2050 Statewide Transportation Plan

Appendix A: Public Engagement

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Overview

Appendix B summarizes the results of the extensive outreach by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT). The Statewide Transportation Plan builds on the expansive outreach from the last planning effort carrying forward the voices, priorities, and insights that we heard from communities across the state of Colorado. It reflects not only a continuation, but an evolution of that dialogue to ensure that we stay connected to what matters most to the people we serve.

How We Gathered Input

CDOT initiated the following outreach programs to gather input.

Rural Transportation Planning Region Input

CDOT collected input from Colorado's 10 rural Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs) through a series of at least four meetings over the course of more than a year. This input was crucial in shaping the Statewide and Regional Transportation Plans, representing over 40 meetings in total with rural regions across the state. (TPR Meetings — Colorado Department of Transportation provides details of the rural TPR meetings.)

Metropolitan Planning Organization Input

CDOT actively participates in the monthly planning meetings held by Colorado's five Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), in addition to our meetings with the rural TPRs. Attending these monthly meetings allows us to gather valuable input and maintain close coordination with the metropolitan areas across the state.

County Meetings

As an ongoing part of the planning process, CDOT holds county-level meetings to review local transportation needs, bringing together elected officials and community leaders to provide input.

Stakeholder Meetings

We hosted meetings to gather input from key stakeholder groups, such as freight carriers, environmental organizations, bicycle and pedestrian advocacy groups, and transit agencies.

Telephone Town Halls

Regional telephone town halls—live, over-the-phone events—allowed thousands of Coloradans to ask transportation-related questions and to participate in real-time polling. Held between April and June 2025, CDOT-sponsored town halls engaged more than 50,000 participants statewide. We

responded to more than 120 questions during the events, with participants staying on the line for an average of over eight minutes. (Telephone Town Hall — Colorado Department of Transportation provides details of the town halls.)

Online Survey

We used an online survey to gather public feedback on priorities and to address questions about transportation needs. More than 3,400 Coloradans participated in the Statewide Survey, with responses received from 61 counties, resulting in a dataset that is representative of each region across the state. (The archived online survey questions can be found here: Qualtrics Survey | Qualtrics Experience Management)

Bilingual Outreach

To ensure a more inclusive public engagement process, we provided bilingual materials and online surveys, as well as Spanish-language interpretation and simulcasting during the telephone town halls.



What CDOT Does for You

Policy Directive 14 (PD 14) provides the strategic framework for guiding transportation investments in Colorado. It sets clear performance goals aligned with statewide and federal priorities, helping to shape the 10-Year Plan, the 4-Year Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, and annual budgets. Informed by public and stakeholder input, CDOT has identified three key priority areas with defined performance targets that reflect the values and needs of communities across the state.

Fix Our Roads

Prioritize strategic investments in Colorado's highways to improve infrastructure conditions.

Advancing Transportation Safety

No matter where you're going or how you're getting there, Colorado is committed to providing you a safe and efficient transportation network, so you arrive at your destination safely.

Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

Provide alternatives to single occupancy vehicle travel that increase choices and reduce air pollution from transportation.

In addition to the primary services, CDOT also provides much more, including:

- Traffic monitoring
- Avalanche control and rockfall mitigation
- Transit operations, development, and grants
- Bicycle and pedestrian access and safety
- Traffic safety education for impaired driving, teen driving, distracted driving, work zone safety, seat belts, and more

CDOT helps you safely get to where you need to go in rain, snow, or shine. There are no days off for CDOT maintenance crews, who are often the first to arrive when a car breaks down or when there is an incident on the highway.



Our Performance

Telephone Town Hall Key Findings

As part of CDOT's outreach for the Statewide Transportation Plan, thousands of Coloradans participated in regional telephone town halls between April and June 2025. These live, over-the-phone forums provided residents an opportunity to ask questions, respond to live polls, and share concerns about Colorado's transportation system.

The feedback reflects a diverse range of priorities and perspectives, from road conditions and safety issues to transit accessibility and future investment needs. The comments that follow highlight recurring themes voiced by participants. Graphics present a snapshot of how Coloradans ranked current challenges and CDOT's strategic priorities across the state.

Statewide Results

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes, cracks, and surface damage on key highways and corridors (e.g., I-70, I-76, I-25, Highway 34, Highway 287, Highway 61, Highway 67, Highway 86, and US 6). Prioritize recurring problem areas using long-lasting, high-quality construction materials.
- Increase pavement maintenance, repaving frequency, and routine upkeep to extend pavement life and improve road conditions, particularly in rural and mountainous areas.
- Repair or replace deteriorating bridges and upgrade aging infrastructure to improve reliability and safety.
- Accelerate repair timelines and improve roadwork communication with the public through alerts or mobile tools.
- Collaborate with event organizers to mitigate congestion during large events with temporary solutions or traffic management strategies.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Enforce traffic laws more strictly, including distracted, impaired, and aggressive driving, through higher penalties and greater law enforcement presence.
- Improve winter road maintenance, reevaluate snow and ice treatment methods (e.g., sand use), and prepare for wildfire and rockfall risks.
- Redesign or improve safety at dangerous intersections and corridors (e.g., Highway 40, Highway 50, Exit 104, Highway 93/287/Dillon) with better signage, lighting, turn lanes, and calming measures.
- Enhance safety measures for construction zones and improve protocols to protect workers statewide.



- Install wildlife crossings and fencing to prevent vehicle-wildlife collisions, especially in high-risk corridors like I-25 and mountainous regions.
- Protect pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users through safer crossings, sidewalks, bike lanes, and separated facilities, particularly near highways, schools, and in dense areas.
- Manage freight impacts by improving routing and enforcing chain-up laws, especially on mountainous or congested corridors.
- Evaluate DMV testing access and update training to ensure drivers are properly prepared.
- Improve detection systems (e.g., cameras), update signage, and promote safe driving etiquette (e.g., yielding, passing).

