

BUILDING BACK BETTER IN DELAWARE

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act would be the First State's largest infrastructure investment in nearly a century

U.S. Senator Tom Carper

It's no secret that Delaware's infrastructure is overdue for some serious upgrades. The American Society of Civil Engineers gave the First State a D grade on its most recent infrastructure report card. Delawareans deserve better. That's why Senator Carper led the Senate to pass historic infrastructure legislation. Several of the provisions that Senator Carper authored will invest **billions of dollars in Delaware's infrastructure**, creating good-paying jobs and a better future for families. Here are a few examples of what the legislation will do for the First State:



Repair our aging roads and bridges

Delaware has 19 bridges and more than 250 miles of highway in poor condition. As a result, the average driver pays \$456 each year for driving on roads in need of repair. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest roughly **\$1.2 billion** in Delaware's highways and **\$225 million** in bridge replacement and repairs. These investments would focus on addressing climate change, enhancing equity, and improving safety for all Delawareans, including cyclists and pedestrians.



Build a network of electric vehicle (EV) chargers

As more Delawareans transition to driving EVs, they must have easy access to charging stations. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest **\$17.7 million** to expand Delaware's EV charging network. This is critical to addressing the climate crisis and supporting American manufacturing jobs.



Improve public transportation

Delawareans who take public transportation spend an extra 87 percent of their time commuting. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest roughly **\$220 million** to improve public transportation options in the First State. This would directly benefit communities of color who are more likely to use public transit.



Connect more Delawareans to high-speed internet

More than 1 in 10 households in Delaware don't have an internet subscription, which is unacceptable in the 21st century. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest at least **\$100 million** to help provide broadband coverage across the First State. 1 in 5 Delawareans would be eligible for assistance to make internet access affordable.



Invest in clean, safe drinking water

Communities across Delaware need help to modernize their drinking water and wastewater infrastructure. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will invest more than **\$355 million** to upgrade water systems across the state. This includes critical resources to remove lead pipes and clean up toxic chemicals like PFAS.

All values are estimates