

Fast Facts on the Fast Lane!

- ◆ **Southern California leads the nation in carpool lanes**—and also in carpooling. While every metropolitan area in the nation showed a drop in carpooling, it held steady here.
- ◆ **Carpool lanes are always built as an addition to existing freeways**, never replacing a lane.
- ◆ In a recent survey of Southland commuters, **84% said they support carpool lanes**. Nearly three out of four people said that they're more efficient than regular lanes—and more than half agreed that carpool lanes help reduce congestion on *all* lanes.
- ◆ **Carpool lanes make up more than a third of the total freeway length** in Los Angeles County.
- ◆ **Carpool lanes motivate people to share the ride**. A study showed that, on freeways with carpools, ridesharing increased 63% during peak hours. On freeways without carpool lanes, ridesharing rates stayed the same or even dropped.

Southern California's Carpool Lanes



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