

PROBE DATA ANALYTICS SUITE

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Quarterly Web Meeting

August 17, 2017



Welcome

Kelly Wells ◦ North Carolina DOT, PDA Suite User Group Co-chair



Participating Agencies

Agency	
Baltimore Metropolitan Council	North Carolina DOT
Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission	New York City DOT
District DOT	Pennsylvania DOT
Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (NC) MPO	Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission
Florida DOT (WSP)	Richmond Regional TPO
Maryland SHA	Vermont AOT
MWCOG	Virginia DOT
New Jersey DOT	UMD – CATT Lab & CATT Works
New Jersey Turnpike Authority	I-95 Corridor Coalition & support



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Thank
You!



Topics for today

- › Coalition Update
- › PDA Suite: What's new / coming soon
- › **Holiday Travel Advisory “How-To”**
- › NPMRDS v2.0
- › O-D Data Suite Focus Group Status
- › **NJCMS / PDA Suite – Ratings for Potential Projects**
- › Agency Input Session



Introductions



Denise Markow

I-95 Corridor Coalition
Director



John Allen

UMD CATT Lab
Agency Support



Ed Stylc

Baltimore Metropolitan Council
Planner Analyst



Ira Levinton

New Jersey DOT
Project Engineer



Coalition Update

> Recent Meetings

- RITIS User Group Meeting – June 8, 2017
- GTFS Workshop (at NJTPA) – July 20, 2017
- Volume & Turning Movement Steering Committee meeting – July 27, 2017
- Potomac HOGs Exchange – August 9, 2017

> Upcoming Meetings

- Crowdsourcing Summit (Waze use by member agencies) – Sept 14, 2017 (in-person & via web)
- RITIS User Group Meeting – Sept 21, 2017 (via web)

> Reminder

- We will be changing the PDA Suite User Group meeting schedule, from once every quarter to once every four months



Volume & Turning Movement Project • Status

- User Survey - Completed
- Preliminary Data Analyses
 - Maryland
 - Rhode Island
 - Florida
 - Colorado
- Calibration (FHWA TMAS)
- Validation (TTI)



Getting Things Done.



Action Item Follow-up (from the 05.11.17 Meeting)

- **FDOT pilot projects for the O-D data analytics tools**
 - John & Kim discussed a few potentials; will flesh out more
- **PennDOT requested automation features for the dashboard**
 - A meeting is being scheduled to discuss adding these features
- **Agencies to forward any PDA Suite-generated Travel Advisory Notices for distribution to the group**
 - None received, but see below
- **Check with Ed Stylc (BMC) on Memorial Day Travel Tips**
 - Ed's presenting today!



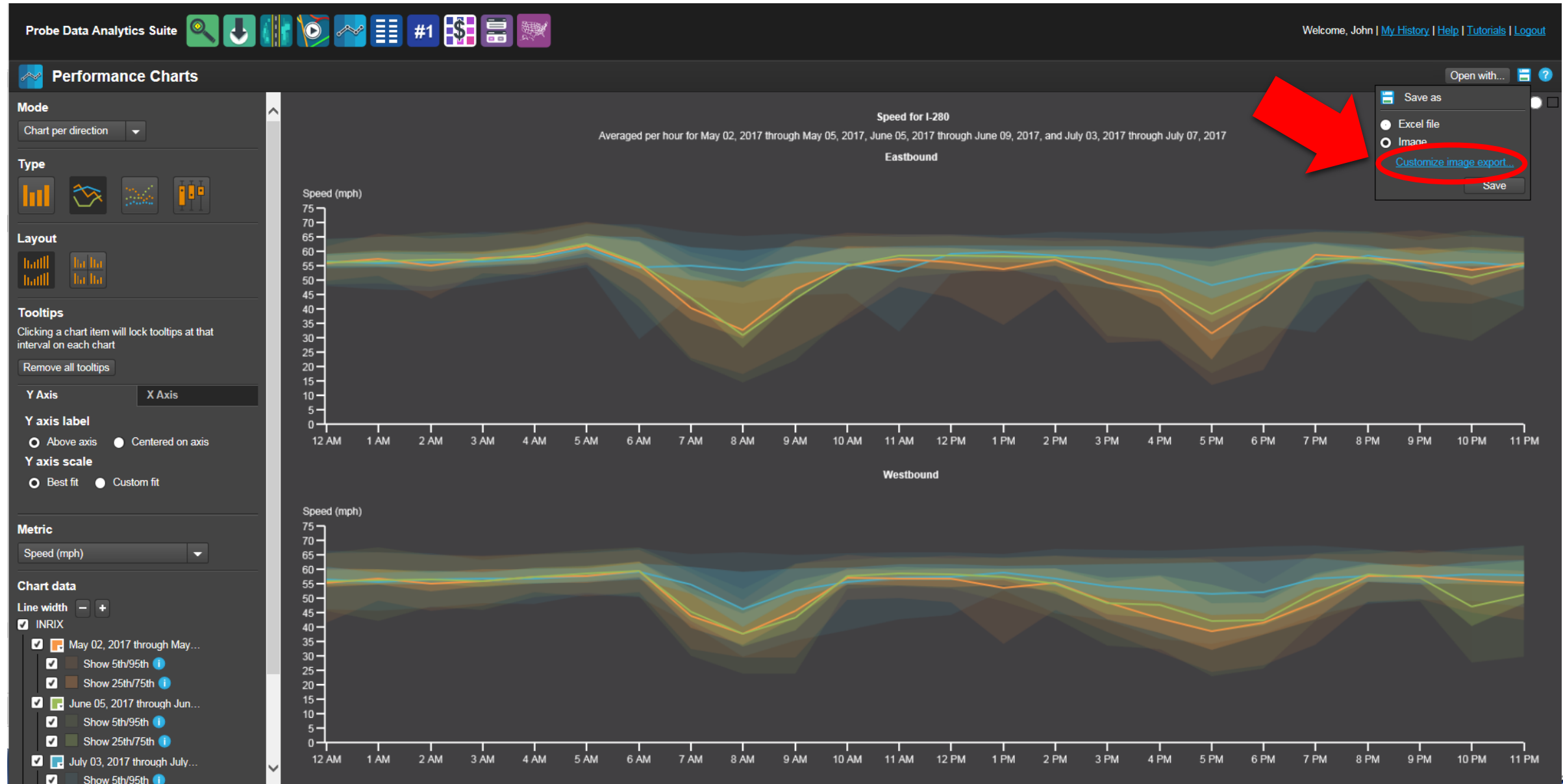
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What's new...



Customizable Performance Charts (paid for by PennDOT)



Customizable Performance Chart Control Panel

Axis color/width, image size or background (transparent/color)

Image title

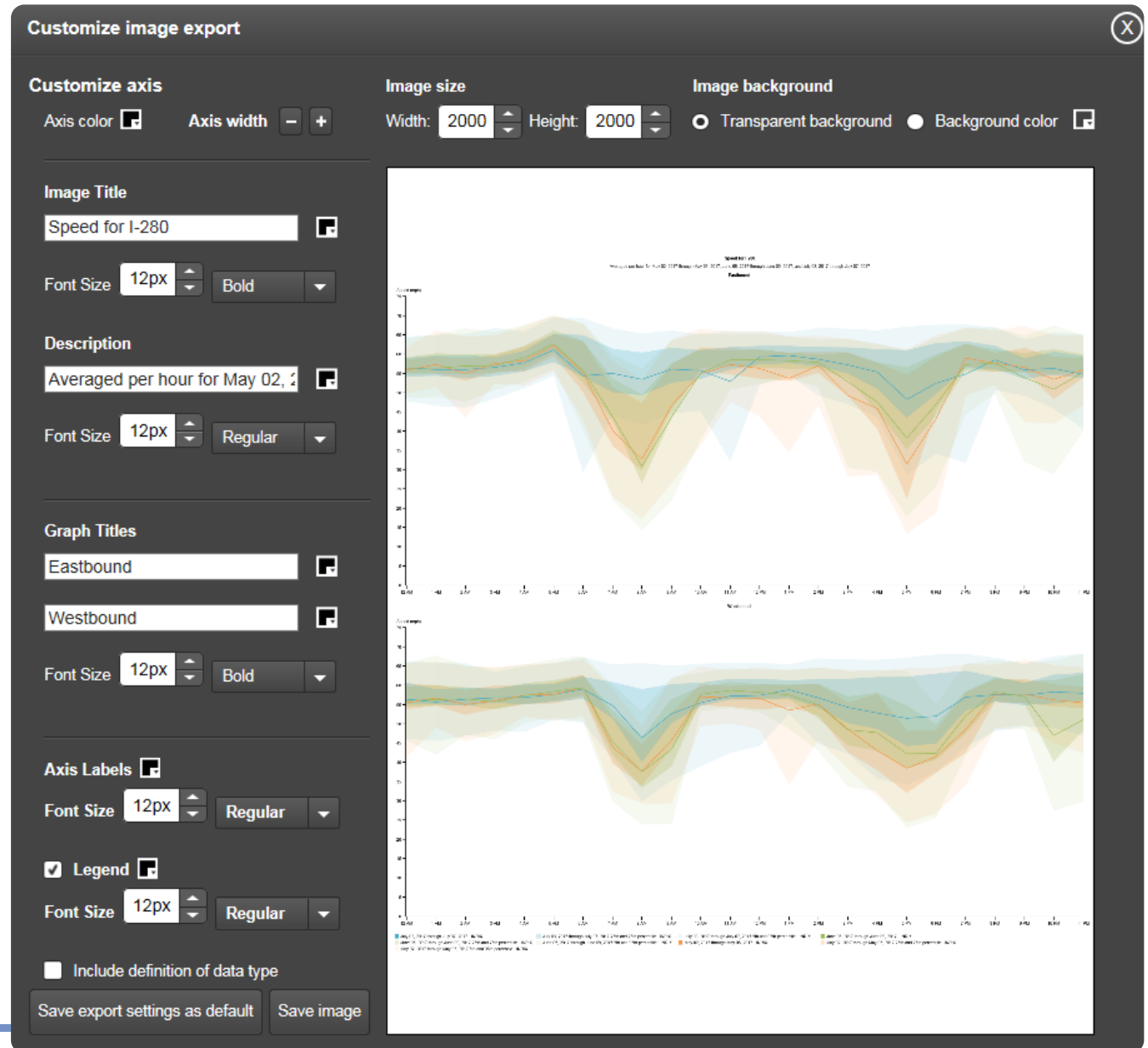
Description

Graph titles

Axis labels

Legend

Data type definition



Bottleneck Ranking with new metrics / feature

Raw speed drop
weighted by queue
lengths



Speed drop adjusted by
bottleneck activation
threshold, weighted by
queue length



AADT weighted
by queue length



















Raw speed drop
weighted by
VMT factor



View in
Performance
Charts, or UDC



Speed-Differential-Impact	Speed-Percent-Impact	Volume Estimate	Delay Surrogate	External Tool Links
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350,364.02	15,147.03	80,696.00	28,272,974,882.39	 
394,986.13	18,373.01	87,889.00	34,714,935,581.08	 
296,647.04	14,258.78	68,959.00	20,456,483,043.65	 
271,460.86	11,609.21	84,796.00	23,018,794,663.80	 
242,544.63	9,752.27	101,890.00	24,712,872,290.99	 
281,164.67	16,625.51	44,990.00	12,649,598,609.21	 
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<https://vpp.ritis.org/suite/help/#bottlenecks/new-metrics>



MAP-21 Dashboard widgets

MAP-21
Our MAP-21 widgets are fully up to date with the final MAP-21 ruling.

