

Alaska

Rank in 2009: 50

Rank in 2008: 49

Rank in 2007: 50



Alaska's state highway system is ranked 50th, last in the nation, in overall performance and efficiency in the latest *Annual Highway Report* by Reason Foundation. Alaska ranked 49th in the previous report.

Alaska has three major problem areas: rural arterials in poor condition (over 29 times the national average and ranked last, 50th), rural interstates in poor condition (3.5 times the national average, ranked 45th), and fatality rate (14 percent above the national rate, ranked 31st).

Despite increasing maintenance spending per mile (which was 27 percent above the national average, ranked 36th), Alaska's rural highways continue to report poor performance.

Alaska's highway system performed best in urban interstate congestion (5th), urban interstate pavement condition (16th) and the number of deficient bridges (23rd). Alaska has 7,401 miles under the state-owned highway system.

Alaska	State Data			State Rank			Ratio to U.S. Data		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
Capital-Bridge Disbursements per Mile	49,396	44,847	78,220	16	13	25	0.64	0.58	0.98
Maintenance Disbursements per Mile	30,619	28,085	32,431	36	33	36	1.28	1.22	1.27
Administrative Disbursements per Mile	7,200	6,305	7,594	21	14	20	0.74	0.48	0.67
Total Disbursement per Mile	94,900	86,268	126,156	16	15	22	0.71	0.59	0.87
Rural Interstate Percent Poor Condition	6.03	10.75	5.88	45	48	45	3.12	5.58	3.53
Rural Other Principal Arterial Percent Poor	16.44	10.54	19.03	50	50	50	25.60	19.97	29.47
Urban Interstate Percent Poor	1.47	1.45	1.28	14	17	16	0.25	0.27	0.26
Urban Interstate Percent Congested	5.88	4.35	2.16	8	7	5	0.12	0.09	0.05
Rural Arterial Percent Narrow Lanes	7.07	7.08	8.72	29	29	32	0.69	0.70	0.90
Percent of Deficient Bridges	27.18	23.45	22.85	33	26	26	1.07	0.97	0.96
Fatality Rate	1.63	1.27	1.30	39	24	31	1.20	1.02	1.14
Overall Performance	3.26	2.89	3.70	50	49	50			