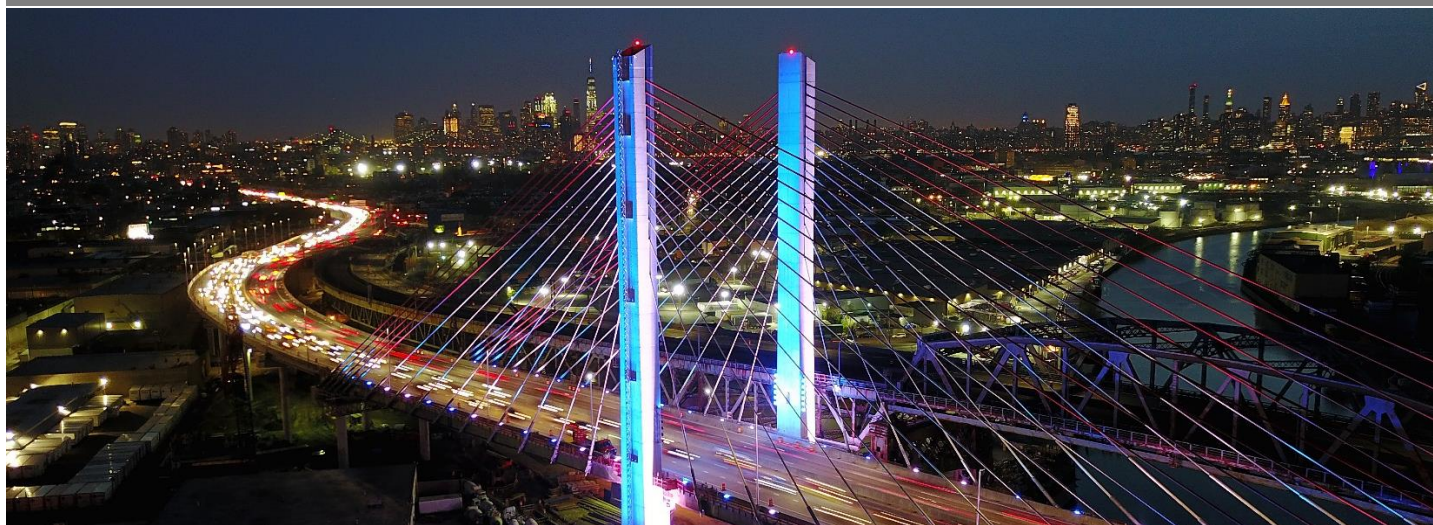




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NASSAU COUNTY EXECUTIVE CURRAN CONFIRMED AS NYMTC CO-CHAIR

Nassau County Executive Laura Curran was confirmed as Co-Chair of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) at its 2018 Annual Meeting. Previously, Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell served as NYMTC's Co-Chair for two consecutive terms. Also, New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Acting Commissioner Paul A. Karas is currently NYMTC's other Co-Chair. For more information, please see page 2.



COUNCIL HEARS SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON 'TRANSIT, TRAFFIC AND TAXES' AT ANNUAL MEETING



Serving as the Annual Meeting's keynote speaker, Kathryn S. Wylde, President and CEO of the Partnership for New York City, offered a special presentation titled "Transit, Traffic and Taxes." Ms. Wylde discussed new challenges for the New York City metro region and focused on how the transportation priorities of the region need to be addressed through more creative, nontraditional means than in the past. She also highlighted a recent report by the Partnership for New York City, which disclosed that traffic congestion costs the metro New York region \$20 billion annually. For more information, please see page 2.

NYMTC Council Members:

- Paul A. Karas, NYMTC Co-Chair and Commissioner of New York State Department of Transportation
- Laura Curran, Nassau County Executive and NYMTC Co-Chair
- Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner of New York City Department of Transportation
- Marisa Lago, Director of New York City Department of City Planning
- Joseph J. Lhota, Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Chairman
- MaryEllen Odell, Putnam County Executive
- Ed Day, Rockland County Executive
- Steve Bellone, Suffolk County Executive
- George Latimer, Westchester County Executive

NYMTC'S ANNUAL MEETING (continued)



NEW YORK – Nassau County Executive Laura Curran was confirmed as Co-Chair of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) at its 2018 Annual Meeting.

