

Hanoi Traffic

Hanoi is one of the two largest cities in Vietnam and often has traffic jams, especially during rush hour.

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The main means of transport in Hanoi are cars, buses, taxis, motorbikes, electric bikes, and a few bicycles. On main roads, the corners and crossroads are equipped with road signs and traffic lights, but, at rush hour, almost every street, road, and intersection is full of vehicles and pedestrians. However, like perhaps nowhere else in the world, the vehicles constantly drive in each other's lanes – cars perpendicular to traffic and motorcycles in car lanes, on the pavement, and running red lights, all trying to speed up, yet forcing everyone else to brake and making everyone slow down. And, of course, there are frequent crashes and accidents, both small and large, accompanied by breakdowns and exhaust fumes.

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The chaos of Hanoi traffic is ongoing and rarely abates. The cause is obvious – too many people needing to go places and not enough infrastructure to get them there. So, what's the solution here?

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When are the worst traffic jams in Hanoi?

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Have you ever been in a crash while driving or riding on the streets?

What would you do to fix the traffic problem?