1. Select geography:
☒ State Maryland
☐ UZAs Select an urbanized area...

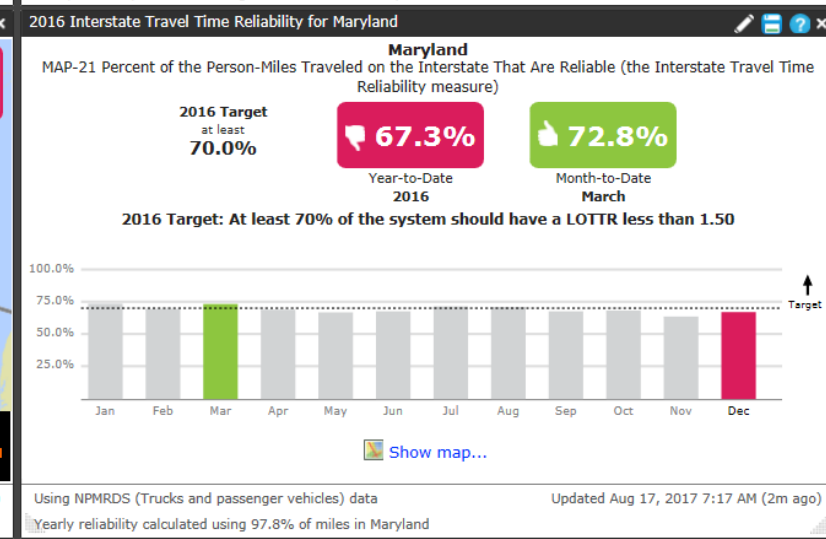
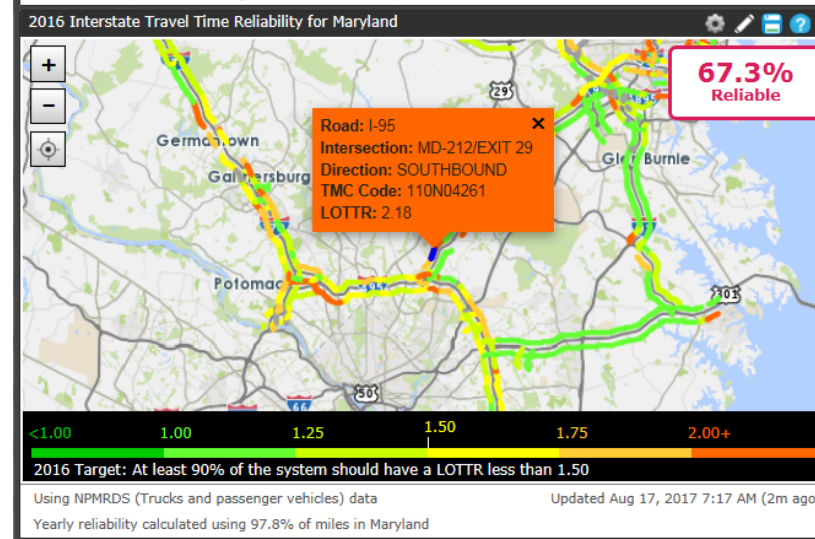
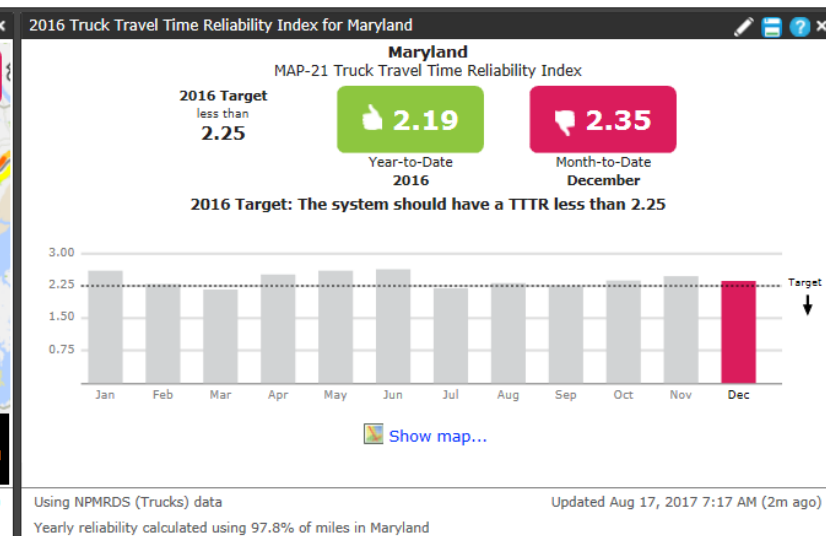
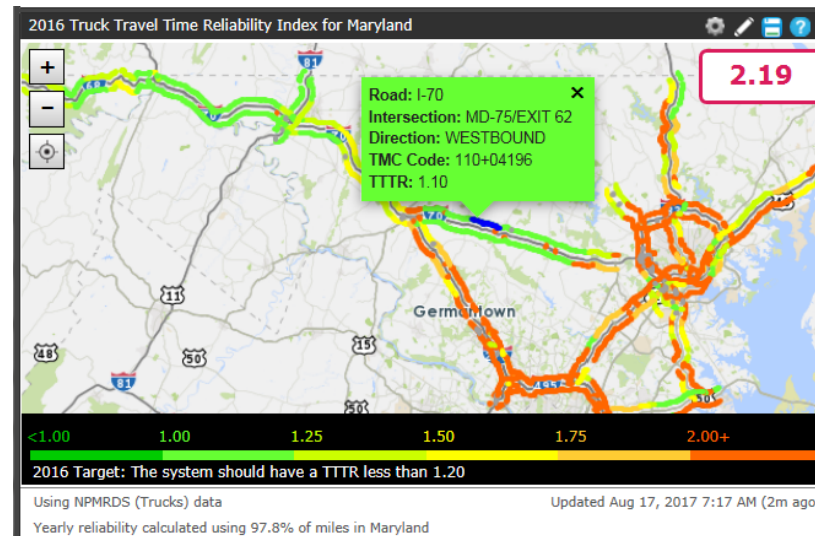
2. Select measures:
☒ Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the Interstate That Are Reliable (the Interstate Travel Time Reliability measure) (BETA)
 Set target to at least 90%
☒ Percent of the Person-Miles Traveled on the Non-Interstate NHS That Are Reliable (the Non-Interstate NHS Travel Time Reliability measure) (BETA)
 Set target to at least 75%
☒ Truck Travel Time Reliability Index (BETA)
 Set target to less than 1.20
☐ Annual Hours of Peak Hour Excessive Delay Per Capita (BETA)
[Provide and use your own volume data here](#)

3. Select year:
2016

4. Show data as:
☒ Graph
☒ Map

5. Name MAP-21 widget(s)
2016 Interstate Travel Time Reliability for Maryland
2016 Non-interstate NHS Travel Time Reliability for Maryland
2016 Truck Travel Time Reliability Index for Maryland

+ ADD 6 WIDGETS



PROBE DATA ANALYTICS SUITE



Coming soon...



Performance Summaries (query page)

Create a visualization for each direction of travel, or combine directions into a single visualization

Probe Data Analytics Suite

Performance Summaries

A performance summary is a report on travel time metrics grouped by day of week, weekdays, and weekends. The results can be compiled for every hour of the day or for specific time ranges. The reports are grouped by road direction. TMCs that share the same directionality, regardless of which road they appear on, will be aggregated together in the results.

1. Select roads

Roads Region List of TMC codes Saved TMC sets [Advanced](#)

TMCs from... Search in Maryland...

Your selected roads [i](#) Remove all

I-495

☒ Entire road ☐ Partial road

85 miles of roadway selected (120 TMC codes) [i](#)

[Report a problem with this road](#)


☐ Create a single visualization combining all directions of travel

☒ Create a visualization for each direction of travel [i](#)

Save as TMC set




Performance Summaries (query page)

Probe Data Analytics Suite  Welcome, John | [My History](#) | [Help](#) | [Tutorials](#) | [Logout](#)



Instructions: Select a road and time range. The reports are grouped by road direction. TMCs that share the same directionality, regardless of which road they appear on, will be aggregated together in the results.

1. Select roads

Road Region List of TMC codes Saved TMC Set [Advanced](#)

INRIX  Search in Maryland...

Your selected roads [Remove all](#)

I-270  

Directions: ☒ Northbound ☒ Southbound

Interchanges: 18

☒ Entire ☐ Partial

86 miles of roadway selected (88 TMC codes) [Report a problem with this road](#)

[Save as TMC set](#)

2. Select one or more time periods to analyze

Month(s) Year

Select a range of one or more months

2017 July - to - 2017 July


1 month

☐ Create a single time period for this range

☐ Create a time period for each month within this range

[+ Add time period](#)

Your selected time periods [Remove All](#)

July 2017 

3. Select a time range to analyze within each time period

12:00 AM 12:00 PM 12:00 AM

12:00 AM 12:00 AM

4. Select data sources

☐ HERE

☒ INRIX

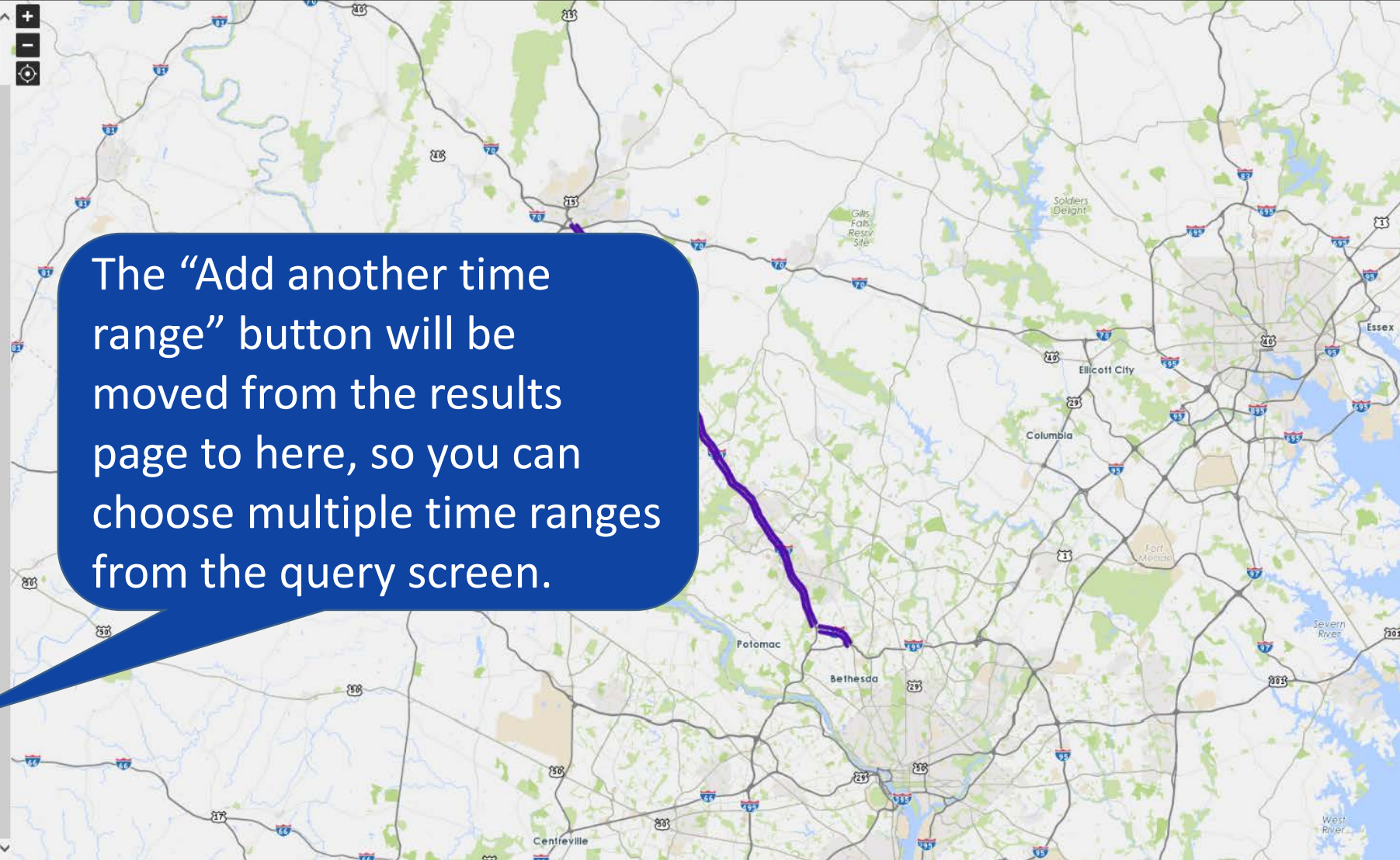
☐ NPMRDS (Passenger vehicles)

☐ NPMRDS (Trucks and passenger vehicles)

☐ NPMRDS (Trucks)

☐ TomTom

[SUBMIT](#)



The “Add another time range” button will be moved from the results page to here, so you can choose multiple time ranges from the query screen.





Performance Summaries (results page)

Probe Data
Analytics Suite



Welcome, Jenny | [My History](#) | [Help](#) | [Tutorials](#) | [Logout](#)

Performance Summaries

Open with...  

I-270

Northbound and Southbound (33.06 miles) using INRIX data

	Buffer time (minutes)		Buffer index		Planning time (minutes)		Planning time index		Speed (mph)		Travel time (minutes)		Travel time index		
	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	12:00 AM - to - 12:00 AM	03:00 PM - to - 12:00 AM	
Mon	21.28	14.44	0.64	0.44	54.78	46.98	1.73	1.48	61.74	63.89	32.13	32.02	1.09	0.99	Mon
Tue	24.14	10.10	0.71	0.31	58.36	42.78	1.84	1.35	61.10	63.83	36.67	31.37	1.14	0.97	Tue
Wed	26.45	4.18	0.78	0.13	60.36	36.34	1.90	1.14	61.40	64.69	33.80	31.32	1.05	0.97	Wed
Thu	31.36	4.05	0.93	0.13	65.05	35.99	2.05	1.13	60.97	64.29	34.87	31.63	1.08	0.98	Thu
Fri	8.53	5.35	0.26	0.17	40.96	37.24	1.29	1.17	62.94	66.17	32.95	31.11	1.09	0.99	Fri
Weekdays	22.63	14.60	0.67	0.12	56.19	36.04	1.77	1.13	61.60	64.13	34.60	31.47	1.14	0.97	Weekdays
Sat	1.66	1.89	0.05	0.06	33.10	33.59	1.04	1.06	65.03	67.06	30.80	31.11	1.09	0.98	Sat
Sun	13.81	20.08	0.44	0.63	45.23	52.06	1.42	1.64	62.95	66.64	30.95	30.75	1.14	0.99	Sun
Weekends	7.36	14.60	0.23	0.46	38.78	46.44	1.22	1.46	64.00	66.85	30.87	30.90	1.09	0.97	Weekends
All Days	17.46	14.60	0.53	0.20	50.37	40.10	1.59	1.24	62.30	65.34	33.64	31.32	1.09	0.97	All Days

This will allow for a much larger and cleaner results page.



