

2006 Comparative Data Report on State Transportation Programs

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Introduction

Most of the information presented in this report is derived from two major sources: the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) publication "Highway Statistics, 2004" and an E-mail survey of the transportation departments of the 16 SLC states conducted in August 2006.

Because of reporting schedules involved in producing the FHWA report, the information in this report, unless otherwise noted, covers the year 2004.

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**Major
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Major Recent Transportation Legislation

Alabama

- No major legislative changes reported.

Arkansas

- No regular session during even-numbered years.

Florida

- No response to survey..

Georgia

- Made major changes to the eminent domain process including restricting the use of eminent domain for economic development, removing eminent domain powers from non-elected authorities, increasing notification requirements, and increasing damages for moving and/or lost business expenses.
- Allowed contractors on large projects (greater than \$300 million) to provide alternative means of performance bonding.
- Adopted several changes in the state's outdoor advertising statutes, including: prohibiting billboards advertising adult entertainment establishments, prohibiting the use of stacked signs and two faced signs visible in one direction; and permitting LED and non-mechanical multiple messaging signs.
- Allowed the state toll way authority to collect unpaid past due toll violation fines from vehicle owners.
- Exempted fuels used by mass transit and campus transit system from state motor fuel and sales taxes.

Kentucky

- Adopted primary enforcement of the state's existing mandatory seat belt requirement.
- Adopted a true graduated drivers licensing system, including an intermediate licensing phase, for drivers under the age of 18.
- Adopted quick clearance legislation to help speed clearance of non-injury crashes on interstates and parkways.
- Budget authorized \$300 million in bonds for state road projects and \$75 million for county roads and city streets.

Louisiana

- Extended authority of the Transportation Model for Economic Development to issue bonds for two additional years, until 12/31/2012, and increased the maximum term of bonds from 30 to 35 years.
- Adopted procedures for the Louisiana Transportation Authority to enter into public-private partnerships for the construction and operation of transportation facilities.
- Revised procedures for design-build contracts let by the department.
- Dedicated a portion of truck/trailer registration fees to a fund for roads ineligible for federal highway funds.
- Placed a constitutional amendment on the ballot that prohibits use of eminent domain for the purposes of economic development. (Amendment passed on September 30, 2006 by a margin of 55% - 45%.)

Maryland

- Made several changes to DUI laws, including increasing penalties for offenders under 21, establishing a high BAC law (.15% BAC), and giving high BAC offenders and test refusers the option to use an Ignition Interlock System in lieu of license suspensions.

Mississippi

- Adopted a primary seat belt law.
- Adopted appropriations to fully fund the state's repair plan to begin work on highways devastated to the hurricanes of 2005.

Missouri

- Established a public-private partnership (PPP) framework authorizing the MHTC to form a PPP to build a new Mississippi River bridge in the St. Louis area.
- Increased fines and penalties for offenses occurring in highway work zones.
- Allowed the MHTC to suspend or revoke the operating authority of a motor carrier if a federal agency has issued an out-of-serve order against the operations of that motor carrier.
- Increased penalties for violations of the state's "move over" law.
- Required all children to be secured in either an infant seat, booster seat, or seat belt, depending on the age and size of the child.
- Adopted omnibus revisions to reform eminent domain procedures.
- Created the Kansas and Missouri Regional Investment District Compact to allow the states to pool funds for projects in the Kansas City metro area.

North Carolina

- Authorized the DOT to enter into agreements with governmental and private entities to finance the construction, maintenance and operation of highways, streets, and bridges.
- Authorized the DOT to enter into agreements with local governments to allow those governments to fund and construct projects in the Transportation Improvement Plan up to two years in advance and be reimbursed by the state at the originally scheduled time of construction.
- Extended the term of drivers licenses to 8 years for drivers between 18-53, and 5 years for older drivers; also required the motor vehicle department to issue temporary driving certificates good for 20 days, then mail the permanent license to the applicant's address.
- Required seat belt use by passengers in the rear seats of vehicles.
- Prohibited drivers 18 or younger from using a cell phone while the vehicle is in motion, except during emergencies or when talking to parents or spouses.

Oklahoma

- Provided a one-time \$100 million appropriation to the DOT for bridge construction and maintenance.
- Increased funding to the R.O.A.D.S. program through redirecting a percentage of state fuel taxes from the General Fund (up to \$7.2 million annually) and increasing the maximum deposit to the fund from \$35 million to \$50 million.

South Carolina

- No response to survey.

Tennessee

- Adopted restrictions on the eminent domain process to clarify the definition of public use and to require local governments to obtain a certificate of public purpose and necessity prior to using eminent domain for industrial development.
- Mandated a minimum 50 foot following distance behind a school bus.
- Mandated that individuals provide identification when registering a motor vehicle.
- Allowed title to be issued to any vehicle valued at more than \$3,000 if the owner presents a certificate of ownership.
- Enacted the "Unattended Children in Motor Vehicle Safety Act."
- Abolished Certificates of Driving for persons not authorized to stay in the United States; allowed issuance of a one-year renewable license for lawful aliens.

Texas

- No legislative activity regarding transportation in 2006.

Virginia

- Required that all maintenance on the interstate highways be performed by private contractors.
- Extended until 2007 the sunset provision on the law allowing the use of HOV lanes by vehicles bearing clean special fuel vehicle license plates.

West Virginia

- Established a pilot program to allow the DOH to use a design-build process on three projects and report to the legislature on cost or time savings of the method.
- Allowed counties to construct or provide matching funds for projects when the DOH does not have funds.
- Allowed the DOH to require private utilities to relocate lines located on state right-of-way at the utility's expense.

Source: E-mail survey of state transportation officials in the SLC states, August 2006.

Quick Facts

Summary

This section gives a state-by-state snapshot of the most basic information presented in this report.

ALABAMA

Population	4,557,808
Land Area (Square Miles)	50,750
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	59.0
Licensed Drivers	3,613,138
Motor Vehicle Registrations	4,457,937
State-Maintained Highway Miles	11,580
Total Highway Miles	95,486
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	20.3
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$137

ARKANSAS

Population	2,779,154
Land Area (Square Miles)	52,075
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	31.6
Licensed Drivers	1,862,430
Motor Vehicle Registrations	1,890,267
State-Maintained Highway Miles	16,418
Total Highway Miles	98,607
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	21.5
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$161

FLORIDA

Population	17,789,864
Land Area (Square Miles)	53,997
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	196.4
Licensed Drivers	13,146,357
Motor Vehicle Registrations	14,748,847
State-Maintained Highway Miles	12,047
Total Highway Miles	119,525
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	14.9
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$94

GEORGIA

Population	9,072,576
Land Area (Square Miles)	57,919
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	112.6
Licensed Drivers	5,793,143
Motor Vehicle Registrations	7,768,012
State-Maintained Highway Miles	17,943
Total Highway Miles	116,915
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	7.5
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$135

KENTUCKY

Population	4,173,405
Land Area (Square Miles)	39,732
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	47.3
Licensed Drivers	2,823,454
Motor Vehicle Registrations	3,271,791
State-Maintained Highway Miles	27,509
Total Highway Miles	77,365
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	19.7
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$139

LOUISIANA

Population	4,523,628
Land Area (Square Miles)	43,566
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	44.6
Licensed Drivers	3,169,627
Motor Vehicle Registrations	3,688,352
State-Maintained Highway Miles	16,696
Total Highway Miles	60,943
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	20.0
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$121

MARYLAND

Population	5,600,388
Land Area (Square Miles)	9,775
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	55.3
Licensed Drivers	3,594,251
Motor Vehicle Registrations	4,077,199
State-Maintained Highway Miles	5,136
Total Highway Miles	30,810
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	23.5
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$103

MISSISSIPPI

Population	2,921,088
Land Area (Square Miles)	46,914
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	39.4
Licensed Drivers	1,896,008
Motor Vehicle Registrations	1,932,223
State-Maintained Highway Miles	10,887
Total Highway Miles	74,127
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	18.8
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$143

MISSOURI

Population	5,800,310
Land Area (Square Miles)	68,898
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	69.0
Licensed Drivers	4,047,652
Motor Vehicle Registrations	4,778,369
State-Maintained Highway Miles	32,471
Total Highway Miles	125,923
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	17.6
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$136

NORTH CAROLINA

Population	8,683,242
Land Area (Square Miles)	48,718
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	95.9
Licensed Drivers	6,122,137
Motor Vehicle Registrations	6,094,606
State-Maintained Highway Miles	78,871
Total Highway Miles	102,666
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	30.2
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$110

OKLAHOMA

Population	3,547,884
Land Area (Square Miles)	68,679
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	46.4
Licensed Drivers	2,369,621
Motor Vehicle Registrations	3,072,392
State-Maintained Highway Miles	12,280
Total Highway Miles	112,713
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	17.0
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$154

SOUTH CAROLINA

Population	4,255,083
Land Area (Square Miles)	30,111
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	49.6
Licensed Drivers	2,972,369
Motor Vehicle Registrations	3,206,189
State-Maintained Highway Miles	41,532
Total Highway Miles	66,249
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	16.8
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$134

TENNESSEE

Population	5,962,959
Land Area (Square Miles)	41,219
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	70.9
Licensed Drivers	4,247,884
Motor Vehicle Registrations	4,940,624
State-Maintained Highway Miles	13,809
Total Highway Miles	88,989
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	21.4
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$127

TEXAS

Population	22,859,968
Land Area (Square Miles)	261,914
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	231.0
Licensed Drivers	14,543,528
Motor Vehicle Registrations	16,489,344
State-Maintained Highway Miles	79,624
Total Highway Miles	303,176
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	20.0
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$122

VIRGINIA

Population	7,567,465
Land Area (Square Miles)	39,598
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	78.9
Licensed Drivers	5,112,523
Motor Vehicle Registrations	6,410,366
State-Maintained Highway Miles	57,515
Total Highway Miles	71,534
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	19.2
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$120

WEST VIRGINIA

Population	1,816,856
Land Area (Square Miles)	24,087
Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	20.3
Licensed Drivers	1,292,036
Motor Vehicle Registrations	1,351,493
State-Maintained Highway Miles	33,971
Total Highway Miles	37,012
Gasoline Tax (Cents per Gallon) (October, 2006)	27.0
Per Capita State Receipts from the Federal Highway Trust Fund	\$214

Demographics and Road Mileage

Summary

General Demographics

- **The 16 states of the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC)**
 - ◆ **are home to 37.8% of the nation's population;**
 - ◆ **account for 38.5% of the nation's licensed drivers;**
 - ◆ **account for 38.2% of the nation's young licensed drivers (19 & under);**
 - ◆ **account for 37.8% of the nation's registered motor vehicles; and**
 - ◆ **account for 42.1% of the nation's vehicle miles traveled.**
- **SLC states have slightly fewer registered vehicles per licensed driver (1.15) than has the entire United States (1.17).**
- **However, there are more miles driven annually per licensed driver in SLC states (16,294) as opposed to the nation as a whole (14,895).**

