



U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Illinois

About the Infrastructure Network

In the state of Illinois:



Roads

146,020 miles of roads, with **39%** in poor or mediocre condition



Bridges

9.5% of **26,927** bridges are deemed structurally deficient



Rail

19,796 miles of freight rail; **6,994** miles of passenger rail



Transit

95+ transit providers serve **over 390 million** riders annually



Ports and Waterways

3,260 waterways throughout the state

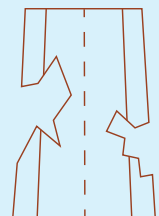


Airports

1,511 airports in the state

Moving People and Goods

Driving on deteriorated roads costs Illinois motorists **\$6.5 billion**, or **\$751 per driver**, in the form of additional repairs, accelerated vehicle depreciation, and increased fuel consumption and tire wear.



Commuting:

75%

of workers in Illinois commute by driving

14%

use transit, walking, biking, or other modes of transportation

Freight:

\$813 billion

in domestic trade is shipped from the state each year

79%

of that volume moved by truck

Economic Impact



10,796
direct

and

193,980
indirect

transportation jobs generate
over \$12 billion in wages
each year within Illinois.

Safety



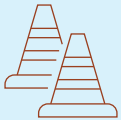
6,197

people died on Illinois highways
from 2020 through 2025, an average
of **1,239** fatalities per year.



1.12 ≈ 1.1

Illinois traffic fatality rate of
1.12 fatalities per **100** million
vehicle miles traveled is **similar**
to the national average of **1.1**.



120 work zone fatalities
occurred in Illinois between
2020–2024.



**2,563 structurally
deficient bridges**
pose safety risks if not addressed.

Federal Funding for Infrastructure

21%

Federal funding accounts for
21% of spending
on road and bridge projects...

23%

and provides
23% of the revenue
that keeps transit systems
operating and investing in
new projects.



IIJA Allocation (2021–2026)

Illinois has received approximately
\$11.32 billion in federal transportation
funding under the Infrastructure
Investment and Jobs Act.



What's at Stake

Without reauthorization at current or
increased levels, **Illinois risks losing
federal funding** needed to sustain
major freight hubs, maintain critical
corridors like I-55 and I-80, and support
the Chicago region's role as the nation's
premier rail and intermodal freight gateway.

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