“I would like to thank the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council Executive Director José M. Rivera for the opportunity to serve as Co-Chair,” said County Executive Curran. “I look forward to serving and collaborating with NYMTC to advance innovative projects that will improve our regional transportation network. Investments in our infrastructure will help drive economic growth and make our region more resilient for the future.”

During the February 27 meeting, which was held at the City College of New York (CCNY), NYMTC Council Members elected County Executive Curran as Co-Chair for the 2018-2019 term. Previously, Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell served as NYMTC's Co-Chair for two consecutive terms. Also, New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Acting Commissioner Paul A. Karas is currently NYMTC's other Co-Chair.

Additionally, NYMTC announced the release of its [2018 Annual Report](#), which is titled “Coming Together to Shape the Region's Future.” To obtain a copy of NYMTC's 2018 Annual Report, please [click here](#).

“NYMTC Council Members continue to collaborate in addressing the existing needs and challenges of this region. Our annual report, titled ‘Coming Together to Shape the Region's Future’ is a testament to that,” said NYMTC Executive Director José M. Rivera.

“I would like to thank the Council, particularly NYMTC Co-Chair and Putnam County Executive Odell and former NYSDOT Commissioner Driscoll for their support and leadership,” NYMTC Executive Director Rivera continued. “I now look forward to working NYSDOT Commissioner Karas and Nassau County Executive Curran, along with the rest of Council Members, in continuing to address the region's transportation planning challenges.”

Also, serving as the Annual Meeting's keynote speaker, Kathryn S. Wylde, President and CEO of the Partnership for New York City, offered a special presentation titled “Transit, Traffic and Taxes.” Ms. Wylde discussed new challenges for the New York City metro region and focused on how the transportation priorities of the region need to be addressed through more creative, nontraditional means than in the past. Ms. Wylde highlighted a recent report by the Partnership for New York City, which disclosed that traffic congestion costs the metro New York region \$20 billion annually. She also mentioned a recent Fix NYC Panel report, which recommended a congestion pricing zone in Manhattan, along with new charges on for-hire vehicles, to help to generate a more sustainable funding stream to fund transit improvements. This includes encouraging public-private partnerships, authorizing value capture and design-build opportunities to help streamline transportation infrastructure.

“It's time to recognize that nobody else is going to pay for it,” said Wylde, while mentioning other funding opportunities for infrastructure.

Council Members also adopted NYMTC's [SFY 2018-2019 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\)](#). The UPWP is a guiding document that helps NYMTC and its members to determine how federal funding will be spent each year for planning activities.



Additional Photos are available on [NYMTC's Flickr Page](#)

NYMTC Advisory Members:

- Richard Cotton, Executive Director of Port Authority of New York & New Jersey
- Steven H. Santoro, Executive Director of New Jersey Transit
- Mary K. Murphy, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority Executive Director
- Basil Seggos, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner
- Stephen Goodman, Regional Administrator of Federal Transit Administration - Region 2
- Peter Osborn, Division Administrator of Federal Highway Administration - NYS Division
- Pete Lopez, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Administrator

NYMTC'S REGIONAL TRENDS SERIES: Big Data, Autonomous Mobility and the Law



Matthew W. Daus, Esq., former NYC Taxi & Limousine Commissioner/Chair, transportation technology lawyer, Distinguished Lecturer at CUNY/CCNY's Transportation Center and President of the International Association of Transportation Regulators, will offer a special presentation on **Tuesday, March 27 at 12:00 p.m.** regarding our transportation technology future.

During the special discussion, which will be held at **NYMTC's Offices (located at 25 Beaver Street, Suite 201 in Lower Manhattan)**, Mr. Daus will discuss the evolving laws and regulations impacting transportation data and privacy, including access to data (TNCs, taxis, paratransit, airports) by the public, government, academia and competing private company interests.

