



Congestion **Relief Zone** Tolling

January 29, 2025 Update



CNN NYC is the first US city with

2025 is the key test

congestion pricing. Surviving

BUSINESS

The Economist

What New York's congestion charge could teach the rest of America

= San Francisco Chronicle

Congestion pricing has hit New York. Could it be coming to downtown S.F.?



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Gridlock Guy: Could congestion pricing work in Atlanta?

New York City now tolls vehicles entering the busiest part of Manhattan. Something similar would have to overcome even mor obstacles in Atlanta.







Trip Times

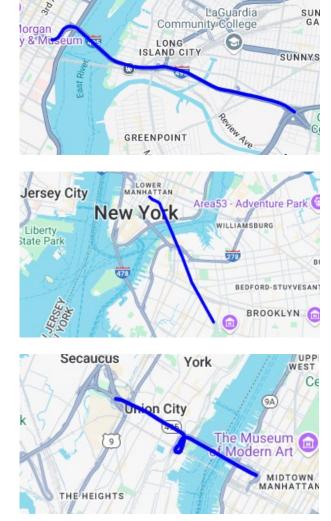


Trip times across river crossings into the CBD continue to be much faster than last January

		wkdy	S	М	т	W	т	F	S	S	М	т	W	т	F	S	S	М	Т	W	т	F	S
		avg	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	1/18	1/19	1/20	1/21	1/22	1/23	1/24	1/25
Li Z	incoln	-17%	1%	-39%	-34%	-35%	-32%	-17%	-1%	-4%	1%	12%	-24%	-23%	-15%	-1%	0%	-34%	6%	-9%	-5%	-18%	10%
	olland	-48%	1%	-48%	-54%	-60%	-67%	7%	-1%	-1%	-52%	-59%	-59%	-68%	-26%	0%	-2%	-57%	-41%	-57%	-61%	-26%	1%
H	ugh Carey	-18%	0%	-12%	-30%	-30%	-31%	-4%	0%	0%	-12%	-27%	-24%	-29%	-4%	0%	0%	-12%	-21%	5%	-31%	-4%	0%
Brooklyn W	rooklyn	-10%	-6%	-18%	-21%	-31%	-25%	-16%	6%	2%	-19%	-2%	-12%	-11%	-12%	-10%	-9%	-28%	71%	-19%	-13%	-12%	78%
Broo	lanhattan	-10%	0%	-9%	-8%	-13%	-9%	-8%	0%	-2%	-8%	-7%	-11%	-11%	-12%	-4%	-4%	-10%	-10%	-15%	-12%	-10%	-5%
W	/illiamsburg	-30%	-3%	-37%	-29%	-40%	-38%	-36%	-15%	2%	-34%	-25%	-19%	-36%	-24%	6%	2%	-60%	-17%	-28%	-22%	-34%	1%
Queens D	ueensboro	-30%	-14%	-52%	-44%	-34%	-34%	-35%	-19%	-13%	-41%	-28%	-36%	3%	-21%	-20%	-14%	-55%	-21%	-45%	-5%	-30%	-20%
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Travel time savings across the river crossings start "upstream"

	W 1/8	W 1/15	W 1/22
QMT (1.5 mi)	2 min	1.5 min	<1 min
LIE to QMT (3 mi)	7.5 min	9.5 min	5 min
	W 1/8	W 1/15	W 1/22
Manhattan Bridge (1.5 mi)	0.5 min	0.5 min	0.5 min
Flatbush to Manh Br (3.4 mi)	4.5 min	3.5 min	1.5 min
	W 1/8	W 1/15	W 1/22
Lincoln Tunnel (1.5 mi)	2.5 min	1.5 min	<1 min
NJ 495 to Lincoln Tu (3.7 mi)	6.5 min	5 min	4.5 min



Wednesday AM peak travel times compared to average hourly travel times in January 2024. Data sourced from TRANSCOM.

