

ALTERNATIVE FUELS (FY 09)

General Services Division
(512) 302-2408

- There are 1,103 TxDOT cars and trucks (on-road vehicles) using liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) in addition to gasoline.
- There are 261 pieces of off-road equipment such as asphalt spreaders and forklifts that use LPG or electricity.
- TxDOT vehicles use half a million gallons of alternative fuels instead of gasoline every year.
- TxDOT owns and operates 141 hybrid-electric and 1,264 flex-fuel (E85) vehicles.

AVIATION (FY 09)

Aviation Division
(512) 416-4500

- The Texas airport system is the largest in the nation.
- There are 292 airports in Texas eligible for TxDOT funding.
- There are 48,849 pilots certified in Texas by the Federal Aviation Administration.
- Federal appropriations \$78.1 m
State appropriations \$16.0 m

AUTO BURGLARY AND THEFT PREVENTION (FY 09)

Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority
(512) 374-5101

The ABTPA is charged with assessing the automobile burglary, theft and economic automobile theft (burglary or theft committed for financial gain) problems in Texas by analyzing methods and providing financial support to combat those problems.

- In FY 2009 ABTPA funded 29 grants to local law enforcement agencies totaling \$12,750,000.
- Since its inception, ABTPA has funded and managed 485 grants totaling \$184,322,111.
- Funded programs are currently located in counties which account for 95 percent of the state's theft problem.
- Since ABTPA's inception, vehicle theft rates in Texas have been reduced by 61 percent. This translates into lower automobile insurance rates for all Texas drivers.

BEAUTIFICATION (FY 09)

Travel Information Division
(512) 486-5904

- There are 4,600 volunteer groups that adopted more than 8,700 miles of right of way as part of the Adopt-a-Highway program.

- The Adopt-a-Highway program allows individuals, groups and organizations to volunteer to pick up trash along designated stretches of TxDOT maintained roadways.
- There are 250,274 trees, shrubs and ground coverings that were planted along state maintained highways.

BRIDGES (FY 09)

Bridge Division
(512) 416-2278

- Texas has 50,019 bridges, about 80 percent more than any other state in the nation. TxDOT conducts routine inspections of each bridge at least once every two years ensuring all bridges open to public vehicular traffic in Texas are safe.
- Texas has 1,676 structurally deficient bridges and 7,472 functionally obsolete bridges. The Federal Highway Administration uses these terms to designate bridges eligible for federal funding. Bridges classified as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete are not unsafe. A structurally deficient bridge has routine maintenance concerns not posing a safety risk or one that is frequently flooded. To remain open to traffic, structurally deficient bridges are often posted with reduced weight limits restricting the gross weight of vehicles using the bridges. Classification as functionally obsolete means the bridge met design standards when built, but over time has become obsolete due to an increase in traffic volume. Functionally obsolete bridges do not have adequate lane widths, shoulder widths or vertical clearance to serve current traffic demands or are sometimes flooded.
- Texas has 1,214 substandard-for-load-only bridges. The term is used by TxDOT to designate bridges in relatively good condition not having specific maintenance concerns, but have a load carrying capacity less than the legal state limit for public roadways. Substandard-for-load-only bridges are posted with reduced weight limits. Under FHWA definitions these bridges are not classified as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete.
- Contracts were awarded to replace or rehabilitate 420 bridges. The value of these contracts is \$301.2 million (FY 09).



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- Contracts were awarded to build 134 new bridges. The value of these contracts is \$276.4 million (FY 09).
- Texas has 30 international bridges open to traffic between Texas and Mexico.
- The average age of Texas bridges is 42 years for bridges on the state highway system and 31 years for bridges off the state highway system.

