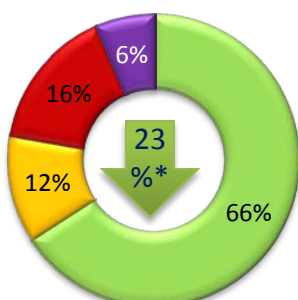
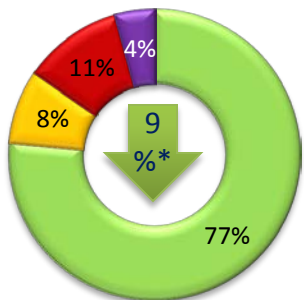


## FREEWAY CONGESTION

### Percentages of Freeway Lane-Miles by Congestion Level in the 4th Quarter of 2010

AM Peak (6 - 10 AM)

PM Peak (3 - 7 PM)



- Uncongested – travel time is less than 1.15 times of free flow travel time
- Light – travel time is between 1.15 -1.3 times of free flow travel time
- Moderate – travel time is between 1.3 - 2 times of free flow travel time
- Severe – travel time is longer than 2 times of free flow travel time

\* Change in moderate and severe congestion compared to the same quarter of 2009.

### Freeway Delay per Freeway Traveler

**7.6 Hours**

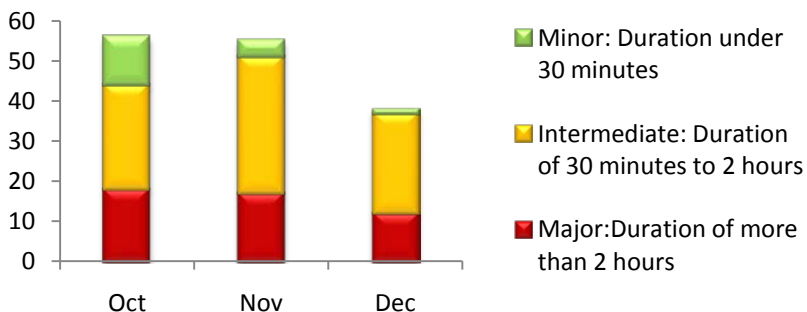
Per month over the 4th quarter of 2010

**45%**

Compared to the same quarter of 2009

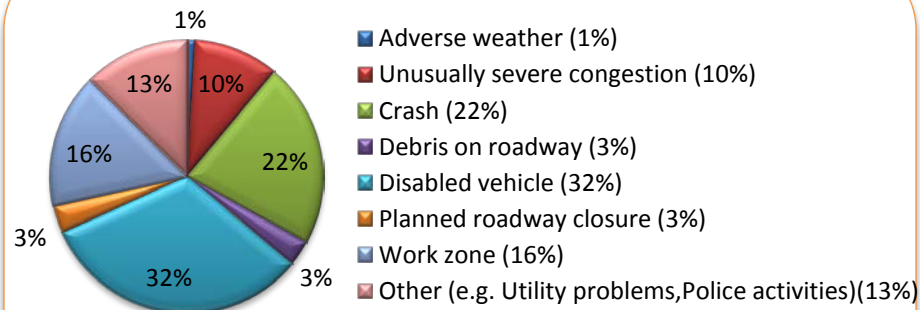
## INCIDENTS

### MATOC: Number of Notifications by Incident Severity in the 4th Quarter of 2010

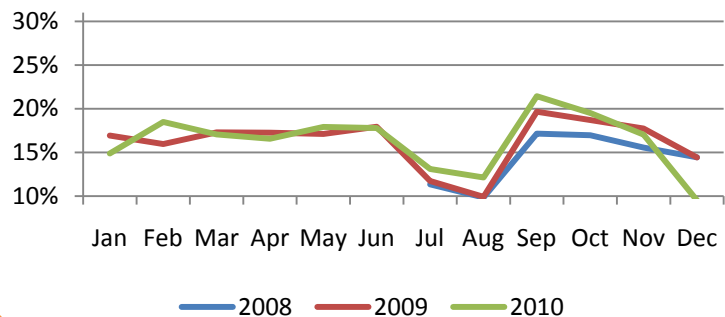


- Minor: Duration under 30 minutes
- Intermediate: Duration of 30 minutes to 2 hours
- Major: Duration of more than 2 hours

### RITIS: Percentages of Different Types of Recorded Incidents in the 4th Quarter of 2010 (total 11,610 events)



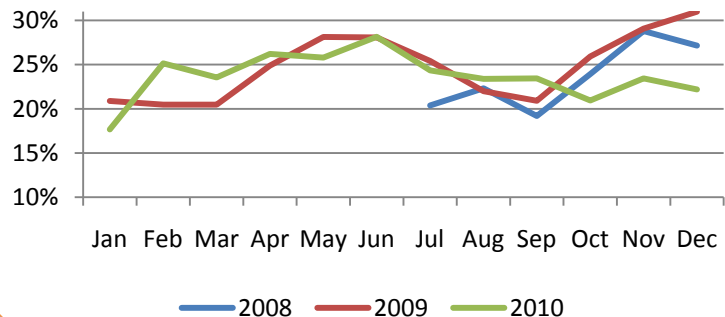
## Percentages of Congested\* Freeway Lane-Miles: AM Peak (6 – 10 AM)



| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 11% | 10% | 17% | 17% | 16% | 14% |
| 2009 | 17% | 16% | 17% | 17% | 17% | 18% | 12% | 10% | 20% | 19% | 18% | 14% |
| 2010 | 15% | 18% | 17% | 17% | 18% | 18% | 13% | 12% | 21% | 20% | 17% | 10% |