- Expand public transit services and infrastructure statewide, including rural routes (e.g., Craig-Steamboat-Meeker, Pueblo-Denver corridor), ski areas, and Bustang/rail connections (e.g., Fort Collins, Colorado Springs, Denver, Longmont).
- Advance Front Range Passenger Rail and explore express lanes, high-capacity alternatives, and seasonal light rail service to key destinations.
- Provide affordable fare options for youth and transit-dependent populations; design transit infrastructure beyond ADA minimums to meet real-world accessibility needs.
- Integrate transit with safe biking and walking infrastructure to support multimodal access and connectivity.
- Expand and improve sidewalks, protected bike lanes, and crosswalks to ensure safe and connected routes for all users.
- Invest in secure, convenient park-and-ride locations to improve intercity commuting and regional transit use.
- Expand electric vehicle charging infrastructure, offer purchase/usage incentives, and consider the impact of EV adoption on long-term funding models.
- Improve the accuracy of navigation app data and increase transparency in public engagement by notifying residents about input opportunities (e.g., town halls)



Figure 1. Statewide Results - Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

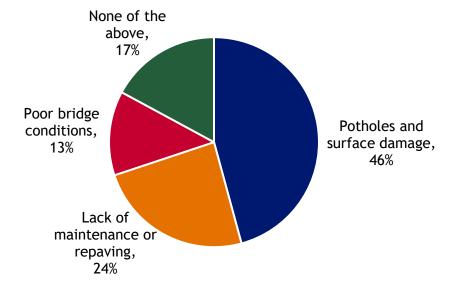


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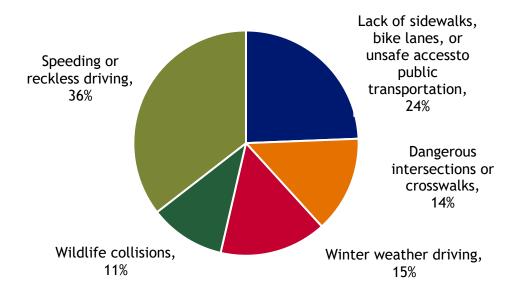


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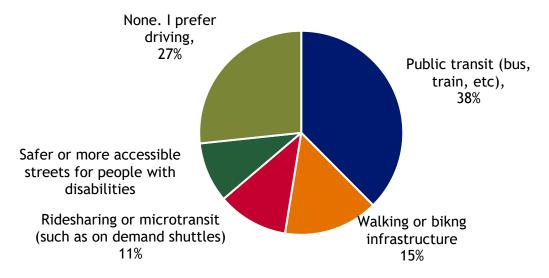
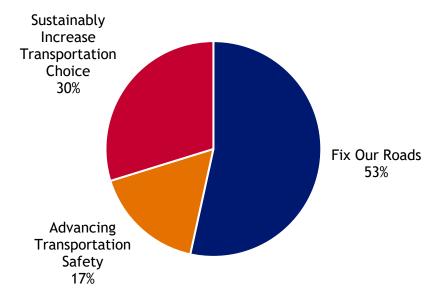


Figure 4. Statewide Results - CDOT's Top Priorities



Telephone Town Hall #1: El Paso, Fremont, Park, and Teller

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and resurface highways, especially along corridors like Highway 67 North and Highway 24 (Woodland Park to Florissant).
- Increase routine maintenance and repaying efforts to improve road conditions.
- Coordinate with event organizers and explore temporary policy solutions to reduce traffic congestion during major events.



Advance Transportation Safety

- Protect construction workers by enhancing work zone safety protocols and signage.
- Improve winter driving safety and reduce vehicle damage by reevaluating the use of sand for snow and ice management.
- Promote proper vehicle maintenance and roadworthiness to minimize safety risks.
- Improve safety at intersections and crosswalks, particularly near highways, to better protect pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Address gaps in DMV testing access and standards to ensure drivers are adequately prepared.

- Provide accessible and user-friendly public transit facilities that go beyond ADA compliance to meet real-world needs.
- Explore regional transit expansion opportunities, such as the Pueblo-Denver rail corridor.
- Invest in secure and convenient park-and-ride locations to support intercity commuting.
- Integrate transit planning with bike infrastructure to improve multimodal access and connectivity.
- Manage congestion in growing areas by considering express lanes and high-capacity alternatives.
- Address the implications of electric vehicle adoption on long-term transportation funding strategies.
- Increase access to public input opportunities by offering advance notice of telephone town halls and posting recordings for broader participation.

Figure 5. Town Hall #1 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

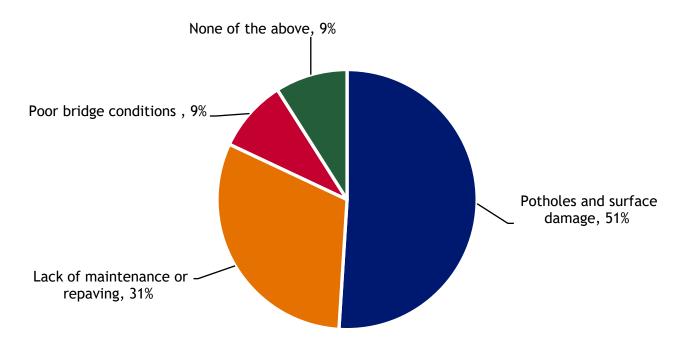




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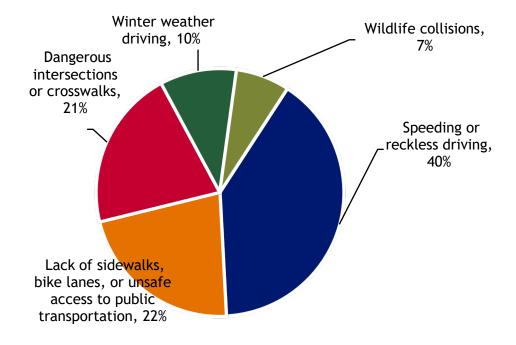