Map controls for TMC / Geography selection

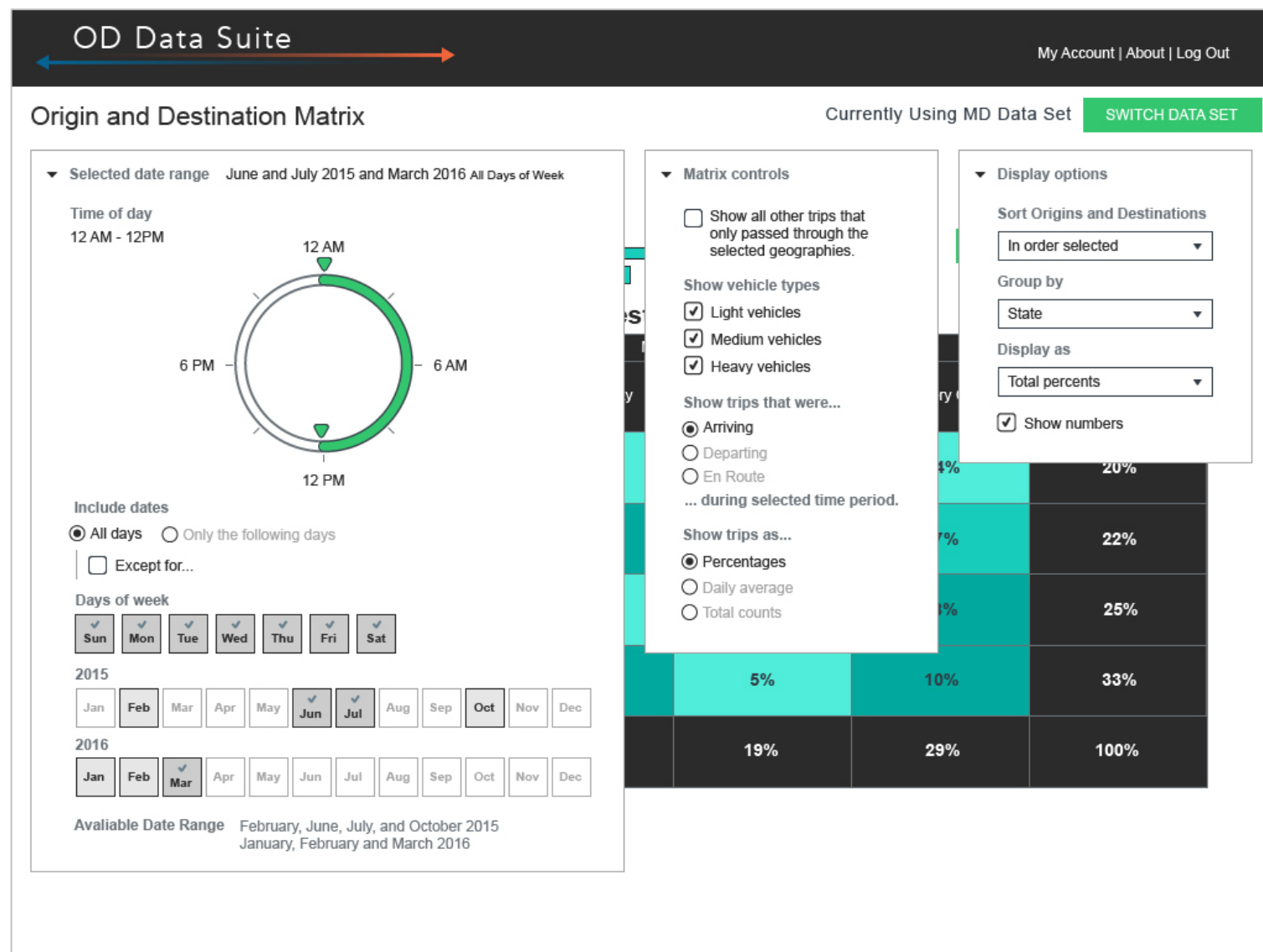
- › Map controls are expected to be deployed tomorrow.

The screenshot displays the 'Probe Data Analytics Suite' interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with various icons and a user profile 'Welcome, Jenny'. The main content area is divided into two panels. The left panel, titled 'Performance Charts', contains a section '1. Select roads' with tabs for 'Roads', 'Region', 'List of TMC codes', 'Saved TMC sets', and 'Map'. The 'Map' tab is selected and circled in red. Below this, there are dropdowns for 'TMCs from' (set to 'INRIX'), 'From state' (set to 'MD'), and 'Road class' (set to 'All'). A text box explains that users can select or remove segments on the map using '+' and '-' controls. Below this, a list of 'Your selected roads' shows 'I-495' and '87 TMCs'. A 'Save as TMC set' button is at the bottom of this section. The right panel, titled '2. Create one or more time periods to analyze', has tabs for 'Day(s)', 'Month(s)', and 'Year(s)'. It includes a date range selector (08/16/2016 - 08/16/2016) and options to 'Create a single time period for this range' or 'Create a time period for each day within this range'. A '+ Add time period' button is at the bottom. The right side of the interface features a map of the Washington D.C. area with various roads and landmarks labeled. A red line highlights a specific route on the map.



Basic O-D Data Analytics (Phase 1)

- › A Phase 1 release of the O-D Data Suite is currently scheduled for Q4.



Work continues on some really BIG efforts...



Continuing to remove the
dependence on Flash

(NOTE: Flash support ends in 2020)



Continuing to evolve the system
based upon user needs.

(Overload issue at the beginning
of each month has been resolved)



Deploy Summary Table Update

› 2017 Q2 Deploy Summary Table is available at:

<http://i95coalition.org/projects/probe-data-analytics/>

Probe Data Analytics User Group Probe Data Analytics Forum Why Agencies choose PDA Probe Data Analytics Tools

New Features Testimonials FAQs Newsletters

Feature Deployment Updates

- **Probe Data Analytics Suite Feature Deployment Table – CY2017 – Q2**
- ~~Probe Data Analytics Suite Feature Deployment Table – CY2017 – Q1~~
- ~~Probe Data Analytics Suite Feature Deployment Table – CY2016 – Q4~~
- VPP Suite Feature Deployment Table – CY 2016 – Q3
- VPP Suite Feature Deployment Table – CY 2016 – Q2

How to use the Multi-road Congestion Scan – deployed November 30, 2015

Probe Data Analytics Suite | Calendar Year 2017 Deployments

Q1 | **Q2** | Q3 | Q4

Summary

9 Q2 Improvements

- 3 Major New Features
- 5 Functional Enhancements
- 1 Significant Bug Fix

15 YTD Improvements

- 5 Major New Features
- 8 Functional Enhancements
- 2 Significant Bug Fixes

Detail

Improvement	Tool(s) Affected	Description	Deploy Date
"Switch to" from Bottleneck Ranking results	#1	Adds controls allowing UDC reports and Performance Charts reports to be generated from a ranked bottleneck location	06.05.2017
New Bottleneck Ranking measures	#1	Introduces four new metrics to Bottleneck Ranking: Speed-differential-impact, speed-percent-impact, volume estimate, and delay surrogate	06.05.2017
Tutorials play migration to web standards	HOW TO	Replaces the flash video player with a web standards implementation	05.30.2017
Advanced image export controls		Adds an image export preview with controls over image size, fonts, and colors	05.30.2017
Performance Charts migration to web standards		Replaces the Flash implementation of the Performance Charts results page with a web standards implementation	05.30.2017
MAP-21 Final Ruling Support	MAP-21	Updates the MAP-21 Dashboard widgets to support the measures in the final MAP-21 ruling, allowing you to track your progress toward the federally-mandated reporting requirements that went into effect on May 20th. (NOTE: As the draft measures are no longer applicable, we have removed all draft measure widgets from our users' dashboards.)	05.22.2017
Recenter Button Enhancement	PROBE DATA ANALYTICS SUITE	Introduces a "re-center" button on the map on each query form.	05.22.2017
Auto-zooming Fix	PROBE DATA ANALYTICS SUITE	Disables auto-zooming on the map when you add or remove segments for a better user experience	05.22.2017
Performance Summaries Enhancement		Removes the limit on the number of segments that can be queried using Performance Summaries	05.22.2017

Large-scale, system-wide efforts (that extend beyond one quarter & aren't included above)

Backend Hadoop System	hadoop	Continuing to configure the hardware for maximum storage and performance capabilities.
Flash Migration		Continuing to remove the dependence on Flash by reworking the front end and back ends to newer web standards.

Key

Major New Features
Provides you with significant new abilities to interact with the tools in ways you couldn't do before.

Functional Enhancements
Smaller, but important new features or functions that help existing tools work better, faster or more efficiently.

Significant Bug Fix
Corrects errors, flaws or faults in the system that may have been confusing, annoying or inhibiting.

Substantial, high-value deploys.

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Thanks!



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In the spotlight...

Agency Spotlight Presentation: “How-To” presentation for Holiday Travel Advisories

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Baltimore Metropolitan Council



Travel Advisory Report Instructions Using the PDA Suite

Labor Day 2017



Presentation to the Probe Data Analytics Suite Users Group – August 17, 2017

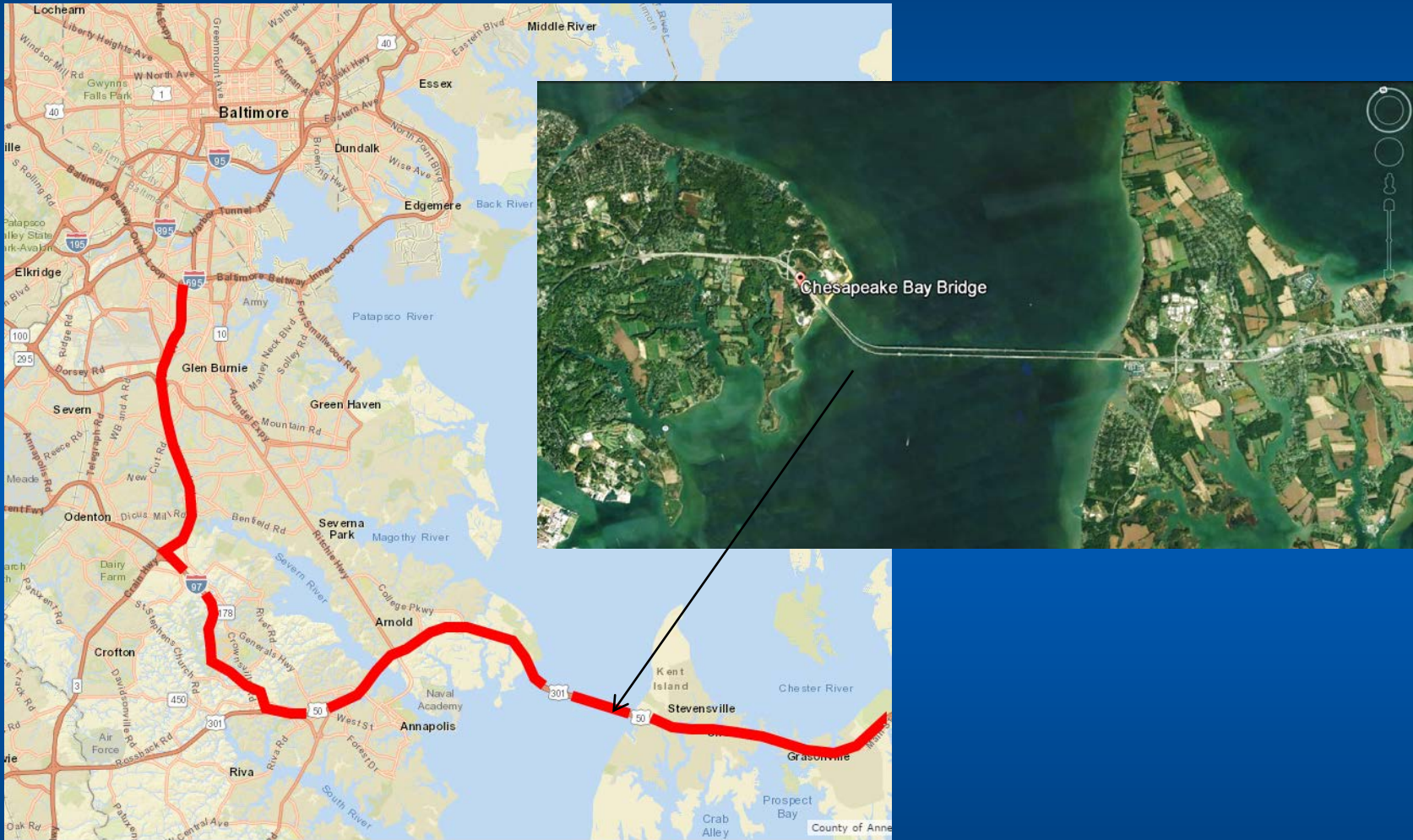


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Scope of Analysis - Chesapeake Bay Bridge, I-97, US-50 towards Maryland Beaches



Telling the story

- BMC contacts the Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) and AAA Mid Atlantic for traffic volume estimates, gas price information and travel time tips.
- Author summarizes the data in a few brief paragraphs.
- BMC then utilizes the PDA suite to provide examples to (hopefully) support the data and recommended travel times over the holiday weekend.

