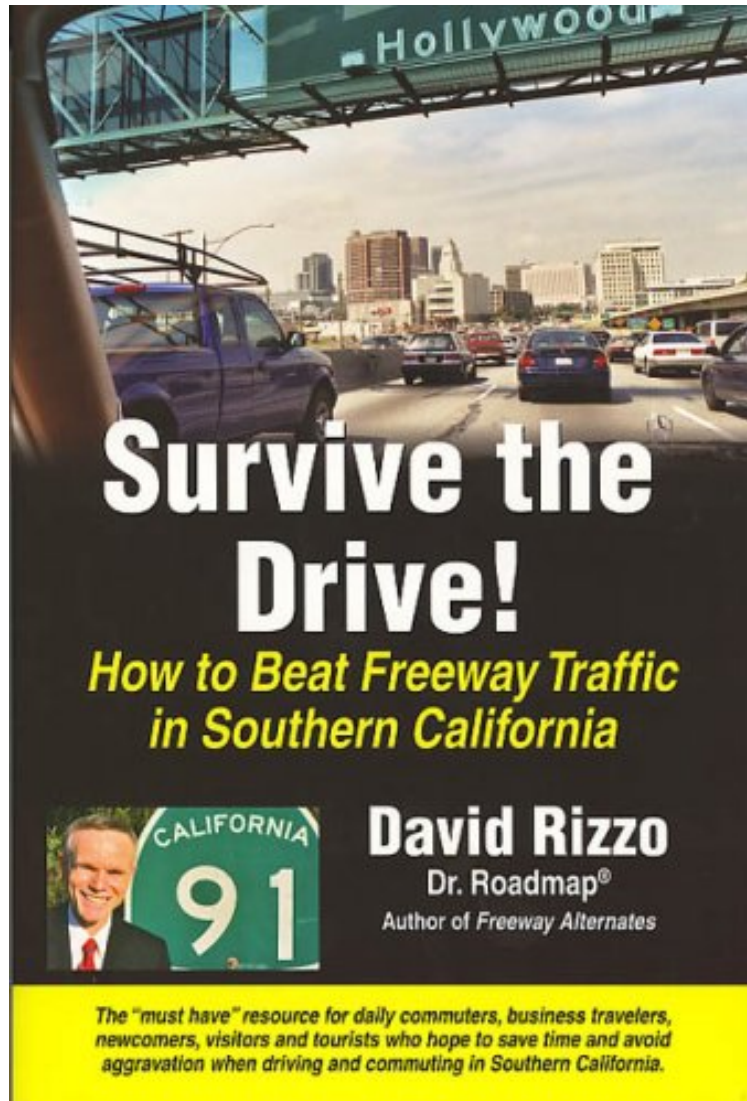


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Survive the Drive! How to Beat Freeway Traffic in Southern California provides real world answers and recommendations from experts in the field to help you: get "there" quicker with time-saving tips, reduce your commuting expenses, ease driving stress, and improve your motoring safety.

About the Author Dave Rizzo, better known as Dr. Roadmap and creator of the board game Road Rage!!! The L.A. Freeway Game, is a former commuter columnist for several daily newspapers in Southern California. He is also author of Freeway Alternates, A Guide to Commuting in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, published by Gem Guides. In 1991 Rizzo became the first traffic reporter to routinely supply alternate routes on a daily basis when he joined the popular "Ken and Barkley" talk show on 790 KABC radio. Rizzo subsequently worked as a traffic reporter for Metro Traffic and Air Traffic (now, Air Watch America). Always in search of ways to improve traffic conditions, Rizzo helped design comprehensive ridesharing plans on a national basis during the mid-nineties, and his 2004 primary bid for Congress in California's 44th District was for the sole purpose of facilitating a new freeway route to help commuters along the 91 Freeway. Rizzo is currently a member of Traffic Information People, a CHP/Caltrans/media interface group. Rizzo's education includes certificates in employee transportation coordination, a credential in Transportation Demand Management from UCLA, and a doctorate in podiatric medicine.