Road Mileage

- **The 16 states of the SLC account for 35.2% of the nation's road miles.**
- **More of the roads in the SLC region are under state control (30%) compared to the nation as a whole (20%).**
- **A majority of all road miles are state maintained in only four SLC states (North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia).**

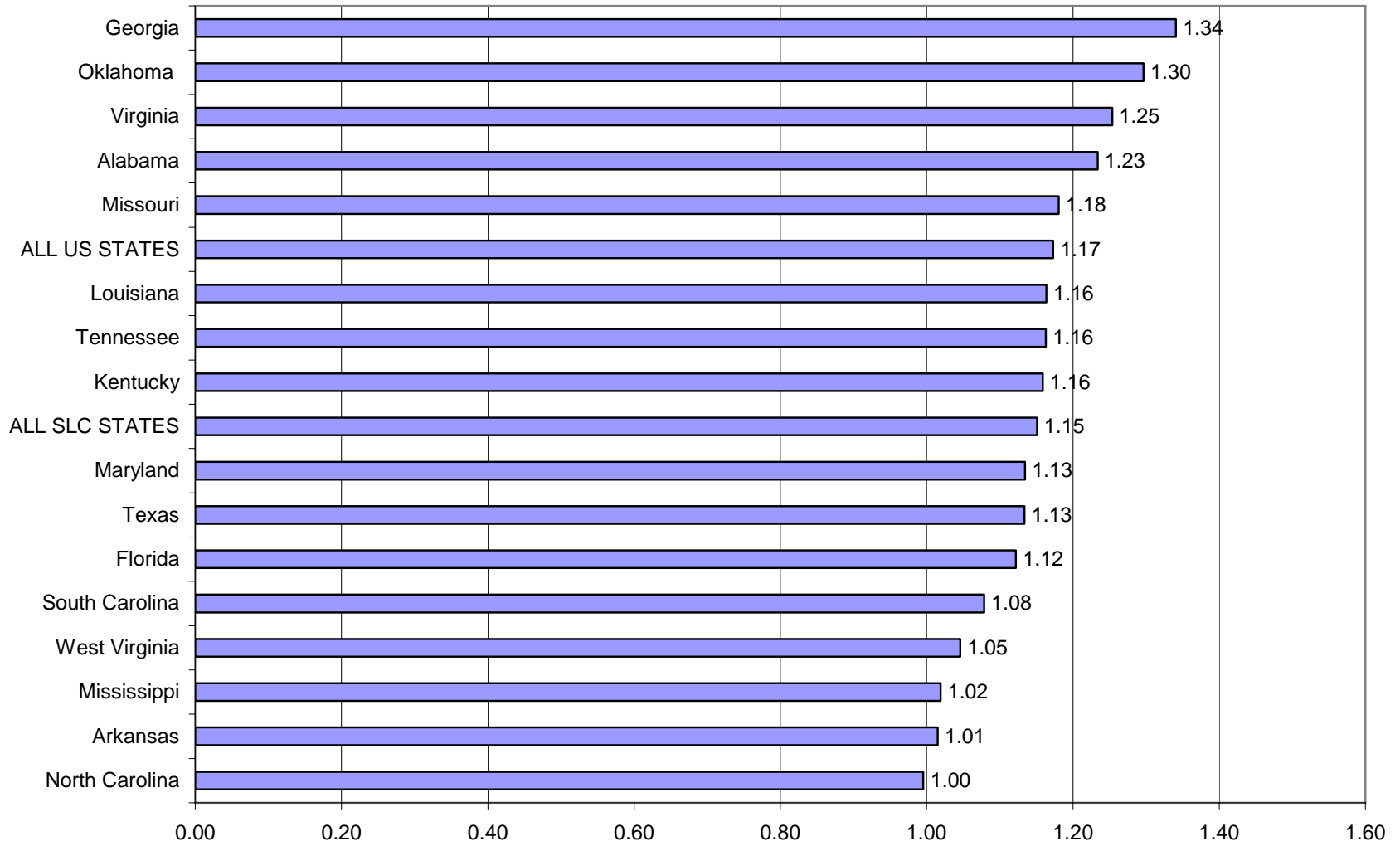
General Transportation Demographics State Rankings 2004

State	Population (2005)	Rank	Young Licensed Drivers (19 & older)	Rank	Licensed Drivers	Rank	Motor Vehicle Registrations	Rank	Vehicle Miles Traveled (Billions)	Rank
Alabama	4,557,808	9	212,749	7	3,613,138	8	4,457,937	8	59.0	8
Arkansas	2,779,154	15	107,035	15	1,862,430	15	1,890,267	15	31.6	15
Florida	17,789,864	2	468,099	2	13,146,357	2	14,748,847	2	196.4	2
Georgia	9,072,576	3	269,453	3	5,793,143	4	7,768,012	3	112.6	1
Kentucky	4,173,405	12	130,104	13	2,823,454	12	3,271,791	11	47.3	11
Louisiana	4,523,628	10	116,298	14	3,169,627	10	3,688,352	10	44.6	13
Maryland	5,600,388	8	159,071	10	3,594,251	9	4,077,199	9	55.3	9
Mississippi	2,921,088	14	132,457	12	1,896,008	14	1,932,223	14	39.4	14
Missouri	5,800,310	7	232,470	4	4,047,652	7	4,778,369	7	69.0	7
North Carolina	8,683,242	4	208,101	8	6,122,137	3	6,094,606	5	95.9	4
Oklahoma	3,547,884	13	153,821	11	2,369,621	13	3,072,392	13	46.4	12
South Carolina	4,255,083	11	177,298	9	2,972,369	11	3,206,189	12	49.6	10
Tennessee	5,962,959	6	224,121	5	4,247,884	6	4,940,624	6	70.9	6
Texas	22,859,968	1	689,718	1	14,543,528	1	16,489,344	1	231.0	1
Virginia	7,567,465	5	218,632	6	5,112,523	5	6,410,366	4	78.9	5
West Virginia	1,816,856	16	67,104	16	1,292,036	16	1,351,493	16	20.3	16
SLC Total	111,911,678		3,566,531		76,606,158		88,178,011		1,248.2	
US Total	296,410,404		9,333,086		198,888,912		233,266,291		2,962.5	