Example:

- In 2017, more than **356,000 vehicles** will cross over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge during the Memorial Day weekend



Telling The Story

The Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) offers travel tips for the Labor Day holiday weekend:

Travel off-peak when heading to and from the Eastern Shore. The best times to travel the Bay Bridge this weekend include:

- Thursday - before 10 a.m. and after 10 p.m.
- Friday - before 10 a.m. and after 10 p.m.
- Saturday - before 7 a.m. and after 5 p.m.
- Sunday - before 10 a.m. and after 10 p.m.
- Memorial Day - before 10 a.m. and after 10 p.m.

Use the Probe Data Analytics Suite to see if these tips hold true historically



VPP Suite Apps / Visuals Used

Congestion Scan



Trend Map



Using Congestion Scan



- Run individual scans for each day being analyzed
- Saved TMC set of Baltimore to Maryland Beach route selected

1. Select roads

RoadSaved TMC Set

Showing 21 of 31 available TMC sets

TMC Set	TMCs	Owner
MD-140 full	140	estylc@baltome
MD-140 model section	54	estylc@baltome
MD-140 model section 2012	38	estylc@baltome
Holiday Escape Routes	1591	estylc@baltome
Baltimore Region Freeways	967	estylc@baltome
MPO Region Limited Access...	1047	estylc@baltome
Holiday Travel Network	2470	estylc@baltome
Holiday Beach Travel	201	estylc@baltome

+ Add

2. Select one or more time periods to analyze

Day(s)Month(s)Year

05/26/2016- through -05/30/2016

☐ Create a single time period for this range

☐ Create a time period for each day within this range

+ Add time periods

Your selected time periodsRemove All

May 26, 2016

May 27, 2016

May 28, 2016

May 29, 2016

May 30, 2016

3. Select data sources

☐ HERE

☒ INRIX

Check holiday weekend
dates from previous
year

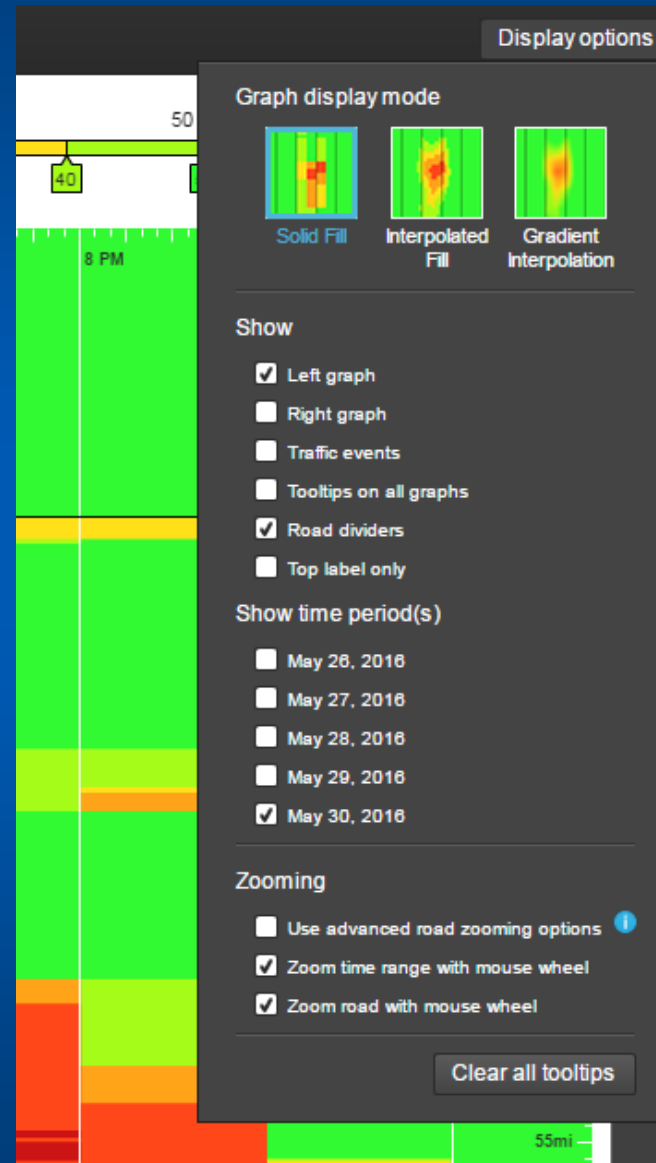


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Using Congestion Scan



- Result will give all 5 days displayed side by side
- Use “Display Options” to choose the date and direction of traffic you are interested in
- In this example Monday is selected to see the return traffic westbound across the Bay Bridge
- Select other options based on preference

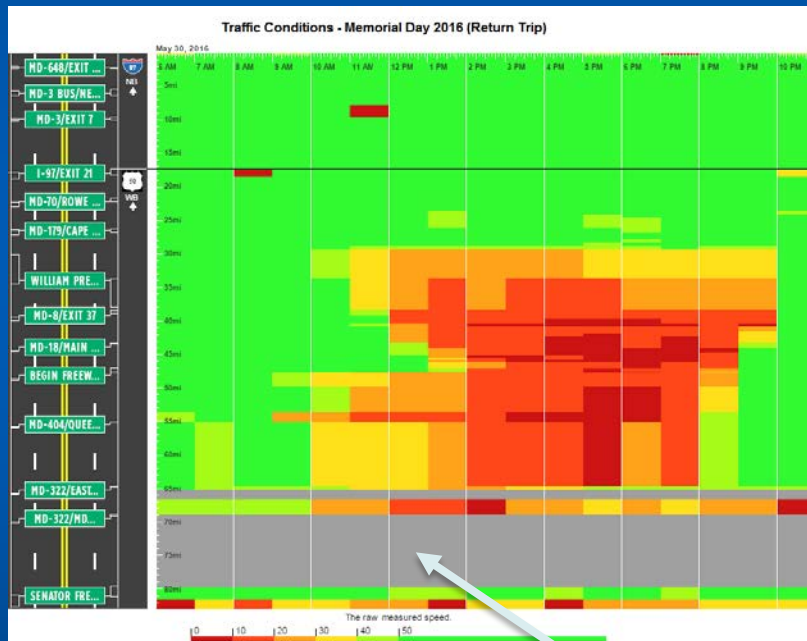


Evaluating the data set using Congestion Scan

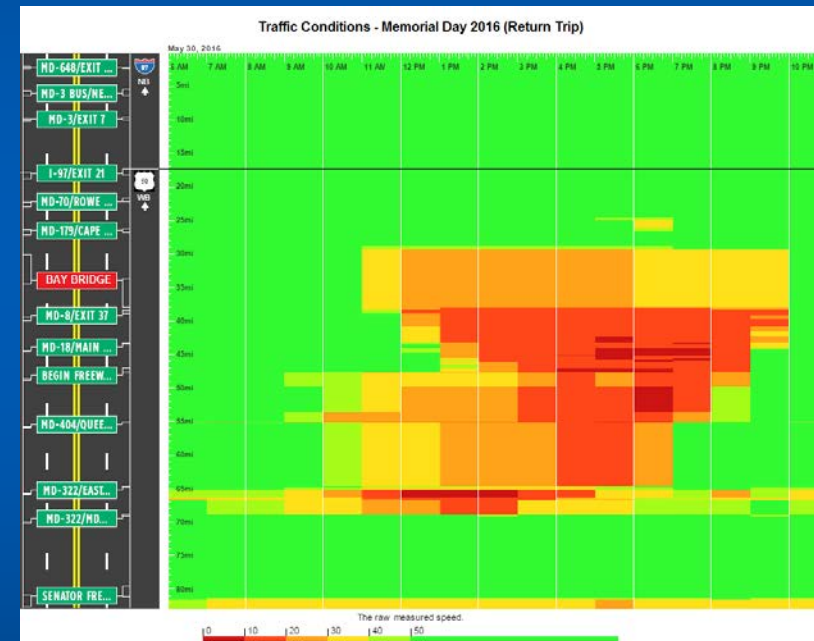


- When running the congestion scan check the results from all PDA sources
- NPMRDS showed significant gaps for 2016 scans while INRIX did not

NPMRDS



INRIX



DATA MISSING!



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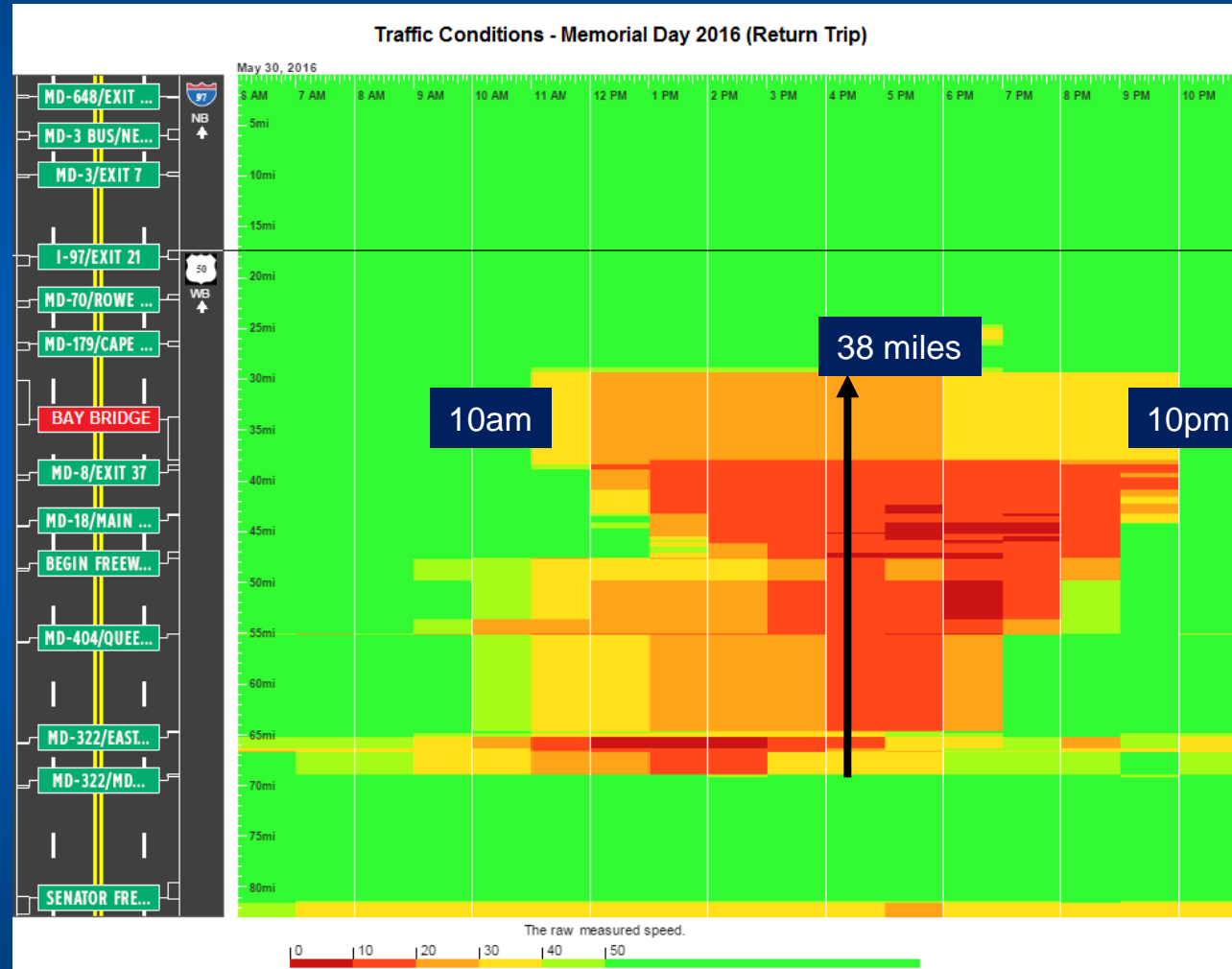
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Telling the Story using Congestion Scan



- MdTA suggested travelers make their trips before 10am and After 10pm on Memorial Day Monday
- In this case that was wise advise!



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Animated Trend Map



- Saved TMC set I-97 and US-50 stitched together
- Same set used for Labor Day and July 4th Weekends
- Memorial Day weekend 2016 Thurs-Mon selected

1. Select roads

Road Region List of TMC codes **Saved TMC Set**

Showing 31 of 31 available TMC sets [Display Options](#)

TMC Set	TMCs	Owner
MPO Region Limited Access...	1047	estylc@baltometr...
Holiday Travel Network	2470	estylc@baltometr...
Baltimore County	1759	esingleton@balto...
Holiday Beach Travel	201	estylc@baltometr...
I-70 Fly Over	130	estylc@baltometr...
MD 140 Corridor Gores Mill R...	34	esingleton@balto...
US50 QA	132	estylc@baltometr...
QA Co	116	estylc@baltometr...