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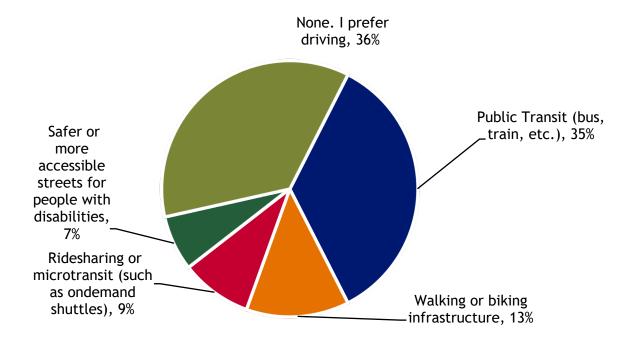
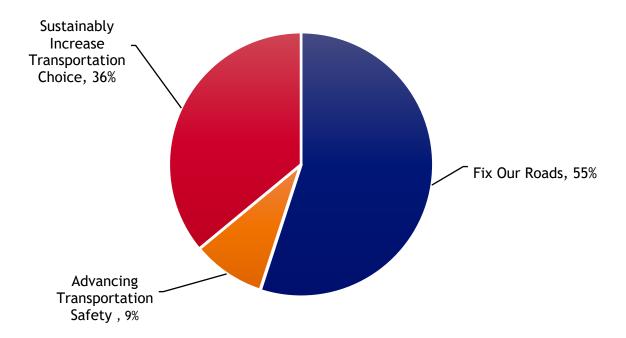




Figure 8. Town Hall #1 CDOT's Top Priorities





Telephone Town Hall #2: Baca, Bent, Crowley, Custer, Huerfano, Kiowa, Las Animas, Otero, Prowers, and Pueblo

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and damaged road surfaces, with specific concerns raised about the Kansas state line road.
- Increase repaving and maintenance efforts, especially in areas where road conditions have deteriorated.
- Develop a mobile notification tool or app to inform the public about upcoming road work and resurfacing projects.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Install rumble strips on two-lane mountain roads to improve safety and reduce the risk of runoff-road crashes.
- Improve safety at high-risk intersections, including Pueblo Boulevard and the I-25 corridor, where participants cited recurring accidents.
- Evaluate safety conditions at the Exit 104 roundabout, including signage visibility and driver behavior, and consider design or enforcement improvements to reduce crash risk.

Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

• Encourage more sustainable travel behaviors by promoting alternatives to single-occupancy vehicle trips.



Figure 9. Town Hall #2 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

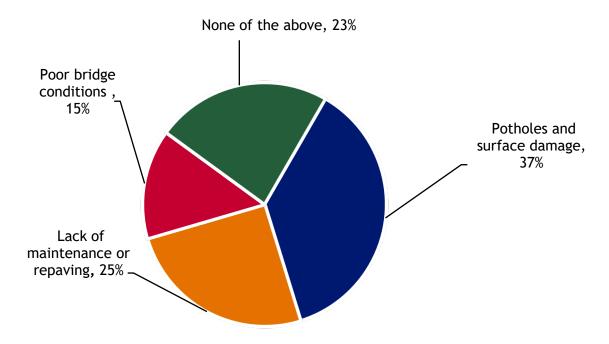


Figure 10. Town Hall #2 Transportation Options

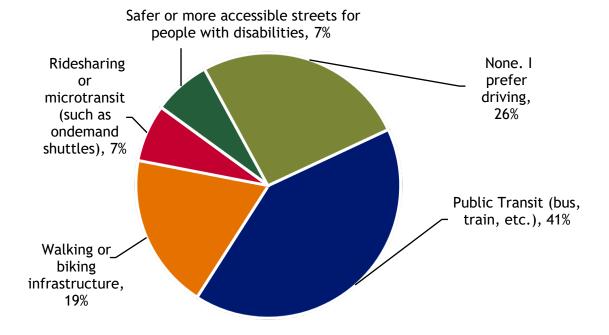
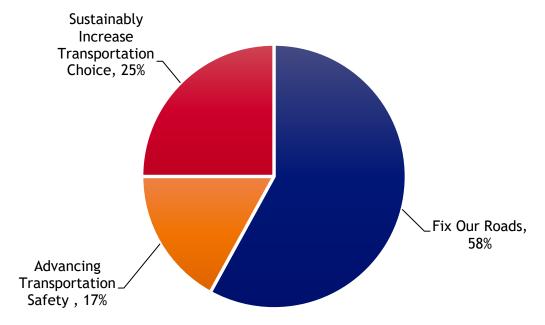


Figure 11. Town Hall #2 CDOT's Top Priorities



Telephone Town Hall #3: Larimer, Weld, and Morgan

Fix Our Roads

Increase pavement thickness to address lack of maintenance and repaving needs.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Improve safety measures for construction workers.
- Reduce wildlife collisions through targeted mitigation strategies.
- Enhance safety at dangerous intersections and crosswalks by adding road signage on I-25 (down to I-70), improving lane painting, expanding transportation service to Estes Park, and upgrading detection systems with cameras.

- Expand public transit options by providing rail service to Fort Collins.
- Manage growth and congestion through strategic planning and infrastructure improvements.
- Consider affordable fare structures to ensure accessibility for young adults.



