

Citizen's Guide to TRANSPORTATION FUNDING IN MISSOURI

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The citizens of the state of Missouri own a tremendous asset – the state transportation system.

Built by our parents and grandparents and funded by \$64 billion in user fees, Missouri's transportation system is the nation's seventh largest state highway system. It is counted on to safely and reliably connect people with jobs and services, businesses with suppliers and customers, students with schools and visitors with destinations.



HOW MUCH DO CURRENT ROADWAY CONDITIONS COST MISSOURIANS?

Missourians pay a relatively small amount per month to use the state system of roads and bridges. The average Missouri driver pays about \$37 per month in state and federal transportation taxes and fees. That's far less than what the average Missourian pays for cell phone service, cable television or internet service.

But there are also hidden transportation costs that Missourians may not realize they are absorbing when they sit on congested highways, drive on rough roads or experience vehicle crashes.

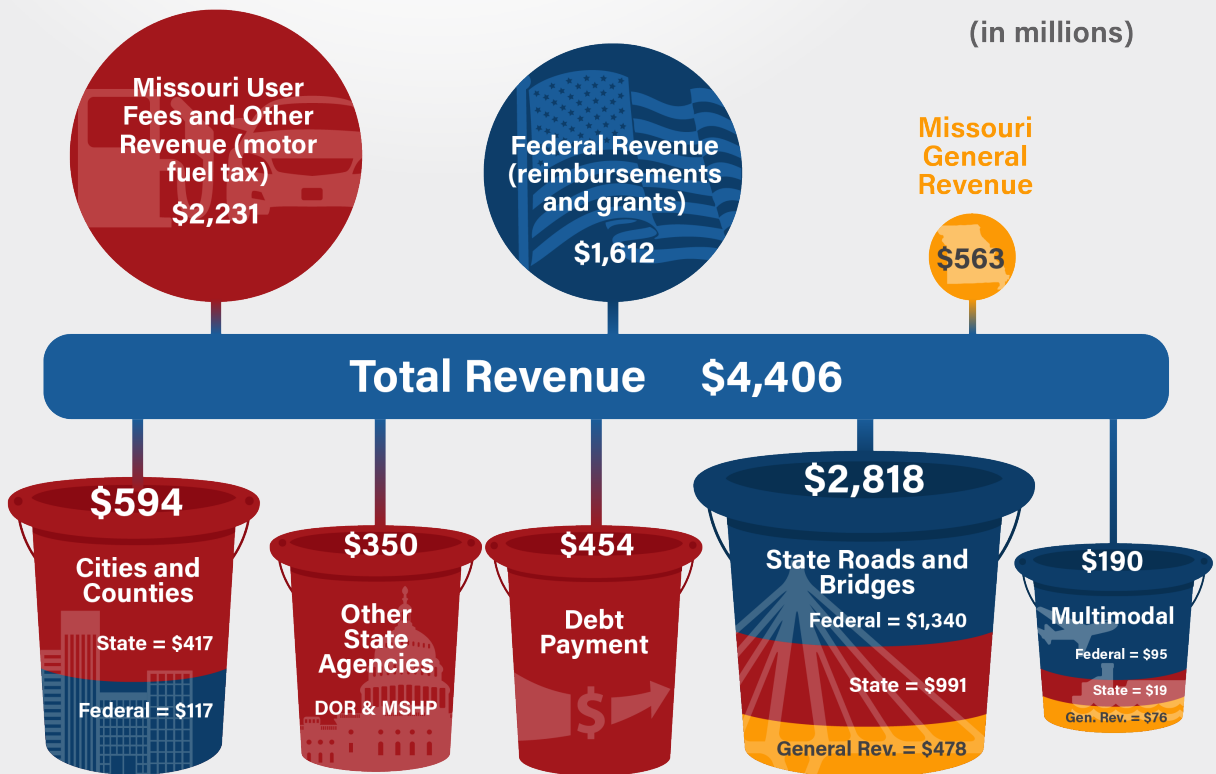
How much do you pay?
Go to modotweb.modot.mo.gov/TransportationDollars/TransportationDollars.html