[+ Add selected TMC sets](#)

2. Select one or more time periods to analyze

Day(s) Month(s) Year

05/26/2016 - through - 05/30/2016

☐ Create a single time period for this range

☒ Create a time period for each day within this range

[+ Add time periods](#)

Select for separate animations for each day of the holiday weekend



Animated Trend Map



- Share

The image shows a 'Share' dialog box from the vpp.ritis.org suite. It has a dark header with 'Display options' and 'Open with...' buttons. The main content area is titled 'Share' and contains a 'Hyperlink (Requires login)' section with a text box containing the URL 'https://vpp.ritis.org/suite/trend-map/?uuid=0c5af72a-90a8-4828-93d2-a1f5895d427c'. Below this is a section for a title, with a text box containing 'nd US-50 betw een I-97/Exit 21 and Maryland Ave'. To the right of the title box are red 'X' and blue refresh icons. Below the title box is a size selector showing '1280x720 px'. At the bottom is a green button labeled 'Create embed code'. A map is visible in the background of the dialog box.

Change title from default to desired name

Size suggested by BMC webmaster

Create embed code link for web display



Animated Trend Map



Share

Hyperlink (Requires login)

<https://vpp.ritis.org/suite/trend-map/?uuid=0c5af72a-90a8-4828-93d2-a1f5895d427c>

or

Memorial Day Weekend 2016 - Speeds

1280x720 px

Update embed code

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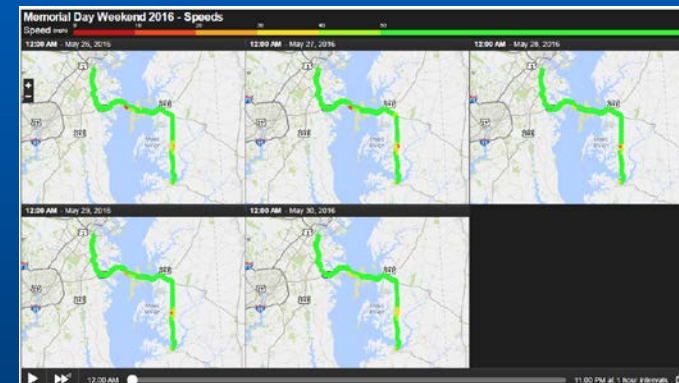
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- Paste into test site and click "Test HTML code"
- <http://www.csghnetwork.com/htmlcodetest.html>

HTML And Script Code Tester



Animated pop up window should appear

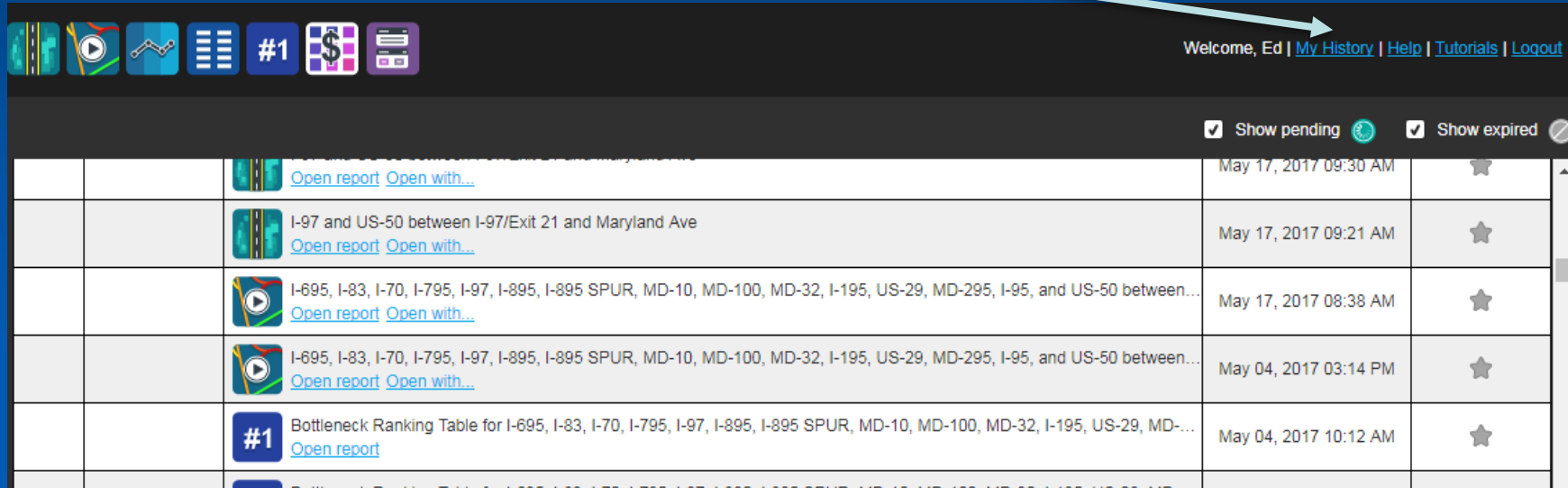


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My History



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		Open report Open with...	May 17, 2017 09:21 AM
		Open report Open with...	May 17, 2017 08:38 AM
		Open report Open with...	May 04, 2017 03:14 PM
		Open report	May 04, 2017 10:12 AM

- “My History” and “Saved TMC Set” features allow for easy reproduction of holiday advisories without duplication of efforts



Press Release Development

BMC Public relations staff reached out to the following agencies for comments:

- Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA)
- State Highway Administration
- AAA Mid Atlantic



Social Media Outreach

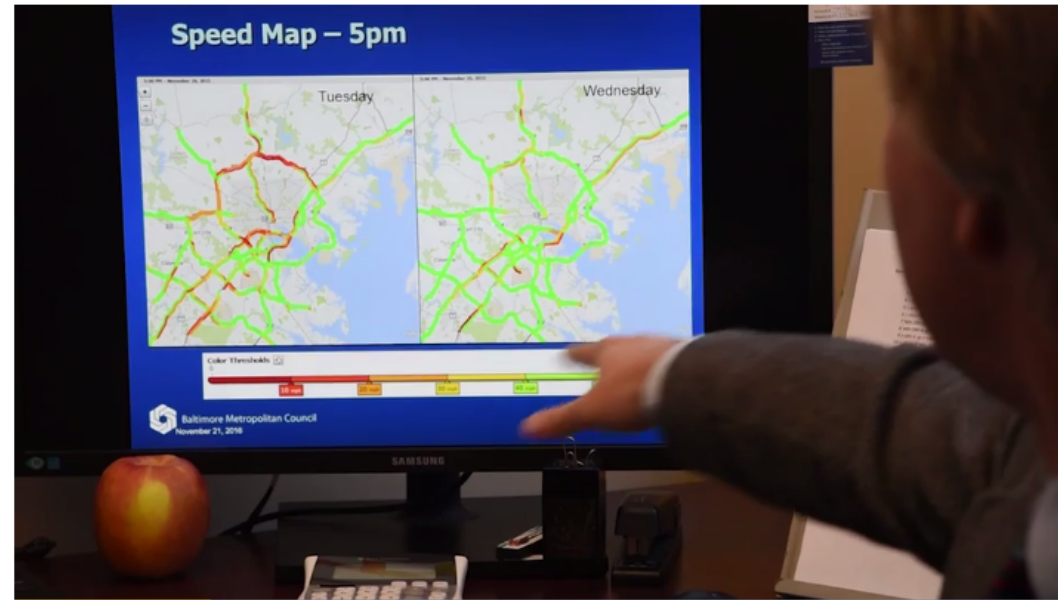


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Traveling during Thanksgiving week



Ed Style of the Baltimore Metropolitan Council demonstrates the "RITIS" (Regional Integrated Transportation Information System) program, which provides traffic data including the busiest times to travel for Thanksgiving on the roads in the region. Travelers also explain how they are attempting to avoid these travel issues. (Barbara Haddock Taylor, Baltimore Sun video)

Full Video: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/91949645-132.html>



Baltimore Metropolitan Council

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Local Media



For those looking to get away on one of the popular travel weekends, the Baltimore Metropolitan Council **studies the best and worst times** for traffic. If you're heading across the Bay Bridge this weekend, the analysts recommend leaving either before 11 a.m. or after 10 p.m. to avoid the worst traffic. Another important factor: which day you drive.

"If you're going to take a three-day weekend, take a day on the back end," Ed Style, a travel analyst at the council. "Extend it after the holiday. Everybody on a standard weekend is leaving Sunday. If you can leave Monday, you're going to be a lot better off."



Scheduling

- **August 1st – 5th (4 weeks before):** Inform webmaster of intent to publish travel advisory
- **August 7th -18th (3 weeks before):** Run congestion scans and trend maps for 2016. Check for any anomalies from the previous year (weather events; data gaps, etc.)
- **August 21st – 25th (1 week before):** Contact MdTA for statement including traffic counts and estimated volumes for 2017. Write up advisory and provide it to webmaster
- **Monday August 28th (4 days before)** – Publish advisory to website and promote via social media throughout the week
- **Labor Day weekend – August 31 – Sept 3**



Final Thoughts

- BMC utilizes PDA tools to support travelers advisory suggestions from the MdTA who operate the toll facilities
- “My History” and “Saved TMC Set” features allow for easy reproduction of holiday advisories without duplication of efforts
- Ideally have the advisory ready the week before the holiday to release the Monday before
- Social Media promotion extremely helpful (460 hits on BMC website)



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NPMRDS v2 ◦ Status Update

NPMRDS Analytics





The NPMRDS v2.0 is ready for you!

What's changed, and how to get access.

July 20, 2017



**Enhancing the
NPMRDS & making it
easier to work with for
national, state, and
local agencies**

<https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/p13dy8kw6mr/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal>



NPMRDS v2 – Resource List

Resource	URL
> Quick Start Guide	https://npmrds.ritis.org/static/help/pdf/NPMRDSquickstart.pdf
> FAQs	https://npmrds.ritis.org/analytics/help/#npmrds
> Massive Data Downloader Tutorial	https://npmrds.ritis.org/analytics/tutorials/?video=5
> Shapefiles	https://npmrds.ritis.org/analytics/shapefiles
> Webinars	https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/perf_measurement/
> Descriptive Metadata Document	https://npmrds.ritis.org/static/help/pdf/NPMRDS.pdf
> Helpdesk Support / Feedback Email*	npmrds@ritis.org

* - to contact support or provide feedback, use the corresponding “Need to reach out to us?” links on the NPMRDS Analytics landing page



Focus Group

Inaugural Meeting

June 16, 2017 • 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Technology Ventures Building • University of Maryland



➤ **Agency group members**

- David Heller (SJTPO)
- Wenjing Pu (FHWA)
- Peng Xiao (VDOT)
- Keith Miller (NJTPA)
- Terrell Hughes (VDOT; alternate)

➤ **CATT Lab participants**

- John Allen
- Nikola Ivanov
- Jenny Lees
- Catherine Plaisant
- Mark Franz

➤ **Other UMD participants**

- Nikola Markovic (CATT)
- Di Yang (NTC)

SJTPO – South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization

NJTPA – North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority

NTC – National Transportation Center

Meeting Highlights

- › The Case for using Use Cases
 - The Lab's approach to developing tools, features, functions, results
- › Questionnaire Results
 - Surveyed agency members to get specifics on needs and wants
- › CATT Lab's OD Data Suite UI /UX
 - Design mock-ups presented and discussed
- › Agency's Input / Brainstorming Session
 - Conceptual sketches reviewed for agency input

Key takeaways

- › Better understanding of agency's vision / priorities (related to O-D data use)
- › Agency's current uses of O-D data
- › Specific O-D use cases that are most important
- › What future O-D uses, and use cases will be important
- › Features and functions that would be useful
- › Visualizations, summaries and types of reporting that would be most helpful

Next Steps

- ✓ Summarized the meeting discussion
- ✓ Submitted to Group for review / approval
- The Lab will use suggestions to help refine features, functions & results page
- And we'll use additional insight to prioritize future tool development and deploy

(The Meeting Log and presentation will be posted on the PDA Suite page of the I-95 CC's website)



The collage displays various documents related to the OD Data Suite project. The central document is the 'Meeting Log' for the 'Inaugural Meeting' held on Friday, June 16, 2017, at 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the CATT Conference Room (2227 TVB). The log lists attendees from CATT, CATT Lab, and other agencies, and provides a summary of the meeting topics and discussions.

Other visible documents include presentation slides such as 'Figure 3 - Top 25 Out-of-County Commuters by Northern New Jersey Residents in 2009' and 'Commute to Work' showing total average daily commuters. There are also maps showing travel patterns and data visualizations.

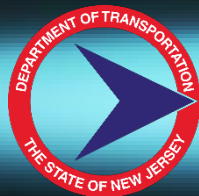
Page numbers are visible at the bottom of some documents: '13 | Page' and '2 | Page'.



In the spotlight...

