



Measuring Transportation Investments: The Road to Results

Oregon is one of 13 states leading the way in having the essential tools—goals, performance measures and data—needed to help decision makers choose more cost-effective transportation funding and policy options.

Oregon is one of just five states leading the way in tracking how its transportation system is advancing all six policy goals identified in the Pew-Rockefeller study. In the area of jobs and commerce, for instance, the state tracks job creation associated with transportation construction spending and uses targets to assess its performance. To track progress toward mobility, the state compares the hours of travel delay per capita in urban areas over time and against other cities' performance. Oregon also measures citizen satisfaction about congestion in its communities, delays in work zones and the amount of time needed to complete road construction—information that is useful in decision making. Oregon also publishes much of its transportation information on its statewide performance Web site.

\$1.83 BILLION The state spent an estimated \$1.83 billion 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?

- Leading the Way
- Mixed Results
- Trailing Behind

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

*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: Oregon Department of Transportation, "Annual Performance Progress Report (APPR) for Fiscal Year (2009-2010)," August 25, 2010, 47, 75, 34; Oregon Department of Transportation, "FY 2009 Oregon Transportation and Needs Survey," December 2009, 10, 12. Sources accessed April 7, 2011.