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2002-03 Transportation Appropriation Bill

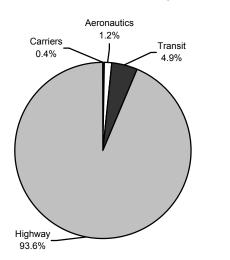
The transportation appropriation bill for the 2002-03 biennium appropriated over \$3.5 billion, with most of the money going for highways.

The appropriationsThe appropriation bill for transportation agencies for the 2002-03 biennium
totaled \$3.575 billion. This amount was later reduced by \$4.1 million in the
2002 budget balancing bill.

The money was appropriated for the Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council's transit functions, and transportation-related activities of the Department of Public Safety (DPS).

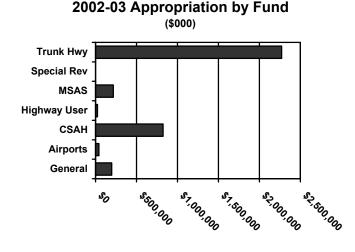
Highways predominate in the transportation appropriation bill, accounting for about 90 percent of the spending by mode. Dedicated funds account for over 94 percent of the total spending, and of these, almost all are dedicated highway funds. General fund spending in the bill amounts to less than 6 percent.

MnDOT receives about 90 percent of the money in the bill, with DPS receiving about 6 percent, and transit operated or assisted by the Metropolitan Council receiving the remainder.

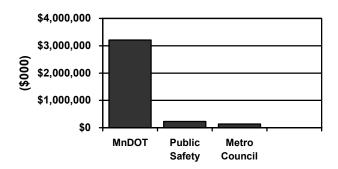


2002-03 Appropriation by Mode

Transportation ModesHighway: State highway construction, maintenance,
administration, law enforcement; state aid for county and
city streets and highwaysTransit: Operating assistance for metropolitan and
Greater Minnesota transit systemsAeronautics: State aeronautics activities; aid for local
airportsCarriers: Motor carriers, railroads, waterways, pipelines



2002-03 Appropriation by Agency



Transportation Funds

Trunk Hwy: The state trunk highway fund for construction, maintenance, and administration of the 11,000-mile state trunk highway system

Special Rev: The special revenue fund for fees that pay for state services

MSAS: The municipal state-aid street fund to aid state-aid street construction and maintenance in cities over 5,000 population

Highway User: The state highway user tax distribution fund (appropriations directly from this fund go to pay cost of collection for vehicle license taxes)

CSAH: The county state-aid highway fund for county state-aid highway construction and maintenance

Airports: The state airports fund used to support state aeronautics activities and aid local airport construction and maintenance

General: The state's general fund

Transportation Agencies

MnDOT: State trunk highway construction, maintenance, and administration; aeronautics; greater Minnesota transit assistance; motor carrier services; ports, railroads, and waterways; state aid to local roads

Public Safety: State patrol; driver licensing; vehicle registration; traffic safety; pipeline safety

Metro Council: Metro Transit; Metro Mobility; assistance to opt-out systems and other metro area transit systems

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