Agency Spotlight Presentation: Using the NJCMS & PDA Suite to rate planned projects

Ira Levinton, Project Engineer, Planning
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New Jersey
Department of Transportation

Background / Context

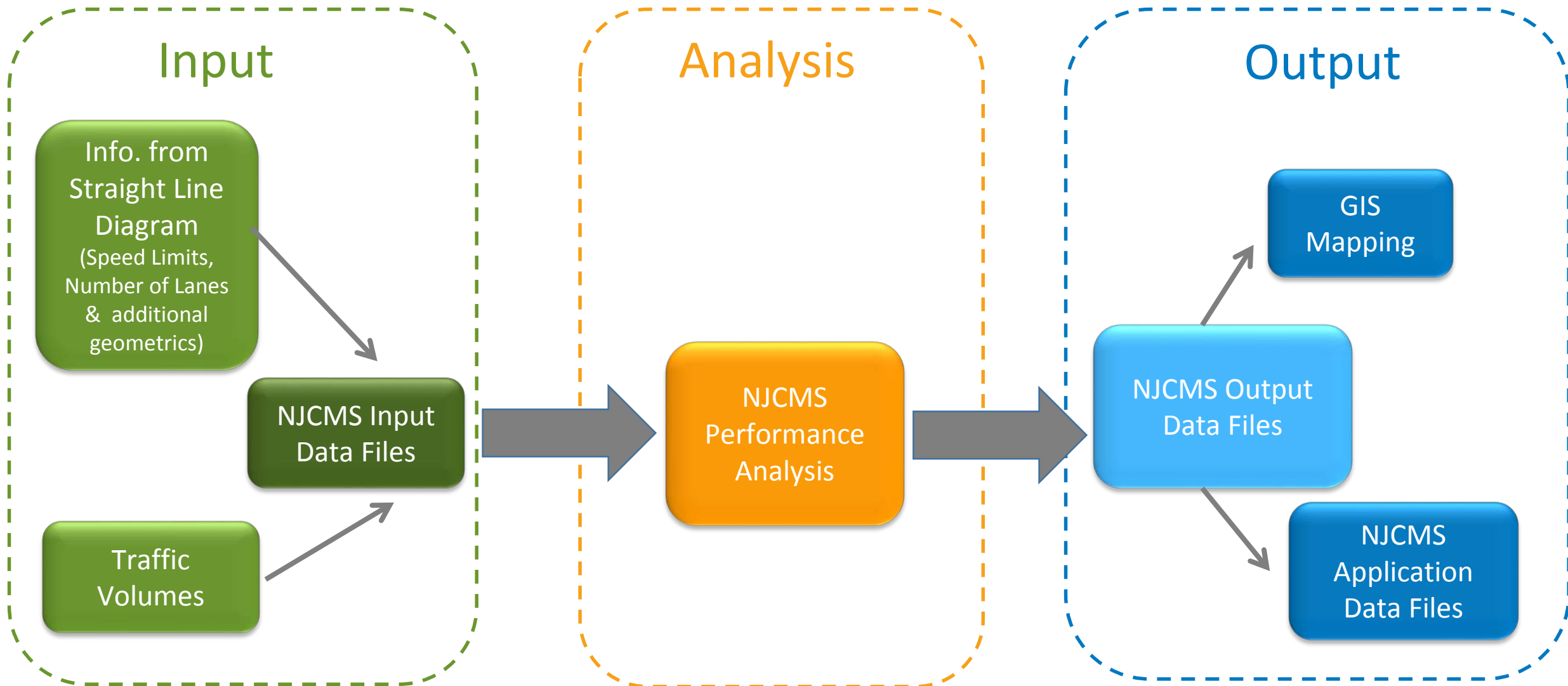
- Request from NJDOT Project Management to rate all 50 Congestion Relief-related projects in Project Management as of February 2017:
 - 35 Highway Operational Improvements
 - 6 Safety-related
 - 4 Safety / HOI-related
 - 5 ITS
- This will help Project Management / Capital Program Development determine which projects to fund for the next 5 to 10 years.
- Projects were traditionally rated using the New Jersey Congestion Management System (NJCMS-21)
- Ratings for Congestion Relief and other applicable systems such as Safety are used to determine the overall priority for Congestion-related projects.

New Jersey Congestion Management System



- Contains data and congestion performance measures for all Interstate, US and State routes in New Jersey
- Input data included traffic volumes, number of lanes, traffic signals and functional classification
- Data analysis and output is based on a typical weekday
- Output data includes Volume to Capacity (V/C) ratios
- Congestion scores were developed using V/C ratios, traffic volumes and functional class
- New Jersey has a large amount of shore areas with considerable more traffic in the Summer (however, the NJCMS does not have a Summer model)

NJCMS-21 Process Overview



NJ's State Highway System

- The New Jersey Congestion Management System (NJCMS) contains all Interstate, US and New Jersey state routes
- The NJCMS contains several county routes and few municipal routes

New Jersey State Highway Mileage

Route Type	Mileage	Percent
Interstate Routes	433	15.4%
US Routes	782	27.8%
New Jersey Routes	1602	56.9%
Total	2817	100.0%



Rating tools used

- › Congestion Ratings for priority categories of **Highest (1)**, **Next High (2)** and **Lower (3)** developed by using:
 - NJ's Congestion Management System
 - Probe Data Analytics Suite



CMS-21 Scoring Methodology

Congestion Scores

CMS Priority Scores developed using a combination of v/c ratios, ADTs and Function Class:

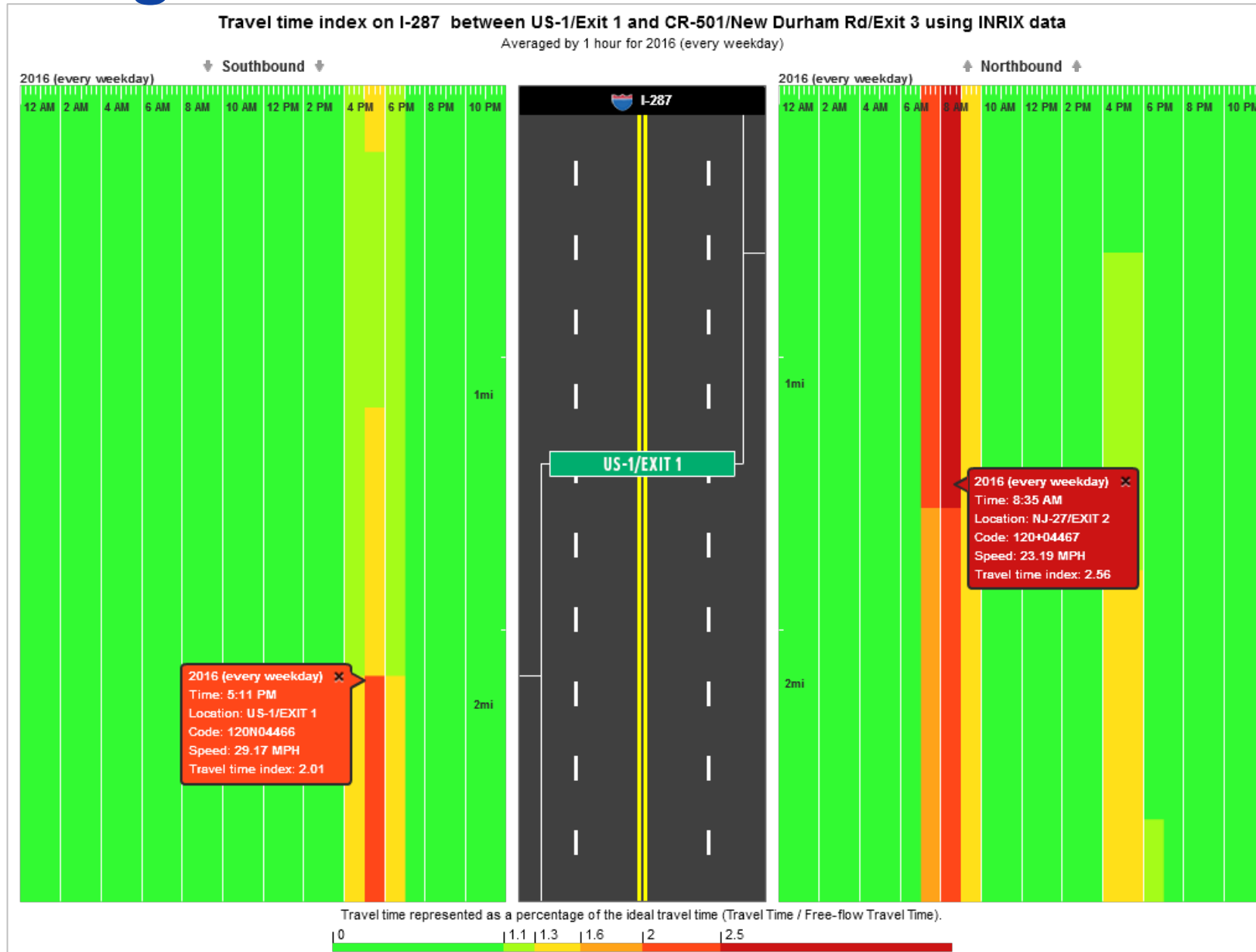
Element	v/c Ratios	Daily Volume (2-way)	Function Class
Weighting:	30% each, AM/PM Peaks	30%	10%
Scoring (0-10):	Scaled to max score of 10, @ v/c = 1.50 and above	normalized to: (score of 10 @ 100,000 vpd and above)	Principal Arterials, Freeways – 10 Undivided Principal Arterial – 8 Minor Arterial – 5 Collector – 3 Local Streets – 0

Probe Data Analytics Suite Use

- Use of Congestion Scan which includes measures for speed, Travel Time Index (TTI) and Planning Time Index (PTI)
- TTI for all of 2016 Monday to Friday combined is used for the Congestion related project ratings
- For locations that have considerable more traffic in the Summer, the Summer TTI for July and August 2016 combined is used



Sample Congestion Scan TTI



Algorithm for Rating Congestion Related Projects

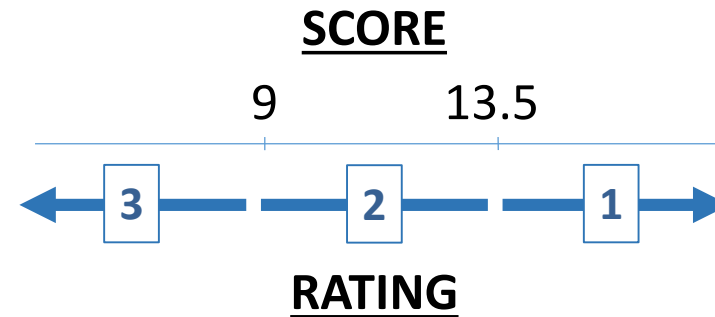
- Formula is: NJCMS Priority Rating Score + PDA TTI Score
- NJCMS Priority Score has a range from 0 to 10
- PDA TTI score was assigned to have a range from 0 to 15, based on giving the PDA TTI a higher weight than the NJCMS score, 60% to 40%
- PDA TTI scores are based on having a score of 0 for a TTI of 1 and a score of 15 where TTI is 2.5. The maximum TTI score recorded was around 2.5
- The resulting scoring formula is as follows:

$$\text{NJCMS Score} + 10 * (\text{TTI} - 1)$$

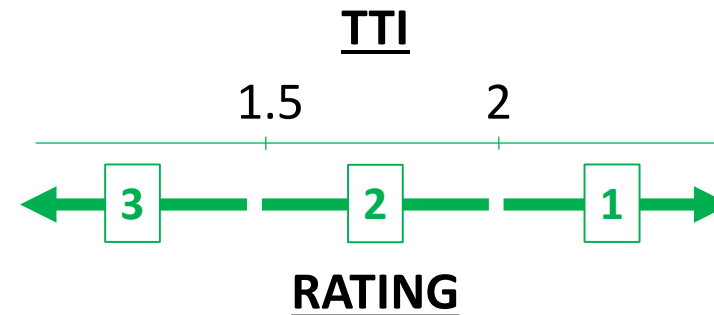
Scoring & Rating the Congestion Related Projects

- Ranges were selected for scoring to allow one-third of the scores or more to result in the highest rating of a “1”, with logical breakpoints such as 1.5 and 2

Total NJCMS + PDA TTI Score:



PDA TTI Rating:

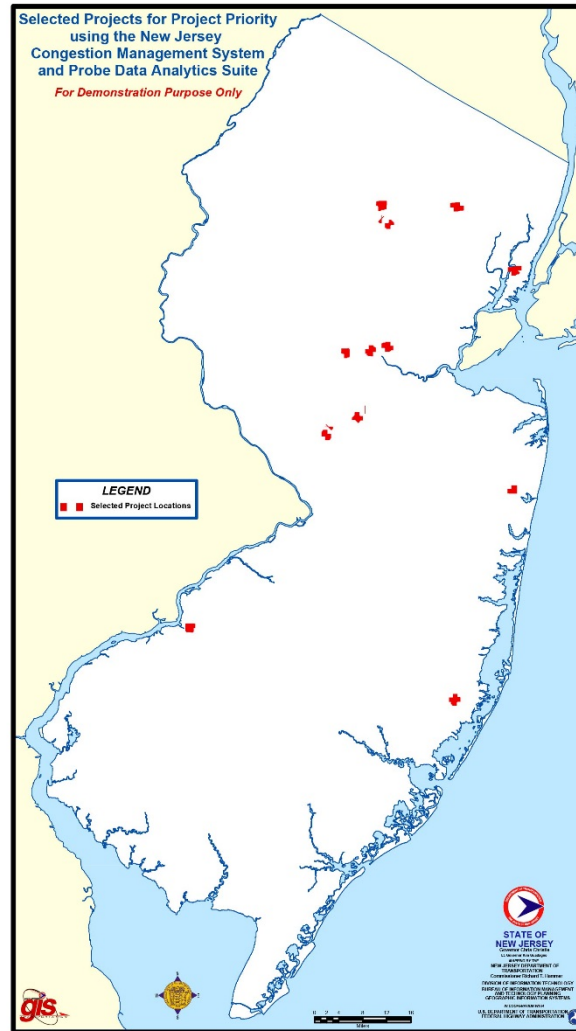


- If the TTI rating is higher than the total rating, then the TTI rating is used (to elevate to more importance as the PDA has better data given the real time performance measures it uses).

