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## IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT 2009 AUTOVANTAGE ROAD RAGE SURVEY

### NEW YORK

- **LEAST COURTEOUS**—New York now ranks as the least courteous city in the nation in terms of road rage, compared to 24 other major American cities, according to a new survey. Last year, N.Y. was in the No. 3 position on the same list. New York drivers unseated their counterparts in Miami – who held the No. 1 least courteous position for three years in a row – to lay claim to this dubious title. The top 10 worst cities (with the least courteous drivers) are:

#1	New York	#6	Phoenix
#2	Dallas/Fort Worth	#7	Miami
#3	Detroit	#8	Houston
#4	Atlanta	#9	Cincinnati
#5	Minneapolis	#10	San Diego

- Portland, Ore., ranked as the most courteous city.
- **REACTING TO RUDE DRIVERS**—New York drivers were the clear leaders in terms of reacting to rude or aggressive behavior by others; specifically, Big Apple motorists were most likely to wave their fists or arms at another driver in the past month, at 21 percent.
- **LAYING ON THE HORN**—Along with their counterparts in Washington, D.C., New Yorkers were second most likely to report honking their horn in reaction to rude driving by others in the past month. Only Pittsburgh drivers reported honking more often.
- **OBSCENE GESTURES**—Tied with Detroit and Sacramento, New York ranked No. 1 as the city with drivers most likely to have made an obscene gesture at a fellow driver in the past month.
- **DRIVING TOO FAST**—At 19 percent, New Yorkers were most likely to report driving faster than they should have, on a daily basis. That's compared to only 3 percent of drivers who admit to speeding in Cleveland.