

Transportation, Department of

Mission

It is the mission of the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to ensure its customers – those who live, work and travel in New York State – have a safe, efficient, balanced, and environmentally sound transportation system.

The DOT directly maintains and improves the State's approximately 43,700 State highway lane miles and nearly 7,900 bridges. In addition, the Department partially funds locally-operated transit systems, local government highway and bridge construction, and rail, airport, and canal programs.

Organization and Staffing

The Department is headed by a Commissioner appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation. The Department's main office is in Albany, with 11 regional offices in Schenectady, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Hornell, Watertown, Poughkeepsie, Binghamton, Hauppauge, and New York City. The Department also maintains highway maintenance and equipment repair facilities across the State.

Employees of the Department perform such activities as highway maintenance, snow and ice removal, highway and bridge design, and construction inspection. In addition, the Department's staff inspects school and charter buses, regulates commercial transportation, oversees public transportation systems and State-owned airports, and provides administrative support for the Department.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2019 Executive Budget recommends more than \$9.8 billion for the Department, a decrease of \$2.3 billion from the FY 2018 budget. This year-to-year change primarily reflects reforms in the budget that transfer Payroll Mobility Tax revenues directly to the MTA, and planned scheduling of commitments related to DOT's historic capital plan.

The Executive Budget includes a workforce of 8,523 FTEs for the Department, an increase of 70 over the amount funded in FY 2018, reflecting increased commitments to snow and ice control, and highway maintenance.

Major budget actions include:

- The Executive Budget provides funding for the fourth year of DOT's capital plan for the period that began in FY 2016, and reflects significant additional commitments made in the FY 2018 budget. These investments will support needed improvements to New York State's highways, bridges, rail, aviation, and non-MTA transit infrastructure.
- The FY 2019 Executive Budget proposes to move costs associated with DOT's snow and ice removal program, along with the administration of three safety inspection programs from the DHBTf to the State's General Fund. Costs related to road and bridge repair, engineering, capital planning, maintenance of assets, and other activities related to DOT's capital plan will continue to be funded from the DHBTf. This proposal is the continuation of an effort to more accurately account for certain types of expenses. Accordingly, the FY 2019 Executive Budget reflects the movement of \$376 million in non-capital costs to the General Fund.
- The Executive Budget provides operating support totaling almost \$5.4 billion to transit systems. The MTA will receive almost \$4.9 billion (a combination of on-budget and off-budget resources), an increase of \$334 million from FY 2018, and other transit systems will receive a record-high \$525 million of annual operating assistance. The Budget funds half of the MTA's Subway Action Plan, begins moving the Payroll Mobility Tax to off-budget status, and includes an \$8 million appropriation for transit service over the Mario M Cuomo Bridge.
- Capital Aid to Local Governments for highway and bridge projects is preserved at FY 2017 levels, with \$438.1 million provided for the Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) and \$39.7 million for the Marchiselli program. The Budget also continues the State's commitment to providing \$100 million for local bridge projects through the BRIDGE NY program, and \$100 million for local highway improvements through the PAVE NY program.

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Program Highlights

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Highway Construction and Maintenance: Improving the State’s vital transportation infrastructure remains the agency’s highest priority. During 2016-17, the Department replaced or rehabilitated a total of 330 State bridges, and completed 5,417 corrective and preventive bridge treatments to slow deterioration. In addition, 1,687 lane miles of State highway were resurfaced or reconstructed. Construction of virtually all highway and bridge projects is performed by private firms, while most corrective and preventive maintenance activities are performed by DOT staff.

Engineering: State staff and private-sector consultants perform the planning, property acquisition, design engineering, environmental reviews, surveying, materials and soils testing, and construction inspection necessary to deliver the Department’s capital program.

Local Highway Aid: The State makes a significant investment in helping localities maintain safe roads and bridges through the CHIPS, Marchiselli, BRIDGE NY and PAVE NY programs. The CHIPS program provides aid to cities, counties, towns and villages on a formula basis, while the Marchiselli program helps local governments meet required matching requirements on Federally funded projects. The BRIDGE NY and PAVE NY programs were created in the FY 2017 budget, and provide additional State aid for local bridge and highway projects.

Transportation Safety and Environmental Compliance: Department staff perform safety inspections of school buses throughout New York State. In addition, the Department administers safety and emissions inspections of commercial trucking on State highways, as well as a comprehensive program to ensure public safety along the State’s commercial rail corridors.