Sample Priority Ratings Table

NJ Congestion Management System and Probe Data Analytics Suite Travel Time Index Scores and Ratings for a Sample of 12 Selected Projects For Demonstration Purpose Only										
Project Type	Route	24 Hr Total Volume	Max V/C AM	Max V/C PM	CMS Priority Score	2016 PDA TTI	Notes	CMS + PDA Score	Overall Priority	Priority Description
Operational	I-287	131150	1.00	1.00	8.00	2.38		21.80	1	Highest
Operational	I-287	128817	1.00	1.00	8.00	2.32		21.20	1	Highest
Operational	I-295	130229	0.93	0.82	7.50	2.27		20.20	1	Highest
Operational	US-1	76164	1.49	1.43	9.46	2.00		19.46	1	Highest
Operational	NJ-10	67373	1.03	1.09	7.70	2.08		18.50	1	Highest
Operational	US-46	51455	1.00	0.98	7.11	2.11		18.21	1	Highest
Operational	US-1	62259	1.06	0.99	7.46	2.03		17.76	1	Highest
Operational	US-206	30051	1.13	1.12	6.93	1.52		12.13	2	Next High
Operational	NJ-72	25979	0.47	0.56	4.59	1.70	1	11.59	2	Next High
Safety/Operational	US-46	30183	0.56	0.57	4.91	1.57	2	10.61	2	Next High
Safety	NJ-33	20746	0.43	0.42	3.87	1.55	3	9.37	2	Next High
Operational	US-206	21921	1.09	0.97	6.32	1.24	3, 4	8.72	3	Lower
Notes 1 Summer TTI is used. 2016 weekday TTI is 1.15 resulting in overall score of 6.09 which would rate a "3". 2 TTI is higher than 1.5, rating given a "2" despite overall score of 10.61, which would rate lower at a "3". 3 Summer TTI is used. 2016 weekday TTI is 1.39 resulting in an overall score of 7.77 4 Summer TTI is higher than 1.5, rating given a "2" despite overall score of 9.37, which would rate a "3"										
Priority Rating Table										
		CMS Priority Score	TTI		Final score		Overall Priority			
		At least 7.50	At least 2.00		At least 17.50		1			
		Between 6.00 and 7.49	Between 1.50 and 1.99		Between 11.00 and 17.50		2			
		Below 6.00	Below 1.50		Below 11.00		3			

New Jersey Map with 12 Selected Projects



Ratings Results

- A large percentage of projects have TTIs over 2.0 and receive the highest rating of “1” based on having the highest scores
- As compare to a base scenario resulting from using the NJCMS priority score and the TTI for an average weekday, some projects have a higher rating because:
 - The TTI rating is higher than the CMS rating
 - Locations with higher summer volumes have higher TTIs in the summer.
- PDA Suite and CMS provide different performance measures that can be used in conjunction with each other to rate projects. PDA includes TTI, PTI and speeds, while CMS includes V/C ratios and delays.

Next Steps

- Project Management will review rating results from all project lists
- They will work with Capital Program Development to decide what project to fund for construction over the next several years
- Capital Program Development will put projects to fund into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan
- Decisions to move ahead on projects will be made at the Capital Programming Committee
- Once Construction is funded and scheduled, PDA Congestion Scan TTIs will be run before, during and after construction to verify if and by how much congestion is improved

Thanks!



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“What’s on your mind?”

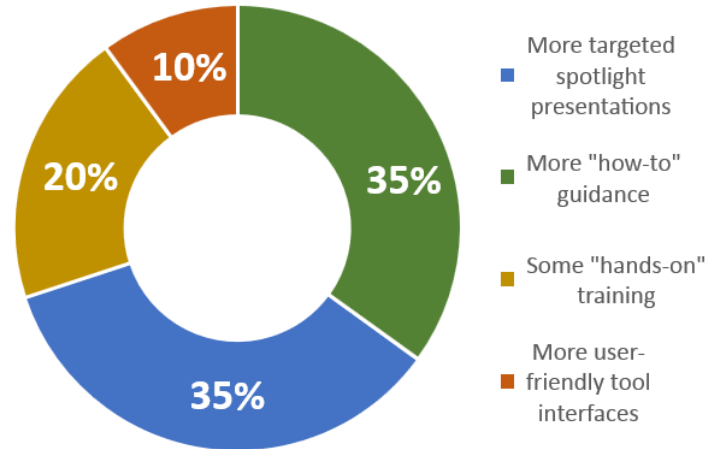


⚡ Instant Poll Summary

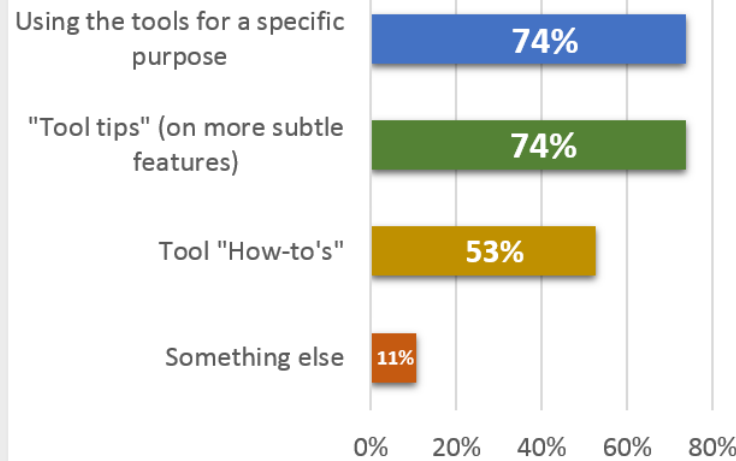
Poll results from Probe Data Analytics User Group members taken during the May 11, 2017 meeting.

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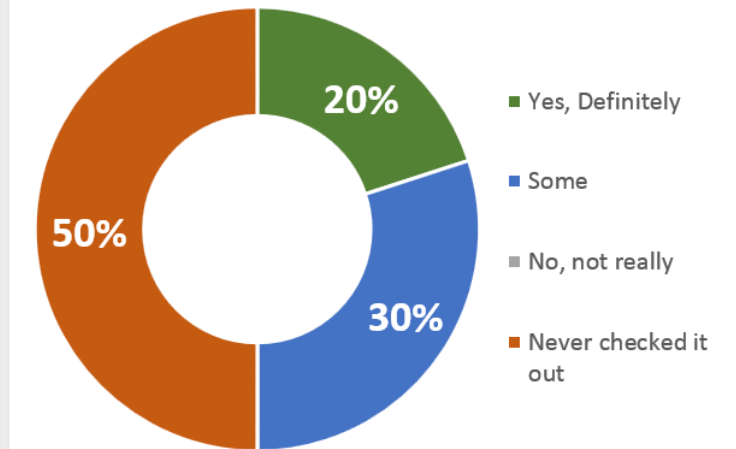
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2 Desired future video tutorials... (Multiple selections allowed)

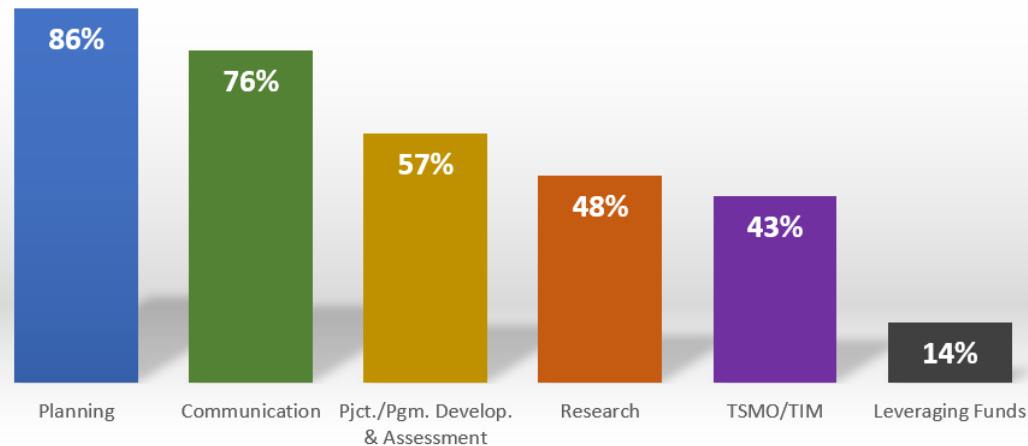


3 Value of the Deploy Summary Table...



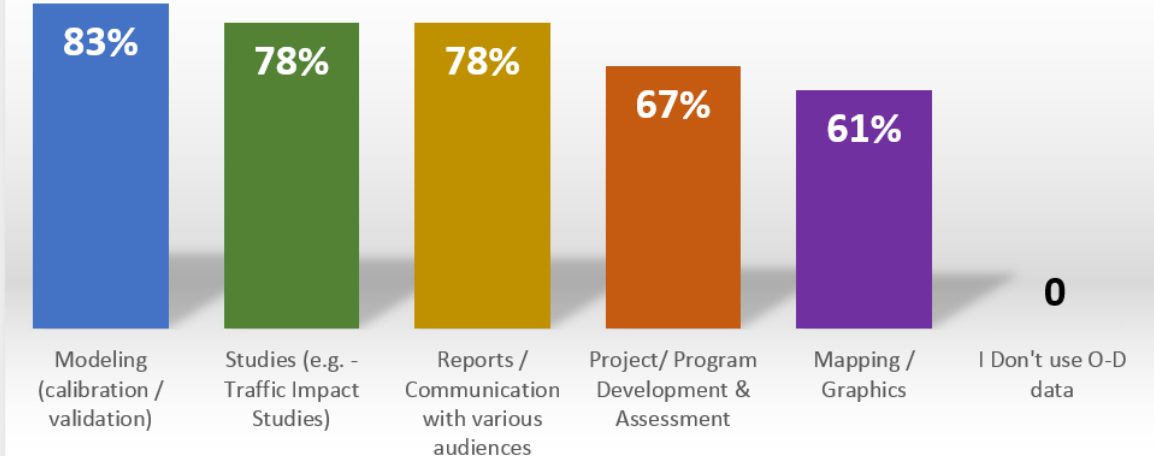
4 Areas currently using / wanting to use PDA Suite...

(Multiple selections allowed)