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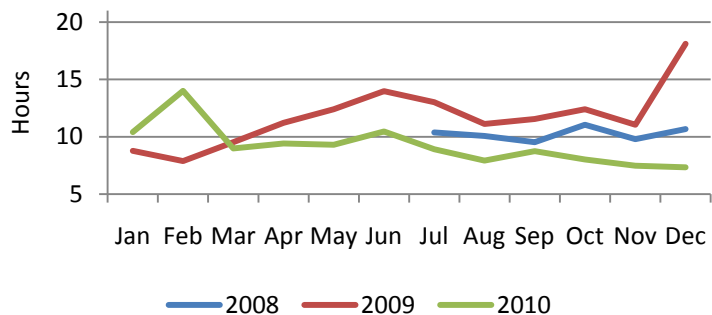
## Percentages of Congested\* Freeway Lane-Miles : PM Peak (3 – 7 PM)



| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 20% | 22% | 19% | 24% | 29% | 27% |
| 2009 | 21% | 20% | 20% | 25% | 28% | 28% | 25% | 22% | 21% | 26% | 29% | 31% |
| 2010 | 18% | 25% | 24% | 26% | 26% | 28% | 24% | 23% | 23% | 21% | 23% | 22% |

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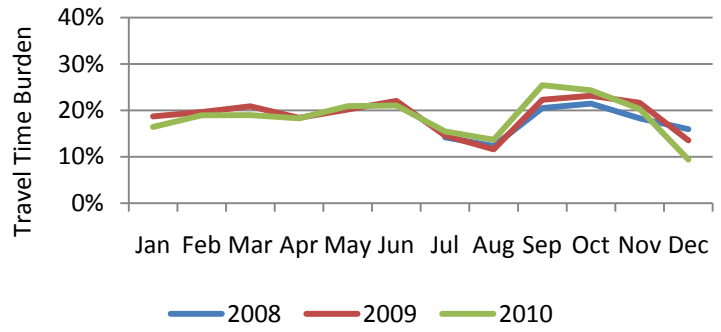
## Monthly Freeway Delay per Freeway Traveler (Hours)



| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2008 | N/A  | N/A  | N/A | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | 10.4 | 10.1 | 9.5  | 11.1 | 9.8  | 10.7 |
| 2009 | 8.8  | 7.9  | 9.5 | 11.2 | 12.4 | 14.0 | 13.0 | 11.1 | 11.6 | 12.4 | 11.1 | 18.1 |
| 2010 | 10.4 | 14.0 | 9.0 | 9.4  | 9.3  | 10.5 | 8.9  | 7.9  | 8.8  | 8.0  | 7.5  | 7.3  |

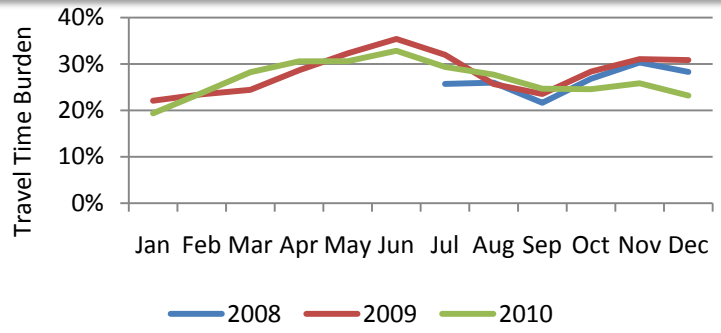


## Freeway Travel Time Burden: AM Peak (6 – 10 AM)



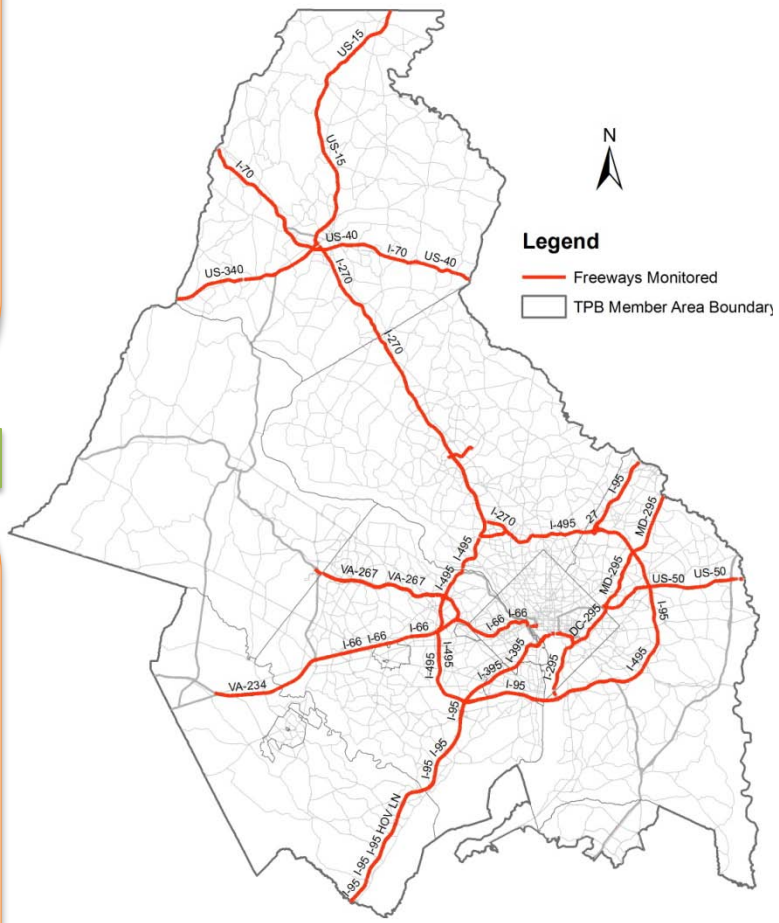
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|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 14% | 12% | 20% | 21% | 18% | 16% |
| 2009 | 19% | 20% | 21% | 18% | 20% | 22% | 15% | 12% | 22% | 23% | 22% | 14% |
| 2010 | 16% | 19% | 19% | 18% | 21% | 21% | 15% | 14% | 25% | 24% | 20% | 9%  |

