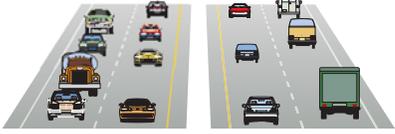




## LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS)

LOS is a measure of the "density" of vehicles traveling on a given section of freeway. Higher speeds with large distances between vehicles and little, if any, difficulty in maneuvering characterize better LOS. Lower speeds with little space between vehicles and limited opportunity to maneuver characterizes lower LOS.

Level of Service	Flow Conditions	Technical Description
<b>A</b>		Highest quality of service. Traffic flows freely with little or no restrictions on speed or maneuverability. <b>No Delays</b>
<b>B</b>		Traffic is stable and flows freely. The ability to maneuver in traffic is only slightly restricted. <b>No Delays</b>
<b>C</b>		Few restrictions on speed. Freedom to maneuver is restricted. Drivers must be more careful making lane changes. <b>Minimal Delays</b>
<b>D</b>		Speeds decline slightly and density increases. Freedom to maneuver is noticeably limited. <b>Minimal Delays</b>
<b>E</b>		Vehicles are closely spaced, with little room to maneuver. Driver comfort is poor. <b>Significant Delays</b>
<b>F</b>		Very congested traffic with traffic jams, especially in areas where vehicles have to merge. <b>Significant Delays</b>