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Now, this not surprising bit of news: LBJ Freeway, Woodall Rodgers among top five most-congested roadways in Texas

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An oldie but a goodie as we ran this photo of LBJ back when it topped the TxDOT pops back in 2010 too.

An old friend of the show steers our attention this morning toward [the Texas Department of Transportation's list of 100 Most Congested Roadway Segments in Texas](#), released late Friday — right around the time [construction crews started shutting down the Dallas North Tollway at LBJ Freeway](#). Speaking of: The stretch of LBJ currently being retrofitted with managed toll lanes, between IH-35 and N. Central Expressway, comes in at No. 2 on the TxDOT list, [which should surprise exactly no one](#).

The study, an annual look-see done in conjunction with the Texas A&M Transportation Institute, more or less looks at how many cars travel a particular thoroughfare and at what speeds they crawl along that stretch of concrete at certain times of day. (Otherwise known as: The Commuter Stress Index, also a perfectly fine band name.) Add all that up and you get the "time wasted" statistics — as in, drivers poking along LBJ waste a combined 2,746,223 hours stuck in traffic every year, and if time's money, says TxDOT, that adds up to \$109 million blown. Which may not be exactly right — who's to say, *really?* — but it sure sounds it.

Of course, [LBJ's in the midst of its for-profit makeover](#); so too myriad other roadways on the list, TxDOT likes releasing it every year — to justify the time and trouble (and money, natch) spent [in the release](#), "Results from this annual study validate our approach to moving aggressively with Texans get to and from work and help them easily and safely move around our great state."

Note that you can view the list several ways by clicking on each category; for instance, when it tops the pops at a whopping 3,115,337, with N. Central Expressway between LBJ and Woodall drain [\(with little to absolutely, positively no chance of ever getting better — high five?\)](#).

So have fun; play around with the list, where Dallas County boasts 24 of the 100 offerings (and four in the top 10). It'll give you something to do while stuck on Woodall Rodgers between Industrial and Central, coming in at No. 5 on the charts, with thanks as always given to traffic on Stemmons and Central, without whom none of this would have been possible.

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