

The Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT's) Statewide Rural Connectivity Initiative is focused on systematically upgrading rural corridors on the Texas Highway Trunk System (TTS) to four-lane divided or better highways.

The TTS provides safe, reliable, high-speed travel between economic activity centers – e.g., major cities, oil and gas production areas, deep-draft sea ports, land ports of entry, and agricultural areas - in Texas while supporting the economic health of communities along the corridors. These communities along rural connectivity corridors are defined as small and medium size cities outside urbanized areas that benefit from improved access to markets throughout the state.

The Statewide and Rural Connectivity Task Force guides and provides strategic direction on the prioritization of Key Corridors on the TTS for upgrade to four lane divided or better highways.



US 59 from Laredo to Houston is one of the key corridors identified by the Statewide and Rural Connectivity Program for improvement to a four-lane divided corridor. This key corridor is a major freight corridor that connects Laredo (the number one land border crossing in the U.S.) and the Port of Houston (the number one sea port in the U.S. in terms of tonnage), provides an alternative to the I-35 and I-10 corridors, continues development of I-69, and connects to Texas sea ports.

Key廊道支持德州的经济繁荣和社区

Socio-economic Demographics

7.1 M people 3.1 M jobs

Source: 2023, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau
Includes county that the corridor traverse plus adjacent county

Annual Average Daily Traffic

1K - 55k

Source: 2023 TxDOT Roadway Inventory Annual Data

Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic

600 - 17K (~29% of all traffic)

Source: 2023 TxDOT Roadway Inventory Annual Data

支持制造业部门对德州GDP的贡献

\$89.1 B

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (2022 GDP in current dollars)
Includes establishments engaged in the mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials, substances, or components into new products.

支持批发和零售贸易部门对德州GDP的贡献

\$106.9 B

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (2022 GDP in current dollars)
Includes establishments engaged in wholesaling and retailing merchandise, generally without transformation and rendering services incidental to the sale of merchandise.

支持能源部门对德州GDP的贡献

\$53.8 B

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (2022 GDP in current dollars)
Includes establishments that extract naturally occurring mineral solids, such as coal and ores; liquid minerals, such as crude petroleum; and gases, such as natural gas.

* Includes county that the corridor traverse plus adjacent county

走廊特征

该州高速公路干道系统(TTS)是一个网络，旨在改善农村交通，连接主要活动中心(即，连接超过20,000人口的社区和连接到商业)，并提供进入德克萨斯州的通道。目标是将这些高速公路升级为4车道或更好的分隔高速公路。

走廊进度

Total Corridor Length	To TTS Standards	Not to TTS Standards	Total	
	4+ Lane Divided	2 Lanes	4 Lanes Undivided	Total
264 mi	112 mi (46%)	136 mi	16 mi	152 mi

Source: 2023 TxDOT Roadway Inventory Annual Data

安全走廊

In 2023, statewide rural crashes occur 1.8 times as often on undivided highways than on divided highways. Rural undivided roadways account for 2 in 3 rural crashes and 3 in 4 rural fatalities.

Between 2019-2023



Number of Crashes
5,056

Number of Fatal Crashes
70

Source: TxDOT Crash Records Information System (CRIS)



Investments Needed to Address Crash Hotspots

\$665.8 M (High-level Estimates)

Source: TxDOT Road Inventory and TxDOT Crash Records Information System (CRIS)
Connecting Texas 2050 Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan

Crash hotspots are locations where crash rates are equal to or higher than 90 crashes per hundred million VMT.

走廊项目摘要



Completed (Since 2019)
2.3 mi (\$19.1 M)

Source: Sitemanager



Under Construction
23.9 mi (\$885.6 M)

Source: 2025 UTP, Sitemanager, TxDOTCONNECT



Fully Funded
58.2 mi (\$1572.1M)

Source: 2025 UTP, TxDOTCONNECT



Partial/Unfunded
112 mi (\$1522.5M)

Source: 2025 UTP, TxDOTCONNECT

Project tracking since 2019, following the identification of key corridors.
Project data verified by TxDOT Districts and TPP-UTP. Data accurate as of February 2025.
Mileage includes sum of all project lengths. Cost includes sum of Estimated Construction Cost.