Figure 12. Town Hall #3 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

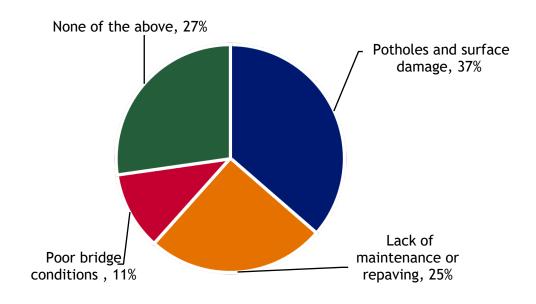


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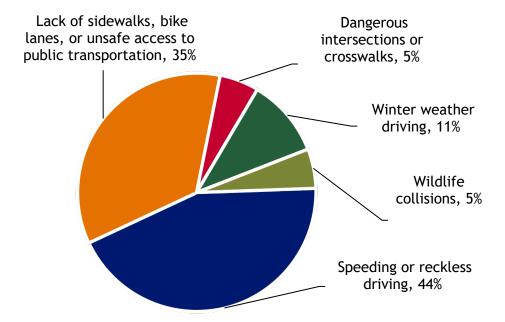


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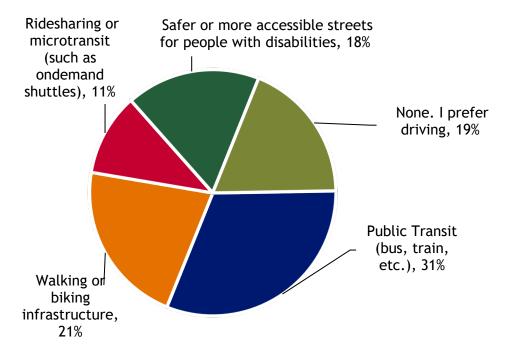
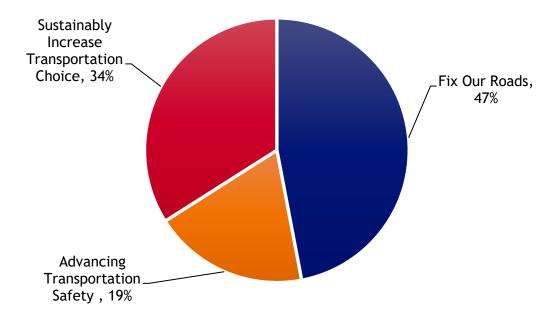


Figure 15. Town Hall #3 CDOT's Top Priorities





Telephone Town Hall #4: Clear Creek, Gilpin, Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Routt, Rio Blanco

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and surface damage on I-70 to prevent vehicle damage.
- Review and prioritize improvements on Highway 64 between Meeker and Rangely and continue monitoring progress and communication on Highway 13 upgrades.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Improve safety measures for construction workers.
- Mitigate wildfire and rockfall hazards along key corridors.
- Enhance safety at dangerous intersections and crosswalks, especially at Highway 40, with a focus on protecting children crossing.
- Enforce chain-up laws for commercial trucks, consider stronger penalties, and explore dedicated enforcement to reduce highway safety risks.
- Expand public education on safe driving behaviors, including passing etiquette and yielding to emergency vehicles.

- Provide public transportation between Rifle, Meeker, and Craig, with attention to the needs of older adults.
- Address traffic congestion on Highway 40 between Winter Park and Kremmling.
- Support electric vehicle adoption to meet rising demand.



Figure 16. Town Hall #4 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

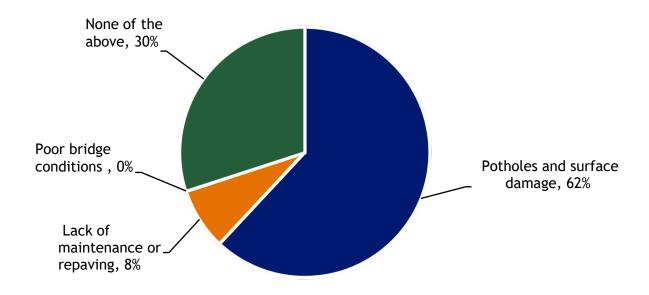


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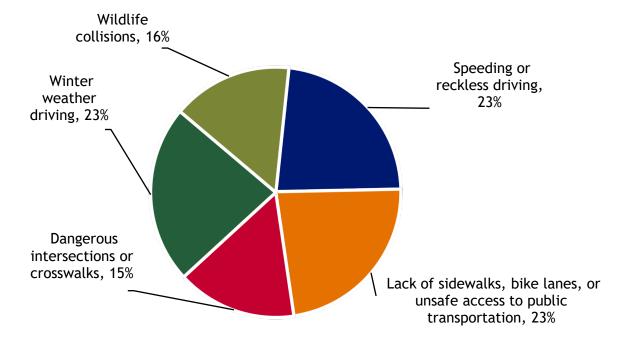




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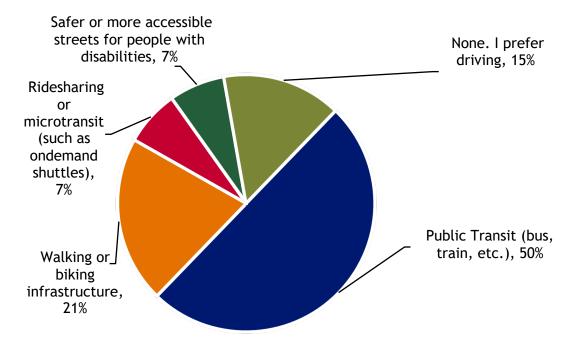
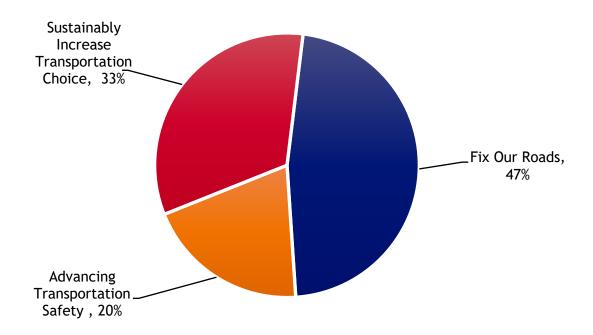


Figure 19. Town Hall #4 CDOT's Top Priorities





Telephone Town Hall #5: Adams, Boulder, Broomfield, and Jefferson

Fix Our Roads

Repair potholes and surface damage on I-70 to prevent vehicle damage.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Improve bicycle safety when traveling across Highway 93 by adding bike lanes, sidewalks, or safer access to public transportation.
- Evaluate and address motorcycle lane filtering to improve safety for all road users.
- Enhance safety at dangerous intersections, particularly at the intersection of Highway 287 and Dillon, where frequent accidents occur.