## Freeway Travel Time Burden: PM Peak (3 – 7 PM)



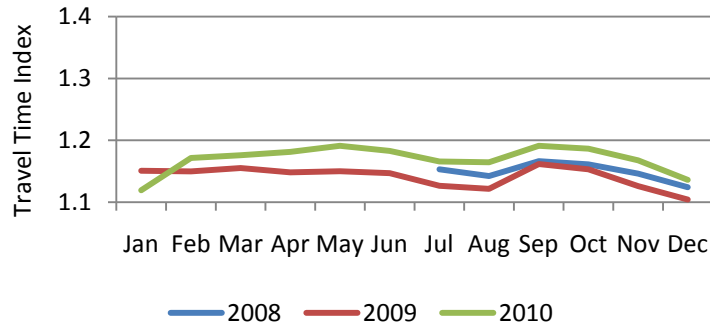
| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 26% | 26% | 22% | 27% | 30% | 28% |
| 2009 | 22% | 23% | 24% | 29% | 32% | 35% | 32% | 26% | 24% | 28% | 31% | 31% |
| 2010 | 19% | 24% | 28% | 31% | 31% | 33% | 29% | 28% | 25% | 25% | 26% | 23% |

## Data Coverage on Freeways



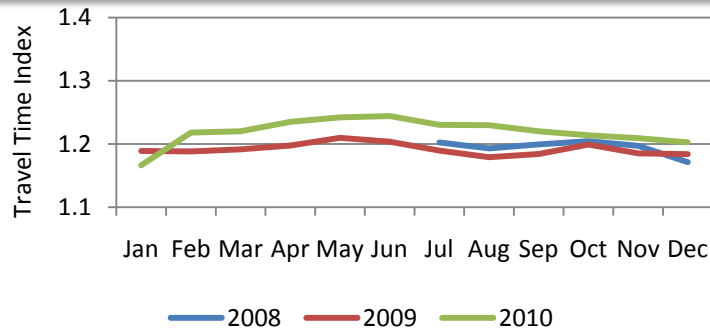
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## Arterial Travel Time Index: AM Peak (6 – 10 AM)



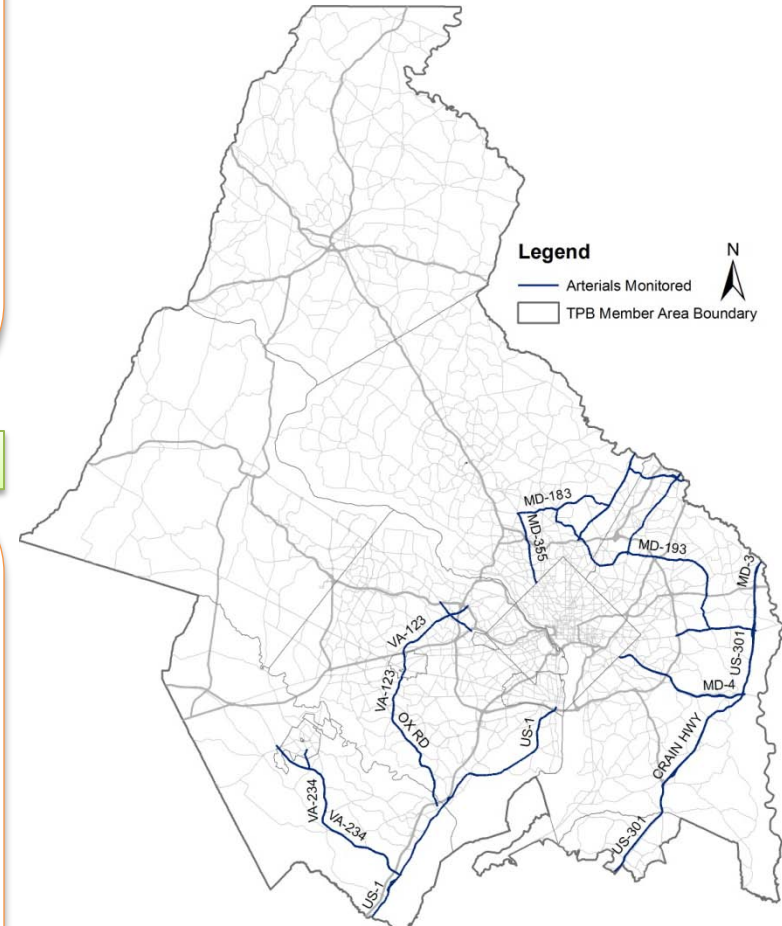
| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2008 | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 1.16 | 1.15 | 1.12 |
| 2009 | 1.15 | 1.15 | 1.16 | 1.15 | 1.15 | 1.15 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.16 | 1.15 | 1.13 | 1.10 |
| 2010 | 1.12 | 1.17 | 1.18 | 1.18 | 1.19 | 1.18 | 1.17 | 1.16 | 1.19 | 1.19 | 1.17 | 1.14 |

## Arterial Travel Time Index: PM Peak (3 – 7 PM)



| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2008 | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | 1.20 | 1.19 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.17 |
| 2009 | 1.19 | 1.19 | 1.19 | 1.20 | 1.21 | 1.20 | 1.19 | 1.18 | 1.18 | 1.20 | 1.19 | 1.18 |
| 2010 | 1.17 | 1.22 | 1.22 | 1.24 | 1.24 | 1.24 | 1.23 | 1.23 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 1.20 |

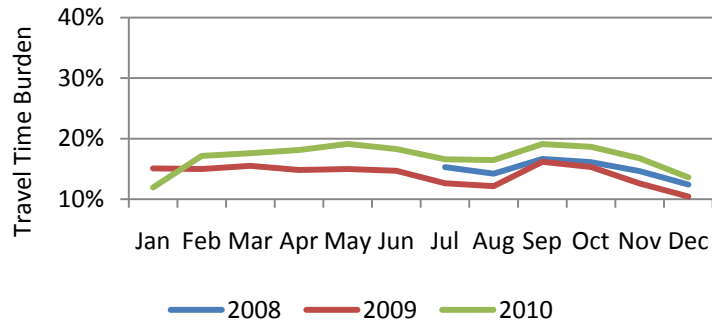
## Data Coverage on Arterials



\*Travel time index is the ratio of actual travel time over free flow travel time.

