



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Two I-78 westbound lanes to remain closed through the evening commute near Exit 43 in Berkeley Heights, Union County Expect heavy congestion and major delays

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that the two lanes that were closed this afternoon following a crash on I-78 westbound near Exit 43 in Berkeley Heights, Union County are expected to remain closed through the evening commute.

Motorists should expect heavy congestion and major delays through the evening commute and should consider alternate routes.

At approximately 12:30 p.m. today, Thursday, October 14, two out of three lanes on I-78 westbound were closed near Exit 43/Diamond Hill Road in Berkeley Heights after a tractor trailer struck vehicles in a work zone. Fortunately, there were no injuries. First responders and Traffic Incident Management personnel have been working to clear the crash and expect to have all lanes reopened after the evening commute. Traffic is getting by in the right lane. At least one lane will be maintained as crews continue the cleanup efforts.

This incident is a reminder of the dangers that highway construction workers, law enforcement, emergency responders, tow truck operators, and NJDOT's Safety Service Patrol drivers all face while doing their jobs on our roadways.

The New Jersey Move Over Law (New Jersey Statute 39:4-92.2) requires motorists to Move Over at least one lane if safe. Otherwise, a driver must slow down to provide a safer work environment for all first responders, authorized emergency vehicles and workers on New Jersey roads.

Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and our [Facebook page](#).

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