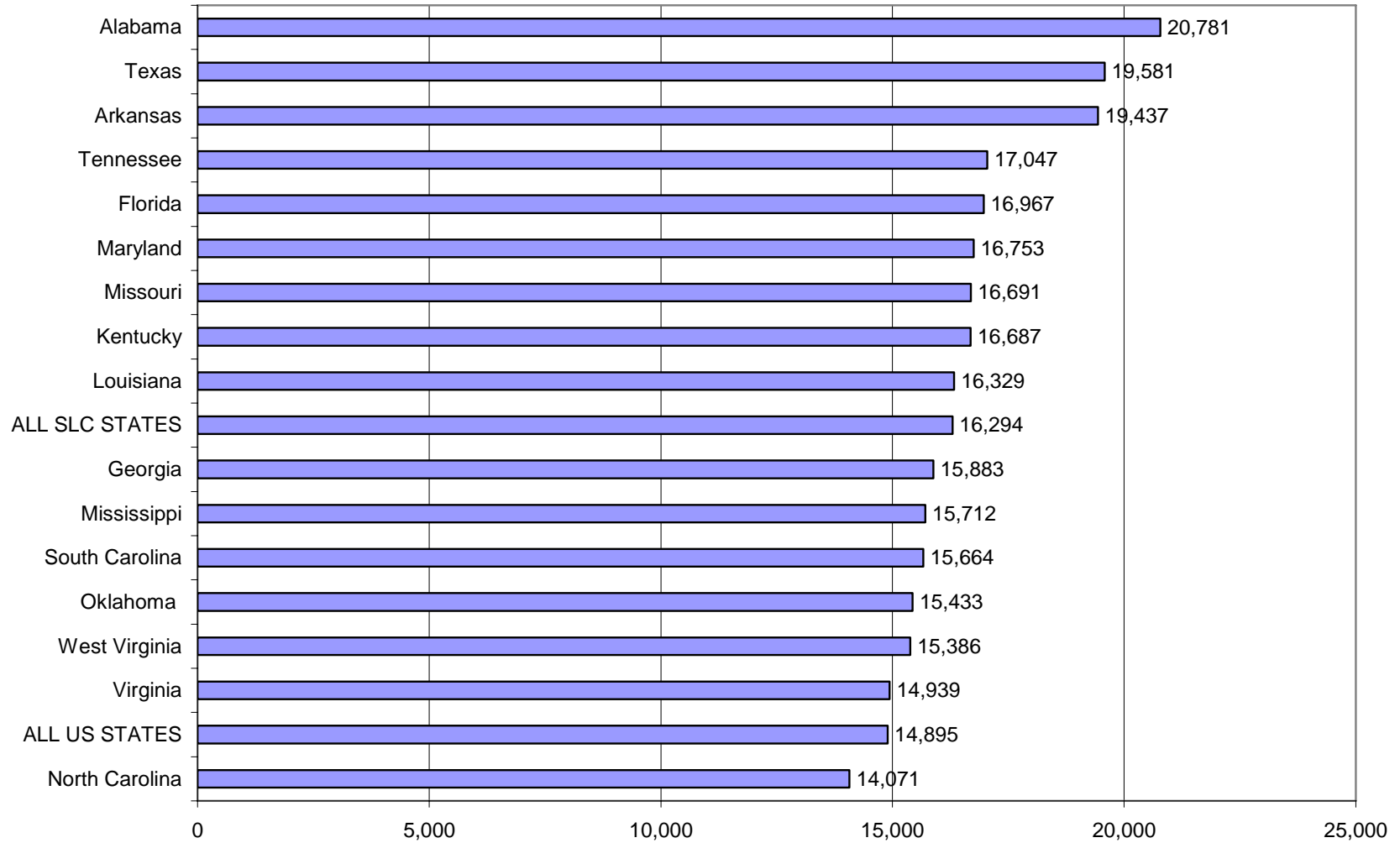
Sources: US Census Bureau, 7/31/06

FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Tables DL-22, MV-1, VM-2

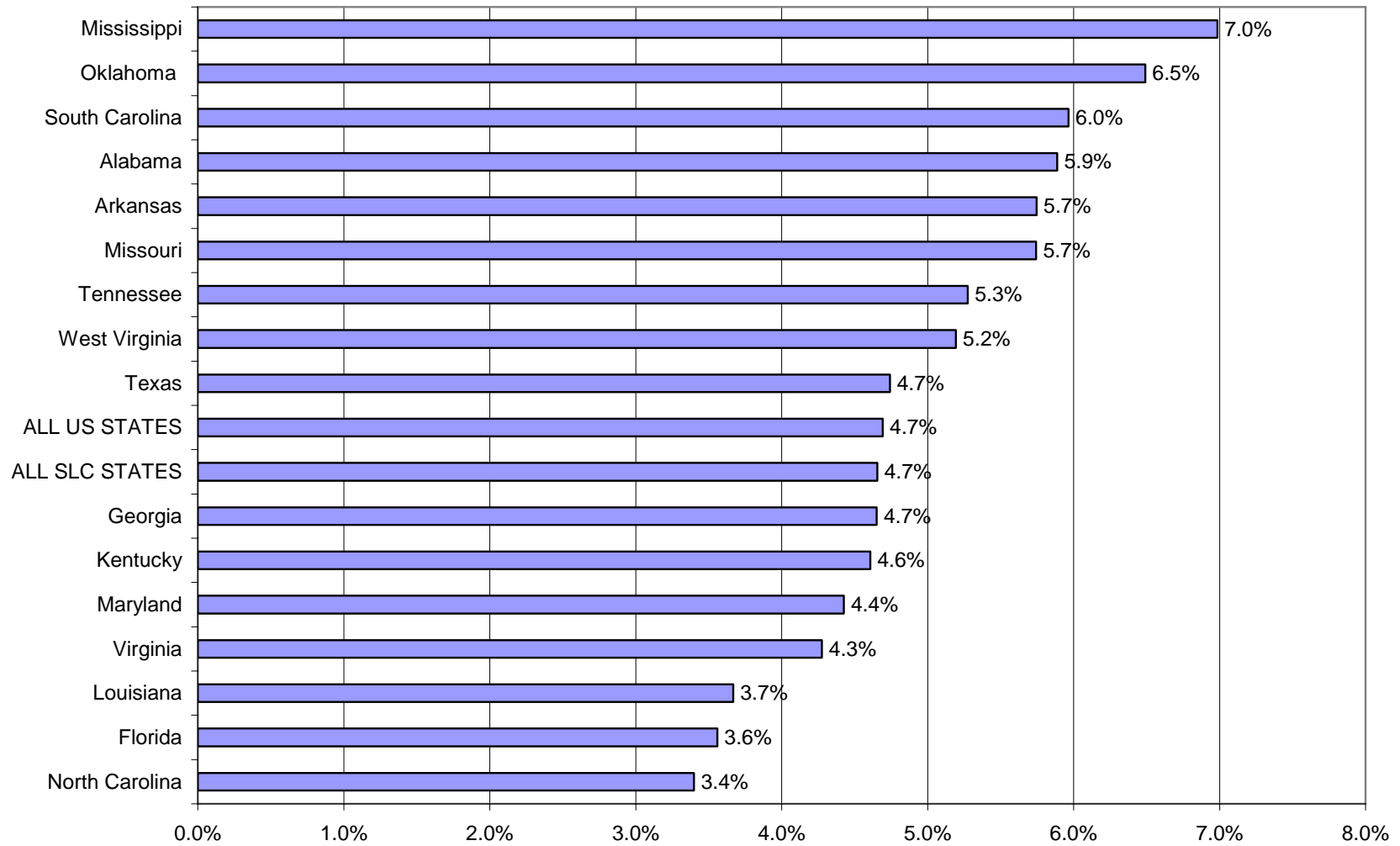
VEHICLES PER LICENSED DRIVER 2004



MILES DRIVEN PER LICENSED DRIVER 2004



Young Licensed Drivers as a Percentage of All Licensed Drivers 2004

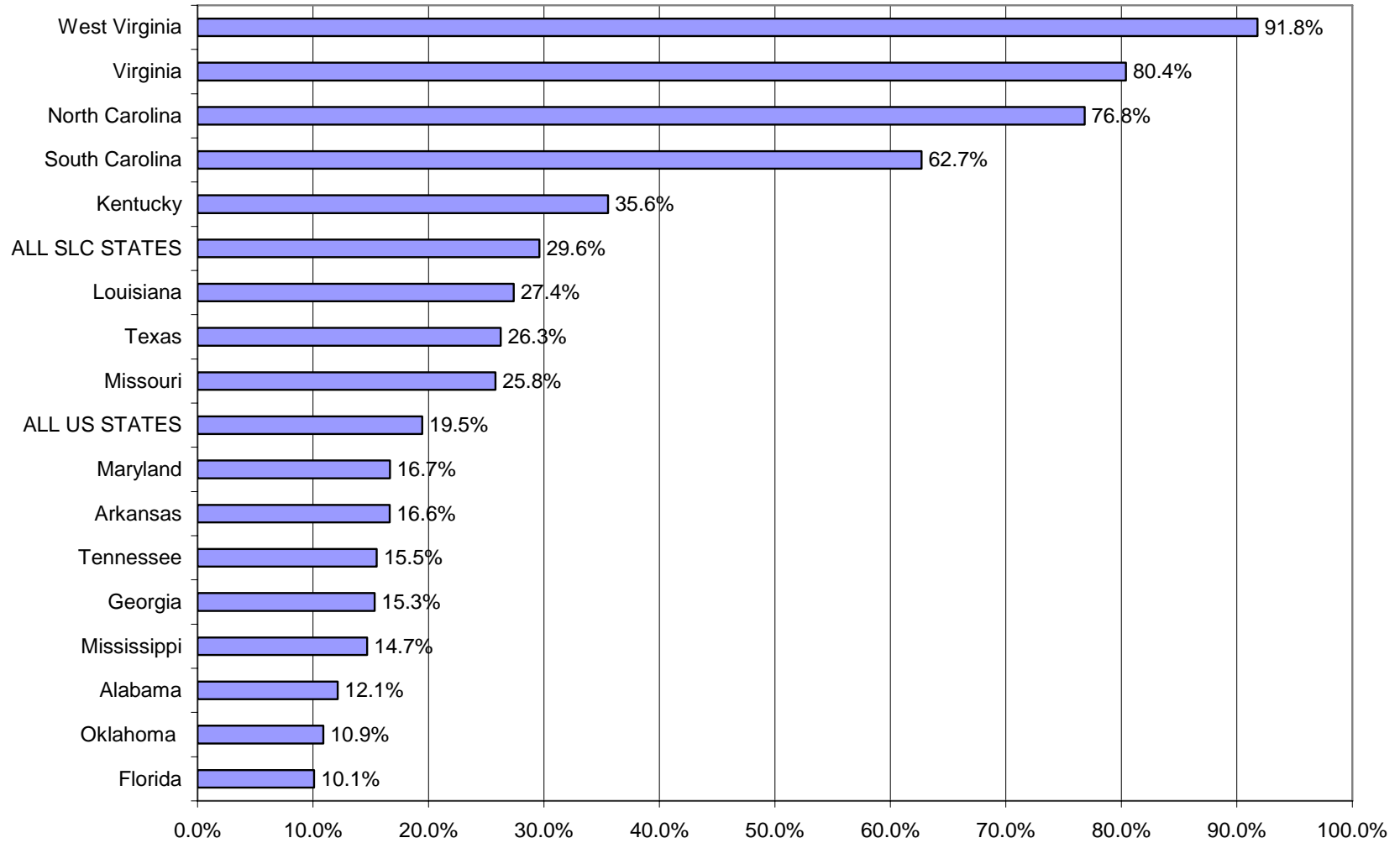


Road Mileage State Rankings 2004

State	Land Area (Sq Mi)	Rank	State Maintained Road Miles	Rank	Total Road Miles	Rank	% of Total Road Miles That Are State Maintained	Rank
Alabama	50,750	7	11,580	15	95,486	8	12.1%	14
Arkansas	52,075	6	16,418	10	98,607	7	16.6%	10
Florida	53,997	5	12,047	13	119,525	3	10.1%	16
Georgia	57,919	4	17,943	8	116,915	4	15.3%	12
Kentucky	39,732	12	27,509	7	77,365	11	35.6%	5
Louisiana	43,566	10	16,696	9	60,943	14	27.4%	6
Maryland	9,775	16	5,136	16	30,810	16	16.7%	9
Mississippi	46,914	9	10,887	14	74,127	12	14.7%	13
Missouri	68,898	2	32,471	6	125,923	2	25.8%	8
North Carolina	48,718	8	78,871	2	102,666	6	76.8%	3
Oklahoma	68,679	3	12,280	12	112,713	5	10.9%	15
South Carolina	30,111	14	41,532	4	66,249	13	62.7%	4
Tennessee	41,219	11	13,809	11	88,989	8	15.5%	11
Texas	261,914	1	79,624	1	303,176	1	26.3%	7
Virginia	39,598	13	57,515	3	71,534	10	80.4%	2
West Virginia	24,087	15	33,971	5	37,012	15	91.8%	1
SLC Total	937,942		468,289		1,402,231		29.6%	
US Total	3,537,441		774,687		3,981,456		19.5%	

