Figure 1
All Levels of Government Fund Highway and Transit Infrastructure
Own-source spending by government level

Federal
$57 billion
27%

State
$80 billion
38%

Local
$73 billion
35%

Source: Pew analysis of U.S. Census Bureau’s Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finances, data from state fiscal year 2011 (July-June)
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Figure 2
Highway Spending Exceeds Transit at Each Level of Government
Share of spending

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Figure 3
Federal Share of Total State Highway and Transit Funding Varies

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Figure 4  
**Transportation Spending Shared By All Levels of Government**  
Funding flows for highway and transit infrastructure

Source: Pew analysis of U.S. Census Bureau’s Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finances, data from state fiscal year 2011 (July-June)

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Figure 5
Highway and Transit Investment Is Trending Downward
Funding, by level of government

Notes: Federal funding includes funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Inflation-adjusted using Bureau of Economic Analysis’ price index for state and local government investment in structures (Table 3.9.4, Line 36). Years are state fiscal years (July-June).

Source: Pew analysis of U.S. Census Bureau’s Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finances

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Figure 6
Federal and State Highway Revenue Depends Heavily on Gas Tax and Other User Fees

Sources of highway revenue, by level of government

Source: Pew analysis of Federal Highway Administration data from 2011
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Figure 7
Highway Trust Fund Faces Growing Shortfalls
Actual and projected revenue and outlays

Note: Numbers not adjusted for inflation.

Source: Pew analysis of Congressional Budget Office and Federal Highway Administration data

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Figure 8
Gas Tax Revenue Has Fallen Over the Past Decade

Notes: Federal revenue is in federal fiscal years, state revenue is in state fiscal years or calendar years, depending on how states report their data to the Federal Highway Administration. All figures are adjusted for inflation. In this chart, “gas tax” refers to taxes levied on all motor fuels, including gasoline, gasohol, diesel, and special fuels.

Source: Pew analysis of Federal Highway Administration data. Inflation adjustment using Bureau of Economic Analysis’ price index for state and local government investment in structures (Table 3.9.4, Line 36).

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