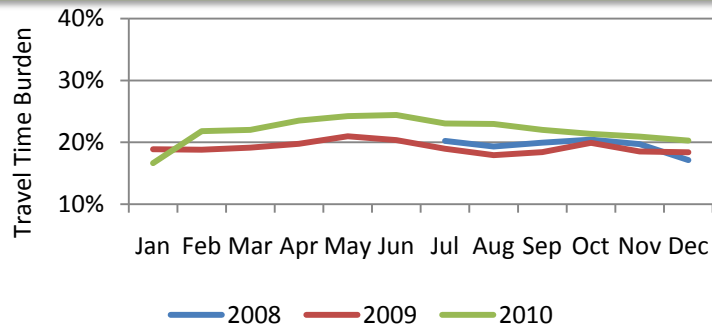


## Arterial Travel Time Burden: AM Peak (6 – 10 AM)



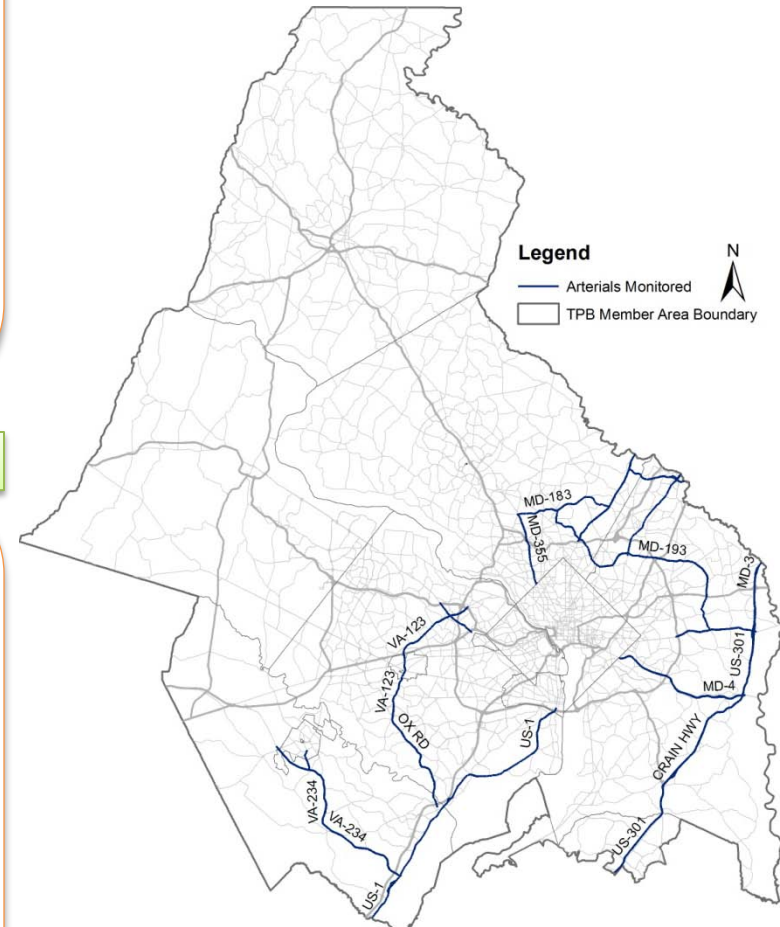
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|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 15% | 14% | 17% | 16% | 15% | 12% |
| 2009 | 15% | 15% | 16% | 15% | 15% | 15% | 13% | 12% | 16% | 15% | 13% | 10% |
| 2010 | 12% | 17% | 18% | 18% | 19% | 18% | 17% | 16% | 19% | 19% | 17% | 14% |

## Arterial Travel Time Burden: PM Peak (3 – 7 PM)



| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2008 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 20% | 19% | 20% | 20% | 20% | 17% |
| 2009 | 19% | 19% | 19% | 20% | 21% | 20% | 19% | 18% | 18% | 20% | 19% | 18% |
| 2010 | 17% | 22% | 22% | 24% | 24% | 24% | 23% | 23% | 22% | 21% | 21% | 20% |