**ALL FUNDS
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Category	Available FY 2018	Appropriations Recommended FY 2019	Change From FY 2018	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2019
State Operations	46,343,000	386,550,000	340,207,000	116,690,000
Aid To Localities	5,210,993,300	4,099,032,600	(1,111,960,700)	425,884,000
Capital Projects	6,879,114,000	5,355,365,000	(1,523,749,000)	17,986,987,000
Total	12,136,450,300	9,840,947,600	(2,295,502,700)	18,529,561,000

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ALL FUND TYPES
PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM
FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Program	FY 2018 Estimated FTEs 03/31/18	FY 2019 Estimated FTEs 03/31/19	FTE Change
Bus Safety			
General Fund	0	95	95
Design and Construction			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	2,594	2,594	0
Motor Carrier Safety			
General Fund	0	54	54
New York Metropolitan Transportation Council			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	53	53	0
Non-Federally Aided Highway Capital Projects - Administration			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	425	425	0
Operations			
General Fund	0	2,385	2,385
Office of Passenger and Freight Transportation Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	73	73	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	46	46	0
Capital Projects Funds - Other	160	0	(160)
Planning and Program Management			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	514	514	0
Preventive Maintenance			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	4,428	2,113	(2,315)
Rail Safety			
General Fund	0	11	11
Real Estate			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	160	160	0
Total	8,453	8,523	70

STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2018	Recommended FY 2019	Change
General Fund	0	339,351,000	339,351,000
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	30,909,000	31,489,000	580,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	15,434,000	15,710,000	276,000
Total	46,343,000	386,550,000	340,207,000

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STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
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Program	Available FY 2018	Recommended FY 2019	Change
Bus Safety			
General Fund	0	7,233,000	7,233,000
Motor Carrier Safety			
General Fund	0	6,242,000	6,242,000
Operations			
General Fund	0	325,084,000	325,084,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	3,210,000	3,210,000	0
Office of Passenger and Freight Transportation Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	30,909,000	31,489,000	580,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	12,224,000	12,500,000	276,000
Rail Safety			
General Fund	0	792,000	792,000
Total	46,343,000	386,550,000	340,207,000

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2019 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Bus Safety	6,638,000	6,638,000	5,860,000	5,860,000
Motor Carrier Safety	3,537,000	3,537,000	3,377,000	3,377,000
Operations	158,881,000	158,881,000	120,014,000	120,014,000
Rail Safety	705,000	705,000	664,000	664,000
Total	169,761,000	169,761,000	129,915,000	129,915,000

Program	Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)		Holiday/Overtime Pay	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Bus Safety	0	0	778,000	778,000
Motor Carrier Safety	0	0	160,000	160,000
Operations	4,102,000	4,102,000	34,765,000	34,765,000
Rail Safety	0	0	41,000	41,000
Total	4,102,000	4,102,000	35,744,000	35,744,000

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2019 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Bus Safety	595,000	595,000	25,000	25,000
Motor Carrier Safety	2,705,000	2,705,000	78,000	78,000
Operations	166,203,000	166,203,000	98,576,000	98,576,000
Rail Safety	87,000	87,000	15,000	15,000
Total	169,590,000	169,590,000	98,694,000	98,694,000

Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Bus Safety	415,000	415,000	65,000	65,000
Motor Carrier Safety	100,000	100,000	2,512,000	2,512,000
Operations	3,000,000	3,000,000	48,116,000	48,116,000
Rail Safety	61,000	61,000	5,000	5,000
Total	3,576,000	3,576,000	50,698,000	50,698,000

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Bus Safety	90,000	90,000
Motor Carrier Safety	15,000	15,000
Operations	16,511,000	16,511,000
Rail Safety	6,000	6,000
Total	16,622,000	16,622,000

STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2019 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Operations	3,210,000	0	0	0
Office of Passenger and Freight Transportation Program	43,989,000	856,000	17,058,000	298,000
Total	47,199,000	856,000	17,058,000	298,000

Program	Nonpersonal Service	
	Amount	Change
Operations	3,210,000	0
Office of Passenger and Freight Transportation Program	26,931,000	558,000
Total	30,141,000	558,000

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AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2018	Recommended FY 2019	Change
General Fund	114,350,800	294,850,800	180,500,000
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	73,300,000	73,300,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	5,023,342,500	3,730,881,800	(1,292,460,700)
Total	5,210,993,300	4,099,032,600	(1,111,960,700)

AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Program	Available FY 2018	Recommended FY 2019	Change
Additional Mass Transportation Assistance Program			
General Fund	70,220,000	250,720,000	180,500,000
Dedicated Mass Transportation Trust Fund Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	692,640,000	714,256,000	21,616,000
Local Transportation Planning Studies Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	33,500,000	33,500,000	0
Mass Transportation Assistance Program			
General Fund	25,251,000	25,251,000	0
Metropolitan Transportation Authority Support Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	2,086,245,000	730,488,000	(1,355,757,000)
Mass Transportation Operating Assistance Program			
General Fund	18,879,800	18,879,800	0
Mass Transportation Operating Assistance Fund Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	2,041,467,400	2,083,147,700	41,680,300
Mass Transportation Operating Assistance Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	202,990,100	202,990,100	0
Office of Passenger and Freight Transportation Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	17,900,000	17,900,000	0
Rural and Small Urban Transit Aid Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	21,900,000	21,900,000	0
Total	5,210,993,300	4,099,032,600	(1,111,960,700)

CAPITAL PROJECTS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2018	Recommended FY 2019	Change	Reappropriations FY 2019
Aviation				
Airport or Aviation Program				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	358,000
Capital Projects Fund - Aviation	0	0	0	2,010,000