Travel times on streets in the CBD are by and large better than last January

		wkdy	S	М	Т	W	Т	F	S	S	М	Т	W	Т	F	S	S	М	Т	W	Т	F	S
		avg	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	1/18	1/19	1/20	1/21	1/22	1/23	1/24	1/25
	Canal St (EB)	-30%	-12%	-22%	-25%	-34%	-43%	-23%	-23%	-19%	-32%	-38%	-35%	-33%	-17%	-16%	-34%	-36%	-27%	-40%	-26%	-31%	-14%
	Canal St (WB)	-24%	-19%	-27%	-29%	-35%	-33%	-38%	-20%	-20%	-26%	-20%	-31%	-29%	48%	-15%	-29%	-28%	-25%	-37%	-23%	-27%	-18%
	Houston (EB)	-7%	-9%	-7%	-8%	-8%	-5%	-7%	-12%	-11%	-9%	-6%	-9%	-7%	-7%	-7%	-9%	-1%	-5%	-3%	-2%	-8%	-10%
	Houston (WB)	-5%	-7%	-12%	-4%	-4%	-5%	-6%	-4%	-10%	-5%	-6%	-6%	-5%	4%	-7%	-2%	-14%	-6%	-3%	-4%	-1%	-1%
S	23 St (EB)	-27%	-28%	-30%	-27%	-20%	-15%	-22%	-29%	-13%	-29%	-19%	-29%	-35%	-28%	-36%	-39%	-43%	-25%	-35%	-37%	-28%	-49%
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	42 St (EB)	-6%	3%	-3%	6%	-5%	-9%	-14%	-3%	-6%	5%	-6%	-12%	-12%	-6%	-6%	-9%	-4%	-3%	-13%	-4%	-5%	-35%
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	57 St (EB)	-26%	-11%	2%	-39%	-24%	-19%	-37%	-37%	-27%	-18%	-46%	-10%	-31%	-35%	-34%	-30%	-32%	-37%	-17%	-27%	-30%	-38%
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Mixed, but still positive, improvements on the avenues and excluded roadways

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		avg	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	1/18	1/19	1/20	1/21	1/22	1/23	1/24	1/25
	1 Av (NB)	-9%	-1%	0%	-5%	-20%	4%	-19%	-11%	-7%	2%	-10%	-19%	-3%	-14%	-12%	-10%	-9%	-4%	-16%	-9%	-18%	-14%
	2 Av (SB)	7%	-4%	16%	0%	1%	14%	1%	-5%	1%	7%	1%	4%	4%	3%	1%	-12%	-6%	12%	4%	30%	5%	4%
	3 Av (NB)	-16%	-13%	-15%	-21%	-21%	-15%	-25%	-18%	-18%	-15%	-22%	-14%	-9%	-21%	-14%	-18%	-23%	-14%	-11%	-10%	-17%	-14%
S	Lex Av (SB)	-4%	4%	7%	-5%	-5%	0%	-17%	-8%	-8%	-2%	-6%	-4%	2%	-16%	-7%	-20%	-25%	-3%	-4%	8%	-17%	-5%
nue	Park Av (NB)	-8%	3%	-2%	-8%	-15%	-4%	-8%	-2%	-3%	4%	-10%	-15%	-13%	-5%	-7%	-9%	-18%	-7%	-9%	-10%	-4%	1%
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2	5 Av (SB)	4%	15%	4%	3%	1%	8%	20%	8%	8%	5%	-4%	1%	-6%	-4%	-7%	-4%	-13%	4%	4%	12%	9%	-7%
	8 Av (NB)	-22%	-11%	-19%	-20%	-22%	-26%	-18%	-18%	-24%	-26%	-25%	-28%	-17%	-26%	-23%	-29%	-19%	-20%	-19%	-22%	-14%	-19%
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	11 Av (SB)	-2%	-24%	-10%	-21%	-21%	-20%	-15%	-9%	27%	70%	23%	-19%	-13%	29%	-13%	-23%	8%	-13%	-7%	8%	-16%	6%
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Excl Rdwys	FDR (SB)	7%	11%	6%	-5%	12%	9%	16%	12%	70%	-2%	-19%	3%	-3%	14%	25%	15%	-15%	7%	8%	11%	35%	-15%
	WSH (NB)	-14%	-13%	-5%	-18%	-28%	-20%	-16%	-21%	-12%	-1%	-18%	-22%	23%	-17%	-10%	-12%	-17%	-13%	-24%	-18%	-19%	-11%
Ш	WSH (SB)	-18%	-6%	-20%	-17%	-20%	-27%	-11%	-18%	0%	-12%	-20%	-19%	-25%	-15%	-15%	-16%	-28%	-16%	-19%	-25%	-6%	-12%