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Table HM-10

State Maintained Road Miles as a Percentage of All Road Miles 2004



Highway

Finance

Summary

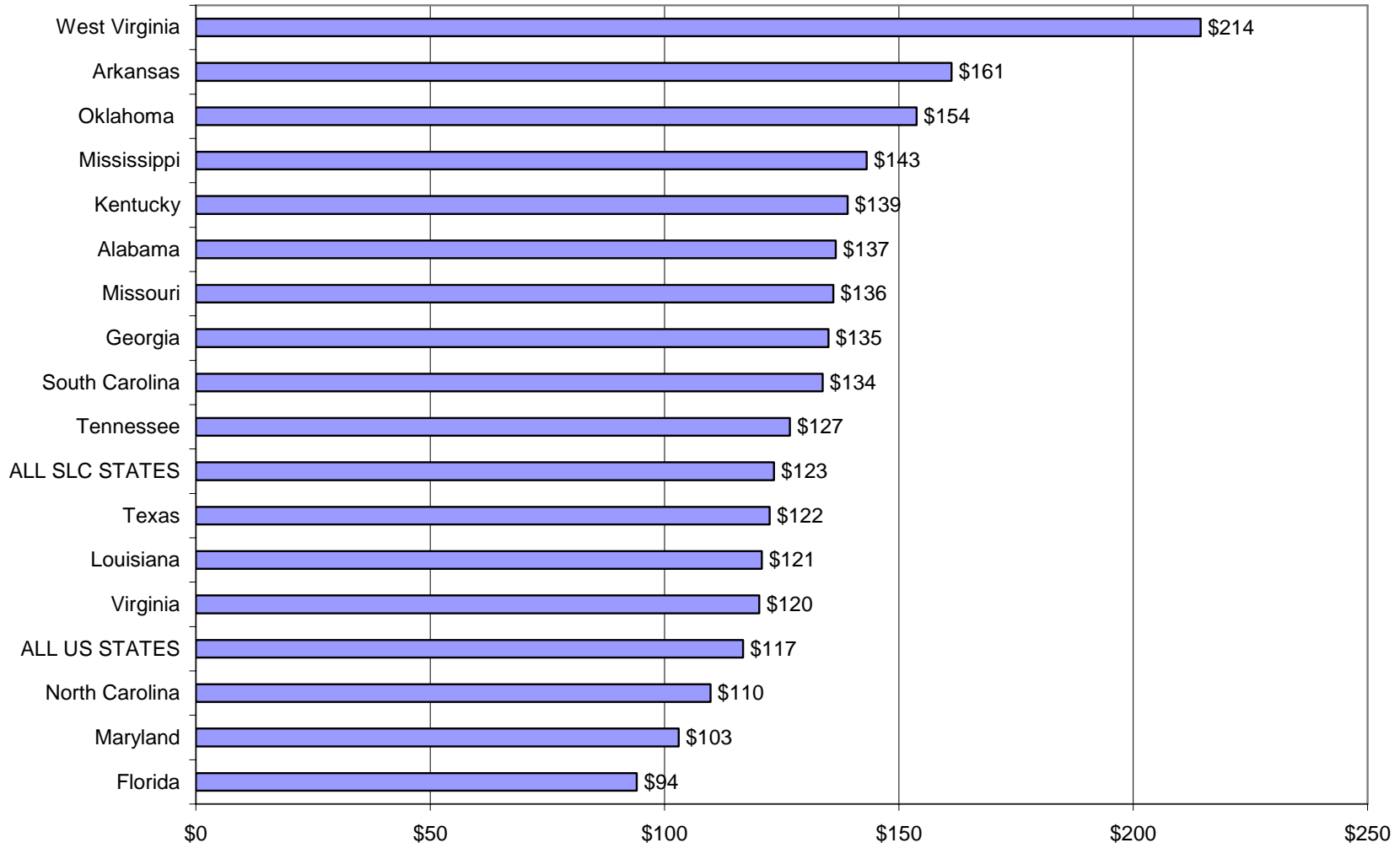
- **Per capita federal highway spending in the SLC states ranges from a high of \$214 in West Virginia to a low of \$94 in Florida.**
- **For the first time this decade, the Federal Apportionment/Payment ratio for FY 2004 was greater than 1.00 for all states in the SLC region, meaning that for FY 2004, no SLC states were "donor states." This presents a large shift from the FY 2003, when the Federal Apportionment/Payment ratio was less than 1.00 for 10 of the 16 SLC states, The FY 2004 ratio ranges from a high of 1.98 in West Virginia to a low of 1.03 in Mississippi.**
- **For FY 2004, the Federal Apportionment/Payment ratio for the entire SLC region was 1.09.**
- **Over the history of the Federal Highway Trust Fund, 8 of the 16 SLC states have an Apportionment/Payment ratio under 1.00, making them "donor states." Only three SLC states (Louisiana, Maryland, and West Virginia) have a historical ratio greater than the U.S. ratio of 1.10.**
- **The SLC states are generally more dependent on user taxes to finance highways than is the nation as a whole; but they are less reliant on tolls, property taxes, and bonds.**
- **In FY 2003 total indebtedness for highways of states and local governments in the SLC region increased by 8.5%, whereas the national rate increased 6.2%.**
- **Of the 14 states that responded to the survey:**
 - **9 reported having Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) bonds authorized;**
 - **1 (Virginia) uses a similar program with a different name;**
 - **1 (Texas) has the authority to issue bonds backed by the state highway fund.**
- **Estimated FY 08 debt service on GARVEE bonds in the SLC states that reported is \$247.6 million.**

Highway Financing State Rankings 2004

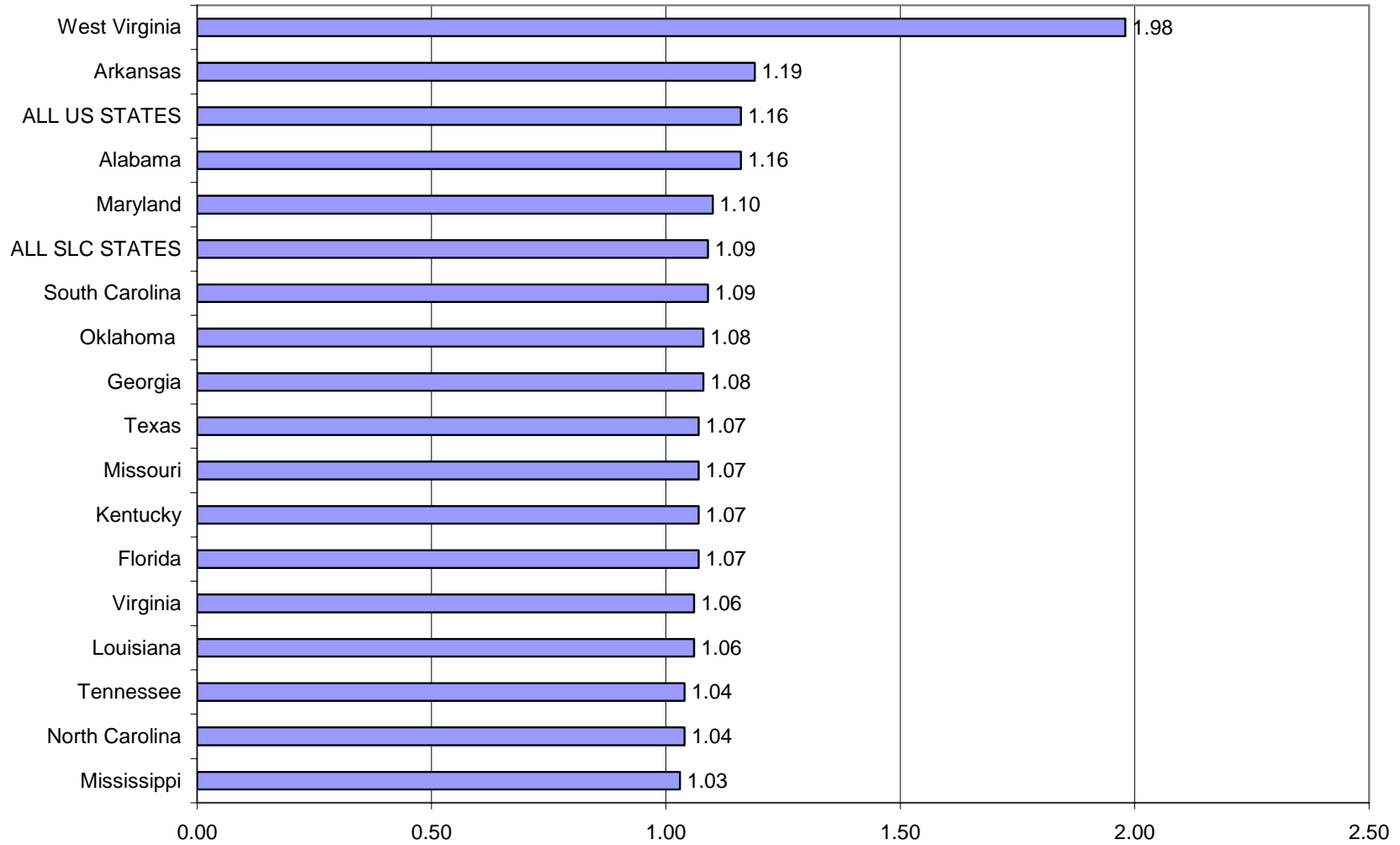
State	Payments Into FHTF FY 2004 (Thousands)	Rank	Apportionment From FHTF FY 2004 (Thousands)	Rank	Ratio of Apportionment From / Payment into FHTF FY 2004	Rank	Ratio of Apportionment From / Payment into FHTF (1956-2004)	Rank
Alabama	571,387	8	622,327	8	1.16	3	1.10	4
Arkansas	377,673	15	447,992	14	1.19	2	1.03	7
Florida	1,567,749	2	1,673,427	2	1.07	T-8	0.91	T-12
Georgia	1,135,761	3	1,224,503	3	1.08	T-6	0.93	11
Kentucky	540,770	9	580,494	9	1.07	T-8	1.04	6
Louisiana	514,668	12	546,262	12	1.06	T-12	1.13	3
Maryland	524,524	10	576,844	10	1.10	4	1.30	2
Mississippi	404,316	14	418,054	15	1.03	16	1.00	8
Missouri	736,855	6	788,724	6	1.07	T-8	0.96	10
North Carolina	912,955	4	953,550	4	1.04	T-14	0.90	14
Oklahoma	506,071	13	545,545	13	1.08	T-6	0.89	15
South Carolina	521,214	11	569,036	11	1.09	5	0.91	T-12
Tennessee	724,982	7	755,545	7	1.04	T-14	0.97	9
Texas	2,605,543	1	2,797,856	1	1.07	T-8	0.88	16
Virginia	856,841	5	909,464	5	1.06	T-12	1.09	5
West Virginia	197,167	16	389,462	16	1.98	1	1.94	1
SLC Total	12,698,476		13,799,085		1.09			
US Total	29,785,004		34,610,589		1.16		1.10	

