

# **Calls to Paramedic Services for Suspected Opioid Overdoses**

## **Geographic Information**

**January 2025**

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### **Key Messages**

Data from Toronto Paramedic Services show that the highest concentration of calls for suspected opioid overdoses between **January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024** were in the downtown area. The top five neighbourhoods and the top ten main intersections with the highest number of calls were bounded roughly by Roncesvalles Avenue to the West, Bloor Street to the North, Don Valley Parkway to the East, and Lake Ontario to the south.

Figure 1 shows that Toronto Paramedic Services attended suspected opioid overdose calls across the entire city.

Please review the Data Notes section for more information on the [Toronto Overdose Information System](#).

### **Important update regarding City of Toronto neighbourhoods**

Effective April 12, 2022, Toronto's social planning neighbourhoods have changed from 140 neighbourhoods to 158. The subsequent map and table of suspected opioid overdose calls received by Toronto Paramedic Services by neighbourhood reflects this change.

For more information, please visit the [About Toronto Neighbourhoods webpage](#).

### **Data Source**

Toronto Paramedic Services. Electronic Patient Care Record. January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. Extracted January 8, 2025.

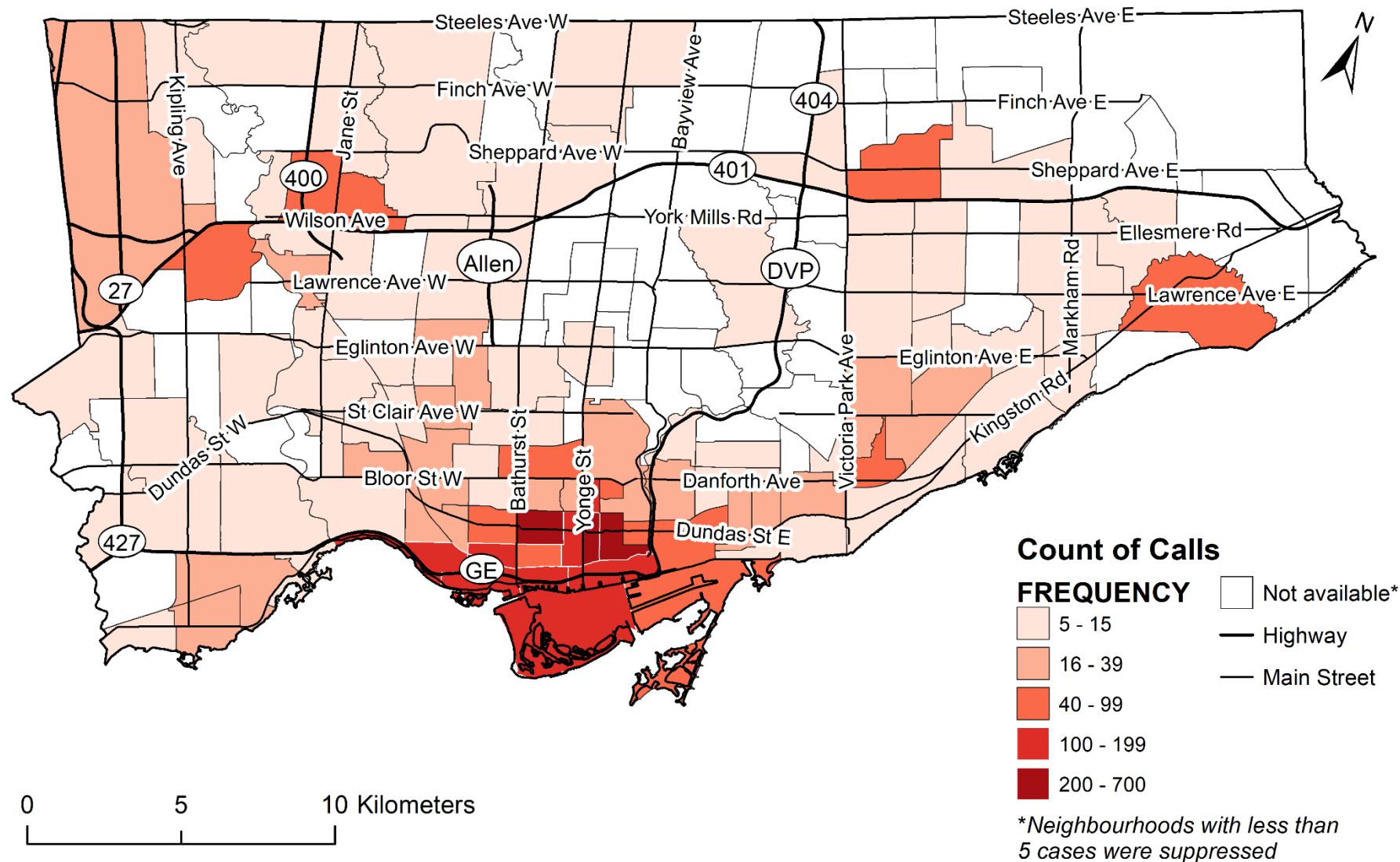
### **Data Notes**

- Information is preliminary and subject to change pending further review of the data source.
- The data provided in this document includes only instances where 911 is called and likely underestimates the true number of overdoses in the community.
- The data include cases where the responding paramedic suspected an opioid overdose. This may differ from the final diagnosis in hospitals or cause of death determined by the coroner.
- The information in this report refers to the total number of calls (i.e. fatal and non-fatal calls combined). Between January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, there were 4,183 calls with valid geographic information occurring within the boundaries of the City of Toronto.
- The location refers to where paramedics made contact with patients, which may or may not be the same location from where 911 was called.

- Neighbourhood refers to the boundaries as defined by the City of Toronto. To search neighbourhoods by address or location, use the [Neighbourhood Listing Location Lookup tool](#).
- Where applicable, calls have been aggregated to the nearest main intersection, as defined by the [City of Toronto](#). Note that in areas of the City where main intersections are further apart, location of calls might be less exact compared to areas of the downtown core where main intersections are closer together.
- Information on neighbourhoods and intersections with less than five calls over the one-year period were suppressed to prevent identification of individuals.

For more information and/or clarification for any of the following maps or tables, please contact [edau@toronto.ca](mailto:edau@toronto.ca).

**Figure 1: Map of suspected opioid overdose calls by neighbourhood, Toronto, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**



**Table 1: Suspected opioid overdose calls by neighbourhood\*, Toronto, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**

