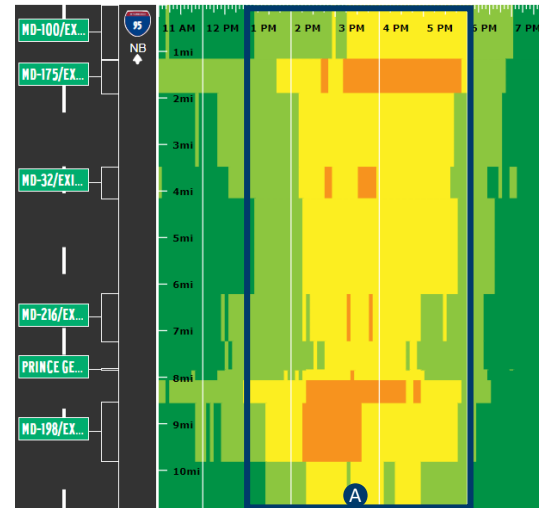
**\$1.460 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**48,352 h**

## Congested Locations

A 1:00PM – 6:00PM Prince George's/Anne Arundel Line to MD-100/Exit 43

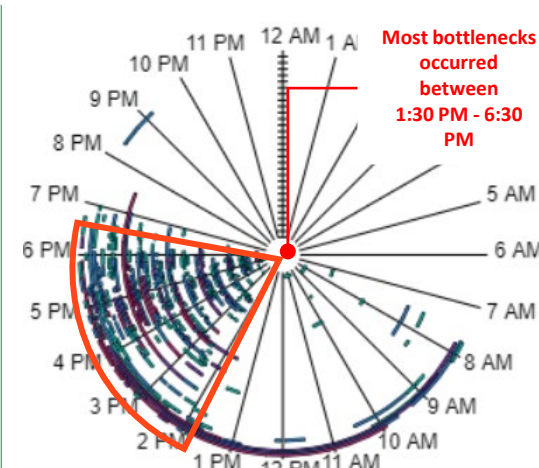


Speed (mph)

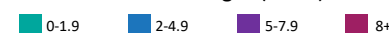


## Bottleneck Occurrences

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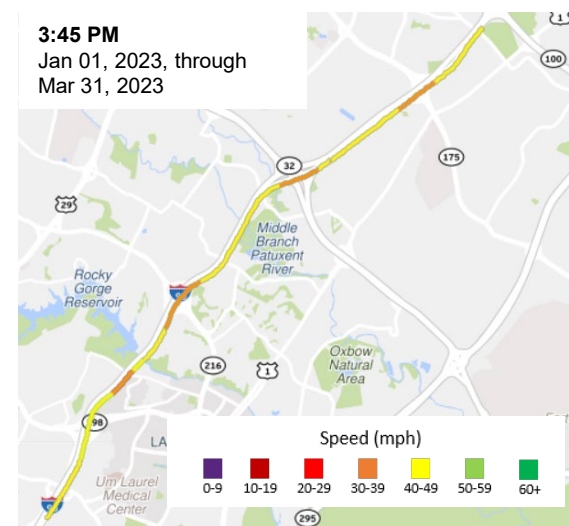


Max Queue Length (miles)



## Corridor Speeds Over Time

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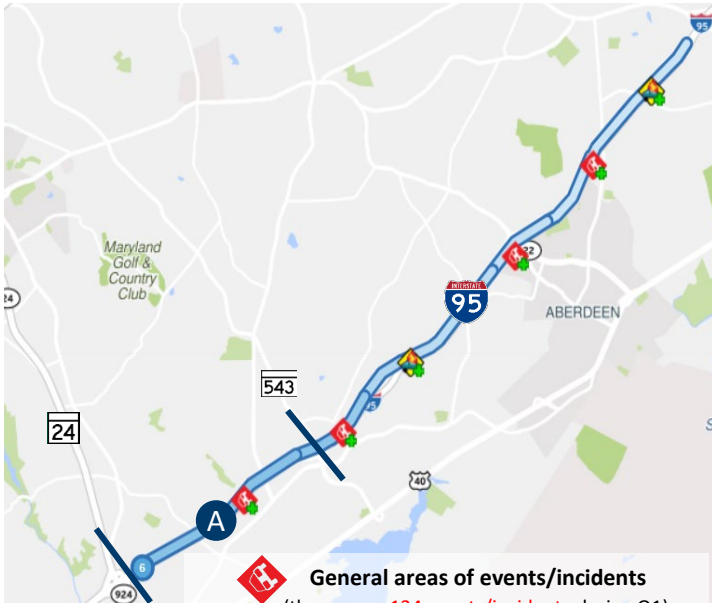


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I-95 S @ MD-24/EXIT 77

## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

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Construction of the Express Toll Lanes (ETL) in Harford County on I 95 along with high traffic volumes contribute to this delay.

Based on observations work appears to be occurring mid-days during the week between 10AM and 5PM.

PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 11:40 AM

**62.0 mph**

(14% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 2:45 PM

**54.2 mph**

(25% slower than free flow)



PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 11:40 AM

**11.2 min**

PM Peak | 2:45 PM

**12.8 min**

Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

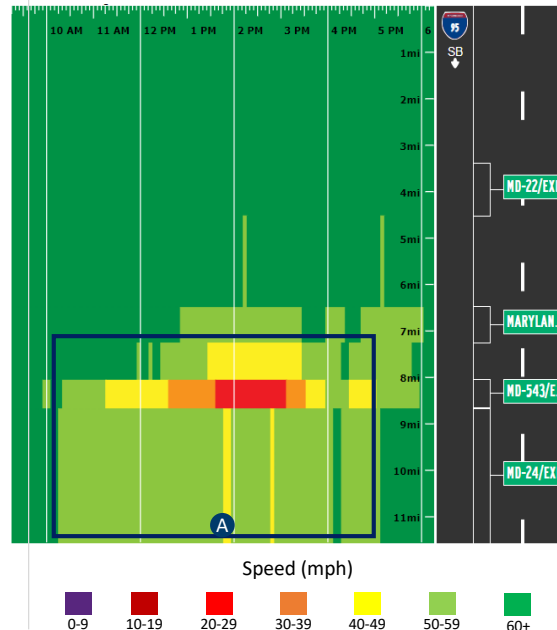
**\$0.839 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**27,772 h**

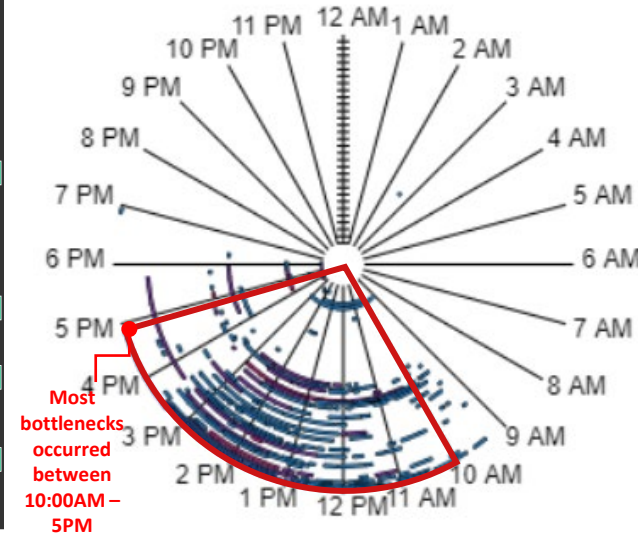
## Congested Locations

A 10:00AM – 5PM Maryland House to MD-543/Exit 80 to MD-24/Exit 77



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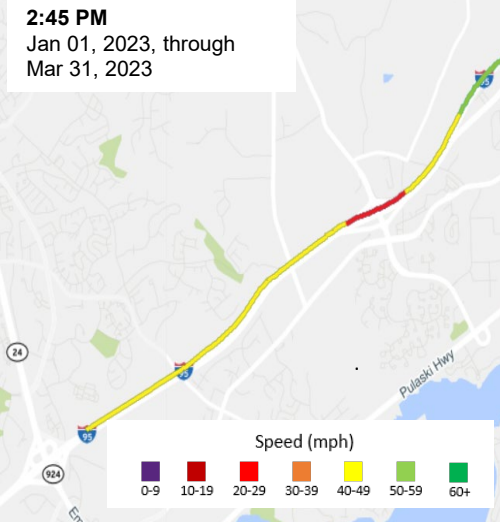


Max Queue Length (miles)

0-1.9 2-4.9 5-7.9 8+

## Corridor Speeds Over Time

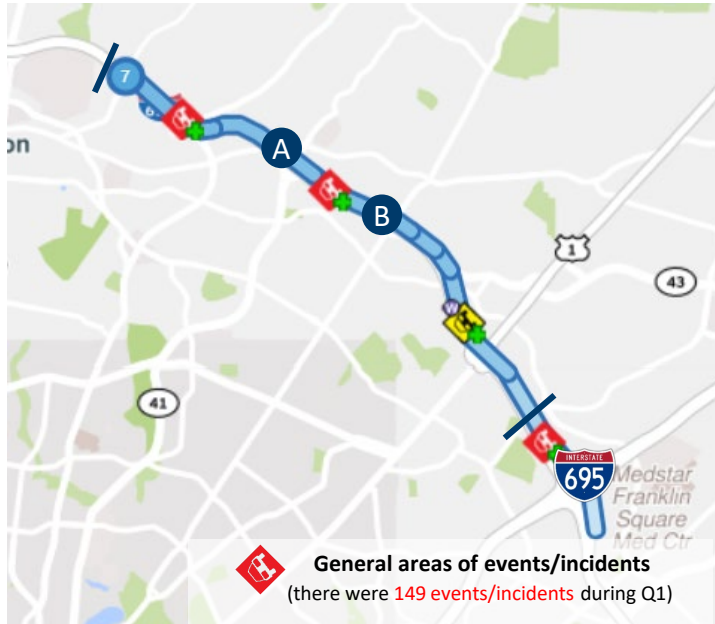
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## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

Q1 2023



Factors contributing to this long standing and extended congested zone are merging and weaving associated with traffic at each close interchange.

A Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) project is being developed to reduce congestion and delay and increase reliability of travel within the project area from I-70 to MD 43.

## PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**25.0 mph**

(64% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 4:30 PM

**44.0 mph**

(34% slower than free flow)



## PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**16.4 min**

PM Peak | 4:30 PM

**9.3 min**

## Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

**\$1.558 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**51,595 h**

## Congested Locations

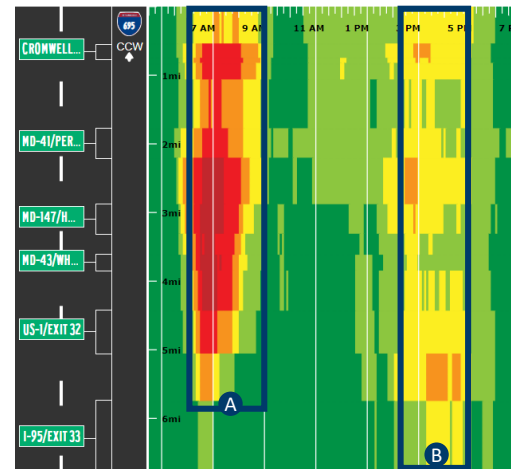
- A 7:00AM – 9:30AM** I-95/Exit 33 to Providence Rd/Exit 28
- B 3:00PM – 6:00PM** I-95/Exit 33 to Providence Rd/Exit 28

## Bottleneck Occurrences

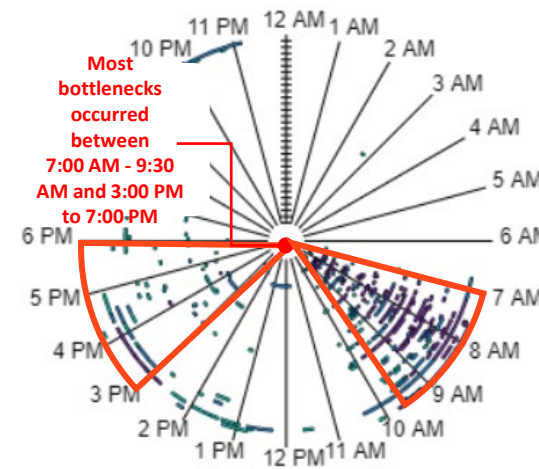
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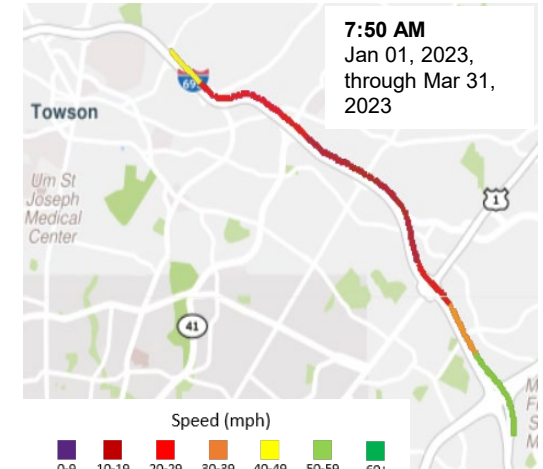
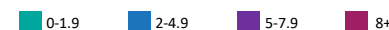
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Speed (mph)



Max Queue Length (miles)



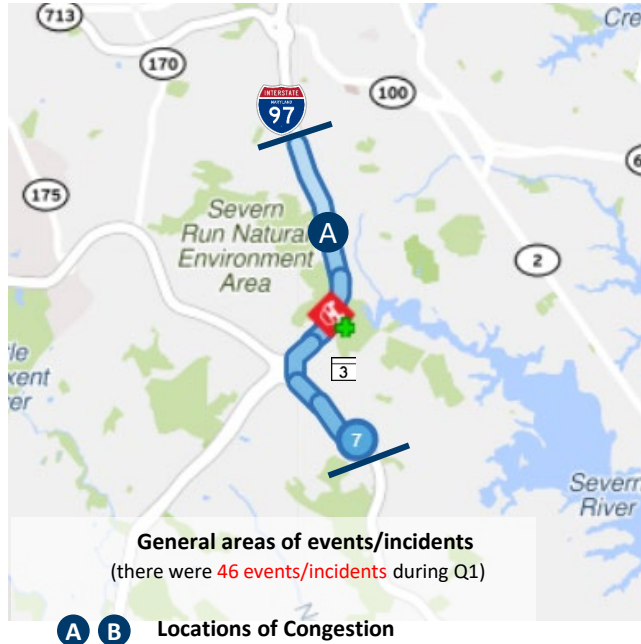
Speed (mph)



# 7 I-97 S @ MD-178/EXIT 5

## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

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High traffic volumes traveling from Baltimore to the Annapolis area. Road geometry has a hard curve on I-97 at MD-32.

### PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:55 AM  
**35.9 mph**  
(50% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 4:50 PM  
**44.5 mph**  
(37% slower than free flow)

### PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:55 AM  
**10.3 min**

PM Peak | 4:50 PM  
**8.3 min**

### Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost  
**\$1.386 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay  
**45,902 h**

### Congested Locations

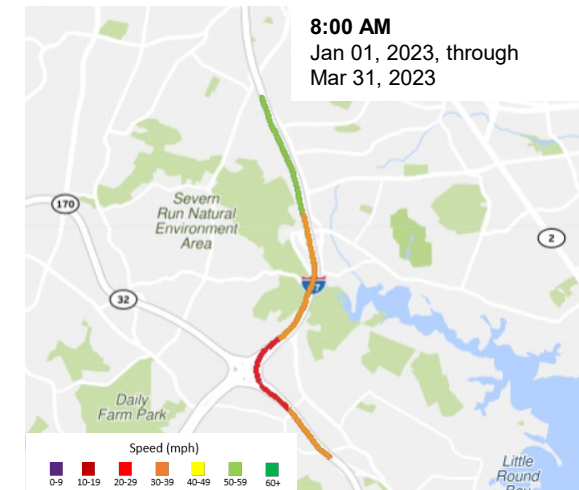
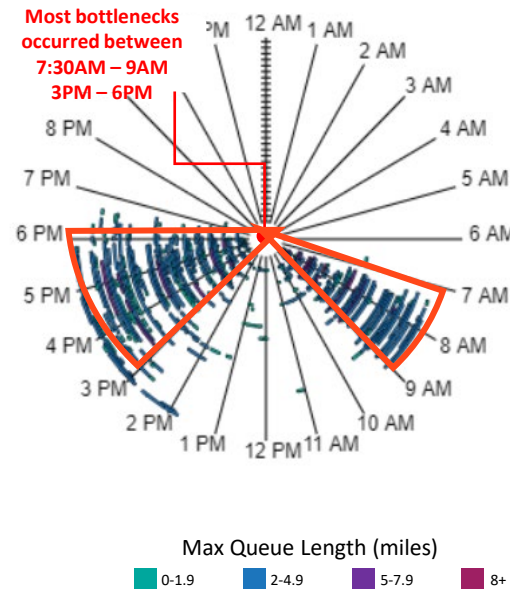
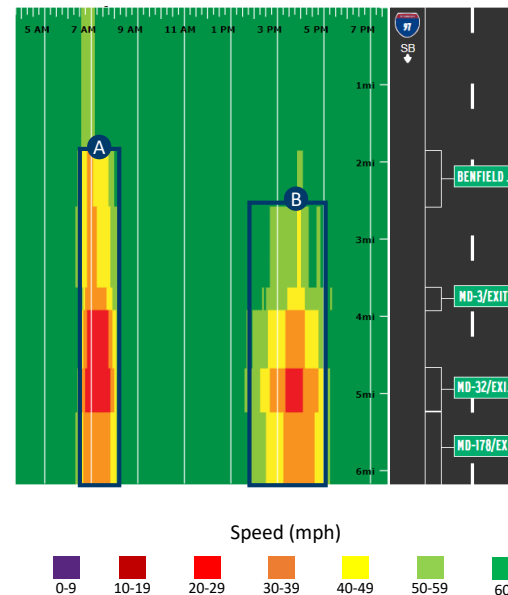
- A 7:30AM – 9AM Benfield Blvd/Exit 10 to MD-178/Exit 5
- B 3PM – 6PM Benfield Blvd/Exit 10 to MD-178/Exit 5

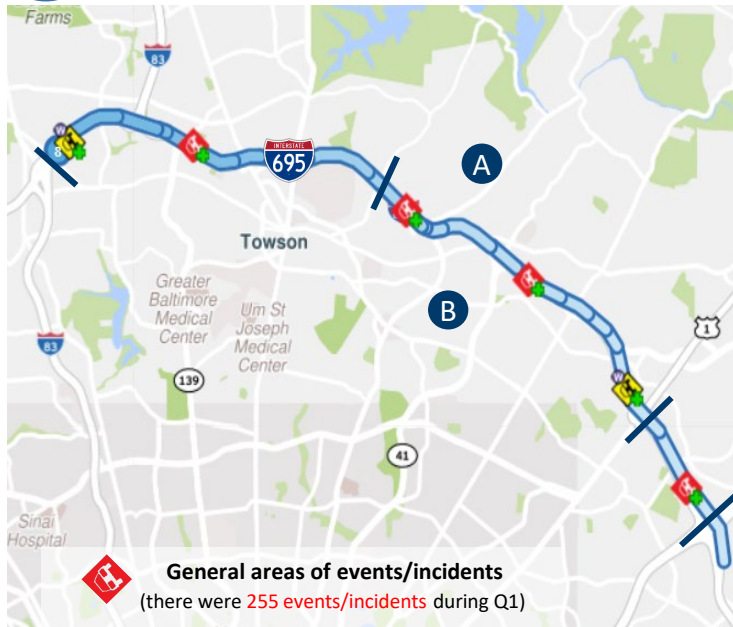
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### Corridor Speeds Over Time

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Historically long term rush hour delays more severe in the AM peak period. Road geometry, traffic volume and the amount of exits and merges close together contribute to delays. Overlapping bottleneck with the #7 ranked that originates further east at Providence Rd.

A Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) project is being developed to reduce congestion and delay and increase reliability of travel within the project area from I-70 to MD 43.

### PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**32.0 mph**

(54% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 5:25 PM

**39.3 mph**

(41% slower than free flow)



### PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:50 AM

**21.5 min**

PM Peak | 5:25 PM

**17.6 min**



### Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost

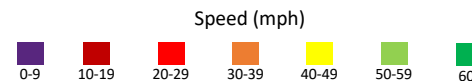
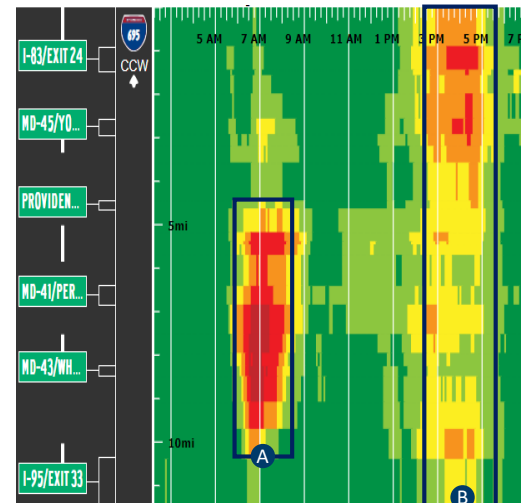
**\$2.366 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay

**78,366 h**

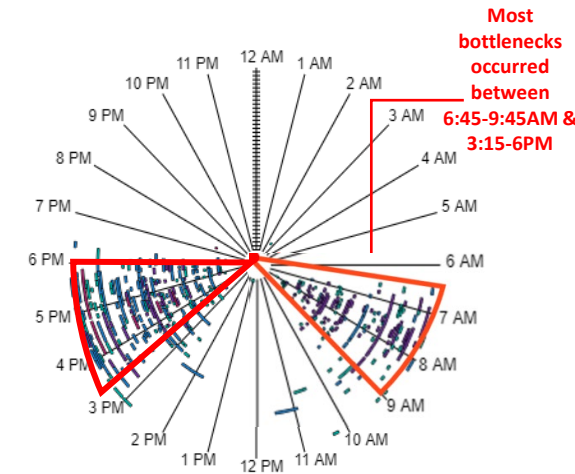
### Congested Locations

- A** 6:45AM – 9:45AM US-1/Belair Rd/Exit 32 to Providence Rd/Exit 28
- B** 2:45PM – 6:30PM I-95/Exit 33 to I-83/MD-25/Exit 23

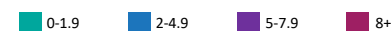


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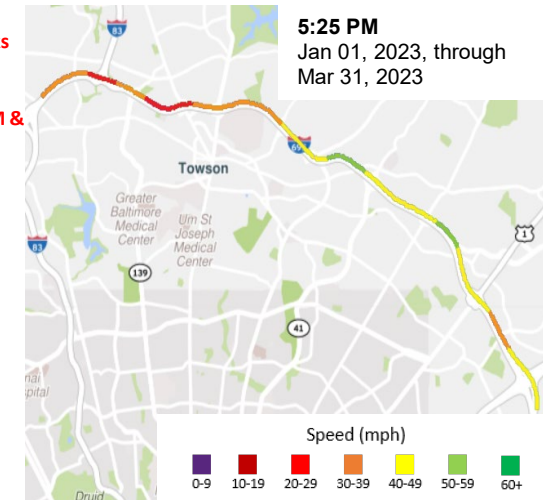


Max Queue Length (miles)



### Corridor Speeds Over Time

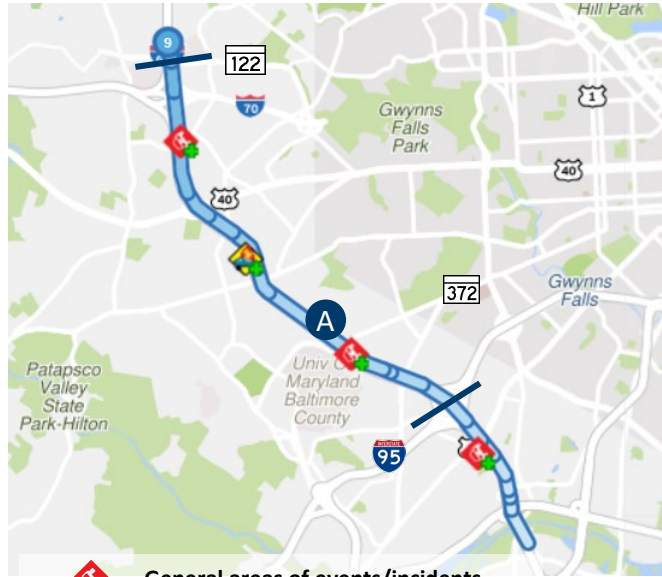
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## Quarterly Bottleneck Evaluation Summary

Q1 2023



**General areas of events/incidents**  
(there were **245 events/incidents** during Q1)

**A** Locations of Congestion

Afternoon congestion on the inner loop of the beltway with the greatest delays between MD-144 and the lane drop at I-70. High volume ramps from Security Blvd, I-70 and US-40 contributed to the congestion.

**PK. AVG. SPEED**

AM Peak | 7:55 AM  
**50.3 mph**  
(28% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 5:25 PM  
**31.3 mph**  
(52% slower than free flow)

**PK. TRAVEL TIME**

AM Peak | 7:55 AM  
**9.7 min**

PM Peak | 5:25 PM  
**15.5 min**

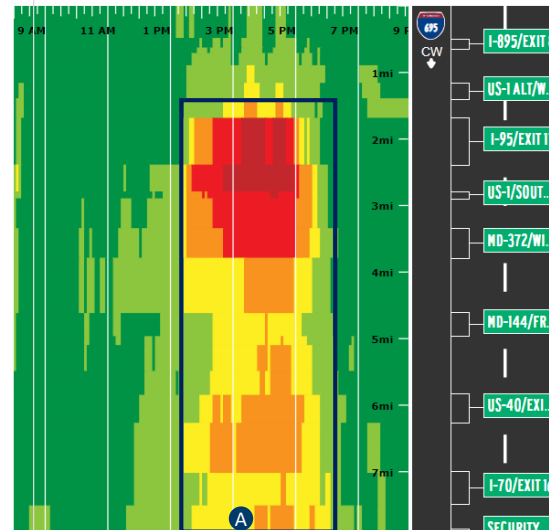
**Q1 DELAY COST**

Delay Cost  
**\$1.544 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay  
**51,125 h**

## Congested Locations

**A** 2:15PM – 7PM I-95/Exit 11 to Security Blvd/Exit 17

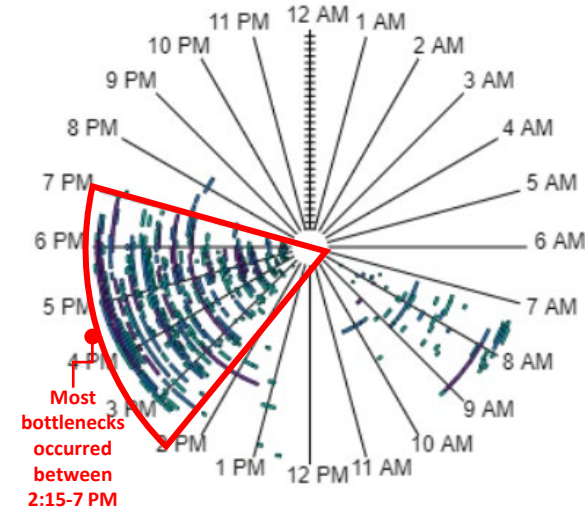


Speed (mph)

0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+
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## Bottleneck Occurrences

The center represents the beginning of **01.01.23** and the outer edge the end of **03.31.23**