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Table FE-221B

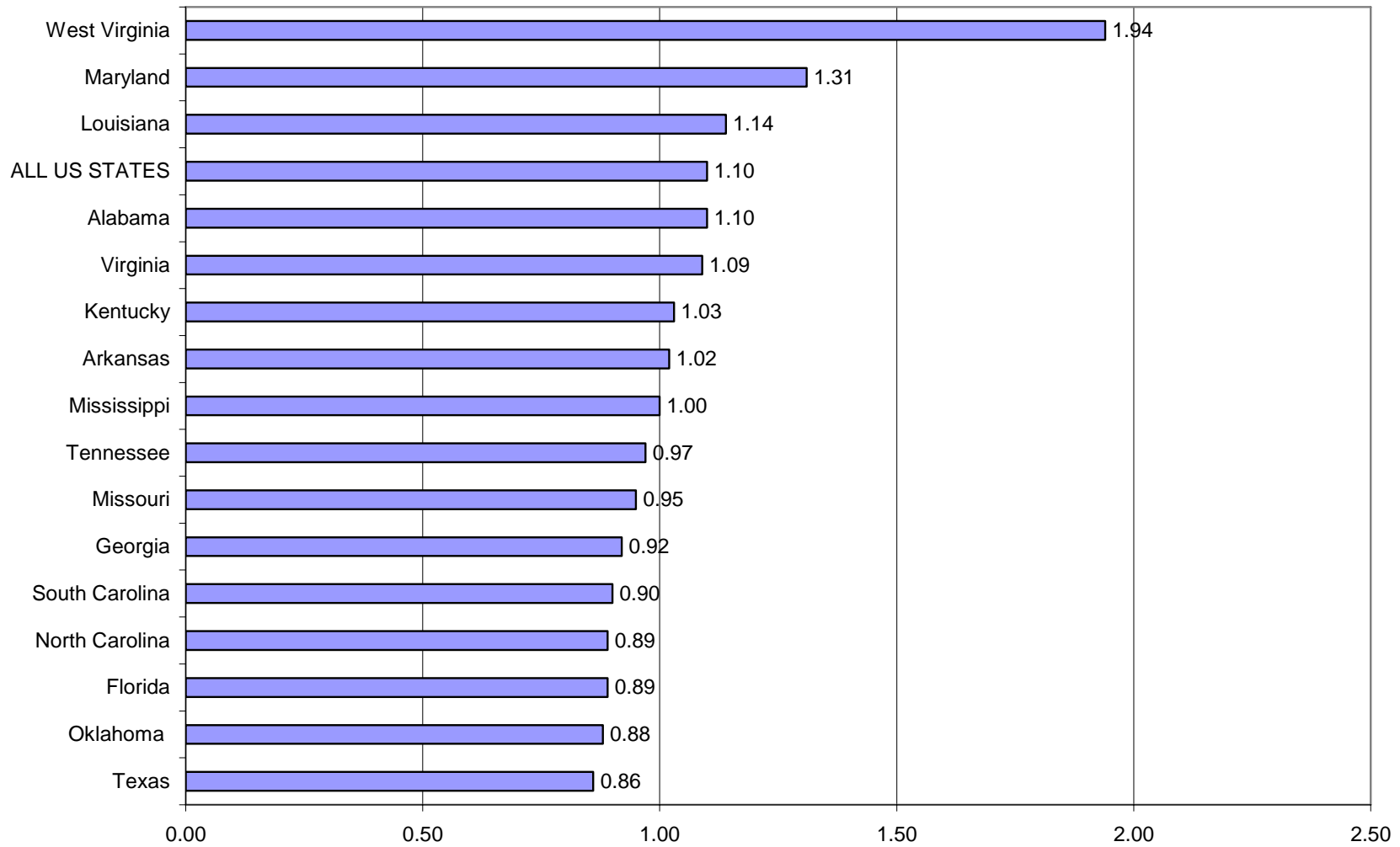
Per Capita Federal Highway Spending 2004



Ratio of Apportionment From - Payment Into FHTF FY2004



Ratio of Apportionment From - Payment Into FHTF 1956- 2004



REVENUES USED BY STATES FOR HIGHWAYS - 2004
(Thousands)

STATE	HIGHWAY-USER REVENUES 3/				APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUNDS 4/	OTHER STATE IMPOSTS	MISCELLANEOUS	BOND PROCEEDS		PAYMENTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			TOTAL RECEIPTS
	MOTOR- FUEL TAXES	MOTOR-VEHICLE AND MOTOR-CARRIER TAXES	ROAD AND CROSSING TOLLS	TOTAL				ORIGINAL ISSUES	REFUNDING ISSUES	FEDERAL FUNDS		FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	
										FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION	OTHER AGENCIES		
Alabama	538,847	215,665	-	754,512	160,252	5,018	3,066	-	-	526,438	11,044	-	1,460,330
Arkansas	424,971	128,091	-	553,062	28,212	1,356	32,345	-	-	430,485	19,825	7,325	1,072,610
Florida	1,646,852	723,423	822,152	3,192,427	27,568	98,534	182,564	846,429	26,069	1,431,260	22,555	168,423	5,995,828
Georgia	77,456	48,794	20,719	146,969	563,557	229,001	116,810	411,296	-	771,693	37,529	17	2,276,872
Kentucky	435,913	623,316	-	1,059,229	7,872	-	58,580	-	16,180	490,302	19,674	-	1,651,837
Louisiana	557,778	139,584	36,565	733,927	130,248	44,425	36,227	-	-	501,168	7,831	-	1,453,826
Maryland	423,862	393,954	106,364	924,180	-	130,663	38,142	265,710	34,542	504,876	8,002	-	1,906,115
Mississippi	388,556	123,879	-	512,435	-	43,967	10,233	-	-	373,073	9,004	8,712	957,424
Missouri	692,265	242,103	-	934,368	-	229,644	15,973	263,542	-	680,690	11,884	12,578	2,148,679
North Carolina	1,161,965	343,225	2,526	1,507,716	-	408,346	285,107	416,254	-	923,160	22,054	18,621	3,581,258
Oklahoma	111,979	96,405	186,957	395,341	280,025	-	12,581	50,184	-	490,024	14,021	7,557	1,249,733
South Carolina	336,767	136,801	8,823	482,391	-	-	5,318	2,210	-	678,781	5,776	10,060	1,184,536
Tennessee	653,603	242,664	23	896,290	29,946	42,349	63,796	-	-	541,523	26,092	41,833	1,641,829
Texas	2,086,269	1,287,426	164,978	3,538,673	25,000	31,735	244,571	-	-	2,619,668	32,709	204,727	6,697,083
Virginia	769,065	664,174	100,627	1,533,866	192,283	476,052	82,026	-	76,650	590,448	28,000	56,260	3,035,586
West Virginia	302,961	254,331	54,580	611,872	19,802	-	2,658	-	-	389,211	15,306	330	1,039,179
SLC TOTAL	10,609,109	5,663,835	1,504,314	17,777,258	1,464,765	1,741,090	1,189,997	2,255,625	153,441	11,942,800	291,306	536,443	37,352,725
US Total	29,165,970	16,787,940	5,635,592	51,589,502	4,781,399	3,475,177	2,619,123	10,395,147	3,619,972	28,172,718	924,973	2,106,846	107,684,853

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Table SF 1

STATE DISBURSEMENTS FOR HIGHWAYS - 2004
(Thousands)

STATE	CAPITAL OUTLAY			MAINTENANCE AND SERVICES			ADMINIS- TRATION, RESEARCH AND PLANNING	HIGHWAY LAW ENFORCE- MENT AND SAFETY	INTEREST	BOND RETIREMENT		GRANTS- IN-AID TO LOCAL GOVERN- MENTS	TOTAL DISBURSE- MENTS
	STATE ADMINIS- TERED HIGHWAYS	LOCAL ROADS AND STREETS	TOTAL	STATE ADMINIS- TERED HIGHWAYS	LOCAL ROADS AND STREETS	TOTAL				CURRENT REVENUES OR SINKING FUNDS	REFUNDING BONDS		
Alabama	855,756	80,233	935,989	144,697	-	144,697	126,750	107,082	9,170	12,390	-	225,766	1,561,844
Arkansas	796,315	43,777	840,092	150,340	72,961	223,301	74,119	52,032	29,039	-	-	-	1,218,583
Florida	3,684,009	82,716	3,766,725	797,122	-	797,122	199,022	337,914	299,346	182,607	26,069	194,917	5,803,722
Georgia	1,163,061	89,081	1,252,142	138,450	-	138,450	164,997	140,342	104,109	134,275	-	577	1,934,892
Kentucky	1,081,104	36,652	1,117,756	219,215	42,246	261,461	125,241	54,496	61,321	121,875	16,180	148,390	1,906,720
Louisiana	926,784	-	926,784	316,329	-	316,329	43,975	158,692	19,785	44,126	-	66,536	1,576,227
Maryland	828,391	41,072	869,463	245,404	-	245,404	61,395	131,433	50,134	61,575	34,542	377,296	1,831,242
Mississippi	571,164	135,013	706,177	90,771	-	90,771	56,616	51,475	23,534	45,935	-	112,740	1,087,248
Missouri	1,115,183	86,281	1,201,464	409,357	-	409,357	66,647	132,253	31,889	23,455	-	270,292	2,135,357
North Carolina	1,857,963	-	1,857,963	816,096	-	816,096	425,703	303,936	15,416	16,675	-	120,814	3,556,603
Oklahoma	508,004	35,592	543,596	163,563	-	163,563	68,979	139,599	77,871	26,010	-	155,627	1,175,245
South Carolina	672,257	-	672,257	264,575	40,549	305,124	88,792	111,695	29,053	24,810	-	21,886	1,253,617
Tennessee	817,145	35,474	852,619	269,104	-	269,104	128,204	13,571	-	-	-	285,640	1,549,138
Texas	4,503,872	-	4,503,872	1,239,192	-	1,239,192	242,085	543,764	148,090	13,550	-	443,111	7,133,664
Virginia	1,162,797	-	1,162,797	909,789	-	909,789	189,492	142,939	123,622	133,759	76,650	263,084	3,002,132
West Virginia	598,650	-	598,650	277,794	-	277,794	85,734	31,977	35,280	26,351	-	-	1,055,786
SLC TOTAL	21,142,455	665,891	21,808,346	6,451,798	155,756	6,607,554	2,147,751	2,453,200	1,057,659	867,393	153,441	2,686,676	37,782,020
US TOTAL	47,737,977	3,151,272	50,889,249	14,294,939	207,242	14,502,181	6,555,694	7,444,550	3,967,611	4,666,583	3,619,972	13,031,557	104,677,397

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Table SF 2

**CHANGE IN INDEBTEDNESS DURING YEAR
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR HIGHWAYS - 2003**

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

STATE	OBLIGATIONS OUTSTANDING BEGINNING OF YEAR	OBLIGATIONS ISSUED			OBLIGATIONS RETIRED			OBLIGATIONS OUTSTANDING END OF YEAR	PERCENT CHANGE
		ORIGINAL ISSUES	REFUNDING ISSUES	TOTAL	BY CURRENT REVENUES OR SINKING FUNDS	BY REFUNDING	TOTAL		
Alabama	161,659	456,037	-	456,037	40,307	-	40,307	577,389	257.2%
Arkansas	362,419	229,883	-	229,883	726	-	726	591,576	63.2%
Florida	7,577,178	987,878	1,316,770	2,304,648	255,955	1,316,770	1,572,725	8,309,101	9.7%
Georgia	1,765,370	46,156	-	46,156	68,567	-	68,567	1,742,959	-1.3%
Kentucky	1,228,478	-	-	-	121,579	-	121,579	1,106,899	-9.9%
Louisiana	828,032	432,869	73,510	506,379	73,842	73,510	147,352	1,187,059	43.4%
Maryland	1,182,230	258,903	114,378	373,281	68,234	114,378	182,612	1,372,899	16.1%
Mississippi	736,894	37,769	2,935	40,704	62,835	2,935	65,770	711,828	-3.4%
Missouri	779,111	59,064	-	59,064	28,484	-	28,484	809,691	3.9%
North Carolina	730,952	213,697	-	213,697	63,298	-	63,298	881,351	20.6%
Oklahoma	1,908,089	46,946	92,170	139,116	63,172	92,170	155,342	1,891,863	-0.9%
South Carolina	683,519	14,504	39,675	54,179	25,258	39,675	64,933	672,765	-1.6%
Tennessee	25,949	15,341	-	15,341	9,392	-	9,392	31,898	22.9%
Texas	12,380,195	1,004,486	566,290	1,570,776	596,859	566,290	1,163,149	12,787,822	3.3%
Virginia	3,832,791	828,802	476,654	1,305,456	160,101	476,654	636,755	4,501,492	17.4%
West Virginia	686,404	2,620	61,280	63,900	30,108	61,280	91,388	658,916	-4.0%
SLC TOTAL	34,869,270	4,634,955	2,743,662	7,378,617	1,668,717	2,743,662	4,412,379	37,835,508	8.5%
US TOTAL	112,616,381	14,018,697	8,106,840	22,125,537	7,064,252	8,106,840	15,171,092	119,570,826	6.2%