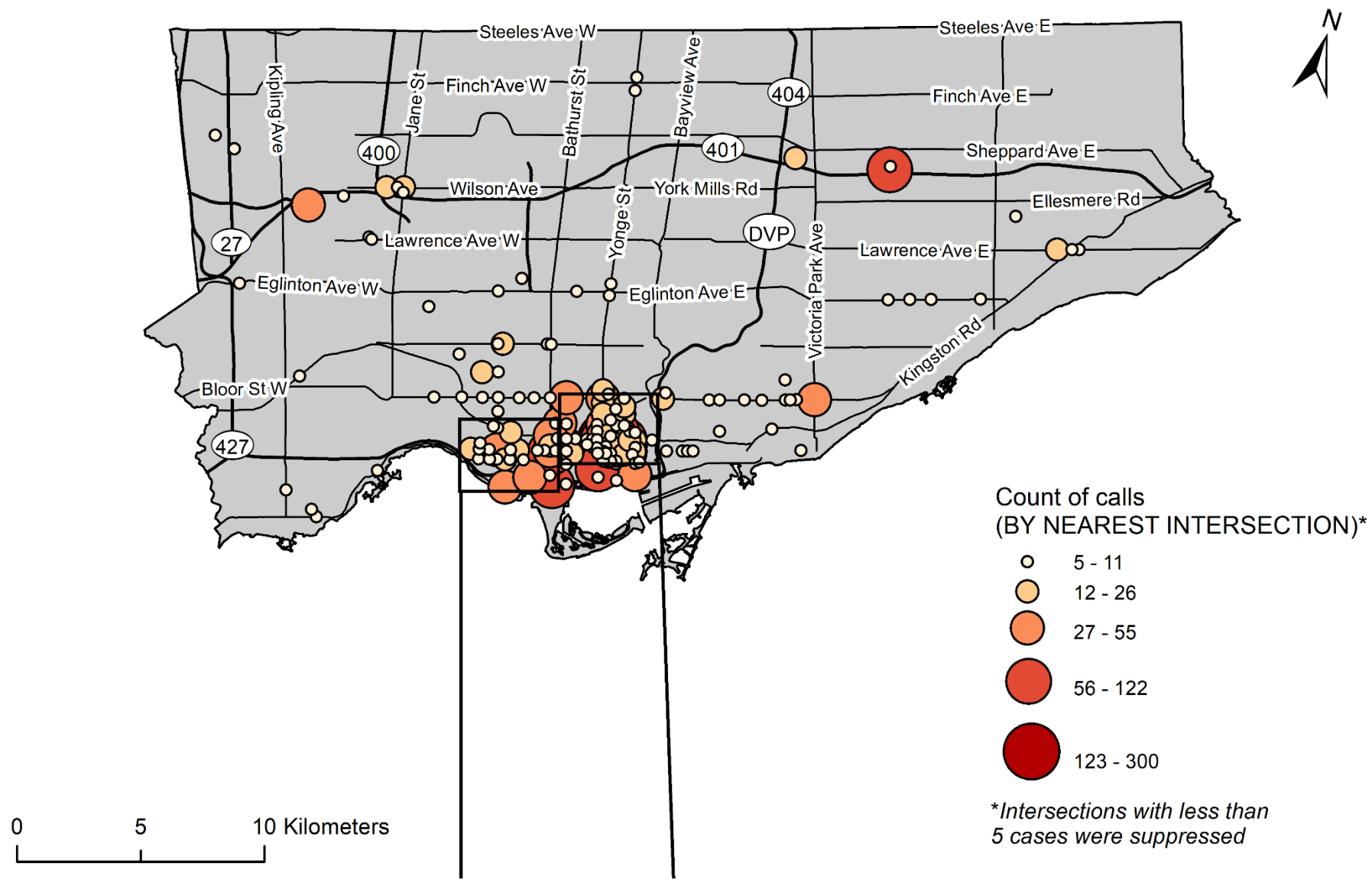
Neighbourhood Number	Neighbourhood Name	Number of calls	Neighbourhood Number	Neighbourhood Name	Number of calls
168	Downtown Yonge East	689	53	Henry Farm	13
73	Moss Park	562	172	Dovercourt Village	13
78	Kensington-Chinatown	218	63	The Beaches	13
170	Yonge-Bay Corridor	173	87	High Park-Swansea	12
167	Church-Wellesley	170	158	Islington	11
166	St Lawrence-East Bayfront-The Islands	145	125	Ionview	11
165	Harbourfront-CityPlace	142	100	Yonge-Eglinton	11
163	Fort York-Liberty Village	111	80	Palmerston-Little Italy	11
85	South Parkdale	101	23	Pelmo Park-Humberlea	11
162	West Queen West	101	174	South Eglinton-Davisville	10
74	North St.James Town	80	101	Forest Hill South	10
95	Annex	73	173	North Toronto	10
164	Wellington Place	70	31	Yorkdale-Glen Park	10
118	Tam O'Shanter-Sullivan	57	123	Cliffcrest	10
6	Kingsview Village-The Westway	54	90	Junction Area	10
154	Oakdale-Beverley Heights	54	110	Keelesdale-Eglinton West	9
81	Trinity-Bellwoods	52	115	Mount Dennis	9
121	Oakridge	49	122	Birchcliffe-Cliffside	9
70	South Riverdale	45	27	York University Heights	9
72	Regent Park	42	109	Caledonia-Fairbank	9
136	West Hill	40	69	Blake-Jones	8
79	University	39	94	Wychwood	8
62	East End-Danforth	37	24	Black Creek	8
113	Weston	37	30	Brookhaven-Amesbury	8
169	Bay-Cloverhill	34	42	Banbury-Don Mills	8
83	Dufferin Grove	33	25	Glenfield-Jane Heights	8
171	Junction-Wallace Emerson	31	161	Humber Bay Shores	7
107	Oakwood Village	29	11	Eringate-Centennial-West Deane	7