## Data Coverage on Arterials

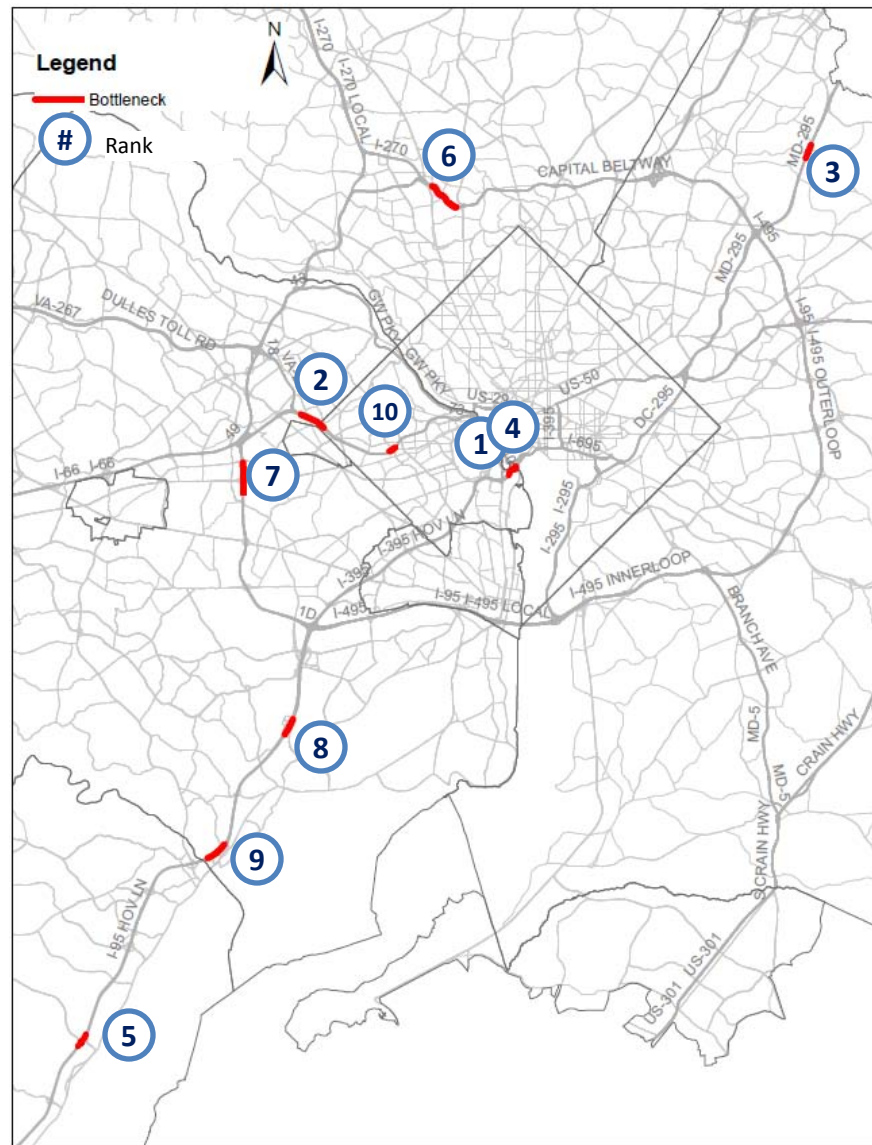


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## Most Severe Freeway Bottlenecks

| Road/Direction | Location           | Daily Hours of Congestion* | Average Speed when Congested (mph) | Rank   |        |        |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
|                |                    |                            |                                    | 2010Q4 | 2010Q3 | 2009Q4 |
| I-395 HOV NB   | 10TH ST/EXIT 10    | 2.05                       | 40                                 | 1      | 4      | >10    |
| I-66 EB        | VA-267/EXIT 67     | 1.43                       | 29                                 | 2      | >10    | >10    |
| MD-295 NB      | POWDER MILL RD     | 1.47                       | 32                                 | 3      | 6      | 10     |
| I-395 NB       | 11TH ST/EXIT 11    | 1.64                       | 27                                 | 4      | 1      | >10    |
| I-95 HOV SB    | End of HOV         | 1.37                       | 34                                 | 5      | 5      | >10    |
| I-495 IL       | MD-185/EXIT 33     | 1.49                       | 32                                 | 6      | 9      | 8      |
| I-495 IL       | US-50/EXIT 50      | 1.47                       | 34                                 | 7      | >10    | >10    |
| I-95 HOV NB    | VA-7900/EXIT 169   | 1.53                       | 37                                 | 8      | 10     | >10    |
| I-95 SB        | US-1/EXIT 161      | 1.16                       | 29                                 | 9      | >10    | 2      |
| I-66 WB        | FAIRFAX DR/EXIT 71 | 1.55                       | 36                                 | 10     | 3      | >10    |

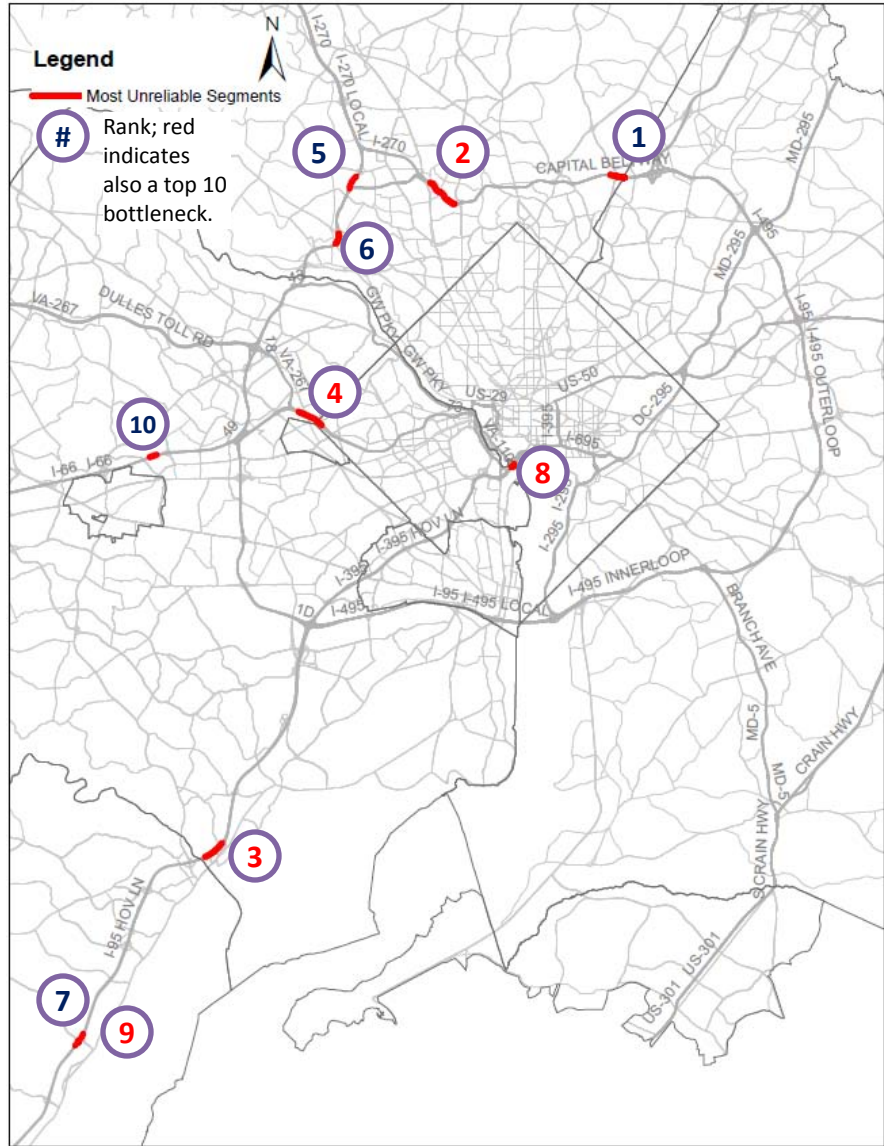
\* Daily Hours of Congestion is calculated by the total number of congested hours in the quarter, divided by the number of days (including weekends and holidays) in the quarter. Congestion is defined if travel time is longer than 1.3 times of free flow travel time (National Transportation Operations Coalition, 2005).