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(Bondable)				
Airport or Aviation Program -- Bondable				
Capital Projects Fund - Aviation (Bondable)	0	0	0	824,000
Airport or Aviation State Program				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	4,000,000	4,000,000	0	39,271,000
Regional Aviation Fund	0	0	0	8,417,000
Aviation				
Transportation Capital Facilities Bond Fund	0	0	0	3,329,000
Federal Airport or Aviation				
Federal Capital Projects Fund	6,000,000	6,000,000	0	53,925,000
New York Works				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	22,500,000	12,500,000	(10,000,000)	255,635,000
Non-Federal Aided Highway Capital Projects				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	1,176,000	1,186,000	10,000	1,176,000
Transportation Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Rebuild Renew NY 2005 (Bondable)	0	0	0	10,034,000
Bond Proceeds				
Rebuild and Renew New York Transportation Bonds of 2005				
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Canals and Waterways				
Canals and Waterways - Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	484,000
Transportation Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Rebuild Renew NY 2005 (Bondable)	0	0	0	16,139,000
Economic Development				
Non-Federal Aided Highway Capital Projects				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	179,380,000
Health and Safety				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	19,016,000	0	(19,016,000)	21,334,000
Highway Facilities				
Accelerated Capacity and Transportation Improvements Fund				
Accelerated Capacity and Transport Improvements Fund	0	0	0	23,010,000
Airport or Aviation State Program				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	99,000
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act				
Federal Stimulus	0	0	0	27,099,000
Engineering Services				
Engineering Services Fund	0	0	0	121,653,000
Federal Operating Grants Fund	20,513,000	19,379,000	(1,134,000)	85,472,000
Federal Aid Highways - Bondable Purpose				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure	0	0	0	6,080,000

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Renewal (Bondable)				
Federal Aid Highways - Federal Purpose				
Federal Capital Projects Fund	2,420,000,000	2,480,000,000	60,000,000	8,033,772,000
Highway Facilities				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	11,918,000
Infrastructure Bond Act Projects				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	7,251,000
Maintenance Facilities				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	5,000,000	5,000,000	0
Multi-Modal				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	33,175,000
Municipal Highway - Railroad Crossing Alterations				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	1,567,000
New York State Agency Fund				
Miscellaneous New York State Agency Fund	50,000,000	50,000,000	0	506,939,000
New York Works				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	891,528,000	102,904,000	(788,624,000)	1,390,047,000
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	45,683,000
Federal Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	14,240,000
Non-Federal Aided Highway Capital Projects				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	1,219,647,000	1,305,116,000	85,469,000	2,625,619,000
Other Highway Aid				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	1,150,000
Other Transportation Aid				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	542,797,000	477,797,000	(65,000,000)	897,586,000
Priority Bond Act Projects				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	7,056,000
Road and Bridge Improvements - Bondable				
Capital Projects Fund - AC and TI Fund (Bondable)	0	0	0	23,009,000
Small and Minority and Women-Owned Small Business Assistance				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	0	0	0	3,500,000
Transportation Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Rebuild Renew NY 2005 (Bondable)	0	0	0	17,997,000
Transportation Infrastructure Renewal Bond Fund				
Transportation Infrastructure Renewal Bond Fund	0	0	0	29,149,000
Infrastructure				
New York Works				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	783,175,000	356,175,000	(427,000,000)	1,104,984,000

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Maintenance Facilities				
Maintenance Facilities				
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	18,165,000	27,405,000	9,240,000	74,509,000
Mass Transportation and Rail Freight				
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act				
Federal Stimulus	0	0	0	124,036,000
Mass Transportation				
Capital Projects Fund	38,500,000	38,500,000	0	177,649,000
Mass Transportation and Rail Freight				
Capital Projects Fund	18,500,000	18,500,000	0	223,606,000
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	0	0	0	6,122,000
Capital Projects Fund - Energy Conservation (Bondable)	0	0	0	148,000
Capital Projects Fund – Settlement Funds	20,000,000	0	(20,000,000)	20,000,000
Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	54,330,000	54,330,000	0	176,474,000
Federal Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	19,573,000
Mass Transportation and Rail Freight Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	2,682,000
New York Works				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	45,000,000	45,000,000	0	118,080,000
Other Transportation Aid				
Federal Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	69,187,000
Rail Freight				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	120,000
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	1,291,000
Capital Projects Fund - Advances	0	0	0	21,360,000
Rail Preservation and Development Fund				
Rail Preservation Development Bond Fund	0	0	0	164,000
Small and Minority and Women-Owned Small Business Assistance				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	5,000,000
Special Rail and Aviation Program				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	4,652,000
Transportation Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Rebuild Renew NY 2005 (Bondable)	0	0	0	30,801,000
Port Development				
Port Development Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Infrastructure Renewal (Bondable)	0	0	0	55,000
Transportation Bondable				
Cap Proj Fund - Rebuild Renew NY 2005 (Bondable)	0	0	0	15,307,000
Preservation of Facilities				
Non-Federal Aided Highway Capital Projects				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	74,000

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Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund	704,267,000	351,573,000	(352,694,000)	773,123,000
Total	6,879,114,000	5,355,365,000	(1,523,749,000)	17,986,987,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/16/2018