

DEPARTMENT 801 - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2025-27 BASE-LEVEL BUDGET

Base Budget - Summary

	<u>Base Level</u>
Salaries and wages	\$219,279,648
Operating expenses	316,256,474
Capital assets	1,101,395,065
Grants	<u>112,821,458</u>
Total all funds	\$1,749,752,645
Less estimated income	<u>1,749,752,645</u>
Total general fund	\$0
Full-time equivalent (FTE) positions	1,001.00

Selected Base Budget Information

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Includes funding for 1,001 FTE positions, including \$5,137,531 for temporary salaries, \$8,487,830 for overtime, and \$482,381 for targeted market equity	\$0	\$219,279,648	\$219,279,648
2. Includes funding for operating expenses, including travel (\$35,268,722), data processing (\$33,736,539), and professional fees (\$120,319,187)	\$0	\$316,256,474	\$316,256,474
3. Includes funding for capital assets, including contractor payments and funding for equipment over \$5,000	\$0	\$1,101,395,065	\$1,101,395,065
4. Includes funding estimated to be received through the highway tax distribution fund	\$0	\$307,900,000	\$307,900,000
5. Includes funding from motor vehicle excise taxes for the flexible transportation fund (the Legislative Assembly also provided a one-time appropriation of \$51 million for the flexible transportation fund)	\$0	\$171,500,000	\$171,500,000
6. Includes funding for loans to enhance short line railroad programs	\$0	\$29,400,000	\$29,400,000
7. Includes funding for estimated operating costs of state fleet services	\$0	\$80,873,876	\$80,873,876
8. Includes funding estimated to be received from the legacy earnings fund	\$0	\$60,000,000	\$60,000,000

Continuing Appropriations

Public transportation fund - North Dakota Century Code Section 39-04.2-04 - Consists of a 1.5 percent allocation from the state highway tax distribution fund. The funds received by the public transportation fund are allocated to each county. Each county receives .4 percent base amount plus \$1.50 per capita of population in the county, based upon the latest regular or special official federal census. A total of \$7,799,821 was distributed from the fund during the 2021-23 biennium.

Highway Tax Distribution Fund

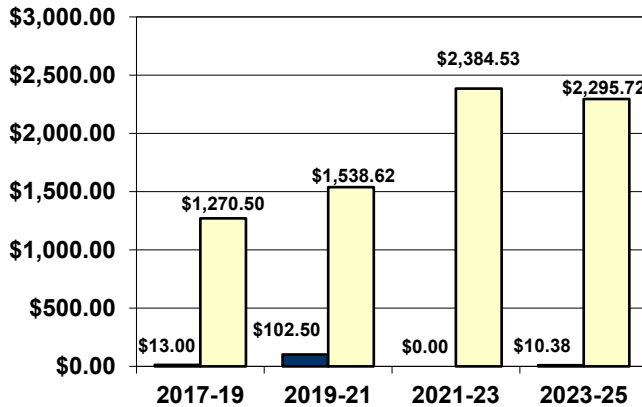
The majority of funds received from motor fuels taxes and motor vehicle registration fees are deposited in the highway tax distribution fund. Section 54-27-19 provides the highway tax distribution fund consists of the "moneys available by law from collections of motor vehicle registration and related fees, fuels taxes, special fuels taxes, use taxes, and special fuels excise taxes". This section provides after the first \$5.5 million per biennium is transferred to the state highway fund for the purpose of providing administrative assistance to other transferees, the money in the fund must be distributed by the State Treasurer as follows:

- 61.3 percent to the state highway fund;
- 34.5 percent to counties and cities;
- 2.7 percent to the township highway aid fund; and
- 1.5 percent to the public transportation fund.

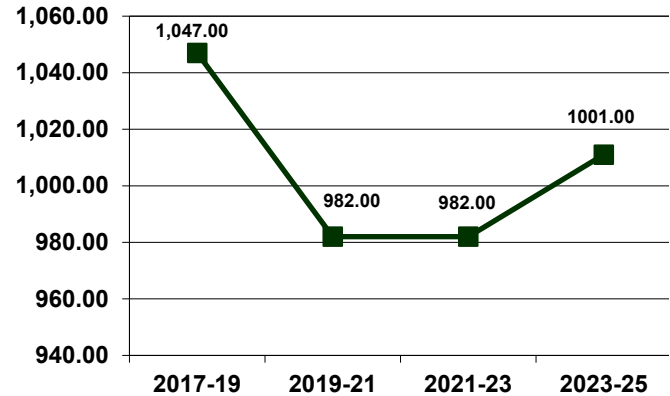
Historical Appropriations Information

Agency Appropriations and FTE Positions

Agency Funding (Millions)