**Most Unreliable Freeway Segments**

| Road/Direction | Location         | Buffer Time Index* | Also A Top 10 Bottleneck? | Rank   |        |        |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
|                |                  |                    |                           | 2010Q4 | 2010Q3 | 2009Q4 |
| I-495 OL       | MD-650/EXIT 28   | 3.43               | No                        | 1      | 4      | >10    |
| I-495 IL       | MD-185/EXIT 33   | 3.20               | Yes                       | 2      | 2      | 1      |
| I-95 SB        | US-1/EXIT 161    | 3.17               | Yes                       | 3      | >10    | >10    |
| I-66 EB        | VA-267/EXIT 67   | 3.01               | Yes                       | 4      | 9      | >10    |
| I-270 Spur SB  | I-495            | 2.98               | No                        | 5      | 8      | 3      |
| I-495 IL       | C.J.PKWY/EXIT 40 | 2.95               | No                        | 6      | >10    | 10     |
| I-95 SB        | VA-234/EXIT 152  | 2.85               | No                        | 7      | 1      | >10    |
| I-395 NB       | 11TH ST/EXIT 11  | 2.75               | Yes                       | 8      | 5      | 7      |
| I-95 HOV SB    | End of HOV       | 2.58               | Yes                       | 9      | 6      | >10    |
| I-66 WB        | VADEN DR/EXIT 62 | 2.54               | No                        | 10     | >10    | >10    |

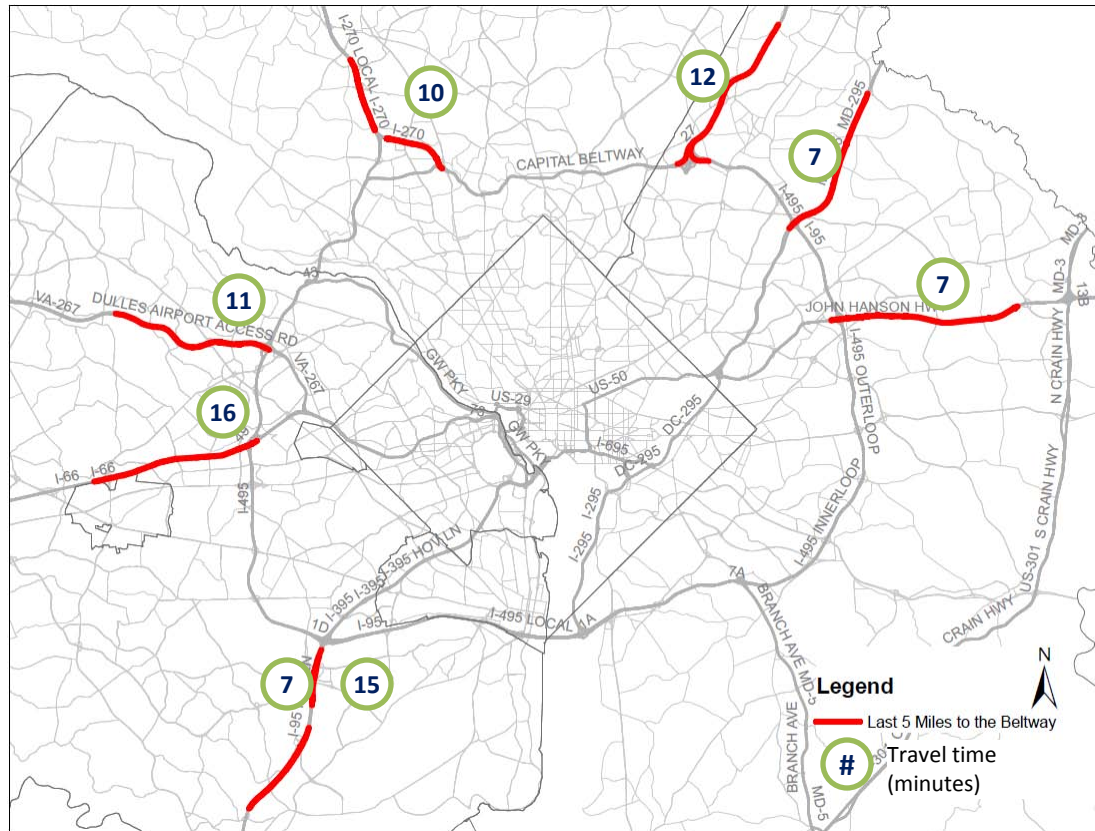
\* Buffer time index = (95<sup>th</sup> travel time – 50<sup>th</sup> travel time)/50<sup>th</sup> travel time. Buffer Time Index measures the ratio of the extra time a traveler has to budget for on-time arrival to median travel time.