- Expand passenger rail service in Boulder to increase travel options.
- Adjust bus headways on Route 15 along East Colfax to reduce wait times and improve service frequency.
- Address congestion on I-25 between West Highway 270 and east of I-70 through targeted traffic management and infrastructure improvements.
- Support the adoption of electric vehicles by expanding charging infrastructure and incentives.

Figure 20. Town Hall #5 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

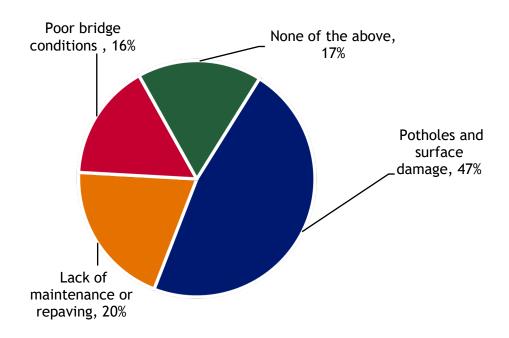




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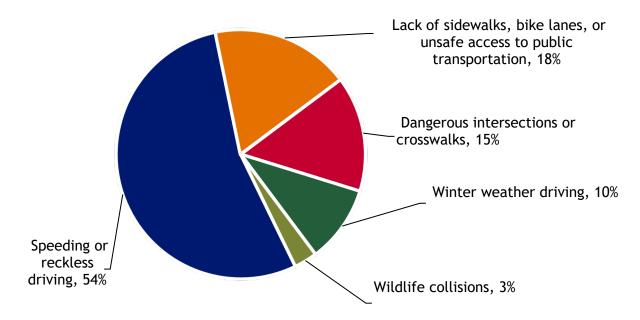


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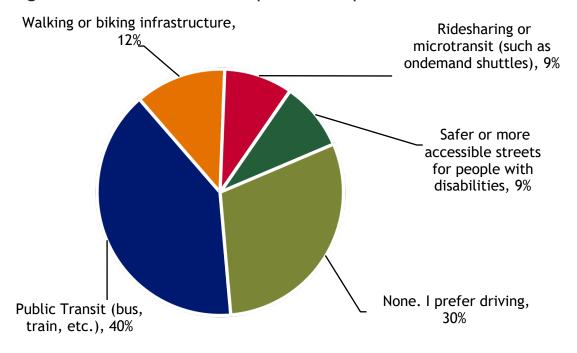
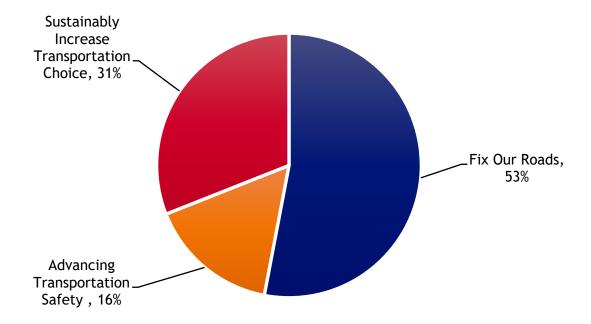


Figure 23. Town Hall #5 CDOT's Top Priorities



Telephone Town Hall #6: Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Logan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and surface damage on Highway 61, Highway 86, and Highway 34.
- Increase pavement maintenance and repaving efforts on US 6 from Atwood to Sterling, State Highway 63, and at Mile Marker 376 near Bovina on I-70.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Reduce speeding by lowering speed limits in areas with high incidents of reckless driving.
- Improve safety at dangerous intersections by widening Highway 86 from Highway 83 to Kiowa.
- Strengthen roadway maintenance programs to address safety hazards promptly.

- Expand public transportation options to improve regional connectivity.
- Enhance navigation app data and functionality to provide more accurate travel information.



Figure 24. Town Hall #6 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

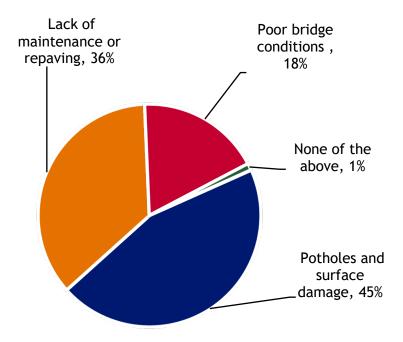


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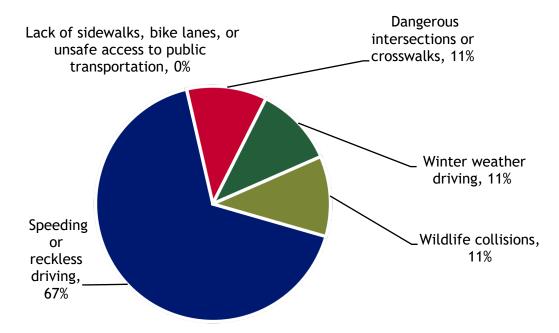