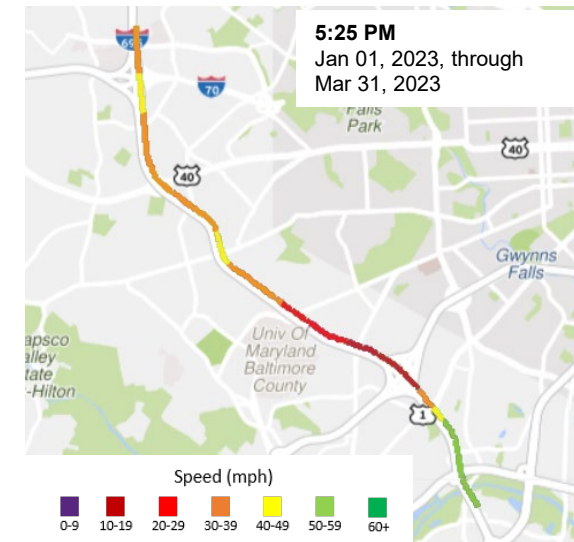
Most bottlenecks occurred between 2:15-7 PM

Max Queue Length (miles)

0-1.9	2-4.9	5-7.9	8+
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## Corridor Speeds Over Time

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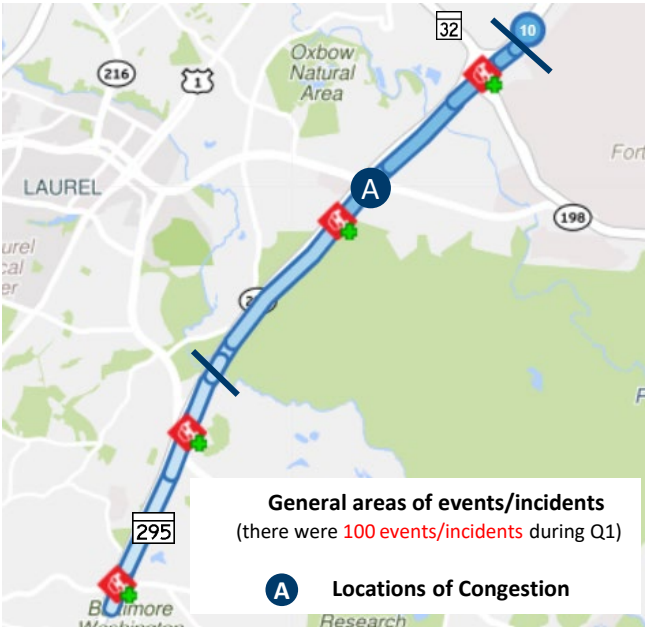


**5:25 PM**  
Jan 01, 2023, through Mar 31, 2023

Speed (mph)

0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+
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Northbound PM congestion from Canine Rd near Fort Meade extending into the DC region occurring primarily during the afternoon peak period.

Volume related delays are most likely caused by factors such as commuters to and from Fort Meade.

\*Speed, travel time and delay costs calculated only for the portion of the Bottleneck within the Baltimore region.

PK. AVG. SPEED

AM Peak | 7:45 AM  
**48.0 mph**  
(32% slower than free flow)

PM Peak | 4:25 PM  
**30.7 mph**  
(53% slower than free flow)

PK. TRAVEL TIME

AM Peak | 7:45 AM  
**9.8 min**

PM Peak | 4:25 PM  
**15.3 min**

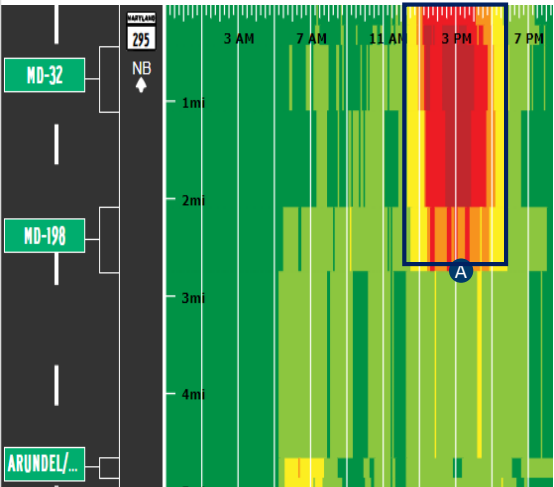
Q1 DELAY COST

Delay Cost  
**\$1.467 M**

Veh-hrs. of Delay  
**48,594 h**

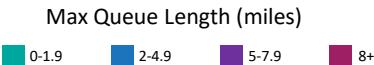
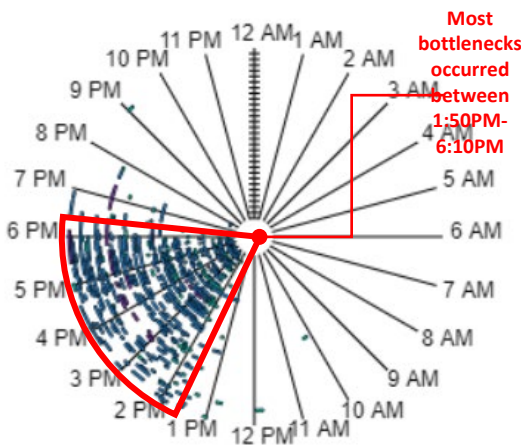
Congested Locations

A 1:15PM – 7PM MD-198 to Canine Rd



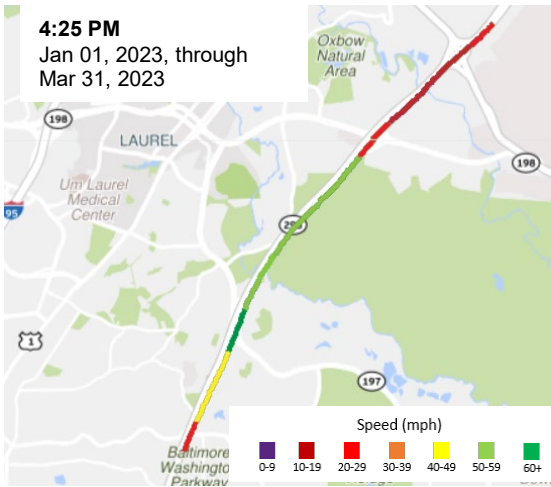
Bottleneck Occurrences

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## **Top 10 Bottlenecks on Non-Limited Access Roads**

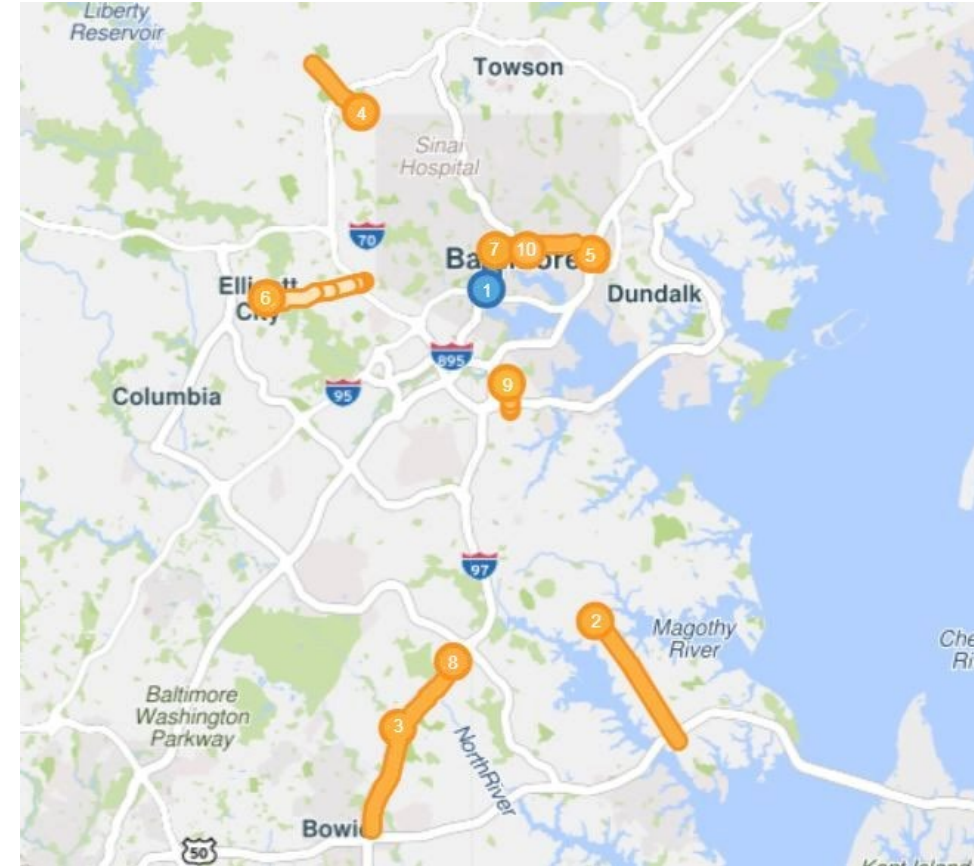
# Top 10 Bottlenecks in the Region – Non Limited Access Roads

Q1 2023

Rank	Location	Avg. Max. Length (mi)	Avg. Daily Duration	Volume Estimate (AADT)	Total Delay (Millions)
1	MD-295 S @ BUSH ST	0.4	7h 30m	31,581	10.0
2	MD-2 N @ ROBINSON RD	3.06	59m	29,132	9.4
3	MD-3 N @ MD-424/CONWAY RD/DAVIDSONVILLE RD	2.05	58m	34,884	9.4
4	MD-140 E @ SUDBROOK LN	0.53	7h 27m	14,805	8.8
5	BAYVIEW BLVD N @ I-895/HARBOR TUNNEL TRWY/E LOMBARD ST	0.29	5h 50m	32,323	8.4
6	MD-144 W @ ELLICOTT MILLS DR	0.51	7h 55m	9,626	7.7
7	US-40 W @ MD-295/PACA ST	0.46	4h 45m	10,558	7.7
8	MD-3 N @ MD-175/MILLERSVILLE RD/ANNAPOLIS RD	1.60	1h 03m	33,801	7.5
9	MD-2 N @ MD-171/CHURCH ST	0.24	8h 41m	19,113	6.3
10	US-40 W @ CENTRAL AVE	0.45	2h 29m	14,309	5.8

Red #s = highest value for that metric

Total Delay = Raw Speed drop weighted by VMT Factor (in millions)



Bottlenecks are ranked by **Base Impact** – the sum of queue lengths over the duration of the bottleneck and weighted by speed differential, congestion and **total delay**.