BUDGET (FY 09 appropriations, in millions)

Finance Division
(512) 463-8967

Plan It	
Plan/design/manage	\$378.6
Contracted planning & design	576.7
Right of way acquisition	586.9
Research	22.4
Total	\$1,564.7

Build It	
Transportation construction	\$3,248.1 and UB
Aviation	66.8 and UB
Total	\$3,314.8

Maintain It	
Contracted maintenance	\$ 2,298.8 and UB
Routine maintenance	580.0 and UB
Gulf waterway	0.9 and UB
Ferry system	22.6 and UB
Gross Weight & Axle Fees	5.4
Total	\$2,907.8

Use It	
Public transportation	\$79.8 and UB
Client transportation services	106.2* and UB
Registration and titling	69.7
Vehicle dealer regulation	6.2
Traffic safety	34.2 and UB
Travel information	19.2 and UB
Automobile theft prevention	13.8 and UB
Rail Safety	1.2
Total	\$330.5

Manage It	
Central administration	\$43.6
Information resources	37.6
Other support services	36.8
Regional administration	64.8
Total	182.8
Grand Total	\$ 8,300.5

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding. Does not include appropriations made in Riders.

Source: 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act

UB = Unexpended appropriation Balance

* Functions and appropriation transferred to Health and Human Services Commission

EMPLOYEES (2008-09 General Appropriations Act)

Finance Division
(512) 463-8967

- There are 15,000 authorized FTEs.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY

Transportation Planning & Programming Division
(512) 486-5000

- The Gulf Intracoastal Waterway connects ports along the Gulf of Mexico and is a vital part of the U.S. transportation system.
- The canal is 1,300 miles long, of which 423 miles are located along the Texas coast.
- In 2007, 111,605 barges carried 77.4 million short tons of cargo.

INCOMING REVENUE (HIGHWAY FUND 6)
(FY 08 appropriations, in millions)

Finance Division
(512) 936-2701

State Highway Fund	
Federal funds	\$2,712.5
Motor fuel tax	2,226.6
Vehicle registration	1,066.2
Other*	896.0
Total (State Highway Fund)	\$6,901.3

Texas Mobility Fund	
Taxes, fines, fees & misc.	\$333.6
Bond Proceeds (issued)**	1,200.7
Total	\$1,534.3

State Highway Fund Bonds (Proposition 14)	
Interest	3.2
Bond proceeds (issued)**	0.0
Total	3.2

State Highway Fund Bonds (Toll Revenue-SH 121)	
Interest	66.5

State Highway Fund Bonds (Concession Fees-SH 130)	
Interest	0.6

Total Incoming Revenue \$8,505.9
* Other revenue includes \$445 M of short-term borrowing.
** Bond proceeds are reported as revenues in the year received, not in the year they are ultimately expended.

MOTOR CARRIERS (FY 09)

Motor Carrier Division
(512) 465-3579

- Issued 527,453 oversize/overweight (OS/OW) permits. Of those, 1,525 loads were considered “super heavy,” exceeding 200,000 lbs.

Pocket Facts



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SYSTEM SIZE (CY 08)

For information on centerline miles:
Transportation Planning and Programming Division
(512) 486-5000

For information on picnic and safety areas:
Maintenance Division
(512) 416-3054

★ TxDOT maintains 80,067 centerline miles (miles traveled in a one-way direction regardless of the number of lanes in a roadway).

State maintained centerline miles	
Interstate highways	3,233
U.S. highways	12,105
State highways, spurs, loops, business routes	16,354
Farm or ranch to market roads and spurs	40,969
Frontage roads	7,069
Pass, park and recreation roads	337

★ TxDOT maintains 693 picnic areas (areas that include picnic tables) and 92 rest areas including Travel Information Centers (areas that include restroom facilities and picnic tables).

TOURISM (FY 09)

Travel Information Division
(512) 486-5900

★ Last year, 2.6 million people visited TxDOT's Travel Information Centers. TxDOT responded to 861,007 tourism inquiries by mail.

★ The average circulation for *Texas Highways* magazine is 227,836.

TRAFFIC (CY 09)

Transportation Planning and Programming Division
(512) 486-5000

★ The average daily vehicle miles traveled (VMT) on state maintained highways is 475.4 million miles.

