

Transportation Facts of Tennessee

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Highways and Bridges

There are 14,150 miles of roadway in Tennessee.

- 1,073 miles of interstate
- 13,077 miles of state roads

The quality of Tennessee's roads is consistently ranked among the top five in the nation.

There are 7,580 state-owned bridges and 12,010 locally-owned bridges.

Tennessee ranks 11th in nation in bridge quality.

Tennessee's central location puts it within a day's drive of 75% of the country.



Aviation

Tennessee has 78 public use airports, 6 commercial airports and 110 heliports.

The Memphis International Airport is home to Federal Express world hub and UPS regional hub and is the world's largest cargo airport.

There is 380,057 feet of paved runway in the state of Tennessee.



Public Transportation

24 transit (bus, van and light rail) systems serve all 95 Tennessee counties.

Public transit use in the United States has risen 21% in the last five years.

The CARTA transit system in Chattanooga is one of the few electric powered bus systems in the United States.



Bicycle/Pedestrian

Tennessee has 5 regional bicycle tours totaling 690 miles.

8,500 roadway miles in Tennessee have 4-foot shoulders to accommodate bicycles.

Over 150 miles of greenways, sidewalks and trails are enjoyed by pedestrians and bicyclists each year.



Waterways

There are 888 main channel miles of navigable rivers in Tennessee

The Port of Memphis is the second largest water port on the Mississippi River handling 17 million tons per year.



Freight Movement

Tennessee is a major North American hub for trucking and distribution.

Tennessee was ranked 5th in the nation for logistics growth by *Business Facilities* magazine.

In 1998, 501 million tons of freight was shipped to, from and within Tennessee using various modes of transport. That number is expected to reach 866 million tons by 2020.



Railroads

20 shortline railroads operate on 810 miles of rail and 6 Class I rail lines operate on 2,340 miles of rail throughout Tennessee.