



# Transport for NSW Traffic Alert

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16 APRIL 2025

## Plan your journey with heavy traffic expected on the Pacific Motorway at Hexham across Easter and Anzac Day long weekends

Transport for NSW is encouraging motorists travelling on the Pacific Motorway through Hexham to plan their trip and allow extra travel time during the Easter and Anzac Day long weekends, with high traffic volumes and delays expected.

The M1 Pacific Motorway at Beresfield and the Pacific Highway at Hexham are linked via John Renshaw Drive and the New England Highway, forming a key north-south travel route.

The busiest day northbound is predicted to be tomorrow (Thursday 17 April), with expected delays from 20 to 30 minutes. The busiest days southbound are predicted to be Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 April, with expected delays up to 45 minutes.

With motorists expected to head home from holidays before the start of the school term, there will be a second wave of return traffic during the last weekend of the school holidays, commencing Friday 25 April. The busiest day southbound will be Sunday 27 April, with expected delays up to 25 minutes.

NSW Police will enforce double demerit points for speeding, motorcycle helmet, seatbelt and mobile phone offences from Thursday 17 April to Monday 21 April and Thursday 24 April to Sunday 27 April 2025.

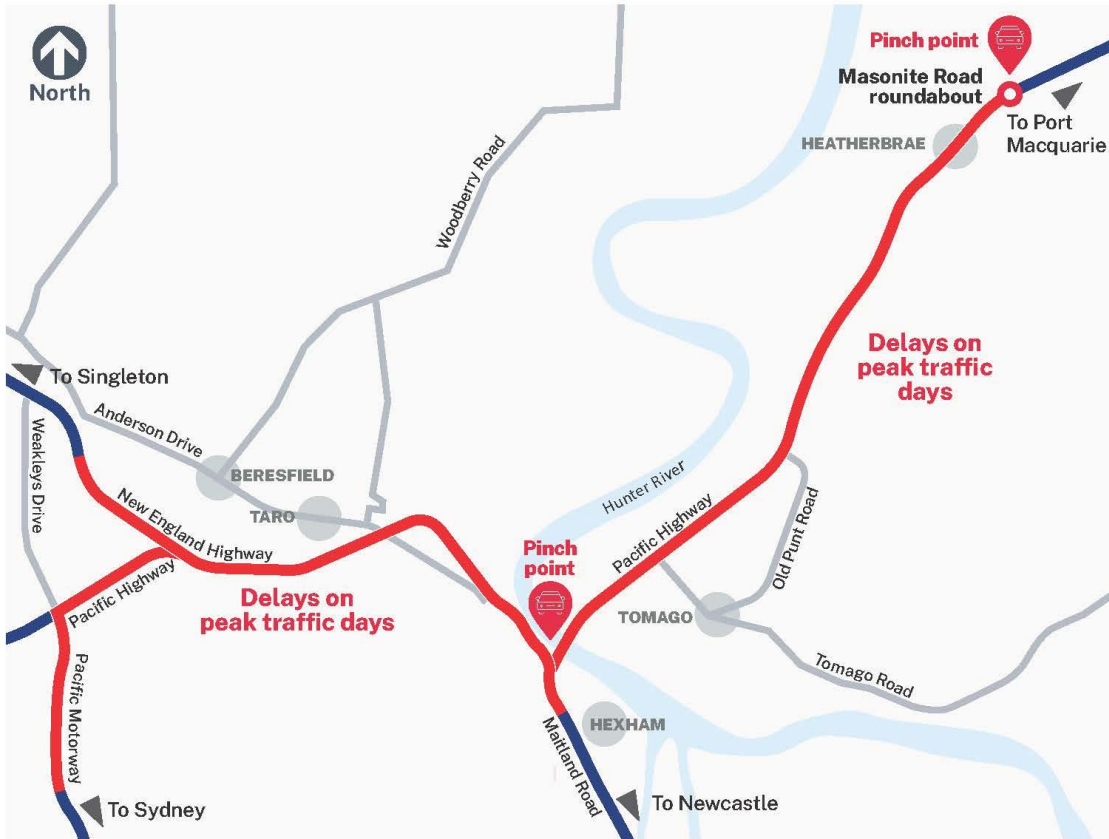
Please allow extra travel time and use driver navigation apps to assist you on your journey.

Transport for NSW thanks motorists for their patience during this time. For more details about predicted delays at Hexham and other known holiday traffic pinch points, see the NSW Holiday and Journey planning [website](#).

For more information visit <https://www.livetraffic.com/incident-details/230831>, or download the Live Traffic NSW app.

To receive updates direct to your phone, search for “Hexham Bridge, Pacific Highway” in your Live Traffic app, select the holiday traffic pin [\(blue and white star\)](#) and click ‘Follow’.

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**Pacific Motorway/Highway - Hexham**

The M1 Pacific Motorway at Beresfield and the Pacific Highway at Hexham are linked via John Renshaw Drive and the New England Highway, forming a key north-south travel route. Hexham is one of four known pinch points people travelling from Sydney to Queensland on the Pacific Motorway/Highway will pass through, the others being Wahroonga to Calga, Coffs Harbour and Tugun at the NSW/QLD border.

There are multiple projects being built at this location, including the Pacific Highway improvements at Hexham and the M1 Motorway extension to Raymond Terrace, which can impact travel times. A current reduced speed limit of 60 km/h is implemented along the length of the project and will remain in place throughout the autumn school holiday period.

\*These predictions, including days and times, are based on historical data and observations and may vary based on a range of factors, including unplanned incidents. There may be traffic congestion on other days. The predictions should be used as a guide only. For more detailed information about predicted delay times at this location, refer to the [pinch point journey planning tool](#).



**Autumn school holidays 2025**

Date	Potential impact*	Estimated peak period*
<b>Northbound</b>		
17 April	10-20 min	11am to 1pm
18 April	10-20 min	8am-1pm
19-23 April	0-9 min	
24 April	10-20 min	1.30pm-2.30pm
25 April	10-20 min	10.45am-11.15pm
26-27 April	0-9 min	
<b>Southbound</b>		
17-20 April	0-9 min	
21 April	10-20 min	10am-4pm
22 April	30 min+	1pm-4.30pm
23 April	10-20 min	2pm-3pm
24 April	10-20 min	1pm-3pm
25-26 April	0-9 min	
27 April	10-20 min	10.30am-3pm

**Key to travel impacts**