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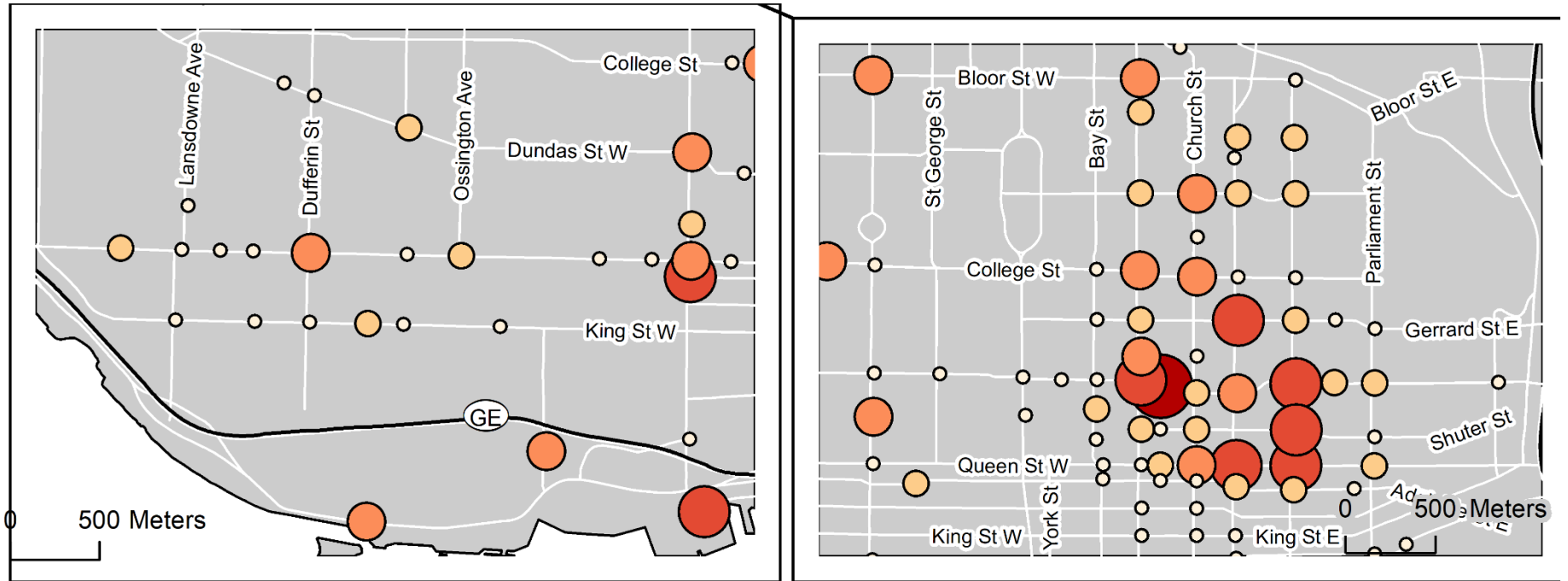
Neighbourhood Number	Neighbourhood Name	Number of calls	Neighbourhood Number	Neighbourhood Name	Number of calls
86	Roncesvalles	29	119	Wexford/Maryvale	7
98	Rosedale-Moore Park	27	139	Scarborough Village	7
84	Little Portugal	27	4	Rexdale-Kipling	7
64	Woodbine Corridor	23	9	Edenbridge-Humber Valley	7
18	New Toronto	23	61	Taylor-Massey	7
92	Corso Italia-Davenport	20	57	Broadview North	7
67	Playter Estates-Danforth	20	37	Willowdale West	6
1	West Humber-Clairville	19	21	Humber Summit	6
160	Mimico-Queensway	19	96	Casa Loma	6
68	North Riverdale	19	141	Golfdale-Cedarbrae-Woburn	6
120	Clairlea-Birchmount	19	59	Danforth East York	6
124	Kennedy Park	18	19	Long Branch	6
71	Cabbagetown-South St.James Town	17	28	Rustic	6
88	High Park North	17	16	Stonegate-Queensway	6
108	Briar Hill-Belgravia	17	46	Pleasant View	6
65	Greenwood-Coxwell	16	50	Newtonbrook East	6
111	Rockcliffe-Smythe	15	89	Runnymede-Bloor West Village	6
159	Etobicoke City Centre	15	32	Englemount-Lawrence	5
91	Weston-Pelham Park	15	38	Lansing-Westgate	5
66	Danforth	15	151	Yonge-Doris	5
128	Agincourt South-Malvern West	14	33	Clanton Park	5
138	Eglinton East	14			
2	Mount Olive-Silverstone-Jamestown	14			
126	Dorset Park	14			
135	Morningside	14			
155	Downsview	14			
36	Newtonbrook West	14			
106	Humewood-Cedarvale	13			
142	Woburn North	13			

\*Neighbourhoods with less than 5 calls are suppressed to prevent identification of individuals.