# **Ranked Bottleneck Lists by Jurisdiction**

# Top 20 Bottlenecks in Local Jurisdictions- 1st Quarter 2023

**Ranked by Base Impact** - the aggregation of queue length over time for congestion at each location in mile minutes. It is then weighted by **Total Delay** – Raw speed drop weighted by VMT factor.

## Anne Arundel County

Rank	Location
1	I-97 S @ MD-3 BUS/NEW CUT RD/EXIT 12
2	MD-295 N @ CANINE RD
3	US-50 E @ MD-70/ROWE BLVD/EXIT 24
4	US-50 W @ BAY BRIDGE
5	MD-295 N @ MD-175
6	MD-295 S @ ARUNDEL--PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BORDER
7	MD-295 S @ CANINE RD
8	MD-295 S @ MD-175
9	I-695 OL @ MD-295/BALTIMORE WASHINGTON PKWY/EXIT 7
10	US-50 E @ BAY DALE DR/FERGUSON RD/EXIT 28
11	MD-2 N @ ROBINSON RD
12	MD-3 N @ MD-424/CONWAY RD/DAVIDSONVILLE RD
13	MD-295 N @ PRINCE GEORGE'S/ARUNDEL CO LINE
14	MD-3 N @ MD-175/MILLERSVILLE RD/ANNAPOLIS RD
15	MD-295 N @ I-195
16	MD-295 N @ MD-198
17	MD-295 N @ MD-100
18	MD-32 E @ MD-198/FORT MEADE RD
19	MD-2 N @ MD-171/CHURCH ST
20	I-97 N @ MD-3 BUS/NEW CUT RD/EXIT 12

## Baltimore City

Rank	Location
1	MD-295 N @ BAYARD ST
2	I-895 S @ HARBOR TUNNEL THWY (SOUTH) TOLL
3	I-95 S @ I-95 (SOUTH) (TOLL PLAZA)
4	I-95 N @ FORT MCHENRY TUNNEL (TOLL PLAZA)
5	I-95 S @ FORT MCHENRY TUNNEL (MCCOMAS ST)
6	MD-295 S @ BUSH ST
7	BAYVIEW BLVD N @ I-895/HARBOR TUNNEL TRWY
8	I-95 N @ I-95 (EAST) (TUNNEL ENTRANCE TO TOLL PLAZA)
9	US-40 W @ MD-295/PACA ST
10	I-95 S @ US-1 ALT/CATON AVE/EXIT 50
11	US-40 W @ CENTRAL AVE
12	E MONUMENT ST E @ N BROADWAY
13	I-895 N @ FRANKFURST AVE/SHELL RD/EXIT 8
14	I-83 N @ COLD SPRING LN/EXIT 9
15	I-83 S @ MD-25/FALLS RD/EXIT 8
16	MARTIN L KING JR BLVD N @ MULBERRY ST
17	PATAPSCO AVE E @ WASHINGTON BLVD
18	MT ROYAL AVE W @ US-1/W NORTH AVE
19	MD-2 N @ E PRATT ST
20	MD-25 N @ W 29TH ST

IL = Inner Loop

OL = Outer Loop



# Top 20 Bottlenecks in Local Jurisdictions- 1st Quarter 2023

**Ranked by Base Impact** - the aggregation of queue length over time for congestion at each location in mile minutes. It is then weighted by **Total Delay** – Raw speed drop weighted by VMT factor.

## Baltimore County

Rank	Location
1	I-695 OL @ MD-26/EXIT 18
2	I-95 N @ MD-152/EXIT 74
3	I-695 IL @ MD-372/WILKENS AVE/EXIT 12
4	I-695 OL @ PROVIDENCE RD/EXIT 28
5	I-695 OL @ I-83/MD-25/EXIT 23
6	I-695 IL @ SECURITY BLVD/EXIT 17
7	I-695 OL @ I-70/EXIT 16
8	I-695 IL @ MD-41/PERRING PKWY/EXIT 30
9	I-695 IL @ MD-542/LOCH RAVEN BLVD/EXIT 29
10	I-695 IL @ I-83/MD-25/EXIT 23
11	I-83 S @ I-695
12	I-695 OL @ CROMWELL BRIDGE RD/EXIT 29
13	I-695 IL @ PROVIDENCE RD/EXIT 28
14	I-695 IL @ I-70/EXIT 16
15	I-695 OL @ MD-41/PERRING PKWY/EXIT 30
16	I-695 OL @ GREENSPRING AVE/EXIT 22
17	I-95 S @ MD-43/WHITEMARSH BLVD/EXIT 67
18	I-695 IL @ MD-144/FREDERICK RD/EXIT 13
19	MD-140 E @ SUDBROOK LN
20	I-695 OL @ I-83/EXIT 24

## Carroll County

Rank	Location
1	MD-30 N @ MD-27/MANCHESTER RD
2	MD-30 S @ MD-27/MANCHESTER RD
3	MD-32 W @ MD-26/LIBERTY RD
4	MD-97 N @ MAGNA WAY/AIRPORT DR
5	MD-140 W @ MD-194/YORK ST/FREDERICK ST
6	MD-482 W @ MD-27/MANCHESTER RD
7	MD-97 S @ MD-496/BACHMANS VALLEY RD
8	MD-32 W @ RAINCLIFFE RD/SANDOSKY RD
9	MD-97 N @ MD-496/BACHMANS VALLEY RD
10	MD-97 S @ MAGNA WAY/AIRPORT DR
11	MD-140 E @ GORES MILL RD
12	MD-91 N @ MD-140/BALTIMORE BLVD
13	MD-97 N @ MD-140/MD-97/BALTIMORE BLVD
14	MD-144 E @ MD-27/RIDGE RD
15	MD-140 W @ MD-91/EMORY RD/GAMBER RD
16	MD-140 E @ MD-91/EMORY RD/GAMBER RD
17	MD-27 N @ MD-26/LIBERTY RD
18	MD-27 N @ MD-482/HAMPSTEAD MEXICO RD
19	MD-91 S @ MD-32/SYKESVILLE RD
20	MD-144 E @ US-40 BALT NAT'L PIKE(MOUNT AIRY)

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# Top 20 Bottlenecks in Local Jurisdictions- 1st Quarter 2023

**Ranked by Base Impact** - the aggregation of queue length over time for congestion at each location in mile minutes. It is then weighted by **Total Delay** – Raw speed drop weighted by VMT factor.

## Harford County

Rank	Location
1	I-95 S @ MD-24/EXIT 77
2	I-95 S @ MD-152/EXIT 74
3	I-95 N @ MD-543/EXIT 80
4	I-95 S @ MD-543/EXIT 80
5	I-95 N @ MD-24/EXIT 77
6	MD-152 N @ OLD JOPPA RD
7	US-40 W @ MD-22/ABERDEEN TRWY
8	I-95 S @ MARYLAND HOUSE
9	I-95 N @ MD-152/EXIT 74
10	US-1-BR S @ MD-24
11	MD-24 N @ MD-924/TOLLGATE RD/EMMORTON RD
12	MD-24 N @ EDGEWOOD RD
13	MD-24 N @ SINGER RD
14	I-95 S @ MD-22/EXIT 85
15	MD-152 N @ SINGER RD
16	MD-22 W @ MD-136/PRIESTFORD RD/CALVARY RD
17	US-1-BR N @ MD-24
18	MD-755 N @ US-40
19	US-1-BR N @ US-1/HICKORY BYP
20	MD-543 N @ MD-22/E CHURCHVILLE RD

## Howard County

Rank	Location
1	I-95 N @ MD-100/EXIT 43
2	I-95 N @ MD-32/EXIT 38
3	I-95 S @ MD-216/EXIT 35
4	I-95 S @ MD-175/EXIT 41
5	I-95 N @ MD-175/EXIT 41
6	MD-32 W @ I-95
7	I-95 N @ PRINCE GEORGE'S/HOWARD CO LINE
8	MD-100 W @ COCA COLA DR/EXIT 8
9	MD-32 E @ I-95
10	I-95 S @ MD-32/EXIT 38
11	US-29 N @ MD-32/EXIT 16
12	MD-144 W @ ELLICOTT MILLS DR
13	I-95 N @ MD-216/EXIT 35
14	MD-100 W @ MARC DORSEY STATION ACCESS RD/EXIT 7
15	I-95 S @ MD-100/EXIT 43
16	US-29 N @ MD-175
17	MD-100 E @ MARC DORSEY STATION ACCESS RD/EXIT 7
18	US-40 W @ ST JOHNS LN
19	MD-144 E @ WESTCHESTER AVE
20	I-70 W @ US-29/EXIT 87

# Top 20 Bottlenecks in Local Jurisdictions- 1st Quarter 2023

**Ranked by Base Impact** - the aggregation of queue length over time for congestion at each location in mile minutes. It is then weighted by **Total Delay** – Raw speed drop weighted by VMT factor.