Calculator interface showing \$\$\$\$\$\$

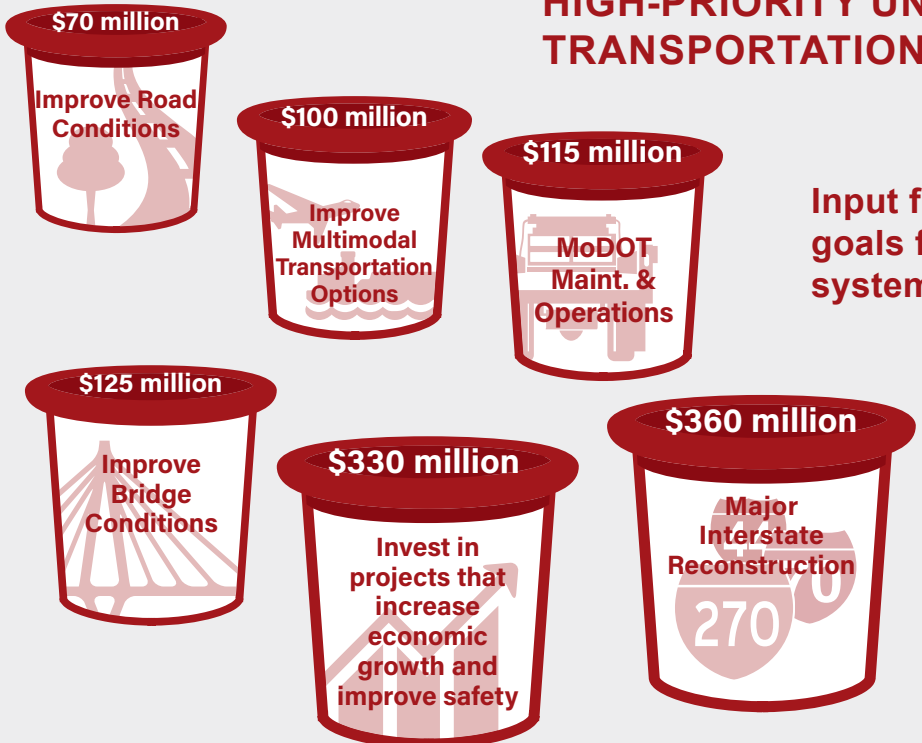
MISSOURI TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

In 2025, 51% of total revenue came from state user fees, 37% from federal revenue and 12% came from Missouri's General Revenue Fund, which receives revenue from the state income tax and the state's general sales tax.

The revenue is distributed into five "buckets" for various transportation purposes as determined by state law. Each bucket has a unique blend of state and federal revenue.



HIGH-PRIORITY UNFUNDED ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION NEEDS



Input from Missourians resulted in five goals for the state's transportation system over the next 20 years:

1. Take care of the transportation system and services we enjoy today.
2. Keep all travelers safe – no matter the mode of transportation.
3. Invest in projects that spur economic growth and create jobs.
4. Give Missourians better transportation choices.
5. Improve reliability and reduce congestion on Missouri's transportation system.

MoDOT RESULTS

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MODOT DELIVERS RESULTS

Through innovation and efficiency, MoDOT redirected **\$6.2 billion** to roads and bridges.



Since 2007, MoDOT has documented more than **\$6.2 billion** in one-time or ongoing savings. This includes redirection of \$108 million in savings in 2025 to roads and bridges and \$708 million in savings to our customers. In the last 18 years, reinvestment in safety enhancements resulted in an estimated 1,249 lives saved.



Focus on Customers

In 2025, MoDOT emphasized transparent, community-driven planning by engaging citizens, elected officials and stakeholders in shaping Missouri’s transportation future. Public outreach supported major initiatives, including the **\$13.3 billion** 2026–2030 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). MoDOT also released a draft list of High-Priority Unfunded Needs, identifying \$1.1 billion in annual unmet transportation needs, gathering feedback through statewide meetings. Virtual public meetings and surveys helped shape the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the State Freight and Rail Plan (SFRP), with over 3,000 participants contributing input. These plans will guide Missouri’s transportation vision through 2050. MoDOT also hosted numerous local meetings to inform and involve communities in project planning. To further enhance collaboration, the Director’s Advisory Committee was formed, bringing together diverse stakeholders to refine planning and operations.

This comprehensive engagement ensures MoDOT’s projects reflect public priorities and support long-term transportation goals.



More than **3,000** people gave input into the new Long-Range Transportation Plan



KEEPING ALL TRAVELERS SAFE
\$11.4 Billion in Crash-Reduction Benefits
1,249 Lives Saved



Investing in Safety

In recent years, Missouri has made significant investments in transportation infrastructure with a strong focus on safety for both the public and MoDOT employees. This commitment is reflected in tools like the SAFER (Safety Assessment For Every Roadway) tool, which helps integrate safety considerations into project planning. Thanks to these proactive measures, Missouri has seen a decline in roadway fatalities through the first three quarters of 2025, potentially marking the third consecutive year of improvement. However, more work is needed.

The updated Show-Me Zero Plan, developed by the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety, outlines strategies using real crash data and the Safe System Approach to reduce fatalities and serious injuries. MoDOT has applied the SAFER tool to 73% of relevant projects, allocating \$489 million toward safety improvements projected to save over 300 lives, and eliminate more than 900 serious injuries.



Restoring Operations

MoDOT continues to focus on rural route maintenance, raising the percentage of minor and low-volume roads in “good” condition to 83%. In 2025, over 630,000 tons of asphalt were used, and sealcoating efforts are ongoing. MoDOT also focused on “windshield” items, including litter pickup, dead animal removal, sign maintenance, and pothole repair. Despite weather-related challenges, MoDOT maintained strong response times and service levels across its 33,800-mile network.



\$3.5 Billion in Funding from Partners and State Property Leasing and Sales

DELIVERING RESULTS

We continue to complete projects on budget and on time.

The cost to deliver the completed projects in State Fiscal Year 2025 was \$1.361 billion (461 projects).	6.2% over budget 95% completed on time.
Over the last 10 years, 4,211 projects worth \$8.3 billion were completed.	3.5% (\$299 million) under budget 93% completed on time.
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Contracts for Fiscal Years 2022-2024 accounted for \$380 million of \$3.86 billion in total contracts.	Minority representation on projects increased to 15.07%, and female representation on projects was 4.35%.

