

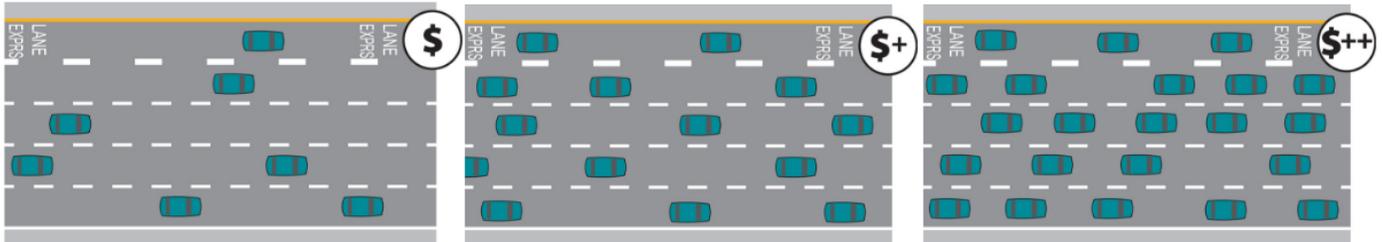


PRICING AND PRICING SIGNS

Solo drivers can pay to use express lanes with FasTrak®. Carpools and eligible Clean Air Vehicles are free or pay half-price tolls with a FasTrak Flex® or FasTrak CAV toll tag depending on the lane. [See the tolling rules chart.](#)

Price changes with Traffic

The price to use the lane goes up or down every few minutes depending on traffic.



Pricing Signs

Here is some information to help you read pricing signs:

- Signs show one or two destinations and the price to travel to each.
- You are guaranteed that the prices shown when you get in the lane are the maximum tolls you will pay, even if prices change while you are in the lane.
- Your monthly FasTrak statement will show the start and end point of each express lane trip and the price you paid. Toll-free trips will not appear on your statement.
- See the video "[Understanding Tolls](#)" or pages 2 and 3 of this PDF for more detail.

Other Messages on Pricing Signs

Outside the posted hours of operation, a sign may display a message like 'OPEN TO ALL' instead of a price to indicate that you can use the lane at no charge and without FasTrak. Other messages may also be shown.



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Pricing Signs in More Detail



How to read pricing signs with two destinations

	Destination	Meaning
Top Destination	Destination shown is the end of the current toll zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are guaranteed the price you see when you get in the lane. You will pay the top zone price regardless how far in the top zone you travel.* The top zone ends at the highway exit named in the top destination on the sign.
Bottom Destination	Destination shown is the end of the current toll segment, which is one or two zones ahead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you stay in the express lane to the zone named in the bottom destination you are guaranteed the bottom price you see when you first get in the lane, even if the toll changes by the time you get to that zone. There may be a toll zone between the top and bottom destinations shown on the pricing sign. If you exit the express lane in the middle zone, you will pay more than the top price, but less than the bottom price. Never add the top and bottom price. The bottom price is inclusive of all toll zones from when you enter the lane through the end of the bottom destination.



How to read pricing signs with one destination

	Destination	Meaning
Top Destination	Destination shown is the end of the current toll zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are guaranteed the price you see when get in the lane. You will pay the top zone price regardless how far in the top zone you travel.* The top zone ends at the highway exit named in the top destination on the sign.
Bottom Destination	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If there is no bottom destination on the toll sign, you are either approaching a new toll zone where a new toll will apply, or you are approaching the end of the express lane. As you approach the top destination on the sign, you will see a new pricing sign with different top and bottom destinations indicating new tolls (unless the lane is ending). You will have time to decide whether to stay in the express lane and pay the additional toll shown on the new sign.

* Exceptions are the express lanes on SR-237 and US-101 in Santa Clara County, where you might pay less than the top price if you do not travel to the end of the top zone.

Trip Examples

Trip Examples	Signs Driver Sees	Driver Pays	Why
Solo driver enters southbound I-880 Express Lane at Hegenberger and exits before Washington Ave./I-238		\$1.50	The driver travels in only the top toll zone so the driver pays the price for only the top zone.
Solo driver enters southbound I-880 Express Lane at Hegenberger and exits at Tennyson	 	\$2.50	The driver sees that it costs \$2.50 to drive to Tennyson Rd. when entering the lane. While the price increases as the driver travels in the lane, the driver is guaranteed the price first seen when entering the lane.
Solo driver enters southbound I-880 Express Lane after Hwy 92 (before Tennyson Rd.) and exits at Alvarado Blvd. (which is after Alvarado-Niles Rd. and before Thornton Ave.)	 	\$6.00 (\$3.00 to Tennyson + \$3.00 to travel into the Thornton zone)	The driver pays the price for the Tennyson zone (\$3.00) plus the price to travel through the Alvarado-Niles zone and into the Thornton zone (\$3.00). The Thornton price is inclusive of the Alvarado-Niles zone.
Solo driver enters southbound I-680 Contra Costa Express Lane at Treat Blvd. (before South Main St.) and exits at Bollinger Canyon Rd. (which is after Crow Canyon Rd. and before Alcosta Blvd.)	  	\$6.00 (\$2.00 to So. Main + \$4.00 to travel into the Alcosta zone)	The driver pays the price for the So. Main zone (\$2.00) plus the price to travel through the El Cerro and Crow Canyon zones and into the Alcosta zone (\$4.00).