FTE Positions



■ General Fund □ Other Funds

Ongoing Other Funds Appropriations

	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
Ongoing other funds appropriations	\$1,266,540,461	\$1,269,489,868	\$1,388,445,404	\$1,495,514,727	\$1,749,752,645
Increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	\$2,949,407	\$118,955,536	\$107,069,323	\$254,237,918
Percentage increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	0.2%	9.4%	7.7%	17.0%
Cumulative percentage increase (decrease) from 2015-17 biennium	N/A	0.2%	9.6%	18.1%	38.2%

Major Increases (Decreases) in Ongoing Other Funds Appropriations

2017-19 Biennium

1. Removed 26.5 vacant FTE positions (\$5,363,021)
2. Removed 5 FTE positions (\$658,219) and related operating expenses (\$628,400) through consolidation of eight highway maintenance sections (\$1,286,619)
3. Removed 2 FTE administrator positions and transferred \$396,261 from the salaries and wages line item to the capital assets line item \$0
4. Adjusted funding for operating expenses, capital assets, and grants \$14,067,380
5. Added funding for capital assets \$588,122
6. Reduced funding for operating expenses (\$5,013,726)
7. Reduced funding for driver's license field sites (\$160,293)

2019-21 Biennium

1. Removed 42 unspecified FTE positions and related funding (\$7,979,595)
2. Restored 16 FTE positions for research and development, enterprise management, and to transform the department's artificial intelligence and design, drones, robotics, smart license plates, and digital driver's licenses (\$3 million), and added 2 FTE positions related to Fargo driver's license operations (\$334,000) \$3,334,000
3. Transferred 41 FTE information technology positions and related funding to the Information Technology Department (ITD) (\$8,224,012) and added funding of \$8,284,451 for payments to ITD for the information technology unification initiative \$60,439
4. Increased funding for capital assets to provide a total ongoing capital asset funding of \$859,725,944 \$87,874,093
5. Increased funding for grants to provide a total of \$95,854,637 \$17,226,607

2021-23 Biennium

- 1. Increased funding for capital payments to provide a total of \$837,191,709 \$19,416,426
- 2. Increased funding for building, grounds, and maintenance to provide a total of \$80,402,361 \$11,874,907
- 3. Increased funding for professional services to provide a total of \$79,008,372 \$10,213,695
- 4. Increased funding for data processing to provide a total of \$26,176,352 \$6,143,124
- 5. Increased funding for operating fees and services to provide a total of \$7,840,256 \$4,365,500

2023-25 Biennium

- 1. Added funding for 19 new FTE positions, including 4 FTE auditors, 8 FTE equipment operators, 2 FTE driver's license examiners, 3 FTE accountants, and 2 FTE township road project coordinators \$3,697,636
- 2. Added spending authority for estimated legacy fund earnings deposited in the highway fund \$60,000,000
- 3. Added ongoing funding from motor vehicle excise tax collections to establish a flexible transportation fund \$171,500,000

One-Time Other Funds Appropriations

	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
One-time other funds appropriations	\$820,000,000	\$1,015,000	\$73,800,000	\$889,019,357	\$547,500,000

Major One-Time Other Funds Appropriations**2017-19 Biennium**

- 1. Added one-time funding for an electronic payment processing system to be implemented by ITD, of which \$147,000 is from a Bank of North Dakota loan and \$159,000 is for repayment of the loan \$306,000
- 2. Added one-time funding of other funds received from Adjutant General loan proceeds for law enforcement costs relating to unlawful activity associated with the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline \$709,000

2019-21 Biennium

- 1. Added one-time funding from the highway fund to replace the driver's license system \$22,500,000
- 2. Added contingent one-time funding from a Bank of North Dakota loan to match federal grants \$50,000,000

2021-23 Biennium

- 1. Added one-time funding from federal funds as matching funds for road and bridge projects, of which \$35 million is to match funding provided through bonding and \$20 million is to match funding allocated to townships \$55,000,000
- 2. Added one-time funding from federal funds received under the federal American Rescue Plan Act and other federal funding \$318,609,357
- 3. Added one-time funding from bond proceeds deposited in the highway fund for state highway bridge projects and for matching federal funds for US Highway 85 \$70,000,000
- 4. Added contingent one-time funding from a Bank of North Dakota loan to match federal grants for US Highway 85 \$50,000,000
- 5. Added one-time funding from federal funds for infrastructure improvements to US Highway 85 \$45,000,000

2023-25 Biennium

- 1. Added one-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) to match federal funds \$114,000,000
- 2. Added one-time funding from SIIF to enhance short line railroad loan programs \$6,500,000
- 3. Added one-time funding from contingent loan proceeds for a US Highway 85 project \$50,000,000
- 4. Added one-time funding from contingent loan proceeds for northern Red River Valley infrastructure projects \$28,500,000
- 5. Added one-time funding from SIIF for an environmental study for a US Highway 52 project \$5,000,000
- 6. Added one-time funding from SIIF for the flexible transportation fund \$51,000,000