

RHODE ISLAND

In the most recent *ASCE Report Card for Rhode Island's Infrastructure*, the [state earned a cumulative grade of a "C-."](#) The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) provides significant new funding to improve the condition of Rhode Island's infrastructure systems and better ensure our infrastructure is prepared for the future.

AVIATION: Rhode Island is home to one major airport that will benefit from the \$25 billion in increased airport infrastructure funding provided over 5 years from the IIJA.²⁶

BRIDGES: More than 22% of Rhode Island's bridges are in poor condition and considered structurally deficient. The IIJA provides \$40 billion in new funding for bridge repair, replacement, and rehabilitation – the single largest dedicated bridge investment in over 50 years.²⁷

RAIL: Rhode Island is home to one of the last freight rail bottlenecks on the Northeast corridor. To alleviate the bottleneck, additional track is likely needed that would allow freight trains to bypass Providence Station. The IIJA provides \$66 billion for passenger rail nationwide and funding can be coupled with local, state, and private funding to complete important projects.

ROADS: The Rhode Island Department of Transportation has identified more than \$378 million in unfunded pavement maintenance and reconstruction needs. The state is set to receive \$1.78 billion over the next five years from the IIJA to help address these needs.

PORTS AND INLAND WATERWAYS: Rhode Island is home to 1 major port and 40 miles of inland waterways that will benefit from \$17 billion in new infrastructure funding over 5 years from the IIJA.²⁸

WASTEWATER: Since 2016, Rhode Island has received, on average, nearly \$60 million annually to finance wastewater projects through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program.²⁹ With IIJA funding, the state is set to receive roughly double that for the next 5 years.

DRINKING WATER: Rhode Island reports a \$833 million drinking water investment gap. The IIJA provides \$55 billion to upgrade the nation's water infrastructure.³⁰

DAMS: Rhode Island has 96 high hazard potential dams. The IIJA provides \$585 million for high hazard dam rehabilitation and \$148 million for dam safety programs.³¹

²⁶ Bureau of Transportation Statistics, "State Transportation by the Numbers."

²⁷ U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Bridge Technology. National Bridge Inventory 2017, Deficient Bridges by State and Highway System.

²⁸ Bureau of Transportation Statistics, "State Transportation by the Numbers."

²⁹ EPA CWSRF National Information Management System <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/clean-water-state-revolving-fund-cwsrf-national-information-management-system-reports>

³⁰ EPA Drinking Water Needs Survey, 2016

³¹ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, National Inventory of Dams, 2016