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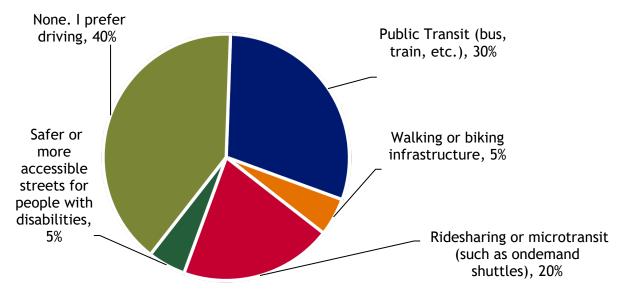
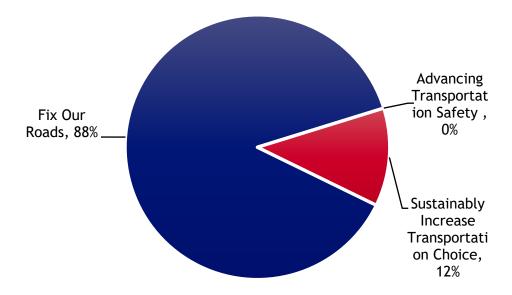


Figure 27. Town Hall #6 CDOT's Top Priorities





Telephone Town Hall #7: Alamosa, Archuleta, Conejos, Costilla, Dolores, Hinsdale, La Plata, Mineral, Montezuma, Rio Grande, Saguache, San Miguel, and San Juan

Fix Our Roads

Repair potholes and surface damage to improve road quality and safety.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Reduce speeding by lowering speed limits in areas with high incidents of reckless driving.
- Improve safety on the 160 road into Mancos from Durango by adding warning signs, maintaining consistent speed limits, and ensuring adequate passing lanes between Durango and Mancos.
- Address heavy freight traffic impacts through routing, timing, or infrastructure improvements.
- Enhance winter weather driving safety with better maintenance, snow/ice control, and travel information.
- Prevent wildlife collisions by installing fencing and other mitigation measures.

- Expand public transit services to ski areas along the Front Range, between Durango and Purgatory, and from Durango to the airport.
- Improve bicycle safety by adding separated bike lanes.
- Support the adoption of electric vehicles through charging infrastructure and incentives.
- Enhance navigation app data and functionality to provide accurate and reliable travel information.



Figure 28. Town Hall #7 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

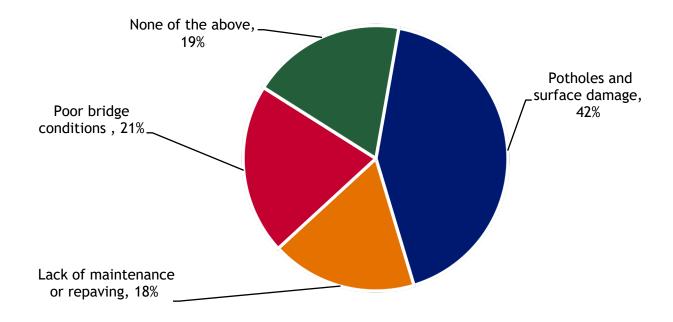


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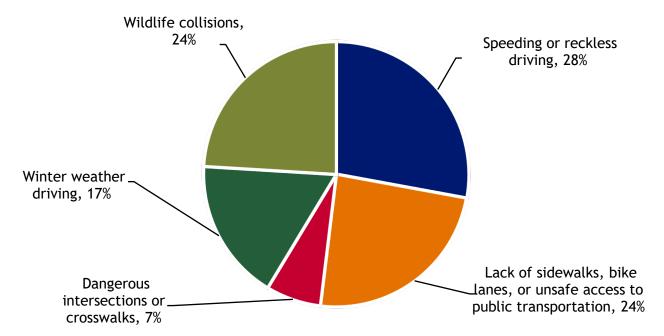


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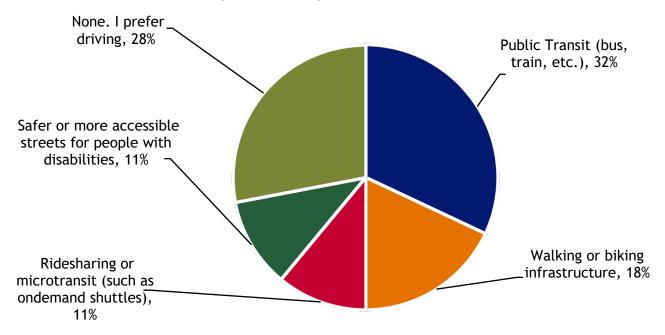
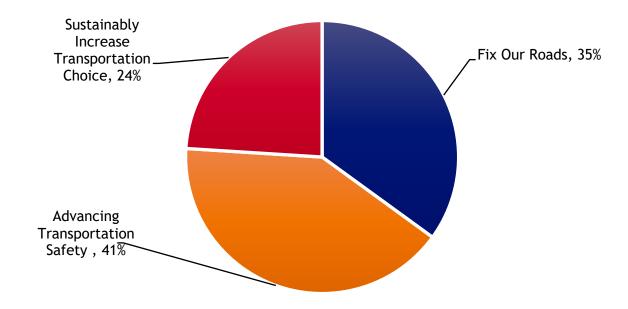


Figure 31. Town Hall #7 CDOT's Top Priorities





Telephone Town Hall #8: Chaffee, Delta, Eagle, Garfield, Gunnison, Lake, Mesa, Montrose, Ouray, Pitkin, and Summit

Fix Our Roads

Increase pavement maintenance and repaving efforts.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Improve safety at dangerous intersections and crosswalks, including along State Highway 82 in Glenwood Springs between I-70 and Aspen, on Highway 50 corridors, at I-70 ramps (especially exits 205 and 207), and by adding extra turn lanes on Highway 65.
- Expand sidewalks, bike lanes, and safe access to public transportation in the Grand Junction Valley.
- Strengthen construction worker safety measures on transportation projects.
- Mitigate rockfall hazards along high-risk corridors.

- Improve public transportation facilities, with a focus on expanding bus service in Mesa County.
- Expand the Bustang West Line service to increase regional travel options.
- Support the adoption of electric vehicles by enhancing infrastructure and incentives.