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Table HB-2

State's Use of GARVEE Bonds

STATE	GARVEEs Authorized ?	Legislation Adopted (Year)	Maximum Limit on Bonds	Bonds Issued	Debt Service FY 2007	Debt Service FY 2008
Alabama	Yes	2000	\$200,000,000	\$200,000,000	\$18,000,000	\$18,000,000
Arkansas	Yes	2001	\$575,000,000	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Florida	No Response					
Georgia	Yes	2001	GARVEEs may not be issued if Federal Reimbursements drop below 90% of the 2001 level	\$600,000,000 (To be issued in 2007)	\$42,000,000 (Estimated)	\$62,000,000 (Estimated)
Kentucky	Yes	2004	\$450,000,000	\$150,000,000 (Additional \$290 million to be sold in late FY 2008)	\$15,400,400	\$15,400,000
Louisiana	Yes	2002		\$0 (to date)	\$0	\$0
Maryland	Yes	2004	\$750,000,000	\$380,000,000 (To be Issued in FY 07) \$370,000,000 (To be Issued in FY 09)	\$0	To be determined
Mississippi	No					
Missouri	No					
North Carolina	Yes	2005	15% of the expected average annual federal revenues over a 7 year period (approximately \$950 million)	\$0 (to date)	\$0	\$0

State's Use of GARVEE Bonds (Continued)

STATE	GARVEEs Authorized ?	Legislation Adopted (Year)	Maximum Limit on Bonds	Bonds Issued	Debt Service FY 2007	Debt Service FY 2008
Oklahoma	Yes	2000	Authorized by specific request	\$200,000,000	\$18,000,000	\$27,000,000
South Carolina	No Response					
Tennessee	No					
Texas	No *					
Virginia	Yes **	2000	\$1,200,000,000	Not Reported	\$152,275,052	\$152,296,812
West Virginia	Yes	Provisions have been in WV code for years	\$200,000,000	\$200,000,000 (Sale in process)	\$7,000,000	\$27,000,000

Notes: *Although Texas does not use GARVEEs, the state can issue up to \$3 billion in bonds backed by the State Highway Fund.

**In Virginia, the program is called Federal Highway Reimbursement Anticipation Notes (FRANs)

Source: E-mail survey of state transportation officials in the SLC states, August, 2006

Fuel Taxes

Summary

- **Gas tax rates in the SLC states range from a low of 7.5 cents per gallon in Georgia to a high of 30.2 cents per gallon in North Carolina.**
- **In 2003, SLC states collected just over \$13.5 billion in motor fuel taxes, 39.1% of the total fuel tax revenue of all the states.**
- **In 2003, SLC states accounted for almost 71 billion gallons of fuel used on the highway, just over 42% of the nation's total.**

State Fuel Tax Rates – October 2006
(Cents per Gallon)

State	Gasoline	Diesel	Notes
Alabama	20.3	21.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes 2 cpg inspection fee and 1 cpg UST fee • Does not include local option taxes of up to an additional 5 cpg
Arkansas	21.5	22.5	Includes 0.2 cpg UST fee
Florida *	14.9	27.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes Sales Tax • Does not include local option taxes of 9.9 to 17.8 cpg • Plus 2.2 cpg environmental inspection fee
Georgia	7.5	7.5	Plus 4% Sales Tax
Kentucky *	19.7	16.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial vehicles pay additional surcharge of 2% on gas and 4.7% on diesel • Includes 1.4 cpg UST fee
Louisiana	20.0	20.0	
Maryland	23.5	24.3	
Mississippi	18.8	18.8	Includes 0.4 cpg environmental protection fee
Missouri	17.6	17.6	Does not include 0.05 cpg agriculture inspection fee and 0.5 cpg transportation local fee
North Carolina *	30.2	30.2	Includes 0.25 cpg inspection tax
Oklahoma	17.0	14.0	Includes 1 cpg UST fee
South Carolina	16.8	16.8	
Tennessee	21.4	18.4	Includes 1 cpg petroleum tax on gas and 0.4 cpg environmental assurance fee on all fuels
Texas	20.0	20.0	
Virginia	19.2	17.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes 0.6 cpg storage tank fee • Does not include local tax of 2% in some areas
West Virginia *	27.0	27.0	Includes variable wholesale tax currently 6.5 cpg

Source: American Petroleum Institute, October 2006

* Variable Tax

State Motor Fuel Taxable Volume and Tax Receipts 2004

State	Motor Fuel Used on Highways (Thousand Gallon)	Rank	Taxable Volume on Motor fuels (Thousand Gallon)	Rank	Adjusted Net Total Fuel Tax Receipts (Thousands \$)	Rank
Alabama	3,420,465	8	3,363,205	8	600,596	8
Arkansas	2,072,182	15	2,050,577	15	446,925	13
Florida	10,122,346	2	10,113,293	2	1,992,707	2
Georgia	6,576,413	3	6,576,413	3	502,367	10
Kentucky	3,196,841	11	3,190,399	11	461,382	12
Louisiana	3,021,411	12	2,861,242	12	563,396	9
Maryland	3,234,205	10	3,215,350	10	740,695	6
Mississippi	2,263,086	14	2,245,518	14	409,874	15
Missouri	4,303,667	6	4,275,523	6	700,429	7
North Carolina	5,562,584	4	5,321,309	4	1,301,744	3
Oklahoma	2,564,909	13	2,555,712	13	415,109	14
South Carolina	3,322,107	9	3,283,162	9	483,596	11
Tennessee	4,080,538	7	4,002,053	7	824,109	5
Texas	15,157,785	1	15,025,032	1	2,912,106	1
Virginia	5,132,512	5	5,010,704	5	903,216	4
West Virginia	1,156,097	16	1,153,205	16	394,836	16
SLC Total	75,187,142		74,242,697		13,653,087	
US Total	178,536,383		175,876,463		34,685,498	

Source: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004", Tables MF-1, MF-2, and MF-21

Public Transportation

Summary

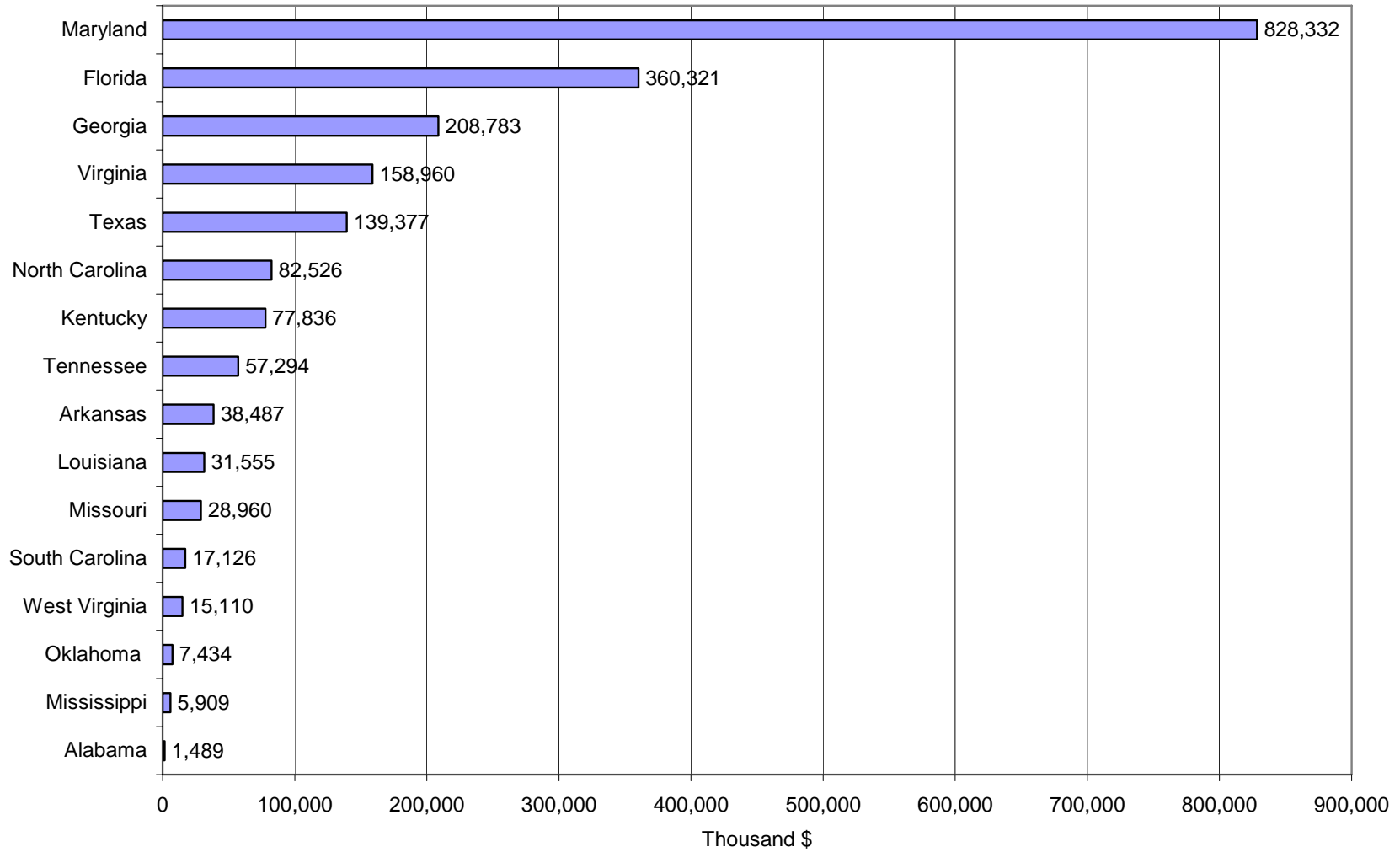
- **Five SLC states (Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Florida, and Virginia) account for over 82% of the state funding for public transit in the SLC region, with Maryland alone accounting for over 40% of all state funding in the region.**
- **State funding for public transit in the SLC states accounts for only 21.6% of total state public transit funding nationwide.**

