



Biden, Senators Reach Deal on Infrastructure Package

After weeks of negotiations, President Biden and a bipartisan group of senators have announced a deal on infrastructure spending. The agreement focuses on investments in roads, railways, bridges and broadband internet, but it does not include investments Biden has referred to as "human infrastructure," including money allocated for child care and tax credits for families.

According to the White House [fact sheet](#), the plan will be paid for with unused coronavirus relief funds, unused unemployment insurance and sales from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, among other measures. It is unclear at this point if "unused coronavirus relief funds" includes the roughly \$30 billion remaining in the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund.

WHAT'S IN THE AGREEMENT

Transportation: \$312 billion

- Roads, bridges, major projects: \$109 billion
- Safety: \$11 billion
- Public transit: \$49 billion
- Passenger and freight rail: \$66 billion
- Electric vehicles: \$7.5 billion
- Electric buses/transit: \$7.5 billion
- Reconnecting communities: \$1 billion
- Airports: \$25 billion
- Ports and waterways: \$16 billion
- Infrastructure financing: \$20 billion

Other infrastructure: \$266 billion

- Water: \$55 billion
- Broadband: \$65 billion
- Environmental remediation: \$21 billion
- Power, including grid authority: \$73 billion
- Western water storage: \$5 billion
- Resilience: \$47 billion

New spending + baseline (over 5 years) = \$975 billion

New spending + baseline (over 8 years) = \$1.209 trillion



PAY-FORS

- Reduce the IRS tax gap.
- Unemployment insurance program integrity.
- Redirect unused unemployment insurance relief funds.
- Repurpose unused relief funds from 2020 emergency relief legislation.
- State and local investment in broadband infrastructure.
- Allow states to sell or purchase unused toll credits for infrastructure.
- Extend expiring customs user fees.
- Reinstate Superfund fees for chemicals.
- 5G spectrum auction proceeds.
- Extend existing spending restraints over mandatory government programs.
- Strategic Petroleum Reserve sales.
- Public-private partnerships, private activity bonds, direct pay bonds and asset recycling for infrastructure investment.
- The expectation that infrastructure investment will generate economic growth.