

I-405 Express Toll Lanes Performance Update

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Population increase



- As the population of the Puget Sound region grows, so does the number of vehicles on the road
- On average, up to 23 percent more vehicles move through the corridor during peak periods each weekday than before tolling began

Performance update

Express toll lanes have been a success in meeting WSDOT's three goals:

- 1. Giving drivers a choice
 - Drivers make 61,000 daily trips in I-405 express toll lanes and save an average of 11 minutes.
 - Over 7,700 riders use transit in the lanes daily.
- 2. Providing faster, more reliable trip
 - The corridor is moving more people and vehicles.
 - Regular lane speeds have improved by as much as 6 mph in some locations.
- 3. Raising revenue to reinvest in the corridor
 - \$75 million generated in toll revenue
 - Toll revenue is funding corridor improvements
 - \$15 million for preliminary engineering in north-end
 - \$11.5 million for peak-use shoulder

Support increases over time

In summer 2017, in advance of the two-year anniversary of the I-405 express toll lanes opening, WSDOT conducted three surveys to determine how drivers feel about the lanes.

Do you like having the option of using the express toll lanes for a faster trip?

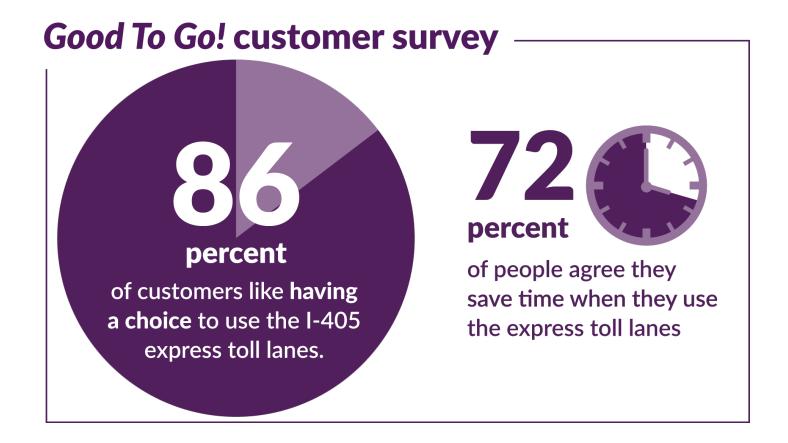
Support over time



- We have seen public support increase since the express toll lanes opened in fall 2015.
- These surveys included people who do not use the express toll lanes or have Good To Go! account.

Customer sentiment

WSDOT conducted a September 2018 survey of nearly **775** *Good To Go!* customers who have used the I-405 express toll lanes.



Toll authorization needed

I-405/SR 167 Express Toll Facility



The Legislature directed that these projects would use toll revenue to fund construction, however, the Legislature still must provide authorization to toll these facilities.

I-405/SR 167 Express Toll Facility

- Toll authorization for the full I-405 corridor
- Permanent toll authorization for SR 167, including future extension to SR 512 in Puyallup

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 Toll authorization for SR 167 and SR 509

Puget Sound Gateway Facility





Questions?

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