Impact on Transit



Bus speeds across the Hudson and East River crossings are both faster and far more reliable

Crossing	Bus Route	Median (min)	P90 (min)
Lincoln Tunnel (WB)	SIM8X	-6.8	-19.6
	SIM22	-4.6	-8.9
Lincoln Tunnel (EB)	SIM4C	-5.2	-8.0
Midtown Tunnol (M/D)	QM20	-1.8	-15.1
Midtown Tunnel (WB)	QM8	-10.1	-10.8
Queenshere Bridge (ED)	QM2	-7.9	-11.8
Queensboro Bridge (EB)	QM20	-5.9	-11.2
Williamsburg Bridge (WB)	B39	-4.0	-5.6
Williamsburg Bridge (EB)	B39	-1.9	-4.9



Express bus ridership is higher, especially on weekends

Route type	Weekday growth	Weekend growth
Express	5.8%	21.2%
Non-Express	1.9%	7.0%
Total	1.5%	7.9%

Bus route	Weekday growth
X27	14.8%
QM15	11.3%
BXM8	13.8%
SIM33	7.7%



Subway ridership is up

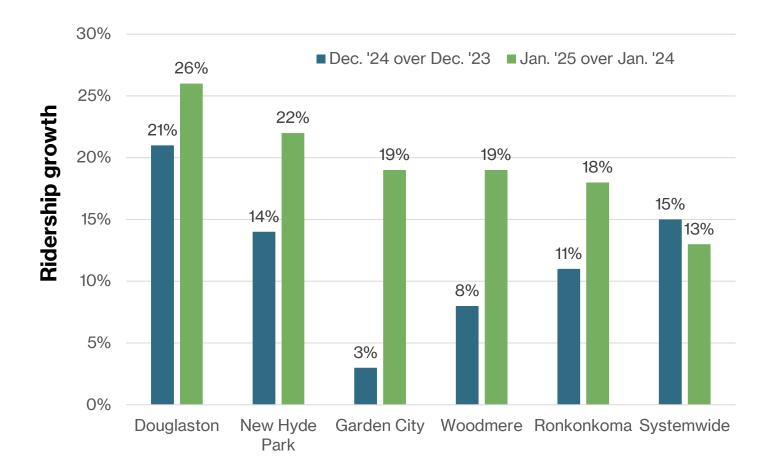
Route type	Weekday growth	Weekend growth
January '25 vs '24	7.3%	12.2%
Fall '24 vs '23	4% - 6%	9% - 14%



NYCT is launching service adjustment pilot to reflect new congestion conditions



Some LIRR stations are seeing higher ridership, and MNR is up systemwide



- At LIRR, New Hyde Park, Douglaston, Garden City, Ronkonkoma, Woodmere have all seen year-over-year growth in January that outpaced their December growth
- Systemwide, Metro-North ridership grew faster in January (11% year on year) than the pre-CRZ rate in December (7%).

