

Utah

Performance: Improved in 2 / Worsened in 4 Categories



Between 1989 and 2008, Utah only improved on two measures of highway performance. It declined in four categories. Road conditions deteriorated on rural interstates, urban interstates and rural arterials, while the proportion of deficient bridges increased. On the other hand, the highway fatality rate was improved and urban interstate congestion was reduced by 13.5 percentage points.

Although Utah suffered worse road conditions between 1989 and 2008, this was only a marginal deterioration (Utah had almost no roads in poor condition in 1989). The state’s 25% reduction in urban congestion was far better than the national average improvement of just 7.6%.

Category	Rank Showing Most Improvement 1989–2008
Overall Performance and Spending Efficiency	47
State-Administered Highway Mileage (ranked largest to smallest based on system size in 2008)	40
Rural Interstate in Poor Condition.....	42
Rural Arterials in Poor Condition	39
Rural Arterials with Narrow Lanes	39
Urban Interstates in Poor Condition.....	34
Urban Interstate Congestion.....	13
Deficient Bridges.....	44
Fatality Rate	12
Total Disbursements Per Mile (1=biggest spending increase, 50=biggest spending decrease).....	21