## Queen Anne's County

Rank	Location
1	US-50 W @ BAY BRIDGE
2	US-50 W @ MD-8/EXIT 37
3	US-50 E @ BAY BRIDGE
4	US-50 W @ MD-18/MAIN ST/EXIT 41
5	MD-313 S @ MD-544/MCGINNIS RD
6	US-50 E @ MD-8/EXIT 37
7	US-50 W @ US-301/BLUE STAR MEMORIAL HWY
8	US-50 W @ THOMPSON CREEK RD/DUKE ST
9	US-50 W @ MD-404/QUEEN ANNE HWY
10	US-50 W @ PINEY RD/S PINEY RD/EXIT 40A
11	MD-300 E @ MD-213/CHURCH HILL RD
12	US-50 E @ US-50/US-301/OCEAN GATEWAY SPLIT
13	MD-313 N @ MD-544/MCGINNIS RD
14	US-50 E @ PINEY RD/S PINEY RD/EXIT 40A
15	US-50 W @ MD-456/DEL RHODES AVE
16	US-50 E @ MD-18/MAIN ST/EXIT 43A
17	US-50 E @ MD-213/CENTREVILLE RD
18	US-301 S @ US-50
19	US-50 E @ MD-404/QUEEN ANNE HWY
20	US-50 E @ THOMPSON CREEK RD/DUKE ST

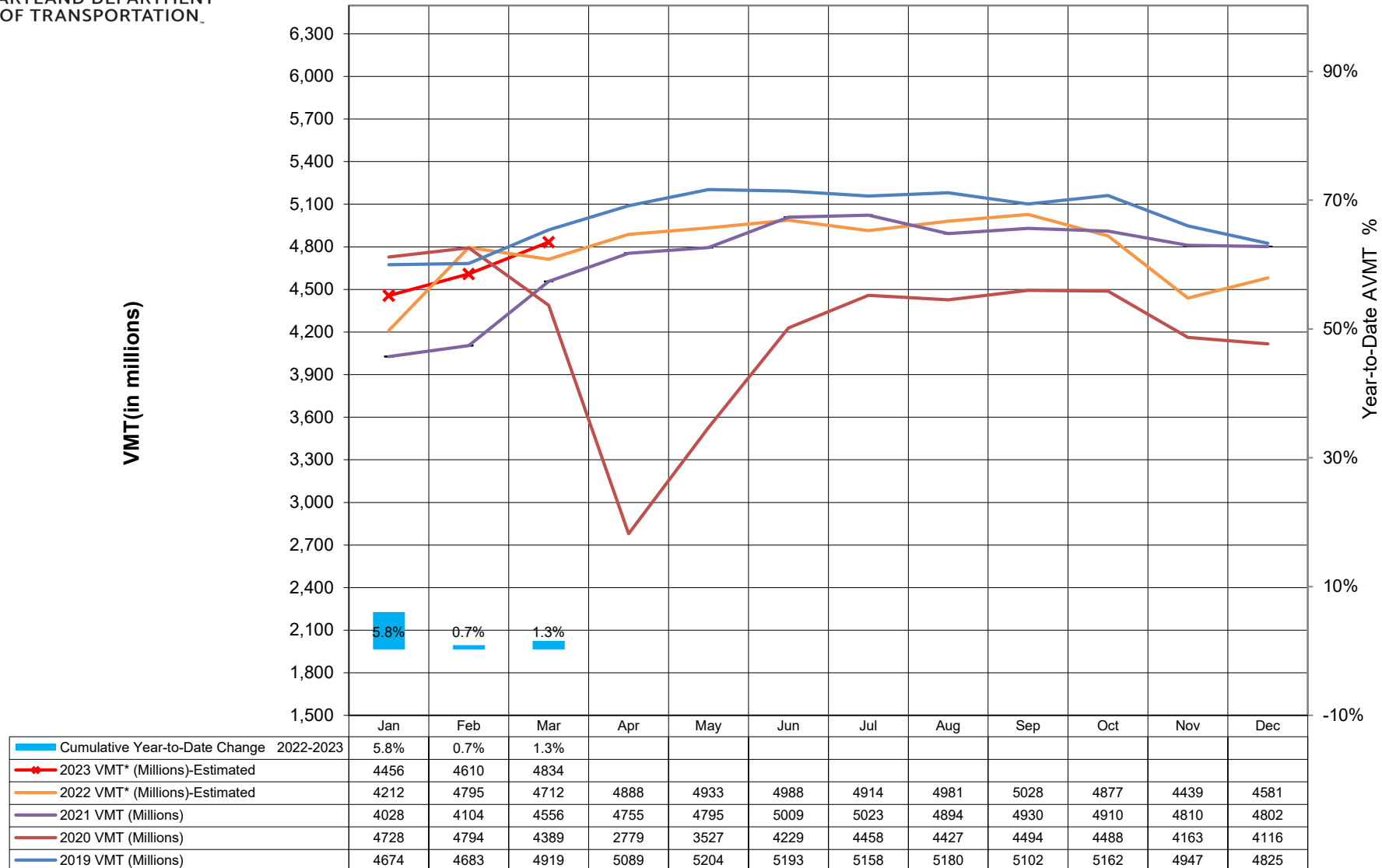
# **Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Trend Graphs**

**From MDOT/SHA Automated Traffic Recorders  
(ATR's)**



Estimated Monthly Distribution of Annual (VMT) Vehicle Miles of Travel for : March-2023										
March	2019 VMT (Millions)	2020 VMT (Millions)	2021 VMT (Millions)	2022 VMT* (Millions)- Estimated	2023 VMT* (Millions)- Estimated	Percent Change 2019- 2020	Percent Change 2020- 2021	Percent Change 2021- 2022	Percent Change 2022- 2023	Cumulative Year-to-Date Change 2022- 2023
Jan	4674	4728	4028	4212	4456	1.2%	-14.8%	4.6%	5.8%	5.8%
Feb	4683	4794	4104	4795	4610	2.4%	-14.4%	16.8%	-3.9%	0.7%
Mar	4919	4389	4556	4712	4834	-10.8%	3.8%	3.4%	2.6%	1.3%
Apr	5089	2779	4755	4888		-45.4%	71.1%	2.8%		
May	5204	3527	4795	4933		-32.2%	36.0%	2.9%		
Jun	5193	4229	5009	4988		-18.6%	18.4%	-0.4%		
Jul	5158	4458	5023	4914		-13.6%	12.7%	-2.2%		
Aug	5180	4427	4894	4981		-14.5%	10.5%	1.8%		
Sep	5102	4494	4930	5028		-11.9%	9.7%	2.0%		
Oct	5162	4488	4910	4877		-13.1%	9.4%	-0.7%		
Nov	4947	4163	4810	4439		-15.8%	15.5%	-7.7%		
Dec	4825	4116	4802	4581		-14.7%	16.7%	-4.6%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60,136</b>	<b>50,592</b>	<b>56,616</b>	<b>57,348</b>		<b>-15.9%</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>		
Note										
1	The March-2023 Monthly AVMT is up compared to March-2022 by 2.6%									
2	The Cumulative Year-to-Date Change till March-2023 AVMT is up compared to same time last year 2022 by 1.3%									
3	* Preliminary 2023 VMT Estimates based on 2022 Estimated VMT.									
Data Source:Based on data collected at 50+ continuous count stations by SHA's Data Services Division in Office Of Planning & Preliminary Engineering										
	Report Updated on :07/25/2023									

Estimated Monthly Distribution of Annual (VMT) Vehicle Miles of Travel for : March-2023