Figure 32. Town Hall #8 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

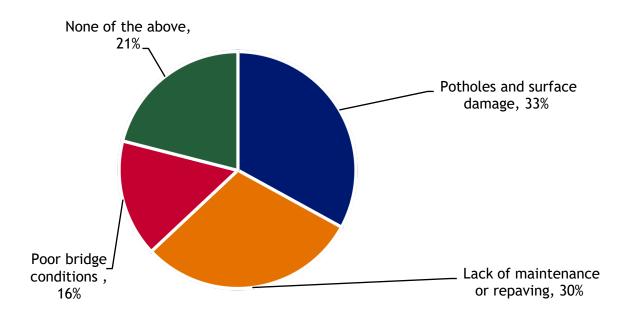




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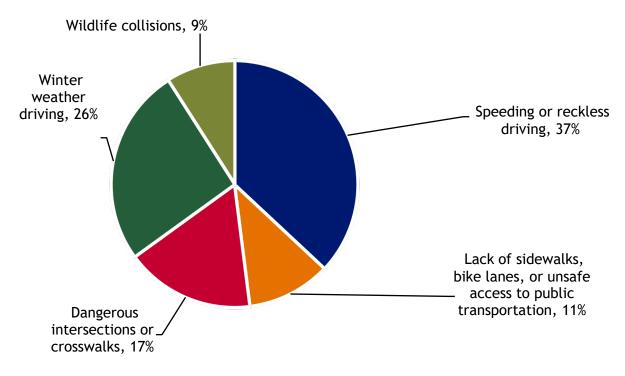


Figure 34. Town Hall #8 Transportation Options

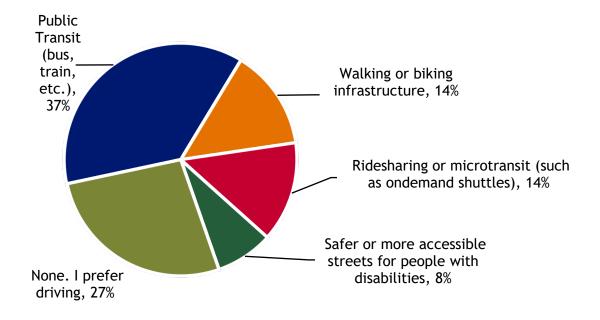
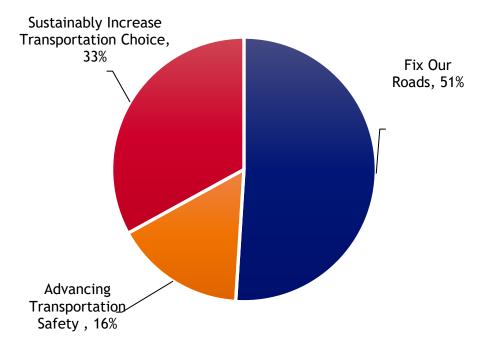


Figure 35. Town Hall #8 CDOT's Top Priorities



Telephone Town Hall #9: Denver, Arapahoe, and Douglas

Fix Our Roads

- Increase pavement maintenance and repaving efforts on state highways.
- Repair and upgrade bridges in poor condition to improve safety and reliability.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Improve safety at dangerous intersections, including I-270 and the ramp intersections at I-70.
- Expand sidewalks, bike lanes, and safe access to public transportation in north central Denver.
- Reduce speeding on I-25 south of Castle Rock to Larkspur through enforcement and traffic calming measures.
- Address freight traffic impacts through improved routing, scheduling, and infrastructure upgrades.

- Expand rail service for transit-dependent populations in northern Colorado, connecting to Denver.
- Provide safe and affordable rail or transit facilities with better station accessibility through pedestrian and bike improvements.
- Introduce light rail service to ski areas to improve seasonal mobility.



- Implement fast-track train service from Longmont to Denver to reduce travel time.
- Reduce public transit fares to improve affordability and encourage ridership.
- Expand walking and biking infrastructure to support active transportation options.