Vehicle Entries













Congestion Relief Zone



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CBD Entries

Trips entering the entire area at and below 60 St

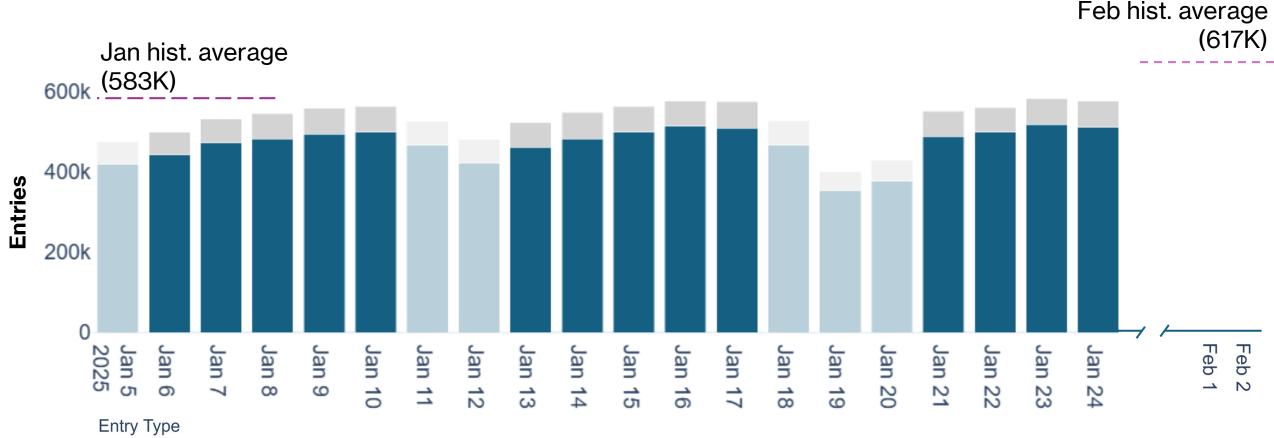
Excluded Roadway Trips +

Trips remaining on FDR Dr & West Side Hwy

CRZ Entries

Trips entering the tolled Congestion Relief Zone

On an average weekday, 490,000 vehicles enter the CRZ and 63,000 stay on the excluded roadways

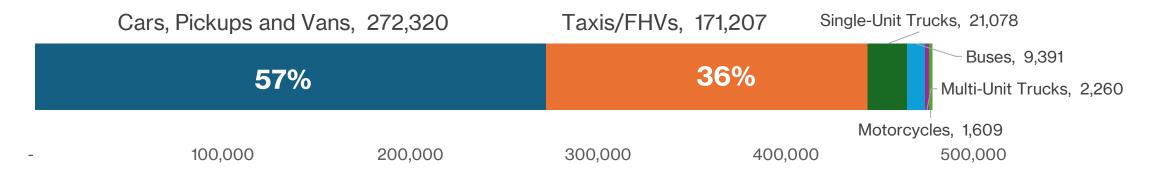


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Excluded Roadway

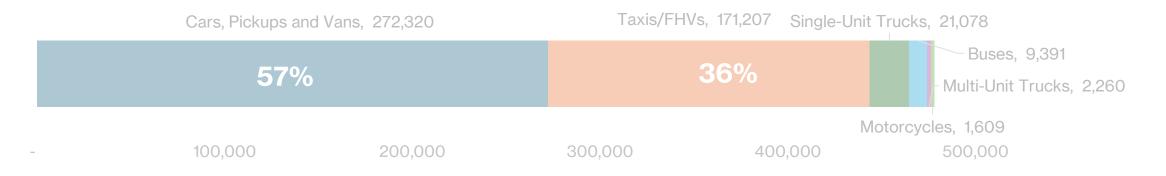
More than half of all CRZ entries are passenger vehicles; another third are taxis and FHVs

CRZ weekday entries, by type of vehicle

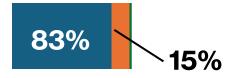


Passenger vehicles make up nearly 9 in 10 of all traffic staying on the excluded roadways