5 Most likely uses of O-D data...

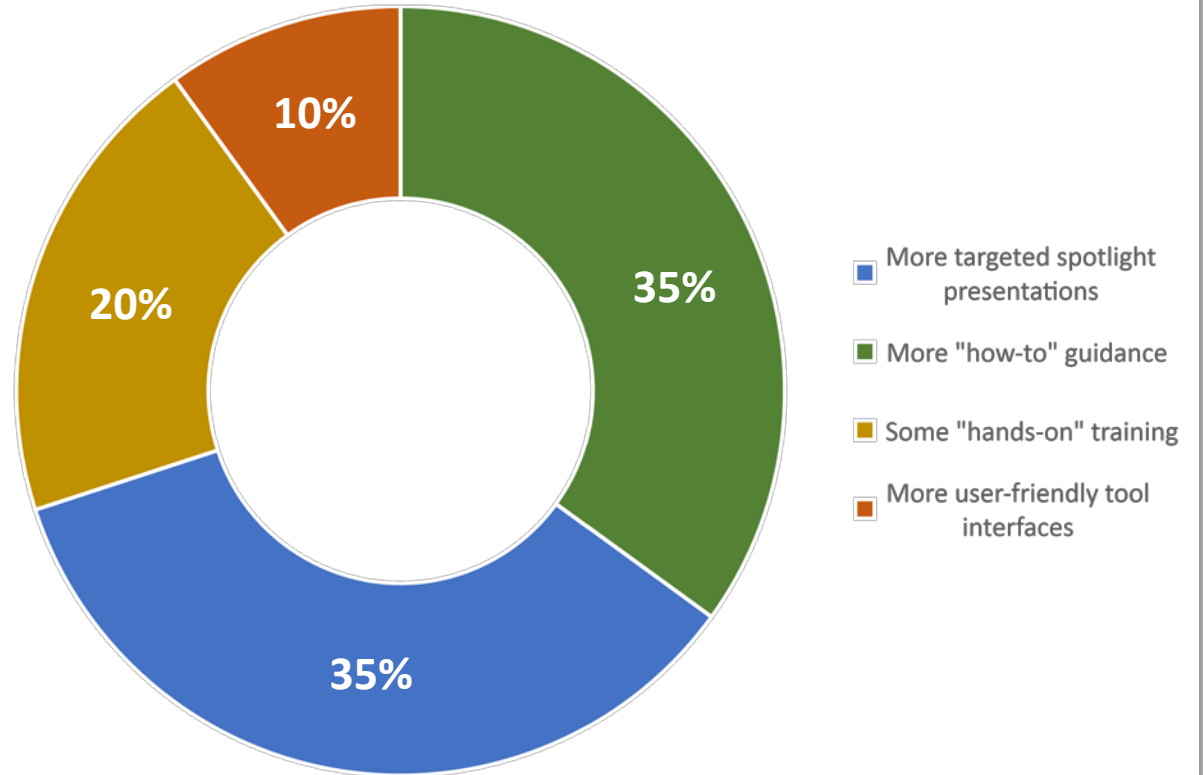
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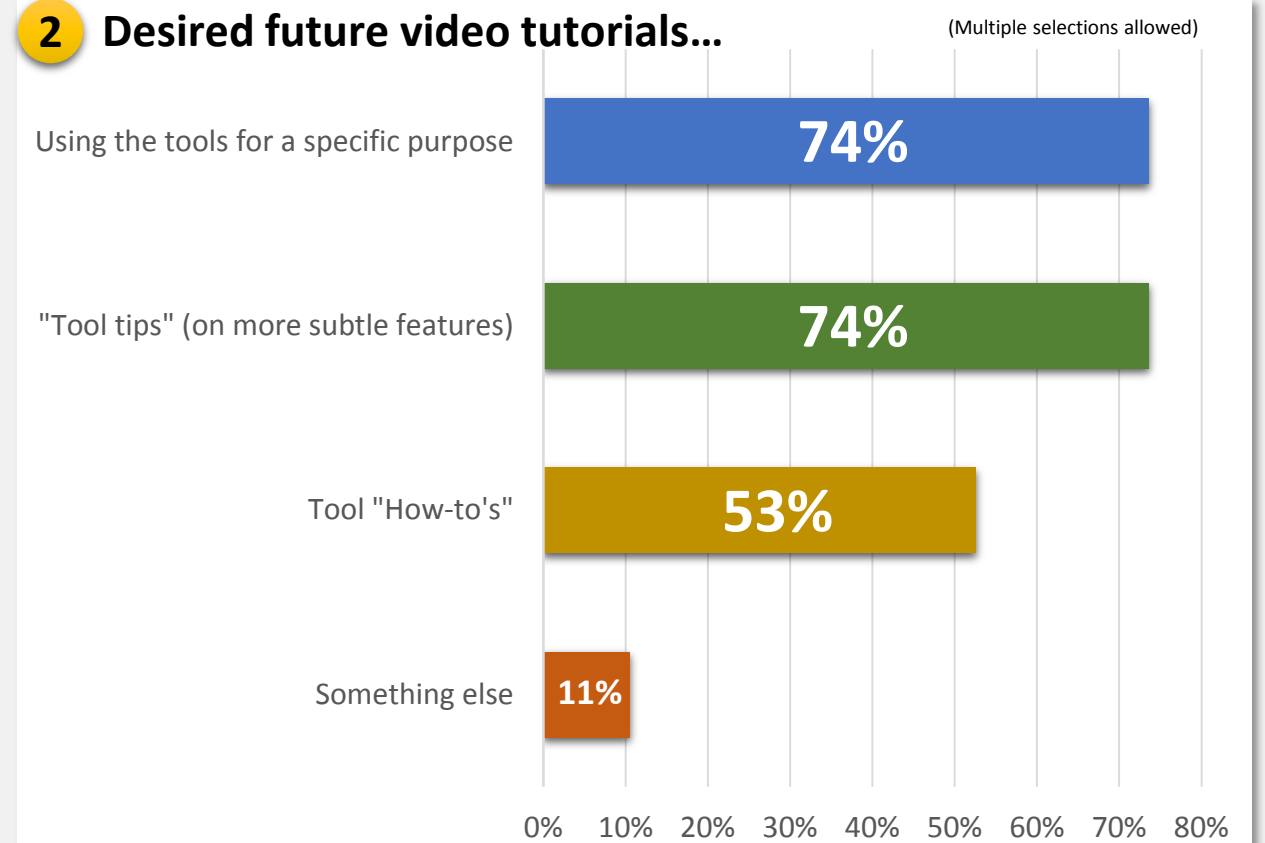
> **In what areas** would you like to see more presentations or “how-to’s”?

1 Becoming a more skilled user...



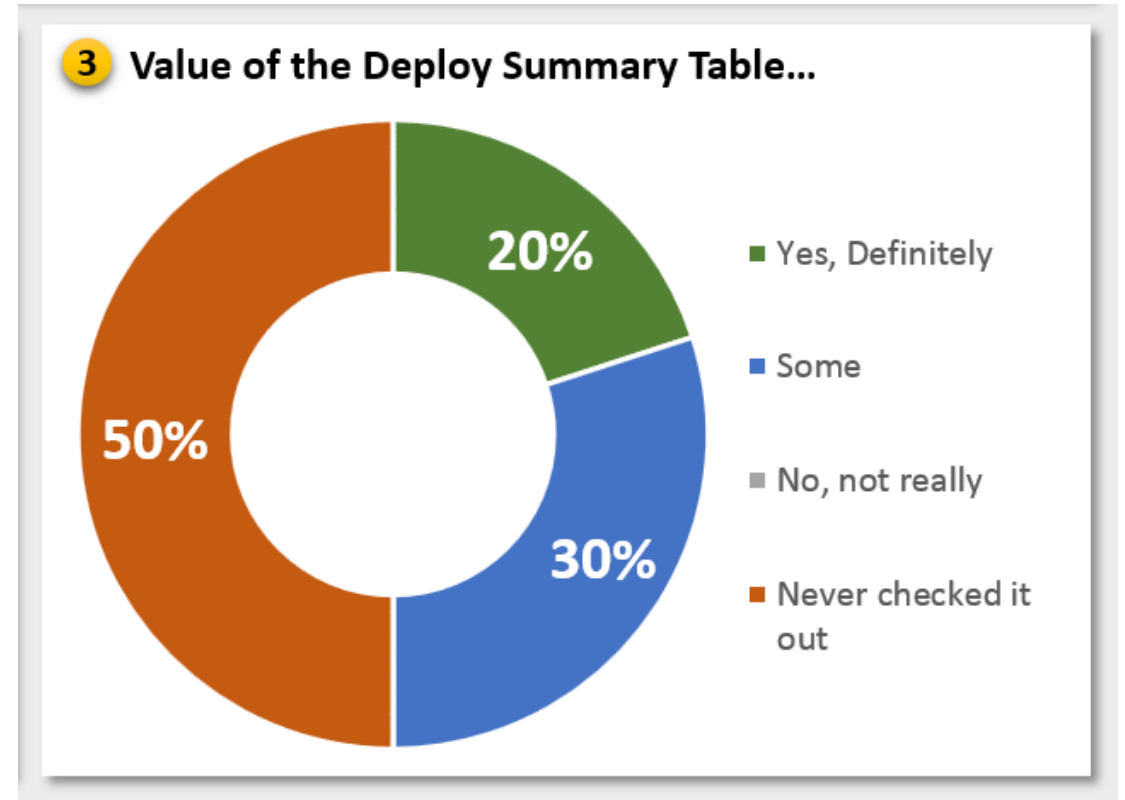
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➤ **What are your suggestions for new video tutorials?**



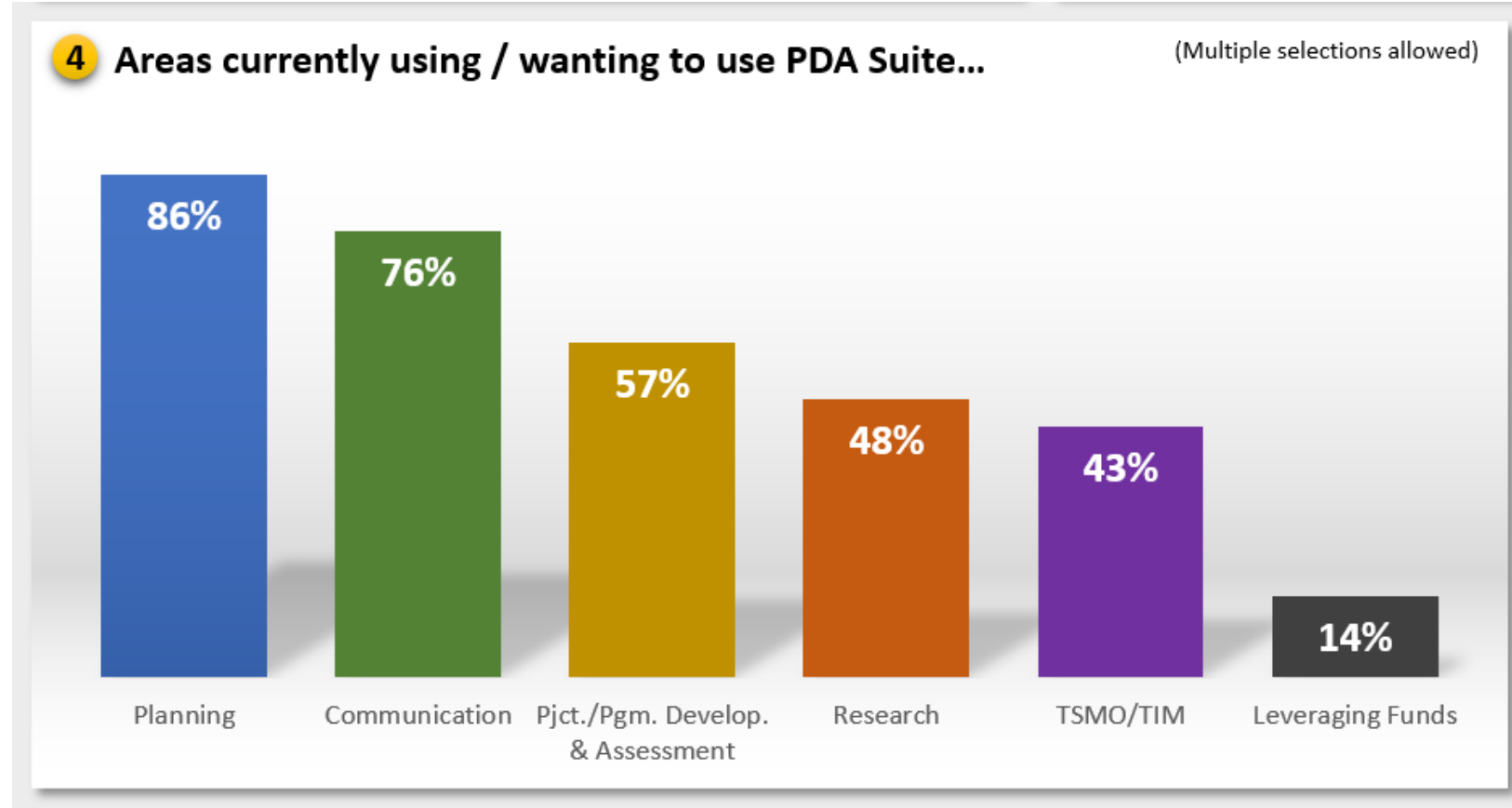
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- **What value** are you getting from the table?
- **What can we do** to improve it?



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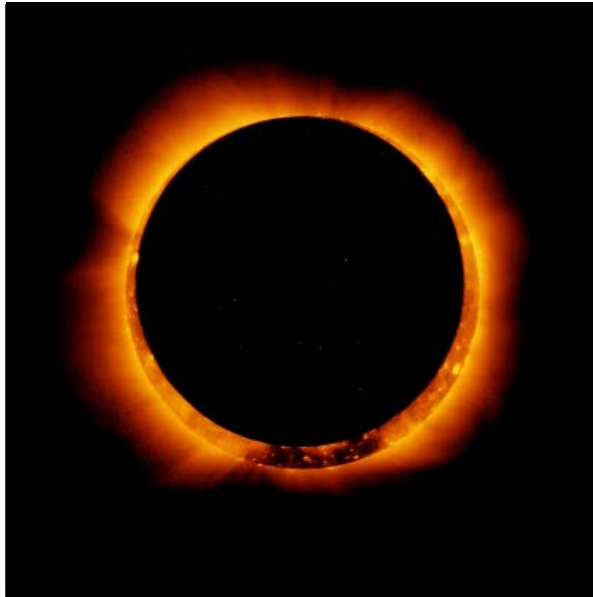
- › Are the top three areas where you want User Group focus?
- › Would you like more focus on TSMO/TIM and leveraging funding?



The Eclipse is Coming!

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NOCOE SOLAR ECLIPSE RESOURCES



The National Operations Center of Excellence is coordinating resources for the Total Solar Eclipse taking place on August 21, 2017.

Please visit our [Solar Eclipse Resource page](#) for details on the solar eclipse task force, resources for state and local agencies, and various other resources that may be of interest to you.

The path of totality will cover 14 states West to East across the country, however, the eclipse will be visible and have an effect on the entirety of the contiguous 48 states.

We recommend you watch our [2017 Total Solar Eclipse Webinar](#), held in November 2016, for a fantastic overview of Total Eclipse and its impact on traffic operations.

Additionally, make sure to register for our **July 27 webinar**, [Solar Eclipse Planning and Preparation One Month Out: Communications, Emergency Management, and Travel Estimates](#).

<https://transportationops.org/>

For affected states, we'd love to hear about how you handled the impact to your transportation system!



Wrap Up

Denise Markow, I-95 Corridor Coalition

thank
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Next Meeting

**Thursday,
December 14, 2017**

10:30 am to Noon

**Focus on
Extreme Weather – After
Action Reporting**



Thank You!

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