

Costs Resulting From Poor Transportation Infrastructure



\$400 Million Total annual amount spent in West Virginia for extra vehicle operating costs due to bad roads. Costs include accelerated vehicle depreciation, additional repair costs, and increased fuel consumption and tire wear.



\$333 Amount the average West Virginia motorist pays annually in extra vehicle operating costs due to bad roads.

#2 West Virginia's overall traffic fatality rate was the second highest in the nation in 2011 (per 100 million vehicle miles of travel) and was 62 percent higher than the national average of 1.10.

Economic Benefits Of A Good Transportation System

The efficiency of West Virginia's transportation system, particularly its highways, is critical to the health of the state's economy. Businesses are increasingly reliant on an efficient and reliable transportation system to move products and services. Companies are looking at the quality of a region's transportation system when deciding where to re-locate or expand. Regions with congested or poorly maintained roads may see businesses relocate to areas with a smoother, more efficient and more modern transportation system.

\$49.8 Billion Amount of goods shipped annually from sites in West Virginia.

\$54.1 Billion Amount of goods are shipped to sites in West Virginia, mostly by truck.

65% Trucks carry 2/3 of all goods shipped annually from sites in West Virginia.

#1 Highway accessibility was ranked the number one site selection factor in a 2011 survey of corporate executives by Area Development Magazine.

\$1 Billion = 27,800 jobs A 2007 analysis by the Federal Highway Administration found that every \$1 billion invested in highway construction would support approximately 27,800 jobs, including approximately 9,500 in the construction sector, approximately 4,300 jobs in industries supporting the construction sector, and approximately 14,000 other jobs induced in non-construction related sectors of the economy.



West Virginians for Better Transportation is a statewide coalition of businesses, trade associations, chambers of commerce, labor groups, convention & visitors bureaus, community groups, local leaders, educators and many others. These groups are concerned about West Virginia's transportation crisis and call on state leaders to develop long-term solutions.