North Carolina’s Highway System

The Division of Highways supports the delivery of statewide transportation projects and is responsible for nearly 80,000 miles of road in North Carolina, making it the nation’s second largest state-maintained highway system.

Traffic Safety

In 2016, 42% of people killed on NC roads were unbuckled at the time of the crash.

In 2016, 20% of crashes in NC involved a driver that was distracted.

More than 800 traffic cameras across the state allow NCDOT to monitor conditions to quickly respond to incidents and alert motorists through more than 300 dynamic message signs.*

Source: North Carolina 2016 Traffic Crash Facts, North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles

* As of January 2019

$4.7 billion

—NCDOT’s annual budget to build, operate, and maintain the state’s diverse transportation network

Source: NCDOT 2017 Annual Report
The North Carolina Priority Freight Network

North Carolina’s freight system plays a critical role every day for every resident and business – delivering goods to the state’s businesses and residents, keeping manufacturing plants operating, the store shelves stocked, medicine flowing at area medical facilities, and food on the table.

Freight transportation supports jobs throughout the state’s economy, including in all of North Carolina’s key exporting industries.

The state’s freight assets that are most critical to highway freight transportation include:

- **4,220** Highway miles
- **1,011** Miles in North Carolina on the National freight network

Truck Parking

The inventory of truck-parking facilities in North Carolina consists of 167 facilities that provide nearly 4,800 parking spaces throughout the state.

Approximately 59 percent of these facilities are private and 41 percent are public; however, about 85 percent of the truck parking spaces are private.

Challenges in Highway Freight

- Congestion
- Bridges and pavements
- Crash hotspots
- Truck parking
- Two-lane rural freight routes
- Technological Changes

77% of goods (over 429 million tons) were carried across North Carolina’s roads and highways by truck in 2015.

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