

# On 1 January 2016, congestion taxes in Stockholm will be raised and congestion tax will be levied on Essingeleden



# Changes in Stockholm's congestion tax

**On 1 January 2016**, congestion taxes will be increased in the inner-city parts of Stockholm, and congestion tax will be charged on Essingeleden. This is being done not only to improve accessibility and the environment, but also to help develop the infrastructure.

The County of Stockholm is growing at a rate of 35 000 – 40 000 inhabitants per year. In order for the region to be able to function for a growing population, billions are being invested in new infrastructure. The investments include the extension of the Stockholm Underground, the City Line, Norra Länken, the Stockholm Outer Bypass and the Mälaren Line.

But this is not enough. Congestion tax is important for maintaining accessibility on Stockholm's roads. And it works – it increases accessibility and improves the environment. Now it is being adapted to suit current conditions. So that Stockholm will continue to function in the future.

## Congestion tax to be introduced on Essingeleden

The traffic on Essingeleden is mostly local. The road already carries an average of some 130 000 vehicles per day. At times there is considerable congestion and traffic jams, which also lead to traffic jams in the surrounding road network.

The Stockholm region is undergoing rapid expansion, and accessibility is diminishing on Essingeleden. Not until the 2020s can a decrease be expected, when the Stockholm Outer Bypass is opened to traffic

Congestion tax is being introduced in order to reduce

traffic jams in peak periods and to create reasonable traffic volumes. With shorter traffic jams on Essingeleden, the surrounding roads will also have shorter tailbacks.

The control points on Essingeleden will be located at the Kristineberg Interchange and at the access and exit ramps for Tranebergsbron at the Fredhäll Interchange.



The map shows the control points on and at Essingeleden.

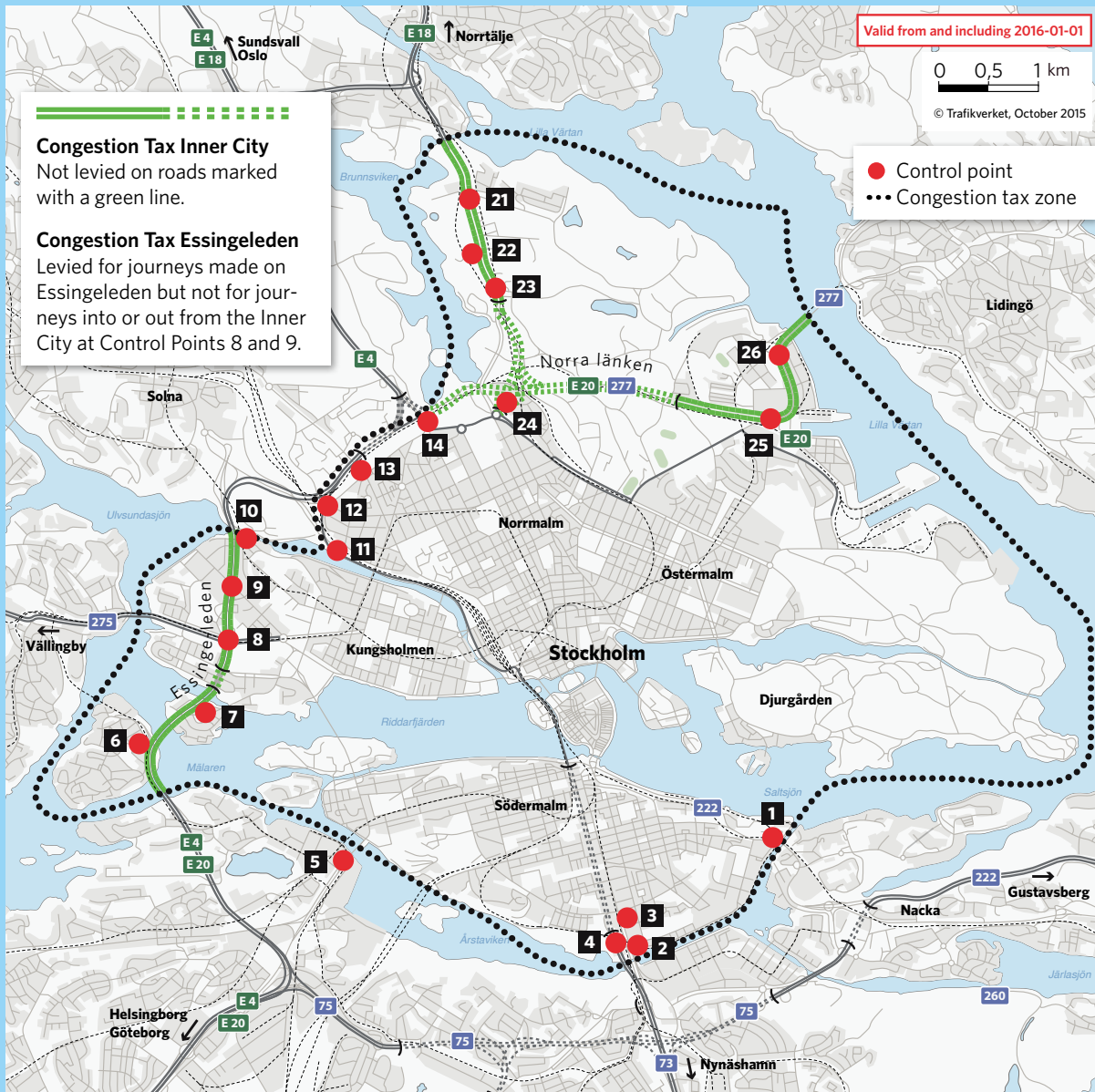
### Congestion tax amounts for Essingeleden from and including 1 January 2016.