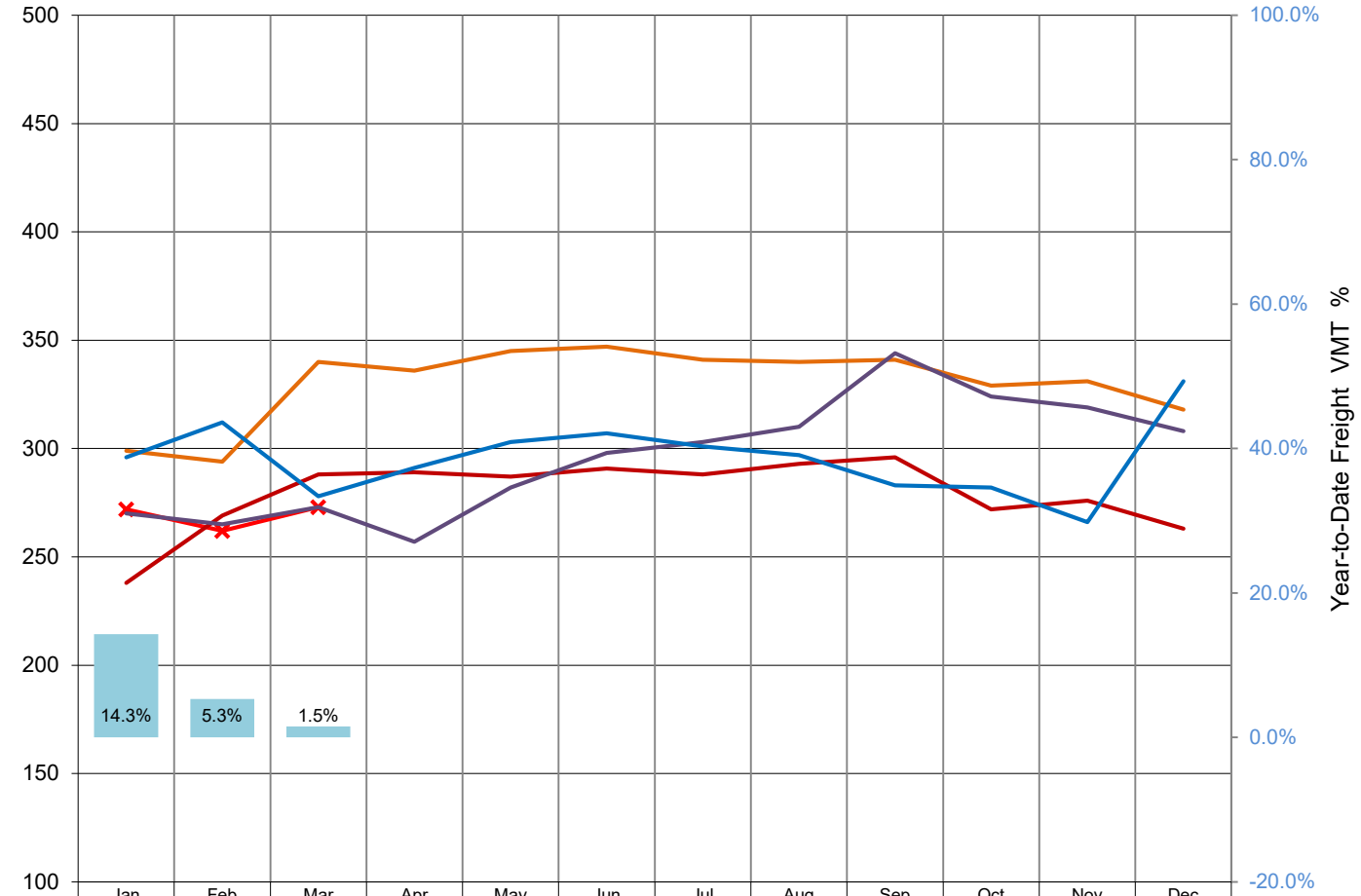
NOTE: This chart displays estimated monthly Vehicle Miles of Travel compared with the previous year based on data collected at approximately 50+ continuous count stations throughout the State.

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Estimated Monthly Distribution of Freight Vehicle Miles of Travel for : March-2023										
March	2019 Freight VMT (Millions)	2020 Freight VMT (Millions)	2021 Freight VMT (Millions)	2022 Freight VMT (Millions)** Estimated	2023 Freight VMT (Millions)* Estimated	Percent Change 2019-2020 Freight VMT	Percent Change 2020-2021 Freight VMT	Percent Change 2021-2022 Freight VMT	Percent Change 2022-2023 Freight VMT	Cumulative Year-to-Date Freight VMT 2022-2023
Jan	296	270	299	238	272	-8.8%	10.7%	-20.4%	14.3%	14.3%
Feb	312	265	294	269	262	-15.1%	10.9%	-8.5%	-2.6%	5.3%
Mar	278	273	340	288	273	-1.8%	24.5%	-15.3%	-5.2%	1.5%
Apr	291	257	336	289		-11.7%	30.7%	-14.0%		
May	303	282	345	287		-6.9%	22.3%	-16.8%		
Jun	307	298	347	291		-2.9%	16.4%	-16.2%		
Jul	301	303	341	288		0.7%	12.5%	-15.5%		
Aug	297	310	340	293		4.4%	9.7%	-13.8%		
Sep	283	344	341	296		21.6%	-0.9%	-13.2%		
Oct	282	324	329	272		14.9%	1.5%	-17.3%		
Nov	266	319	331	276		19.9%	3.8%	-16.6%		
Dec	331	308	318	263		-6.9%	3.2%	-17.3%		
TOTAL	3547	3553	3961	3350		0.17%	11.48%	-15.43%		
Note										
1	The March-2023 Monthly Freight VMT is down compared to March-2022 by -5.2%									
2	The Cumulative Year-to-Date Change till March-2023 Freight VMT is up compared to same time last year 2022 by 1.5%									
3	* Preliminary 2023 Freight VMT Estimates based on 2022 Freight Estimated VMT and 2022 HPMS Vehicle Class Summary .									
4	** VEHICLE CLASS software updated in 2022									
5	Freight VMT = Vehicle Class 5-13									
Data Source:Based on data collected at approximately 20+ class continuous count stations maintained by SHA's Data Services Division in OPPE										
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**Estimated Monthly Distribution of Freight Vehicle Miles of Travel for : March-2023**

Freight VMT (in millions)



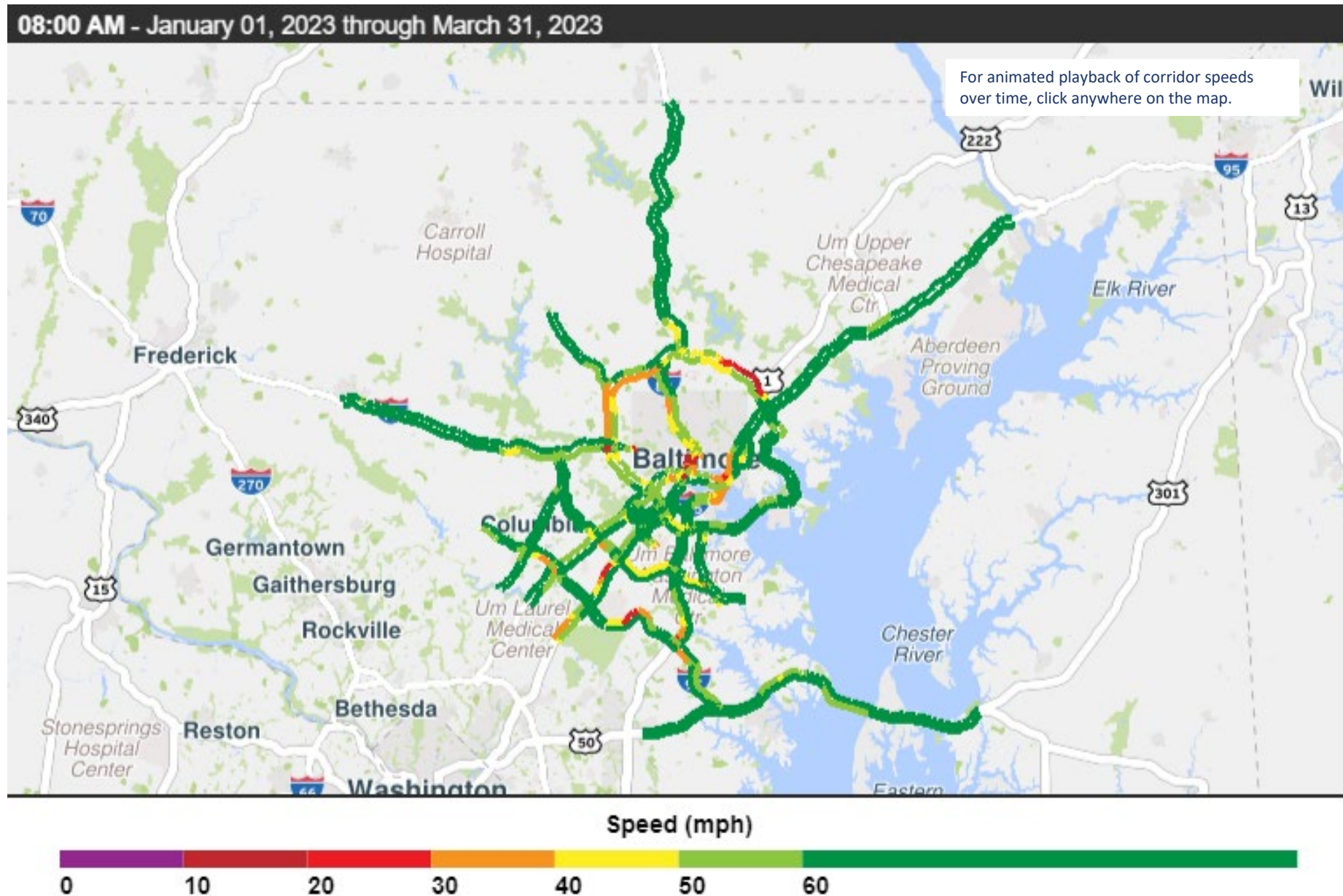
Cumulative Year-to-Date Freight VMT 2022-2023	14.3%	5.3%	1.5%									
2023 Freight VMT (Millions)* Estimated	272	262	273									
2022 Freight VMT (Millions)** Estimated	238	269	288	289	287	291	288	293	296	272	276	263
2021 Freight VMT (Millions)	299	294	340	336	345	347	341	340	341	329	331	318
2020 Freight VMT (Millions)	270	265	273	257	282	298	303	310	344	324	319	308
2019 Freight VMT (Millions)	296	312	278	291	303	307	301	297	283	282	266	331

