



New York: Could congestion pricing lead to free transit? See for yourself, with the Balanced Transportation Analyzer

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Put forth by civic activist and noted labor relations attorney Ted Kheel, and energy-policy analyst and transport economist Charles Komanoff, the Kheel-Komanoff Plan promises commuters in the NYC area free buses, drastically reduced subway fares, reduced peak-hour congestion, faster bus service **and more**.

How did Kheel and Komanoff find their perfect balance? They used the "Balanced Transportation Analyzer (BTA)", a modeling system (of their own design) that takes into account dozens of variables and predicts their effect on the daily commute.

Download the Balanced Transportation Analyzer to see how your own theories play out, or to test the effectiveness of any other pricing plan in New York. Hint: After opening the spreadsheet, click the tab labeled "User Inputs" and you'll find instructions toward the top of the page.

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