**Figure 2: Map of suspected opioid overdose calls by nearest main intersection\*, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.**



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**Table 2: Suspected opioid overdose by nearest main intersection\*, Toronto, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**

<b>Nearest Main Intersection</b>	<b>Number of calls</b>	<b>Nearest Main Intersection</b>	<b>Number of calls</b>
Dundas St E / Victoria St	280	Lake Shore Blvd W / Fifth St	8
Queens Quay W / Bathurst St	109	King St W / Atlantic Ave	8
Dundas St E / Sherbourne St	101	Morningside Ave / Lawrence Ave E	8
Yonge St / Dundas St	92	Eglinton Ave E / Kennedy Rd	8
Queen St E / Sherbourne St	91	Dundas St W / Chestnut St	8
Jarvis St / Gerrard St E	90	Dufferin St / Sylvan Ave	8
Jarvis St / Queen St E	83	Church St / Richmond St E	8
Bay St / Front St W	75	Danforth Ave / Greenwood Ave	8
Bathurst St / Richmond St W	70	Danforth Ave / Woodington Ave	8
Sherbourne St / Shuter St	68	Queen St E / Carlaw Ave	7
Kennedy Rd / 401 C W Kennedy Rd Ramp	60	Queen St E / Logan Ave	7
Lake Shore Blvd W / Ontario Dr	55	Yonge St / Eglinton Ave W	7
Spadina Ave / Sullivan St	50	Richmond St E / Berkeley St	7
Islington Ave / Monogram Pl	45	Yonge St / Bishop Ave	7
Queen St E / Church St	44	Yonge St / Queen St	7
Church St / Wellesley St E	43	Weston Rd / John St	7
College St / Augusta Ave	41	Wilson Ave / Dallner Rd	7
Danforth Ave / Victoria Park Ave	41	Eglinton Ave W / Heddington Ave	7
Strachan Ave / Fleet St	38	Kipling Ave / Horner Ave	7
Yonge St / Carlton St	38	Marlee Ave / Roselawn Ave	7
Bathurst St / Queen St W	38	Kingston Rd / Lawrence Ave E	7
Lake Shore Blvd E / Parliament St	36	Gerrard St E / Ontario St	7
Bloor St W / Spadina Ave	35	Dufferin St / St Clair Ave W	7
Queen St W / Dufferin St	34	Dufferin St / Dupont St	7
Yonge St / Gould St	30	Dundas St W / Bay St	7
Dundas St W / Bathurst St	29	Danforth Ave / Dawes Rd	7
Bloor St / Yonge St	28	Dufferin St / Eglinton Ave W	7
Jarvis St / Dundas St E	27	Church St / Park Rd	7
Church St / Carlton St	27	Eglinton Ave E / Mason Rd	7
Sherbourne St / Wellesley St E	26	Eglinton Ave E / Brimley Rd	7