★ The average daily VMT on all roadways in the state is 641.0 million miles.

★ The average annual VMT on state maintained highways is 173.6 billion miles (234.1 billion on all state roadways).

★ While only 26 percent of roadways in Texas are state maintained, 74 percent of all VMT occurs on state maintained highways.

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS (FY 09)

Traffic Operations Division
(512) 416-3200

★ TxDOT maintains 5,267 traffic signals throughout Texas at a cost of approximately \$23.4 million (FY 09).

★ TxDOT funds 833 traffic safety programs at a cost of \$49.3 million in federal and state grant funds (FY 09). These include programs designed to increase the proper use of safety belts and child safety seats, as well as decreasing dangerous behaviors such as speeding, aggressive driving, distracted driving and driving under the influence of alcohol and other drugs.

★ TxDOT operates approximately 570 dynamic message signs, 1,500 closed circuit cameras and ten traffic management centers on the state highway system to improve operations of the state highway system.

★ TxDOT receives more than 600,000 motor vehicle crash reports from law enforcement agencies each year. Approximately 3.5 million reports are currently maintained in our files. The Crash Records Information System can access a single report in less than a minute.

★ Since the start of Click It or Ticket in 2002, statewide safety belt use has increased from 76.1 percent to 92.9 in 2009. Every percentage increase saves the lives of 25 Texans and prevents 586 serious injuries. During 2009, teen safety belt use increased by approximately nine percent.

VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION (FY 09)

Vehicle Titles and Registration Division (VTR)
(512) 302-2076

★ 115 different specialty plates are available.

VTR, in partnership with 254 county tax assessor-collectors, processes and collects fees for motor vehicle title and registration. Fees collected are distributed to the state's general revenue (GR) fund, to counties and to TxDOT for the construction and maintenance of the state's transportation system. VTR also administers the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority, providing grants to local law enforcement entities.

Total revenue collected \$3.9 b

Total fund distributions	
To GR Fund 1	\$2.3 b
To Hwy Fund 6	\$1.1 b
To counties	\$500 m

★ Registered motor vehicles 21.5 m

★ Registered alternative-fuel vehicles 78 k

★ Motor vehicle titles issued 5.4 m

★ Customers receiving information by letter, phone, e-mail or in person 1.9 m

★ Collected more than \$95 million in permit fees and \$4.28 million in motor carrier credentialing fees.

★ Manually routed 428,000 OS/OW permitted loads.

★ Provided services to 42,000 registered motor carriers operating 311,000 commercial vehicles.

★ Handled more than 185,000 phone calls for OS/OW permits and motor carrier operations.

★ Completed 1,886 motor carrier investigations.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (FY 08)

Public Transportation Division
(512) 374-5247

★ There are 7,197 transit vehicles including buses and vans operated in Texas. (FY 08)

★ TxDOT provided 302 million rides on public transportation vehicles. (FY 08)

★ Total federal apportionments for Texas public transportation are \$854 million. (FY 09)

RECYCLING (FY 09)

General Services Division
(512) 302-2401

★ TxDOT purchased \$51 million worth of environmentally preferable products, not including materials.

Recycled Materials Placed on Roadways	
Compost	259,000 cubic yds.
Recycled concrete aggregate	600,000 tons
Fly ash	200,000 tons
Glass traffic beads	3,600 tons
Crumb rubber	7,850 tons
Fiber mulch	2,300 tons

★ TxDOT recovered for recycling 520 tons of scrap paper, 2.9 million tons of concrete or asphalt pavement and 2,000 tons of scrap metal.

RIGHT OF WAY

Right of Way Division
(512) 416-2901

★ TxDOT maintains 1.1 million acres of right of way.

★ TxDOT annually acquires approximately 1,800 parcels of real estate needed for transportation projects.

★ Administers professional service programs for right of way acquisition, real estate appraisal and subsurface engineering.

★ Approximately 500 utility facilities are adjusted annually to accommodate transportation projects.