## Travel Time of the Last 5 Miles to the Beltway (Freeways Only) in AM Peak Hour (8 – 9 AM)

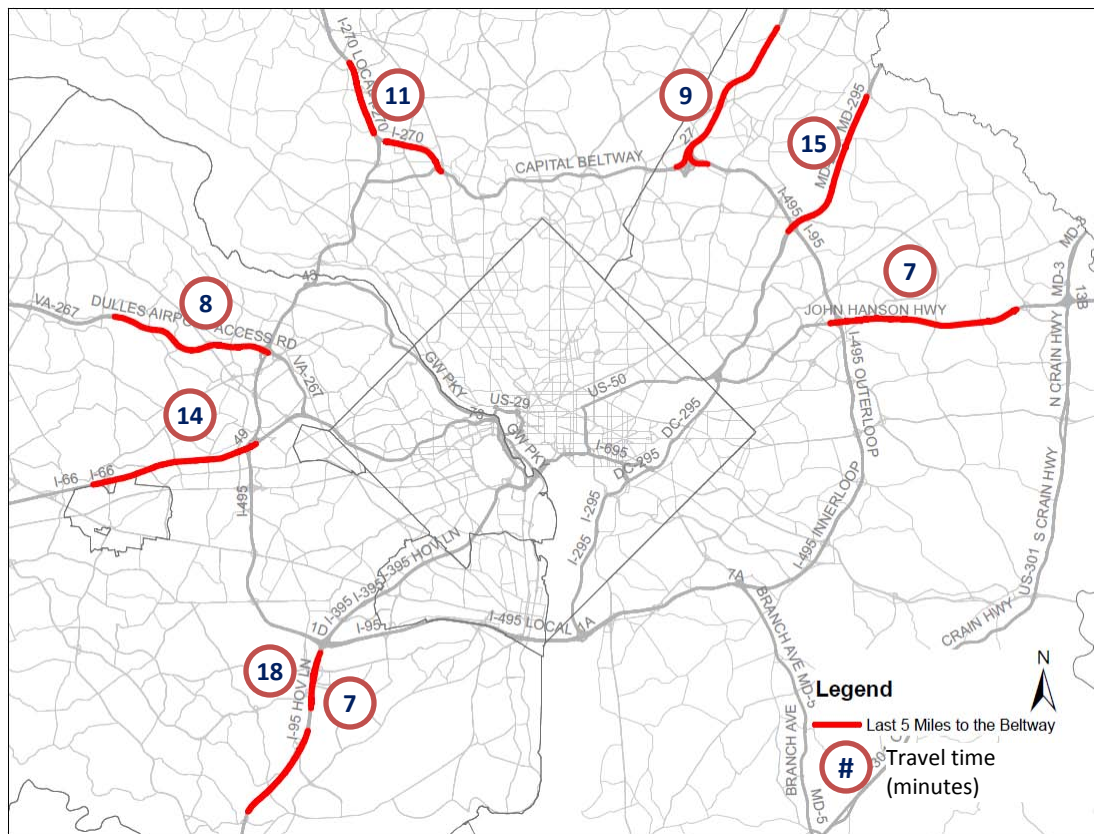
| Route       | From                   | To      | Travel Time (min) | Buffer Time Index* | Rank   |        |        |
|-------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|
|             |                        |         |                   |                    | 2010Q4 | 2010Q3 | 2009Q4 |
| I-66 EB     | VA-123/EXIT 60         | Beltway | 15.8              | 0.53               | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| I-95 NB     | LORTON RD/EXIT 163     | Beltway | 14.8              | 1.08               | 2      | 2      | 2      |
| I-95 SB     | MD-198/EXIT 33         | Beltway | 12.1              | 0.87               | 3      | 3      | 3      |
| VA-267 EB   | HUNTER MILL RD/EXIT 14 | Beltway | 10.9              | 0.29               | 4      | 4      | 4      |
| I-270 SB    | FALLS RD/EXIT 5        | Beltway | 9.6               | 0.67               | 5      | 5      | 5      |
| US-50 WB    | MD-197/EXIT 11         | Beltway | 7.3               | 0.81               | 6      | 6      | 8      |
| MD-295 SB   | MD-197/EXIT 11         | Beltway | 7.0               | 0.78               | 7      | 8      | 7      |
| I-95 HOV NB | LORTON RD/EXIT 163     | Beltway | 6.7               | 0.36               | 8      | 7      | 6      |



\* Buffer time index =  $(95^{\text{th}} \text{ travel time} - 50^{\text{th}} \text{ travel time}) / 50^{\text{th}} \text{ travel time}$ . Buffer Time Index measures the ratio of the extra time a traveler has to budget for on-time arrival to median travel time.

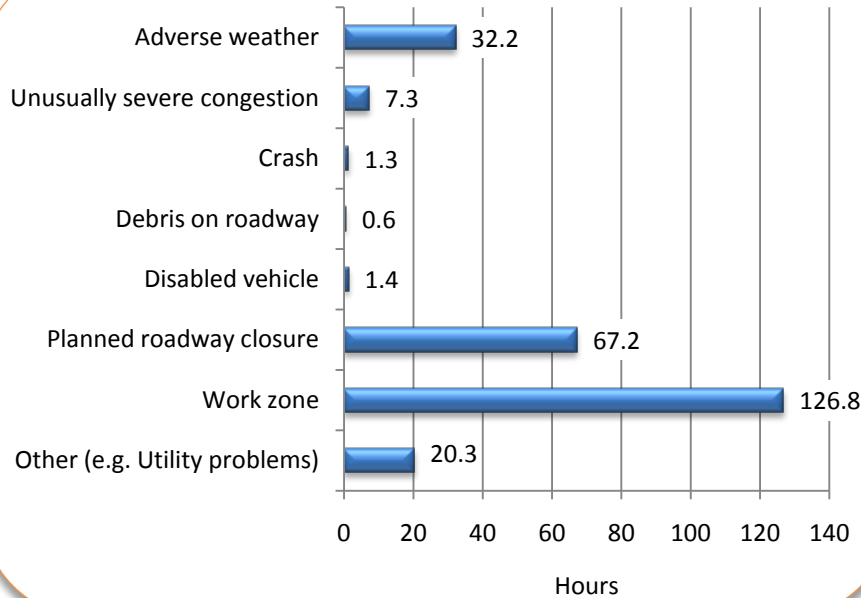
## Travel Time of the First 5 Miles from the Beltway (Freeways Only) in PM Peak Hour (5 – 6 PM)

