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## IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

### 2009 AUTOVANTAGE ROAD RAGE SURVEY

#### ST. LOUIS

- **SEVENTH MOST COURTEOUS**—St. Louis (tied with Philadelphia) is the seventh most courteous city in terms of road rage, compared to 24 other major American cities. That's an improvement from last year's No. 12 ranking. Portland, Ore., ranked as the most courteous. The top 10 best cities (with the least amount of road rage) are:

#1	Portland, Ore.	#6	Washington, D.C.
#2	Cleveland	#7	Philadelphia (tie)
#3	Baltimore	#7	St. Louis (tie)
#4	Sacramento	#9	Boston
#5	Pittsburgh	#10	Seattle

- For the first time in four years, a new city claims the title as the worst in the U.S. for road rage; New York has unseated Miami as the least courteous city.
- **HONKED HORN**—At 36 percent, drivers in St. Louis are the second least likely to admit honking their horn as a reaction to rude or aggressive. Portland, Ore., drivers are least likely to do this.
- **TALKING ON CELL PHONES**—Drivers in St. Louis are the fourth least likely to admit talking on their cell phone while driving every day. However, St. Louis ranks No. 1 for observing other drivers talking on their phones every day.
- **EATING OR DRINKING**—Keeping St. Louis from ranking higher in the most courteous category, drivers there are the most likely to observe other drivers eating or drinking behind the wheel every day, at 61 percent. For the second consecutive year, Pittsburgh is least likely, at 34 percent.