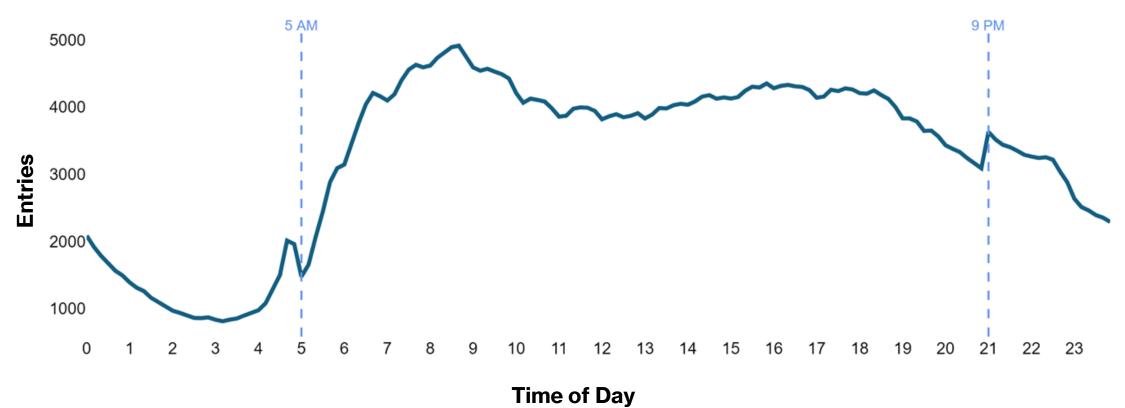
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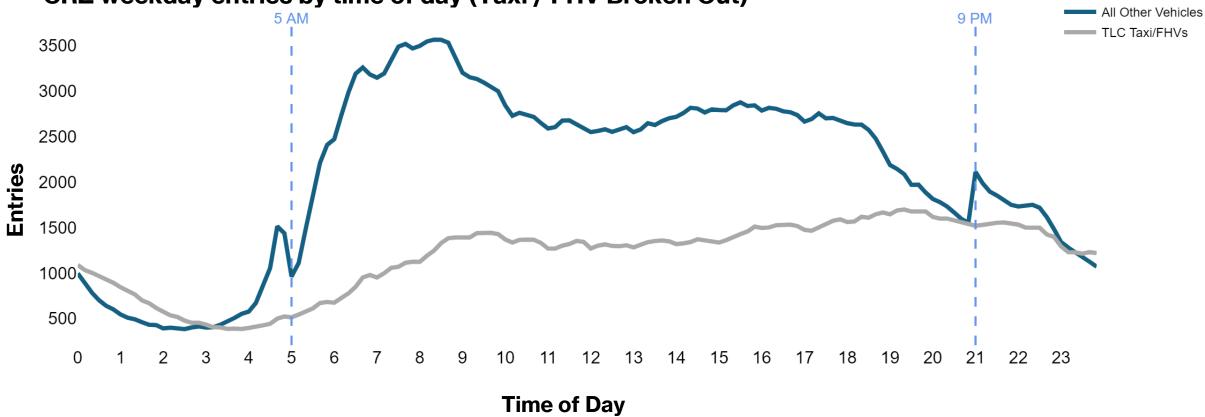
Excluded Roadway weekday entries, by type of vehicle