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<b>Sherbourne St / Gerrard St E</b>	25	Bathurst St / Fort York Blvd	7
<b>Yonge St / Shuter St</b>	25	Davenport Rd / Osler St	7
<b>Queen St W / Ossington Ave</b>	24	Queens Quay E / Lower Jarvis St	6
<b>Dundas St E / Parliament St</b>	24	University Ave / Armoury St	6
<b>Jarvis St / Isabella St</b>	23	Parliament St / Gerrard St E	6
<b>Bay St / Hagerman St</b>	23	Weston Rd / Lawrence Ave W	6
<b>Wilson Ave / Beverly Hills Dr</b>	22	Queen St W / Palmerston Ave	6
<b>Jarvis St / Wellesley St E</b>	22	Queens Quay W / Lower Spadina Ave	6
<b>Dundas St E / Church St</b>	22	Yonge St / King St	6
<b>Yonge St / Charles St E</b>	21	Spadina Ave / Queen St W	6
<b>Queen St E / Parliament St</b>	21	Queen St E / Pape Ave	6
<b>Jarvis St / Richmond St E</b>	21	Parliament St / Front St E	6
<b>Danforth Ave / Broadview Ave</b>	21	Jarvis St / Front St E	6
<b>Yonge St / Gerrard St</b>	20	King St W / Spencer Ave	6
<b>Yonge St / Wellesley St</b>	19	King St W / Jameson Ave	6
<b>Dundas St W / Dovercourt Rd</b>	18	Kingston Rd / Waverley Rd	6
<b>Sherbourne St / Isabella St</b>	17	Islington Ave / Birmingham St	6
<b>Queen St E / Victoria St</b>	17	King St E / Church St	6
<b>Richmond St W / Peter St</b>	16	King St E / Jarvis St	6
<b>Wilson Ave / Jane St</b>	16	Eastern Ave / Trinity St	6
<b>Sherbourne St / Richmond St E</b>	15	Eglinton Ave E / Midland Ave	6
<b>Church St / Shuter St</b>	15	Dundas St W / Bloor St W	6
<b>Queen St W / Sorauren Ave</b>	14	Bay St / Albert St	6
<b>Lansdowne Ave / Dupont St</b>	14	Dundas St W / Sheridan Ave	6
<b>St Clair Ave W / Northcliffe Blvd</b>	13	Dufferin St / Bloor St W	6
<b>Bathurst St / Robinson St</b>	13	Dufferin St / Dundas St W	6
<b>Yonge St / Church St</b>	12	Danforth Ave / Main St	6
<b>Lawrence Ave E / Galloway Rd</b>	12	Queen St W / Dovercourt Rd	5
<b>King St W / Joe Shuster Way</b>	12	Sherbourne St / Carlton St	5
<b>Dundas St E / Ontario St</b>	12	Yonge St / Kempford Blvd	5
<b>Consumers Rd / Yorkland Blvd</b>	12	Yonge St / Broadway Ave	5

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King St W / Dufferin St	11	Weston Rd / 401 C E Weston Rd Ramp	5
Bay St / College St	11	Rexdale Blvd / Queens Plate Dr	5
Dundas St E / River St	11	Queen St W / Brock Ave	5
Bloor St W / Lansdowne Ave	11	Spadina Ave / Dundas St W	5
Church St / Adelaide St E	11	St Clair Ave W / Bathurst St	5
Church St / Gould St	11	Queen St W / Lansdowne Ave	5
Spadina Ave / Wellington St W	10	Queen St W / Niagara St	5
Parliament St / Shuter St	10	Victoria St / Richmond St E	5
University Ave / Dundas St W	10	Lansdowne Ave / Seaforth Ave	5
Scarborough Golf Club Rd / Bankwell Ave	10	Lake Shore Blvd W / Park Lawn Rd	5
Spadina Ave / College St	10	Jarvis St / Gloucester St	5
Main St / Danforth Ave	10	Eglinton Ave W / The East Mall	5
Lake Shore Blvd W / Bay St	10	Kennedy Rd / Sufferance Rd	5
Bloor St W / High Park Ave	10	King St W / Shaw St	5
Jarvis St / Carlton St	9	Jane St / Beverly Hills Dr	5
Dundas St W / Beverley St	9	Gerrard St E / Greenwood Ave	5
Bay St / Queen St W	9	Lumsden Ave / Main St	5
Dundas St W / Mabelle Ave	9	Bay St / Richmond St W	5
Dundas St W / Denison Ave	9	Church St / Alexander St	5
Danforth Ave / Donlands Ave	9	Bloor St E / Sherbourne St	5
Bay St / Gerrard St W	9	Broadview Ave / Pretoria Ave	5
College St / Borden St	9	Bloor St W / Christie St	5
Queen St W / Portland St	8	Bloor St W / Ossington Ave	5
Queen St W / Dunn Ave	8	Bloor St W / Bathurst St	5
Yonge St / Adelaide St	8	Danforth Ave / Woodbine Ave	5
St Clair Ave W / Vaughan Rd	8		
Queen St E / Broadview Ave	8		
Weston Rd / Black Creek Dr	8		

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