

PREFACE

Definitions

DISCOS - District and County Statistics - is prepared, published and electronically distributed annually by the Funds Management Section of the Texas Department of Transportation's Finance Division. This publication provides selected transportation-related statistics for each of the 254 counties and 25 TxDOT districts within the state. TxDOT is pleased to provide this data; however, be aware of the following when using this data:

- It is not unusual for the dollar amount of work on any geographical basis (region, district, county) to vary widely from year to year. At any given time, projects in any of the 12 funding categories are in various stages of planning or design. Decisions made by the Texas Transportation Commission during the course of a year may affect that year or affect later years.
- Many factors such as congestion and vehicle miles traveled influence the level of expenditures. Comparisons among counties and/or districts based on population should be avoided since some sparsely populated areas are home to popular tourist destinations or are through-routes for substantial volumes of traffic. Likewise, single-year or even multi-year comparisons can be misleading. A large single-project expenditure in one area could skew the charts and potentially lead to erroneous conclusions. (Per-Capita is included here only as directed by SB 255.)
- TxDOT's operations are typically quantified in terms of programming or lettings. Do not confuse those figures with expenditure figures reported here.
- Finally, be aware that these figures do not provide the entire picture of mobility expenditures; for example, they do not reflect public transit or toll road activity.

Construction, Non-Contracted Maintenance and Contracted Maintenance (Preventive, Reconstruction & Routine) Expenditures

This DISCOS publication includes sections that report the construction, non-contracted and contracted maintenance expenditures attributed to each Texas county and TxDOT District for Fiscal Year 2010 (September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2010). Examples of these costs include equipment use, contractor payments, travel, materials, consultant fees, salaries and salary additives. The following further defines construction, non-contracted and contracted maintenance costs:

- Beginning with Fiscal Year 1993, administrative functions supporting construction, non-contracted maintenance and contracted preventive maintenance activities are included in reported costs. Reports for prior fiscal years do not include these costs. In Fiscal Year 2006, another category called reconstruction maintenance was established and moved from construction to contracted maintenance.
- District construction, non-contracted and contracted maintenance costs not identifiable to a specific district have been summed and labeled "Statewide."

- CONSTRUCTION: Includes costs for preliminary and construction engineering, right-of-way acquisition and contractor payments. An allocation of general and administrative costs that support the construction activity has also been included beginning with Fiscal Year 1993. Beginning in Fiscal Year 1996, Major Maintenance Projects (MMP) are no longer included in the construction figures, but are reflected in the contracted maintenance figures. In Fiscal Year 2006, Contracted Reconstruction Maintenance (CRM) projects began migrating from construction to Contracted Maintenance.
- NON-CONTRACTED MAINTENANCE: Beginning with Fiscal Year 1993, costs include maintenance of department office buildings and grounds as part of an allocation of general and administrative costs that support the maintenance activity. Prior to Fiscal Year 1996, maintenance included the following contracted kinds of projects (KOP) as maintenance rather than construction: Maintenance Contracted Projects (MC); Expedited Contracts Maintenance (MMC); and Maintenance Contracted Safety Projects (MCSP). Beginning with Fiscal Year 1996, these contracted costs are included as contracted maintenance rather than non-contracted maintenance. Beginning with Fiscal Year 1998, the department maintenance program was redefined and split into a non-contracting strategy (Non-Contracted Maintenance) and a contracting strategy (Contracted Maintenance). Thus, a number of contracted routine maintenance costs formerly reported under the “Non-Contracted Maintenance” category during Fiscal Years 1994 through 1997, were shifted to the “Contracted Maintenance” category effective with Fiscal Year 1998. With this redefinition, “Non-Contracted Maintenance” expenditures represent only those which are of a “non-contracting” nature. Such costs include salaries, overtime, travel, equipment, stock, goods and supplies, postage, utilities, etc.
- CONTRACTED ROUTINE, RECONSTRUCTION AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE: Includes Preventive Maintenance Contracted Projects (CPM) and is listed as a separate category beginning with Fiscal Year 1994. In years prior to Fiscal Year 1994, these costs were reflected as maintenance expenditures. Beginning with Fiscal Year 1996, additional contracts and types of work have been added to contracted preventive maintenance. Also beginning in Fiscal Year 1996, when work on base and subgrade, asphaltic surfaces or concrete pavement is contracted, it is reflected as contracted maintenance. Prior to Fiscal Year 1996 these costs were reflected as maintenance. As stated previously, beginning with Fiscal Year 1998, the department maintenance program was redefined in such a way that all maintenance “contracting” costs are now reported under “Contracted Maintenance”. Costs in this category include: contractor payments, MC (KOP 004), MMP (KOP 024), MMC (KOP 402), CRM (No single KOP), and BPM (KOP 009) projects; contracted survey, appraisals and commercial testing; consultant services; professional services; rent or lease of equipment; building repair; roadway material provided to contractors at the time of purchase, etc.



Contracted maintenance costs in Fiscal Year 2006 now include Maintenance Contracted Projects (MC), Major Maintenance Projects (MMP), Maintenance Contracted Safety Projects (MCSP), Contracted Reconstruction Maintenance (CRM) formerly in Construction, Bridge Preventive Maintenance (BPM) and Expedited Contracts Maintenance (MMC). In previous fiscal years, MC, MCSP, BPM and MMC projects were included with maintenance expenditures and MMP, CRM projects were included with construction expenditures.

Please Note:

The Texas Department of Transportation’s management information systems keep financial data to an accuracy of two decimal places. The department’s roadway data tables maintain three decimal places. County and TxDOT district percentages are calculated up to eight or more decimal places. Therefore, throughout this publication, there may be minute differences due to the rounding of 25 district or 254 county totals.

The Texas State Comptroller’s figures for maintenance and construction expenditures are computed differently than those in TxDOT’s DISCOS publication. Some of the major differences are: 1) DISCOS is produced from TxDOT’s internal accounting system and the Comptroller’s report is taken from the Uniform Statewide Accounting System (USAS). 2) DISCOS is computed on a modified accrual basis and the Comptroller’s report is on a cash basis. 3) Labor costs, plus additives, are excluded from the maintenance and construction expenditures on the Comptroller’s report, but included in DISCOS reports. 4) DISCOS maintenance and construction contains an allocation of general and administrative costs, while the Comptroller’s report does not. 5) DISCOS shows maintenance and construction expenditures based on where the work is being performed instead of the Comptroller process of using the mailing address of the vendor performing the work; therefore, the Comptroller’s report provides some county expenditures that differ from those of TxDOT.

The Laredo District was established in Fiscal Year 1994 and is included in reports from that date. In prior years, the counties within the Laredo District were included in the following district figures:

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>
Dimmit	San Antonio	Maverick	San Antonio
Duval	Pharr	Val Verde	San Angelo
Kinney	San Angelo	Webb	Pharr
La Salle	San Antonio	Zavala	San Antonio