

2026

ILLINOIS INFRASTRUCTURE FACTS



IIJA Funded Projects

City of Chicago Bridge Rehabilitation:

This \$144 million award will rehabilitate four bridges over the Calumet River on Chicago's South Side, resulting in improved structural integrity, safety, and reliability for critical transportation links.

Upper Mississippi River System Investment:

This \$829 million award will build a new 1,200-foot lock and modernize existing locks and dams, resulting in strengthened supply chains and improved movement of critical goods like grain along the Missouri, Illinois, and Iowa border.

Brandon Road Lock and Dam Invasive Species Project:

This \$226 million award will build barriers in the Illinois Waterway to prevent invasive carp from entering the Great Lakes, resulting in protection of regional ecosystems and safeguarding the over \$20 billion fishing and boating industries.



As of January 2025,

\$20.7 billion

has been distributed across Illinois from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, funding

1,119 projects.

Infrastructure At A Glance



\$60.6 billion

Amount in damages from \$1B+ disaster events experienced since 1980



\$42.7 billion

in wastewater needs



26,927

bridges: 10% of which were structurally deficient in 2025



2,022

miles of levees protect 294,000 residents



392.8 million

passenger trips across 98 systems



250

high-hazard dams



39% of roads are in poor or fair condition

Each motorist pays \$777 driving on roads in need of repair, and every resident loses \$1,617 to crashes



\$59.2 billion

Total drinking water need