Some drivers are shifting their travel to avoid the peak toll

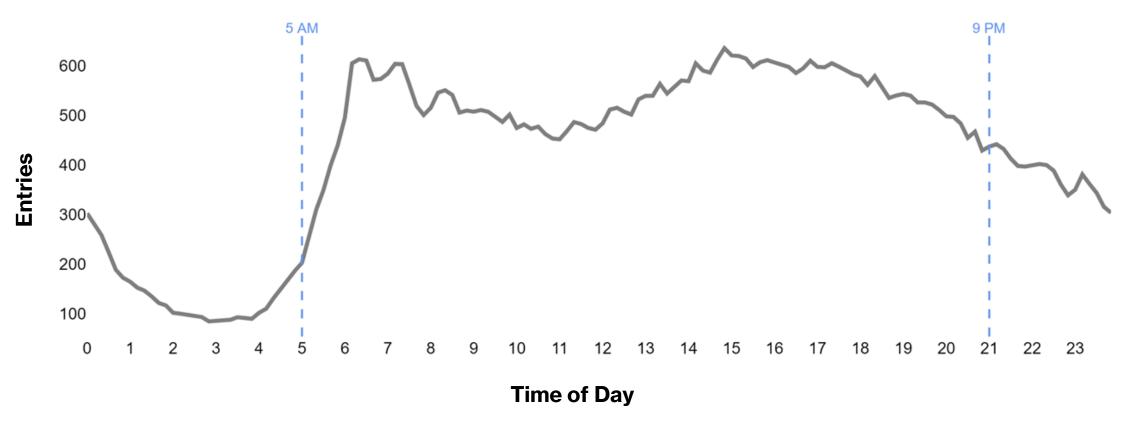


CRZ weekday entries by time of day, All vehicles



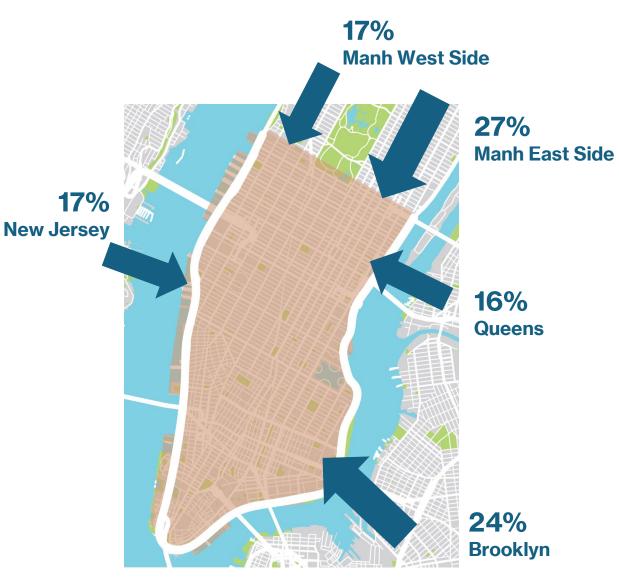
CRZ weekday entries by time of day (Taxi / FHV Broken Out)

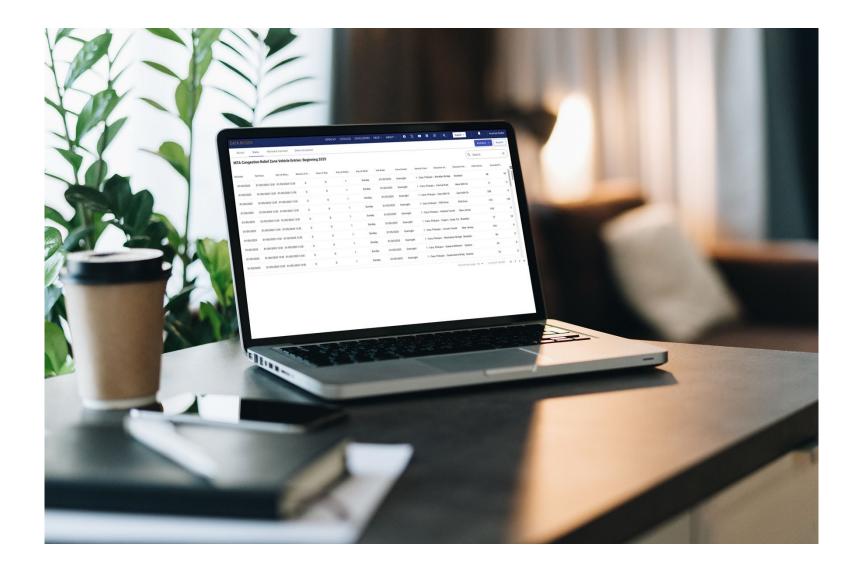
Excluded roadway weekday entries by time of day, All vehicles



43% of vehicle entries into the CRZ come from the North; 40% from the East; 17% from New Jersey

Manh / East Side	130,674	27%
East 60 St	79,230	
FDR Drive	51,444	
Manh / West Side	82,528	17%
West 60 St	39,778	
West Side Highway	42,750	
New Jersey	81,061	17%
Holland Tunnel	36,924	
Lincoln Tunnel	44,137	
Brooklyn	116,213	24%
Brooklyn Bridge	29,030	
Hugh L. Carey Tunnel	20,865	
Manhattan Bridge	27,612	
Williamsburg Bridge	38,706	
Queens	78,125	16%
Queens Midtown Tunnel	41,107	





Available Tomorrow on MTA Open Data

Detailed information on CRZ entries, by vehicle class, at entry point, at 10-minute intervals

Battery Place at 6pm

October 2023 vs. January 2025