Period	Tax amount
6.30 – 6.59	SEK 15
7.00 – 7.29	SEK 22
7.30 – 8.29	SEK 30
8.30 – 8.59	SEK 22
9.00 – 9.29	SEK 15
9.30 – 14.59	SEK 11
15.00 – 15.29	SEK 15
15.30 – 15.59	SEK 22
16.00 – 17.29	SEK 30
17.30 – 17.59	SEK 22
18.00 – 18.29	SEK 15

### Congestion tax amounts for the Inner City from and including 1 January 2016.

Period	Tax amount
6.30 – 6.59	SEK 15
7.00 – 7.29	SEK 25
7.30 – 8.29	SEK 35
8.30 – 8.59	SEK 25
9.00 – 9.29	SEK 15
9.30 – 14.59	SEK 11
15.00 – 15.29	SEK 15
15.30 – 15.59	SEK 25
16.00 – 17.29	SEK 35
17.30 – 17.59	SEK 25
18.00 – 18.29	SEK 15

The max. tax is SEK 105 per day and vehicle summarized for Essingeleden and the Inner City.



The map shows where the limits are for the congestion tax zones. The red dots indicate where the control points are located.

## Increased congestion tax in Stockholm's Inner City

The congestion tax will be increased in Stockholm from and including the end of the year. The highest increase will be in rush-hour traffic. The purpose is to steer the traffic towards other times of the day and public transport, and in this way reduce congestion in the Inner City area.

## Maximum amount raised

At the same time as the congestion tax is raised, an increase will be made in the maximum amount levied. You will never have to pay more than SEK 105 per day and vehicle.

## Control points

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Danvikstull              | 11. Klarastrandsleden         |
| 2. Skansbron                | 12. Tomtebodavägen            |
| 3. Skanstullsbron           | 13. Solnabron                 |
| 4. Johanneshovsbron         | 14. Norrtull interchange      |
| 5. Liljeholmsbron           | 21. Ekhagen interchange       |
| 6. Stora Essingen           | 22. Frescati interchange      |
| 7. Lilla Essingen           | 23. Universitetet interchange |
| 8. Fredhäll interchange     | 24. Roslagstull interchange   |
| 9. Kristineberg interchange | 25. Värtan interchange        |
| 10. Ekelundsbron            | 26. Ropsten interchange       |

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#### Did you know that...

... raising congestion tax will help to finance the extension of the Underground. The existing congestion tax is helping to finance construction of the Stockholm Outer Bypass.

... the change in congestion tax rates is judged to reduce the traffic on Essingeleden by some 10 per cent in peak hours. Accessibility on the surrounding roads will also be improved.

... a majority off the traffic on Essingeleden is local – defined as traffic that has its starting-point or destination within Stockholm, Solna or Sundbyberg.

... 24 per cent of all private journeys and 15 per cent of all business-related/commercial transport on Essingeleden starts or ends in the Inner City area.

... Essingeleden was constructed in the 1960s for traffic volumes of 80 000 – 110 000 vehicles per day. Today it carries an average of 130 000 vehicles, with peak levels of 170 000 vehicles per day.

... The Swedish Transport Administration is responsible for the localisation, operation and maintenance of the control points.

... The Swedish Transport Agency decides on congestion tax. The Agency also maintains contact with the general public through its website and customer service.

... The scope and design of congestion tax are regulated by law and decided by the Swedish Parliament.