State Funding For Public Transit 2004

STATE	Funding For Direct State Mass Transit Activities (Thousands)	Funding For State Grants In Aid For Mass Transit (Thousands)	Total State Funding For Mass Transit (Thousands)	Rank
Alabama	0	1,489	1,489	16
Arkansas	0	38,487	38,487	9
Florida	1,929	358,392	360,321	2
Georgia	18	208,765	208,783	3
Kentucky	29,060	48,776	77,836	7
Louisiana	79	31,476	31,555	10
Maryland	106,141	722,191	828,332	1
Mississippi	5,909	0	5,909	15
Missouri	0	28,960	28,960	11
North Carolina	0	82,526	82,526	6
Oklahoma	6,584	850	7,434	14
South Carolina	6,509	10,617	17,126	12
Tennessee	44,377	12,917	57,294	8
Texas	33,988	105,389	139,377	5
Virginia	4,241	154,719	158,960	4
West Virginia	4,063	11,047	15,110	13
SLC Total	242,899	1,816,601	2,059,499	
US TOTAL	1,745,649	7,759,810	9,505,459	

SOURCE: FHWA, "Highway Statistics, 2004" Tables MT-1A and MT-1B

Total State Funding for Public Transit 2004



Bridges

Summary

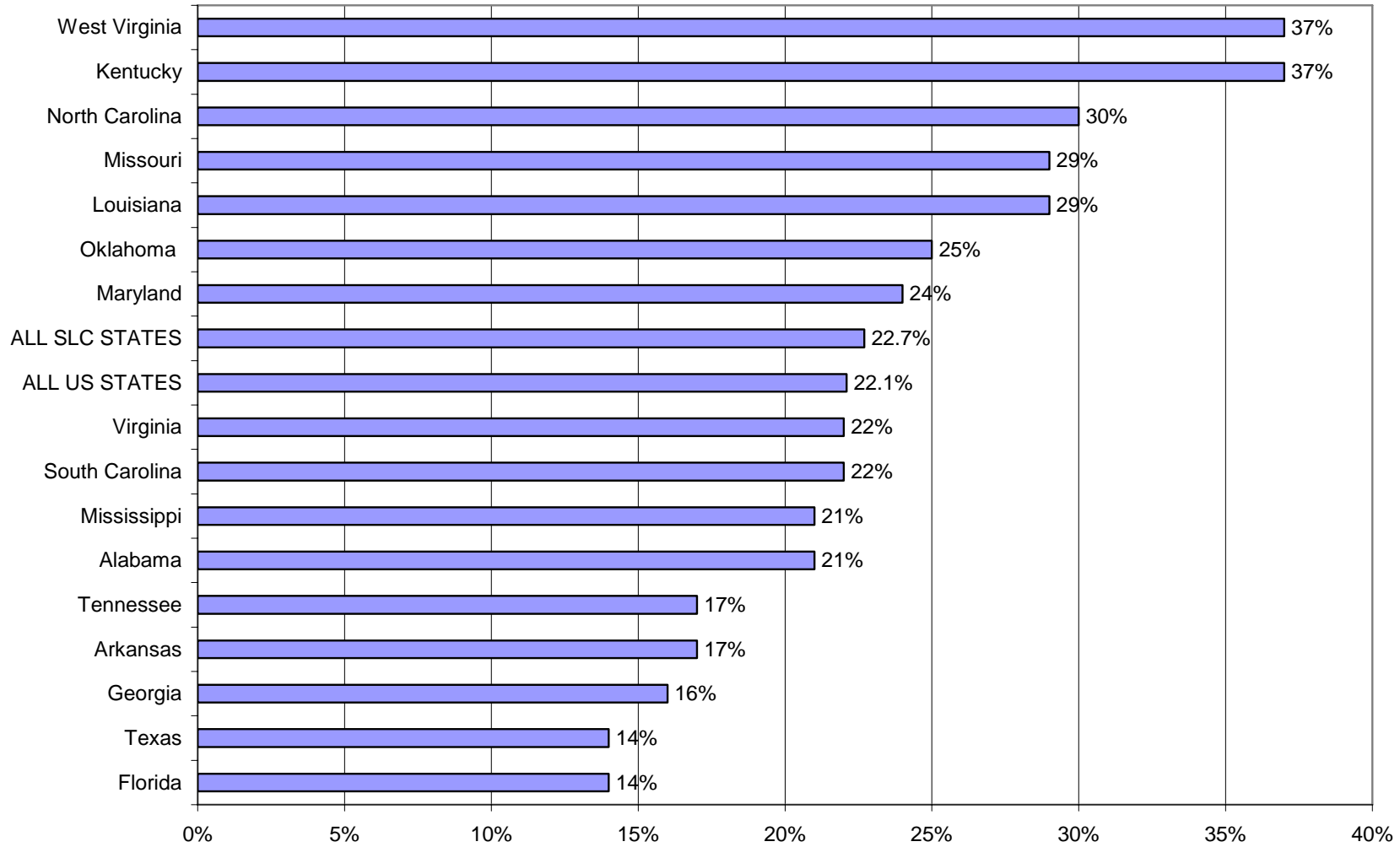
- **The SLC Region has nearly the same percentage of state maintained bridges that are substandard (22.7%) when compared to that of the nation as a whole (22.1%).**
- **However, in the SLC region, more locally maintained bridges (31.7%) are substandard in comparison to the number nationwide (27.7%).**

SUBSTANDARD BRIDGES BY ROAD TYPE 2005

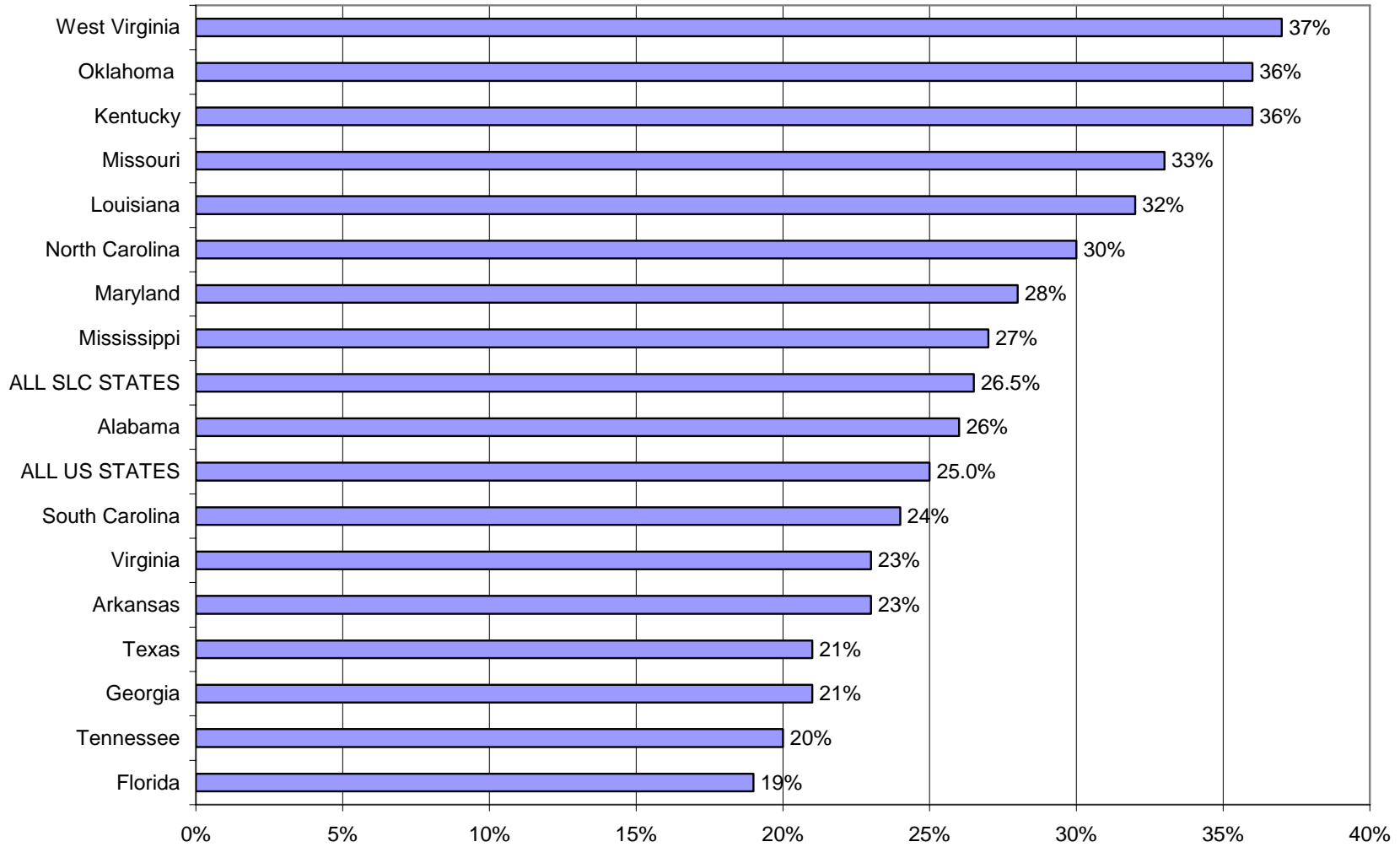
State	Total Interstate & State Bridges	Structurally Deficient or Functionally Obsolete		Total City/County Township Bridges	Structurally Deficient or Functionally Obsolete		Total All Bridges	Combined Total Substandard	
Alabama	5,655	1,215	21%	10,017	2,880	29%	15,672	4,095	26%
Arkansas	7,106	1,195	17%	5,240	1,633	31%	12,346	2,828	23%
Florida	6,294	858	14%	4,801	1,230	26%	11,095	2,088	19%
Georgia	5,953	947	16%	8,428	2,009	24%	14,381	2,956	21%
Kentucky	9,365	3,491	37%	4,751	1,605	34%	14,116	5,096	36%
Louisiana	7,899	2,258	29%	5,307	1,916	36%	13,206	4,174	32%
Maryland	2,756	660	24%	2,177	720	33%	4,933	1,380	28%
Mississippi	5,543	1,176	21%	10,917	3,259	30%	16,460	4,435	27%
Missouri	10,190	2,907	29%	13,653	4,859	36%	23,843	7,766	33%
North Carolina	17,968	5,400	30%	631	183	29%	18,599	5,583	30%
Oklahoma	7,620	1,905	25%	15,872	6,461	41%	23,492	8,366	36%
South Carolina	8,328	1,868	22%	843	326	39%	9,171	2,194	24%
Tennessee	7,571	1,303	17%	12,154	2,641	22%	19,725	3,944	20%
Texas	32,415	4,448	14%	16,669	5,634	34%	49,084	10,082	21%
Virginia	11,585	2,587	22%	1,066	260	24%	12,651	2,847	23%
West Virginia	6,738	2,466	37%	117	82	70%	6,855	2,548	37%
SLC State Totals	152,986	34,684	22.7%	112,643	35,698	31.7%	265,629	70,382	26.5 %
US Totals	287,197	63,574	22.1%	308,428	85,552	27.7%	595,625	149,126	25.0%