Also, Mr. Daus, who on behalf of the National Academy of the Science's Transportation Research Board served as Co-Chair to the Legal Forum on Autonomous Vehicles, and is currently a U.S. delegate/planning committee member of the U.S./European Union's Summit on the Socio-Economic Impacts of Automated and Connected Vehicles, will address the legal and policy issues being researched internationally, and lead an interactive discussion on the future of the for-hire ground transportation industry as autonomous technology progresses.

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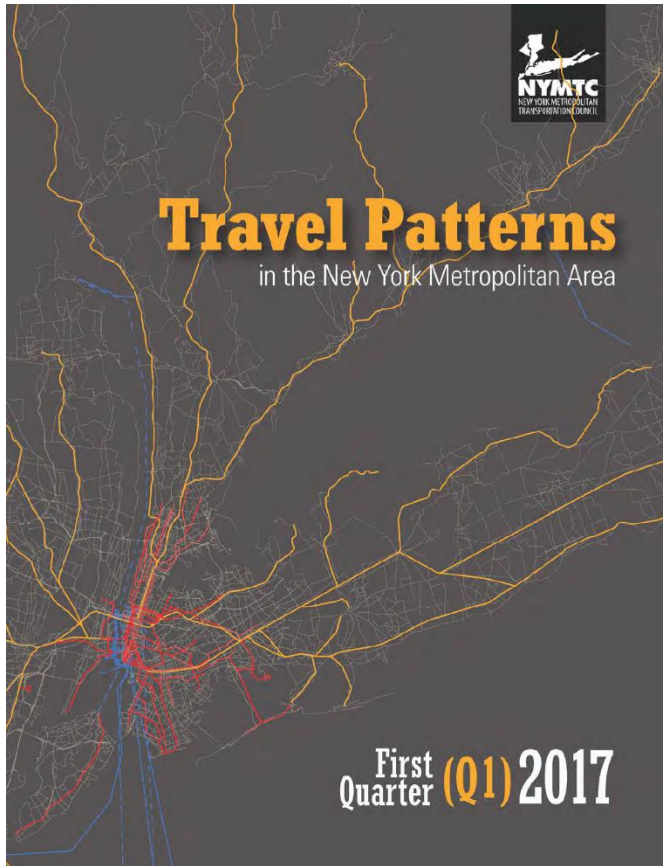


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NYMTC TRAVEL PATTERNS REPORT: 9.9 M BUS, RAIL AND FERRY TRIPS REPORTED ON AVERAGE WEEKDAY IN 2017's 1ST QUARTER



Travel Patterns in the New York Metropolitan Area for 2017's First Quarter provides an overview of regional travel patterns. On an average weekday in the First Quarter, there were 9,950,033 total bus, rail and ferry trips (see infographic). The information in the [report](#) is meant to provide a snapshot of travel from New York City, Long Island, the lower Hudson Valley and New Jersey.



- **BUS**
3,068,052
- **RAPID RAIL**
5,868,882
- **SUBURBAN RAIL**
894,900
- **AIR TRAINS**
24,745
- **FERRY**
93,454

Upcoming Meetings in NYMTC's Planning Area

- [March 8, 2018](#) - Westchester County Bee-Line Operations Study Public Meeting
- [March 21, 2018](#) - NYSDOT Lower Hudson Transit Link Public Open House ([Westchester County](#))
- [March 22, 2018](#) - NYSDOT Lower Hudson Transit Link Public Open House ([Rockland County](#))
- [March 27, 2018](#) – NYMTC's Regional Trends Series: Big Data, Autonomous Mobility & the Law at 12:00 p.m.
- [April 12, 2018](#) – NYMTC's Program, Finance and Administration Committee Meeting at 12:15 p.m.

[Upcoming NYMTC Meeting Calendar](#)

About the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council

The New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) is a regional council of governments that is the Metropolitan Planning Organization for New York City, Long Island and the lower Hudson Valley. NYMTC provides a collaborative planning forum to address transportation-related issues, develop regional plans and make decisions on the use of federal transportation funds for its planning area. NYMTC is comprised of nine voting members and seven advisory members who develop plans, goals and a shared vision for the region's transportation network, which includes a planning area that covers 2,440 square miles and includes a population of 12.4 million. For more information, please visit www.nymtc.org.