State Smart Transportation Initiative

OREGON

SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS

Travel Outcomes	Asset Management
VMT per capita: C Average	Road Condition: D BELOW AVG.
CO2 per capita: B Low	Bridge Condition: F POOR
Deaths per capita: C Average	Roads owned by state: 9.6%

Indicator	Oregon	U.S
VMT per capita	8,656	9,434
CO2 per capita	4.5	5.0
Deaths per 100k	14.1	12.9
Roads, "acceptable"	11%	19%
Bridges, "good"	20%	44%

KEY DECISION-MAKERS

Governor

Appoints the Transportation Commission.

State Legislature

Substantial control over state funds and moderate control over planning and project selection.

Oversight Bodies

Oregon Transportation Commission
Appoints the Director after consultation with the governor and confirmation by the Senate.

Regional Planning Organizations

There are 10 MPOs in Oregon. The largest is the Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System, which includes 40% of the state's population.

Largest MPO's	Population (mil)
Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System (METRO)	1.69
Central Lane MPO (CLMPO/LCOG)	0.27
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)	0.27
Rogue Valley MPO (RVMPO)	0.19
Bend MPO (BMPO)	0.11
State total	4.24

Oregon Department of Transportation

Director (Kris Strickler)
- Serves in Governor's Cabinet

➥ Governor's Transportation Policy Advisor (**Kelly Scannell Brooks**)
➥ Asst. Director for Social Equity (**Serena Stoudamire-Wesley**)
➥ Interstate Bridge Replacement Program Administrator (**Greg Johnson**)
➥ Chief Administrative Officer (**Carolyn Sullivan**)
➥ Asst. Director for Revenue, Finance, and Compliance (**Travis Brouwer**)
➥ Asst. Director for Government and External Relations (**Lindsay Baker**)
  ➥ Divisions: Oregon Transportation Commission Administration, etc.
➥ Asst. Director for Operations (**Leah Horner**)
  ➥ Divisions: Delivery and Operations, Policy Data and Analysis, Public Transportation, Urban Mobility, etc.

Transit Agencies

ODOT coordinates with Amtrak and freight carriers to support statewide rail. Most other services are operated by local providers, including TriMet in Portland, with support from ODOT.

Largest Transit Agencies	Passenger Trips (mil)
Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon	53.75
Lane Transit District	5.83
Clark County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority	4.00
City of Portland	3.15
Salem Area Mass Transit District	2.60

DECISION-MAKING POLICIES

System planning

Oregon's investments are guided by the following plans:
- 2030 Oregon Long Range Transportation Plan (2023)
- Various modal and topic plans (Bike and Ped, Freight, Highway, Public Transportation, Rail, Transportation Options, Transportation Safety)
- Strategic Action Plan, 2028 (2024)
- Statewide Transportation Strategy, 2050 (2013)
- Carbon Reduction Strategy (2023)

Funding & Programming

Transportation investments are mainly funded using federal funds and Oregon's State Highway Fund, which includes fuel taxes and other driver and vehicle fees. The two main investment categories are fix-it programs, which include preservation and maintenance, and enhance (aka, "modernize") programs, which include expansions and upgrades. Other programs include safety, public and active transportation, local government and ADA. Modernization projects are selected by the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) based on loosely defined criteria. Other projects are selected by ODOT for the STIP in coordination with the OTC and local partners.

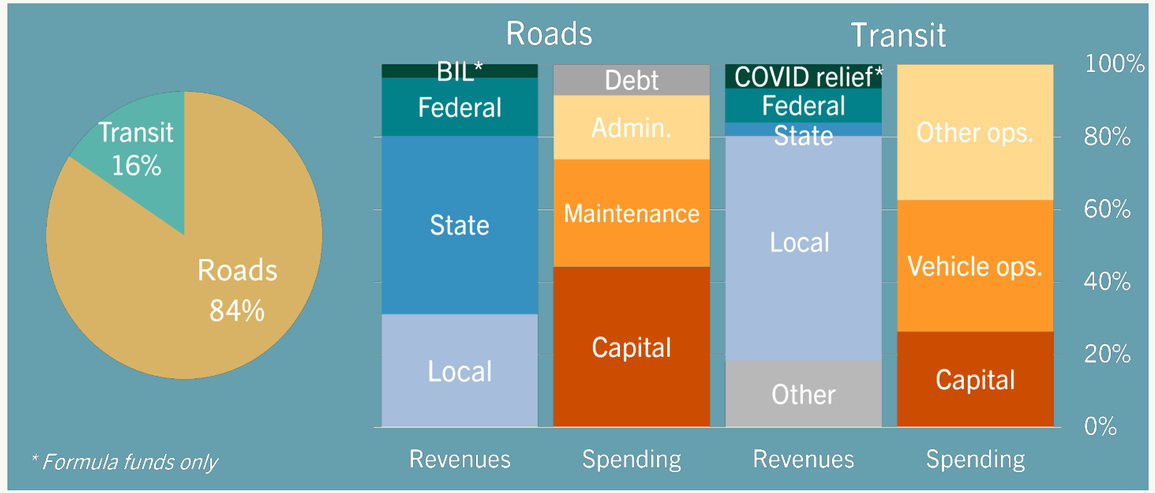
Project Development

Design decisions are guided by the Highway Design Manual and its Project Delivery Guidebook. Notably, the Highway Design Manual encourages flexible road design through a Performance-Based Practical Design process and attention to context, including special design criteria in urban context zones. This includes the use of target speeds for urban road design, which could be set lower than posted limits in a pending update. ODOT also produced a Blueprint for Urban Design in 2020, which is a step toward incorporating additional urban design principles into the Highway Design Manual.

Planning & Scoping | Design | Construction | Operations & Maint.

Environmental Review

STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING



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