| Route       | From    | To                     | Travel Time (min) | Buffer Time Index* | Rank   |        |        |
|-------------|---------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|
|             |         |                        |                   |                    | 2010Q4 | 2010Q3 | 2009Q4 |
| I-95 SB     | Beltway | LORTON RD/EXIT 163     | 18.3              | 0.56               | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| MD-295 NB   | Beltway | MD-197/EXIT 11         | 14.9              | 0.20               | 2      | 2      | 2      |
| I-66 WB     | Beltway | VA-123/EXIT 60         | 14.1              | 0.37               | 3      | 3      | 4      |
| I-270 NB    | Beltway | FALLS RD/EXIT 5        | 11.2              | 0.21               | 4      | 4      | 3      |
| I-95 NB     | Beltway | MD-198/EXIT 33         | 8.8               | 0.57               | 5      | 5      | 5      |
| VA-267 WB   | Beltway | HUNTER MILL RD/EXIT 14 | 8.4               | 0.45               | 6      | 7      | 6      |
| US-50 EB    | Beltway | MD-197/EXIT 11         | 7.3               | 0.42               | 7      | 6      | 8      |
| I-95 HOV SB | Beltway | LORTON RD/EXIT 163     | 6.8               | 0.07               | 8      | 8      | 7      |

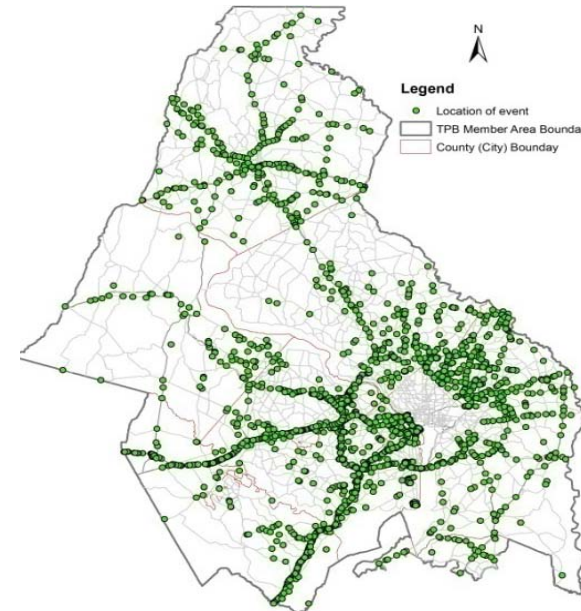


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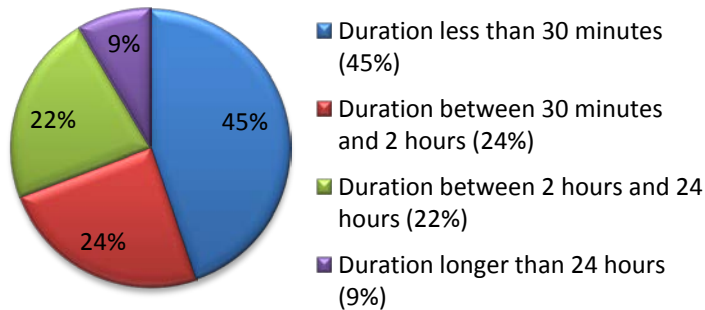
## Average Duration of RITIS-Recorded Incidents in the 4th Quarter of 2010



## Location of RITIS-Recorded Incidents in the 4th Quarter of 2010

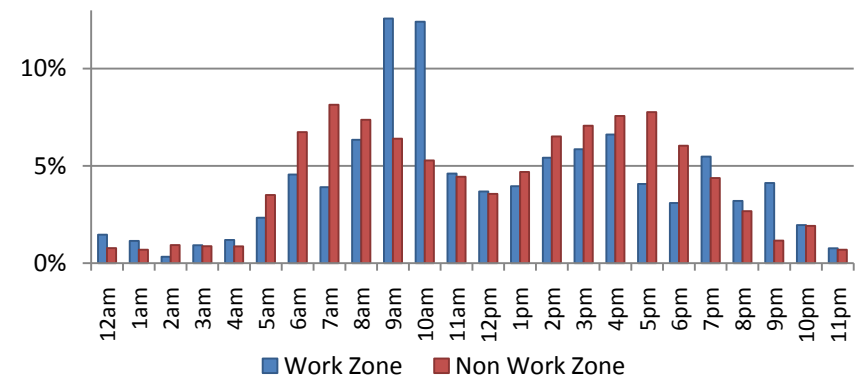


## Distribution of Duration of RITIS-Recorded Incidents in the 4th Quarter of 2010 (Total 11,610 Incidents)



## Time of Day Distribution of RITIS-Recorded Incidents

in the 4th Quarter of 2010 (Total 1844 work zone and 9766 non work zone Incidents)



\*Data sources: the Regional Integrated Transportation Information System ([www.RITIS.org](http://www.RITIS.org)). Data were not available for the District of Columbia.

## Summary of the 4th Quarter of 2010

1. The overall congestion on the region's freeway system decreased significantly in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2010 compared to the same time in 2009 & 2008.
  - The total delay experienced by a freeway traveler in this quarter was 23 hours, a 45% decrease from the same quarter last year.
  - The congested freeway lane-miles during the PM peak Period (3 -7 pm) was 22% , a 23% decrease from the same time last year.
  - The congested freeway lane-miles during the AM peak period (6 -10 am) was 15% , a 9% decrease from the same time last year.
2. The overall congestion on the data-covered arterials in the region increased slightly in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2010 compared to the same time in 2009 & 2008.
  - Travel Time Index increased 3% and 2% for AM peak period and PM peak period respectively, compared to the same time last year.
3. The most severe bottlenecks were mainly on the I-95/395 corridor, I-66 corridor and the west and north portion of the Beltway.
4. The most unreliable freeway segments were mainly on the north portion of the Beltway, and the I-95/395 corridor.
5. The I-66 EB carried the slowest traffic to the Beltway in the AM peak hour (8-9 am) and the I-95 SB in Virginia carried the slowest traffic from the Beltway in the PM peak hour (5-6 pm).
6. A total of 11,610 incidents were recorded by RITIS in the 4th quarter of 2010, of which 45% had duration less than 30 minutes, and 1% was acted upon by the MATOC Program.