



# Measuring Transportation Investments: The Road to Results

**New Hampshire is one of 19 states trailing behind** in having the essential tools—goals, performance measures and data—needed to help decision makers choose more cost-effective transportation funding and policy options.

New Hampshire, like other states, fares well in tracking its transportation system’s progress toward the key policy goal of safety. For example, New Hampshire tracks fatalities related to speeding. But the state has room for improvement in measuring transportation’s performance toward other goals. In the areas of mobility, environmental stewardship and infrastructure preservation, New Hampshire has developed goals and performance measures, but it has not set specific targets for benchmarking progress. New Hampshire also does not have measures of the public’s access to transportation, and does not collect data about transportation’s progress in advancing jobs and commerce.

**\$510 MILLION** The state spent an estimated \$510 million on transportation in fiscal year 2010.\*

## HOW IS THE STATE DOING?

Does it have the tools to ensure transportation spending and policy decisions are advancing six key goals?

- SAFETY
- JOB & COMMERCE
- MOBILITY
- ACCESS
- ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP
- INFRASTRUCTURE PRESERVATION
- OVERALL

● Leading the Way  
● Mixed Results  
● Trailing Behind

\*National Association of State Budget Officers State Expenditure Report 2010.

METHODOLOGY: States were given one of three ratings—leading the way, showing mixed results or trailing behind—based on whether they have the goals, performance measures and data needed to help decision makers ensure their surface transportation systems are advancing six key goals. The ratings are based on 10 criteria. Each state was rated for its performance in each of the six goal areas and given an overall rating.

SOURCES: New Hampshire Department of Transportation, “Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan 2011-2020 Supplement,” June 28, 2010, [http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/planning/typ/documents/TYP\\_11-20\\_Supplement.pdf](http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/planning/typ/documents/TYP_11-20_Supplement.pdf); “NH Long Range Transportation Plan 2010-2030,” July 2010, <http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/planning/documents/CompleteLRTP083110.pdf>. Sources accessed April 2011.