NOTE: This chart displays estimated monthly Freight Vehicle Miles of Travel compared with the previous year based on data collected at approximately 20+ continuous count stations throughout the State.  
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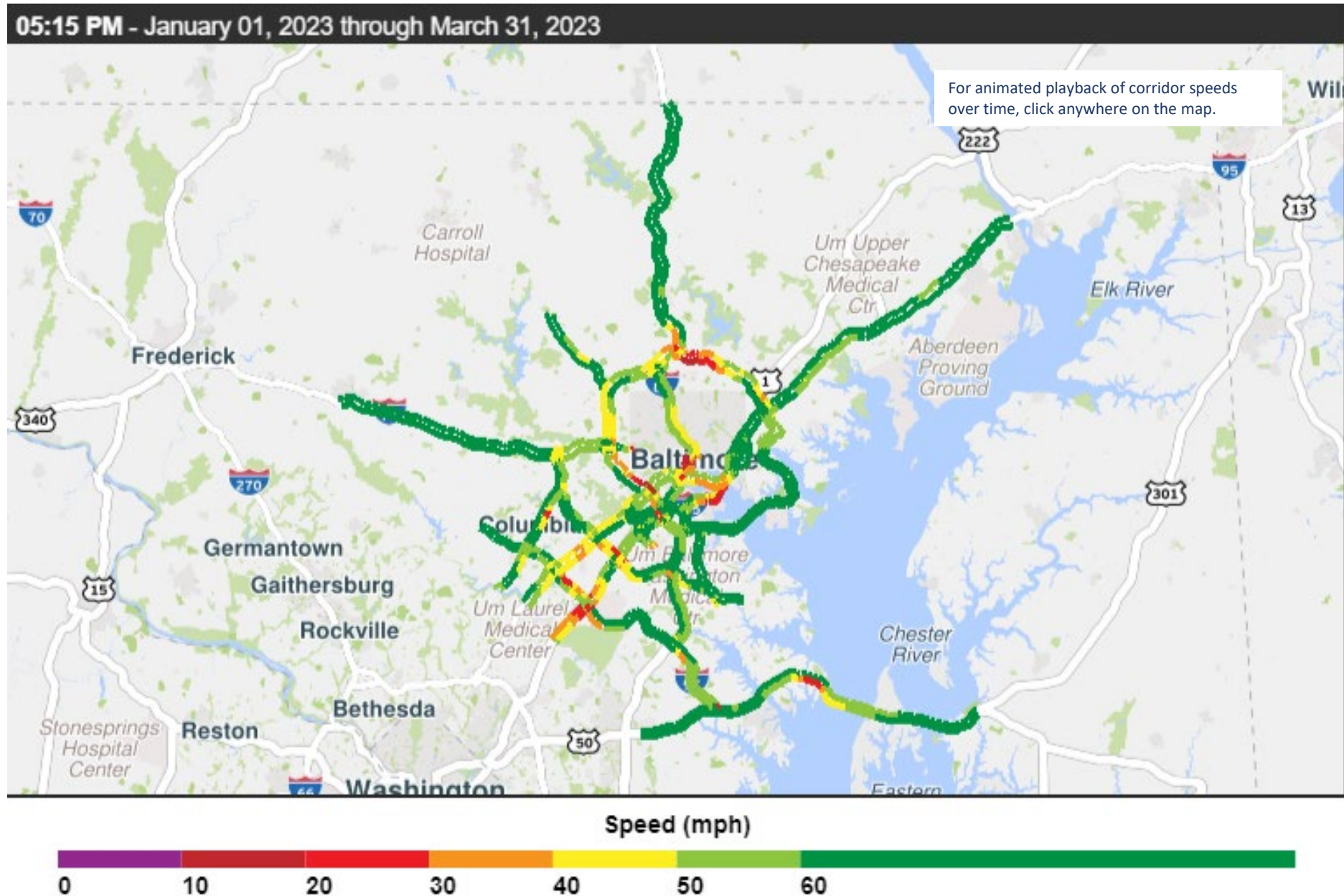


# Regional Speed Maps

## AM Peak Period Rush Hour: 1st Quarter 2023



# PM Peak Period Rush Hour: 1st Quarter 2023



# System Reliability Performance Measures

Percent of reliable person-miles traveled on the Interstate

Percent of reliable person-miles traveled on the Non-Interstate NHS

Percentage of Interstate system mileage providing for reliable truck travel time (Truck Travel Time Reliability Index)

\* Each state must establish statewide targets and report findings to the Federal Highway Administration. Metropolitan Planning Organizations must either support the established state targets or develop regional targets of their own.



# Level of Travel Time Reliability: Interstates, Non-Interstates and Trucks

Travel time reliability is the consistency or dependability in travel times, as measured from day-to-day and/or across different times of the day.

## 2023 Interstate Travel Time Reliability for MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

### MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

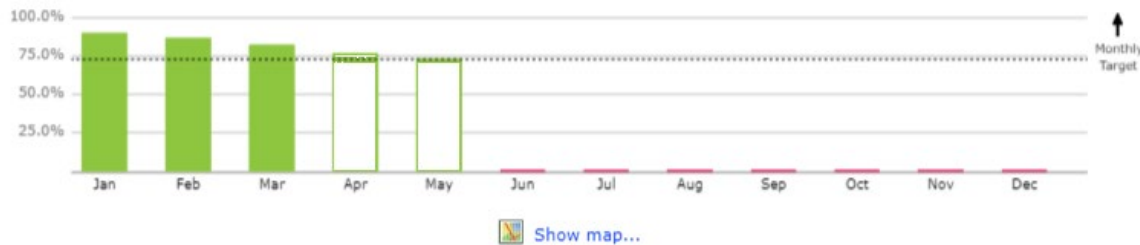
MAP-21 Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the Interstate That Are Reliable (the Interstate Travel Time Reliability measure)

2023 Target  
at least  
**72.9%**

👍 **81.0%**

Year-to-Date  
2023

Target: At least 72.9% of the system should have a LOTTR less than 1.50



Calculated using 100.00% of miles in Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

Data source: NPMRDS INRIX

## 2023 Non-interstate NHS Travel Time Reliability for MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

### MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

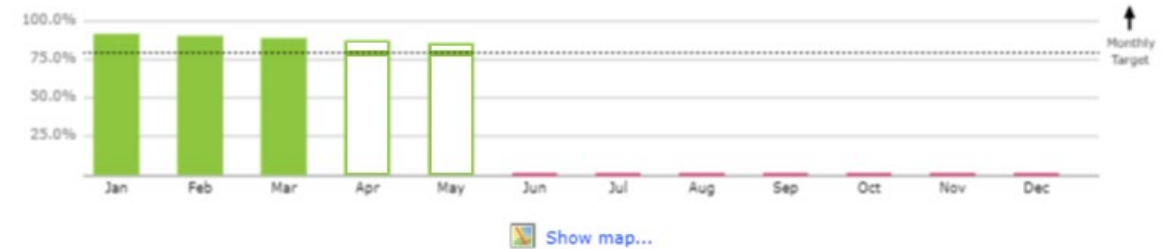
MAP-21 Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the Non-Interstate NHS That Are Reliable (the Non-Interstate NHS Travel Time Reliability measure)

2023 Target  
at least  
**79.4%**

👍 **90.1%**

Year-to-Date  
2023

Target: At least 79.4% of the system should have a LOTTR less than 1.50



Calculated using 100.00% of miles in Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

Data source: NPMRDS INRIX

## 2023 Truck Travel Time Reliability Index for MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

### MD - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Baltimore (BRTB)

MAP-21 Truck Travel Time Reliability Index (for interstate roads only)

2023 Target  
less than  
**2.06**

👍 **1.69**

Year-to-Date  
2023

Target: The system should have a TTTR less than 2.06



Calculated using 100.00% of miles in Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

Data source: NPMRDS INRIX

# Ranked Bottleneck Monthly Comparison

2022-2023													
Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Q1 Rank	Q1 Locations
10		14		6	2	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	I-695 OL @ MD-26/EXIT 18
1	1	1	3	4	9	5	2	3	1	4	4	2	I-95 N @ MD-152/EXIT 74
15		17	9	8	5	6		7	3	3	5	3	I-695 IL @ MD-372/WILKENS AVE/EXIT 12
6	4	6	6			7		4	10	14	2	4	I-95 N @ MD-100/EXIT 43
	5			1	1	1		2		5	3	5	I-95 S @ MD-24/EXIT 77
13		18		15			20	18	6	13	9	6	I-695 OL @ PROVIDENCE RD/EXIT 28
11	16	13				17	7		8	11	7	7	I-97 S @ MD-178/EXIT 5
16					14	14				7	11	8	I-695 OL @ I-83/MD-25/EXIT 23
4	8		16	17	17	13			13	6	14	9	I-695 IL @ SECURITY BLVD/EXIT 17
17	17	12		14	12			19	9	16	13	10	MD-295 N @ CANINE RD
		20					15			8	10	11	I-95 N @ MD-32/EXIT 38
18	18	5	10	20		9	6	10		10	12	12	I-95 S @ MD-216/EXIT 35
7	7	8	4	13	8	11	19	12		20	17	13	I-695 OL @ I-70/EXIT 16
								5	7			14	I-695 IL @ MD-41/PERRING PKWY/EXIT 30
20	9	9	15	16	20	16	12	14	17	9		15	I-95 S @ MD-175/EXIT 41
	10		2	7	10		13		14		20	16	US-50 W @ BAY BRIDGE
					13		16			17		17	I-695 IL @ MD-542/LOCH RAVEN BLVD/EXIT 29
	20			10	7	10	5	9	5		6	18	I-695 IL @ I-83/MD-25/EXIT 23
			19						12			19	MD-295 N @ BAYARD ST
					19	18	9	11	18	19		20	I-83 S @ I-695

**Conclusions/Observations:** The March-2023 Monthly Average Vehicle Miles Traveled AVMT is up compared to March-2022 by 2.6%. The cumulative Year to Date change through March 2023 AMVT is up compared to last year 2022 by 1.3%. The outer loop of I-695/Baltimore Beltway at MD-26/Exit 18 remained the region's top bottleneck as it was in the final quarter of 2022.

Inner Loop (IL)  
Outer Loop (OL)

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