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RHODE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE FACTS



IIJA Funded Projects

Newport Pell Bridge Rehabilitation:

This \$82.5 million award will rehabilitate the 4-lane Newport Pell suspension bridge over Narragansett Bay, ensuring structural integrity and improving safety for travelers.

I-95 15:

Infrastructure for Tomorrow's Economy Project: This \$251 million award will improve the condition of 15 bridges along I-95 in Providence, supporting the safe movement of goods and residents and strengthening connections to key neighborhoods throughout the city.

Right-sizing Route 37:

Improving Community Connectivity: This \$25 million award will fund multimodal improvements on RI Route 37, enhancing transit connections, implementing transit signal priority, and positioning the area for future light rail or bus service to increase affordable transportation options.



As of January 2025,

\$3.4 billion

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

323 projects.

Infrastructure At A Glance



\$3 billion

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



\$5.2 billion

in wastewater needs



787

bridges: 14% of which were structurally deficient in 2025



4

miles of levees protect 20,300 residents



13.1 million

passenger trips across 2 systems



95

high-hazard dams



72% of roads are in poor or fair condition

Each motorist pays \$966 driving on roads in need of repair, and every resident loses \$2,120 to crashes



\$5.2 billion

Total drinking water need

Produced in December 2025, but data years vary.

See <https://infrastructurereportcard.org/rhode-island> for more sources and more information.