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New York City Congestion Pricing

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This past Sunday New York City [launched](#) its congestion pricing initiative. Drivers entering Manhattan's congestion relief zone - from roughly the bottom of Central Park to the southern tip of Manhattan - must pay a fee of \$9. There is also an off-peak fee of \$2.25 between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on weekdays, and 9 p.m. and 9 a.m. on weekends. The fee for smaller trucks is \$14.40, while large vehicles will pay a \$21.60 fee.

Expect these fees to be super unpopular; a similar scheme (with a price of \$15) was pulled by New York Governor Kathy Hochul in a desperate attempt to save the political futures of Democratic candidates in the November elections. The question is, why are the fees back?