Source: *Better Roads Magazine*, November 2005

Percent of Interstate and State Bridges that are Substandard 2005



Percent of All Bridges that are Substandard 2005

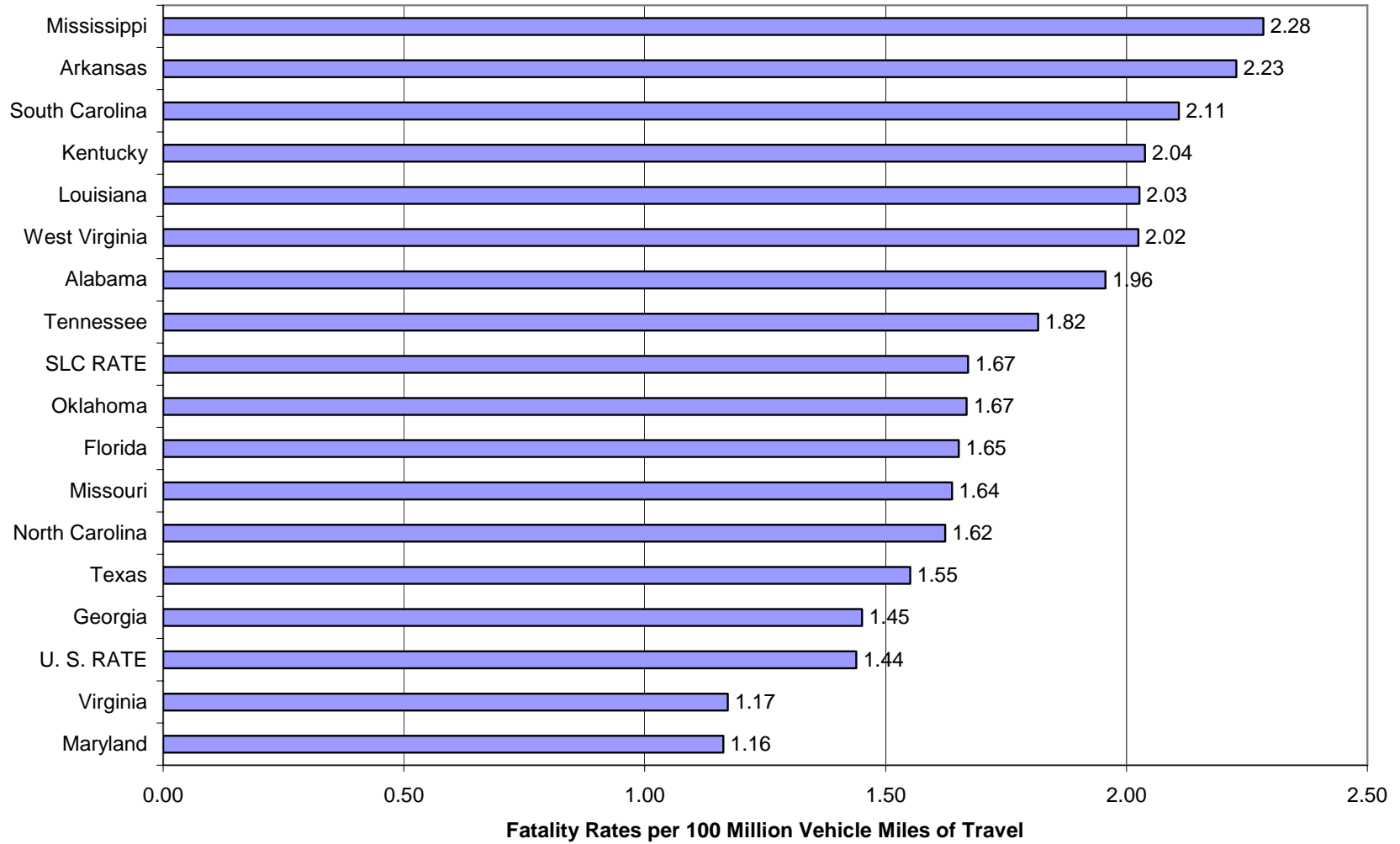


Fatalities

Summary

- **The motor vehicle accident fatality rate for the SLC states as a whole (1.67 per 100 million miles driven) is higher than the nationwide rate (1.44 per 100 million miles driven).**
- **Only two SLC states (Virginia and Maryland) have motor vehicle accident fatality rates lower than the national rate.**

Fatality Rates 2004



**Administration and
Operation of
State Departments of
Transportation**

Summary

- **All SLC state DOTs have responsibility for highway construction, maintenance, and transportation planning.**
- **The great majority of SLC DOTs handle aviation, toll facilities, and public transit.**
- **Six DOTs have responsibility for some aspect of commercial vehicle enforcement.**
- **Five DOTs have responsibility for vehicle regulation.**
- **No DOTs in the SLC region handle general traffic enforcement.**
- **Eleven of the 16 states have a board or commission overseeing or advising the state DOT.**
- **Agency heads are appointed by a board or commission in seven of the SLC states; agency heads in the other nine states are appointed by the governor.**
- **Of the eleven transportation boards or commissions**
 - ◆ **eight are appointed by the governor;**
 - ◆ **one is appointed by the legislature;**
 - ◆ **one has members appointed by both the legislature and the governor; and**
 - ◆ **one is elected by the public.**
- **Four of the 11 boards administer the state DOT, and 8 of the boards control highway construction.**

Administrative Structure Of State Transportation Agencies 2006

STATE (Agency Name)	AGENCY HEAD	WHO APPOINTS?	BOARD OR COMM?	SIZE	HOW CHOSEN ?	BY WHOM ?	TERM (Years)	BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS
Alabama (Department of Transportation)	Director	Governor	NO					
Arkansas (Highway and Transportation Department)	Director	Commission	YES (State Highway Commission)	5	Appointed	Governor	10	Qualified electors of the state At least one member from each Congressional district
Florida (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Governor	YES (Florida Transportation Commission)	9	Appointed	Governor	4	Represent all geographic areas of the state; registered voter and citizen of the state, must possess business managerial experience in the private sector
Georgia (Department of Transportation)	Commissioner	Board	YES (State Transportation Board)	13	Elected	Legislative Caucus	5	As many members as the state has Congressional districts, with each member elected by a majority vote of House and Senate members whose respective districts are at all embraced within such district
Kentucky (Transportation Cabinet)	Secretary	Governor	NO					
Louisiana (Department of Transportation & Development)	Secretary	Governor	NO					
Maryland (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Governor	YES (Maryland Transportation Commission)	17	Appointed	Governor	3	7 members of the State Roads Commission serve as ex-officio; 10 members shall be residents with experience in fields under the department's jurisdiction and may not be department employees

STATE (Agency Name)	AGENCY HEAD	WHO APPOINTS?	BOARD?	SIZE	HOW CHOSEN ?	BY WHOM ?	TERM (Years)	BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS
Mississippi (Department of Transportation)	Director	Commission	YES (Mississippi Transportation Commission)	3	Elected	Public	4	One elected from each Supreme Court District
Missouri (Department of Transportation)	Director	Commission	YES (Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission)	6	Appointed	Governor	6	Taxpayer and resident of the state for at least five years prior to appointment; no more than three members shall be of the same political party
North Carolina (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Governor	YES (Board of Transportation)	19	Appointed	Governor	4	14 members are chosen from each of 14 districts; five at-large members; at least three members shall be registered voters of a political party other than that of Governor; no more than two members shall reside in the same district; Secretary of Transportation serves as an ex-officio non-voting member
Oklahoma (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Commission	YES (Oklahoma Transportation Commission)	8	Appointed	Governor	8	One from each of eight highway maintenance districts; citizen and resident of the district for at least three years prior to date of appointment
South Carolina (Department of Transportation)	Director	Commission	YES (South Carolina Transportation Commission)	7	6 Elected 1 Appointed	Legislators Governor	4	One member selected from each congressional district by the legislative delegation from that district; one at-large member, who serves as chair appointed by the Governor

STATE (Agency Name)	AGENCY HEAD	WHO APPOINTS?	BOARD?	SIZE	HOW CHOSEN ?	BY WHOM ?	TERM (Years)	BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS
Tennessee (Department of Transportation)	Commissioner	Governor	NO					
Texas (Department of Transportation)	Director	Commission	YES (Texas Transportation Commission)	5	Appointed	Governor	6	Each member must represent the general public and members or spouses may not: 1) Be employed by a business that receives funds from the DOT; 2) Directly or indirectly own more than a 10% interest in a business or organization that receives funds from the DOT; 3) use or receive a substantial amount of goods , services, or funds from the DOT; 4) Be an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a Texas trade association in the field of road construction or maintenance, aviation, outdoor advertising, or automobile dealerships or any type of registered lobbyist
Virginia (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Governor	YES (Commonwealth Transportation Board)	17	Appointed	Governor	4	Secretary of DOT; Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner; Director of Rail and Public Transportation; nine from each of the nine highway districts; five from state at large
West Virginia (Department of Transportation)	Secretary	Governor	NO (Inactive)					

Source: E-mail survey of state transportation officials in the SLC states, August, 2006

Duties Of State Transportation Boards Or Commissions

State	No Board	Department Administration	Department Oversight	Review Transp. Plan.	Appoint Agency Head?	Advise Agency Head?	Control Highway Construction
Alabama	X						
Arkansas		X	X	X	X	X	X
Florida			X			X	
Georgia			X	X	X		
Kentucky	X						
Louisiana	X						
Maryland			X	X		X	
Mississippi		X	X	X	X	X	X
Missouri		X	X	X	X	X	X
North Carolina			X	X		X	X /1
Oklahoma			X	X	X	X	X
South Carolina		X	X	X	X	X	X
Tennessee	X						
Texas			X	X	X	X	X
Virginia			X	X		X	X
West Virginia	X /2						

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/1 Board Approves Contracts

/2 West Virginia, by code, has a Board of Commissioners appointed by the Governor; however, it is inactive