Figure 36. Town Hall #9 Biggest Concerns with Current Conditions

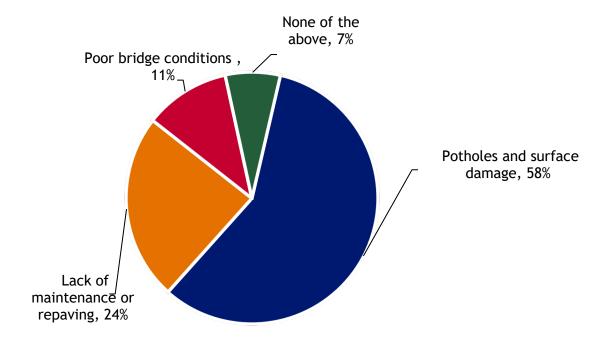




Figure 37. Town Hall #9 Biggest Safety Concerns

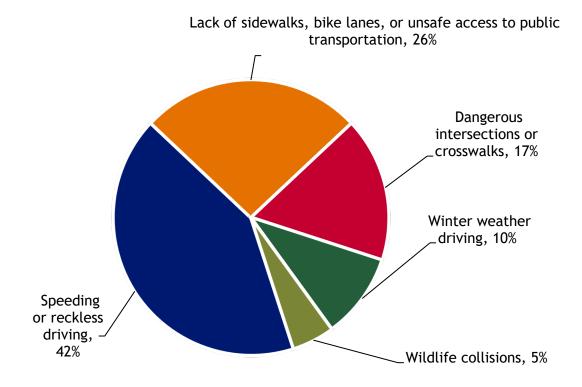


Figure 38. Town Hall #9 Transportation Options

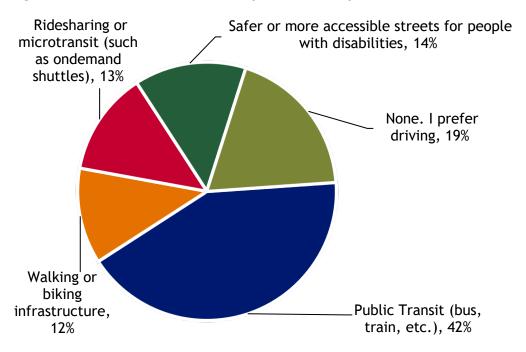
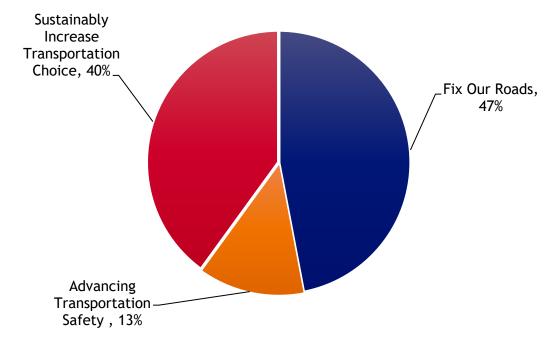


Figure 39. Town Hall #9 CDOT's Top Priorities



Online Survey Key Findings

CDOT conducted a Statewide Online Survey to gather additional public feedback on transportation priorities. More than 3,400 Coloradans from 61 counties participated, providing valuable input on needs and opportunities related to transit and mobility. Together, the telephone town halls and online survey played a crucial role in understanding statewide, regional, and local transportation needs, to ensure that the planning process was informed by a wide and representative range of voices from urban, suburban, and rural communities alike.

Mirroring the structure of the Telephone Town Hall Key Findings, public input themes are organized by the three PD 14 goals and how frequently each goal was ranked as the top priority. The summary also includes regional and statewide satisfaction scores, along with how participants would allocate CDOT's budget across different transportation categories. Both statewide and region-specific results are presented.

Statewide Results

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes, cracks, surface damage, and bridge joints using long-lasting, high-quality materials and construction standards.
- Prioritize long-term, proactive maintenance strategies to extend pavement life and reduce recurring issues.



- Improve road markings, signage, and visibility to enhance safety and navigation, especially at night and during inclement weather.
- Accelerate road repair timelines and construction schedules to minimize disruptions and prevent vehicle damage.
- Use durable construction materials and techniques for sustained roadway performance, particularly on heavily traveled corridors such as I-70, I-25, I-76, Highway 34, and Highway 287.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Enforce traffic laws, targeting aggressive, reckless, distracted, and impaired driving, through increased penalties and law enforcement presence.
- Improve safety at hazardous intersections through redesigns, added signage, lighting, and visibility upgrades.
- Construct wildlife crossings and chain-up stations, especially in mountainous and high-collision corridors.
- Enhance winter maintenance and prepare for severe weather events and climate hazards like flooding and wildfires.
- Add paved shoulders on narrow mountain roads and expand lanes where necessary to reduce congestion and improve emergency access.
- Implement traffic calming measures in high-risk areas, particularly residential neighborhoods intersecting state highways.
- Build safe, connected pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, including protected bike lanes, sidewalks, and safe crossings.
- Increase protection for road workers through enhanced safety measures and construction zone design.

- Expand public transportation services and infrastructure, including Front Range Passenger Rail and Bustang routes, to increase connectivity across rural and urban areas.
- Improve frequency, accessibility, and reliability of transit, particularly in underserved communities.
- Develop safe, accessible walking and biking networks to support active transportation and first/last-mile connections.
- Invest in infrastructure that supports electric vehicle adoption, including expanded statewide charging networks and incentives.
- Reduce traffic congestion through integrated multimodal planning, transit-oriented development, and coordinated traffic management strategies.



Figure 40. Statewide Results - Fix Our Roads

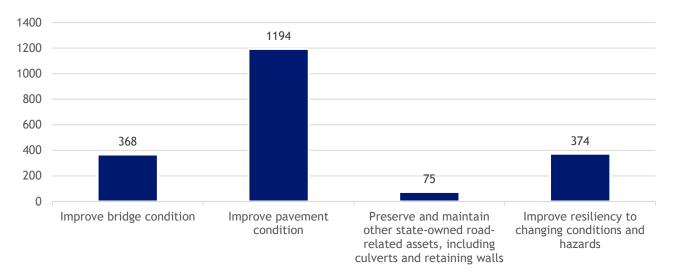


Figure 41. Statewide Results - Advancing Transportation Safety

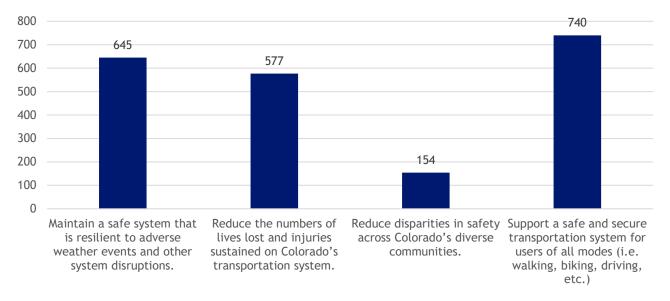




Figure 42. Statewide Results - Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

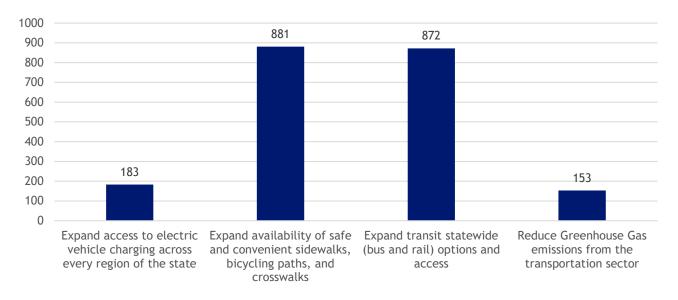


Figure 43. Statewide Results - PD 14 Rankings

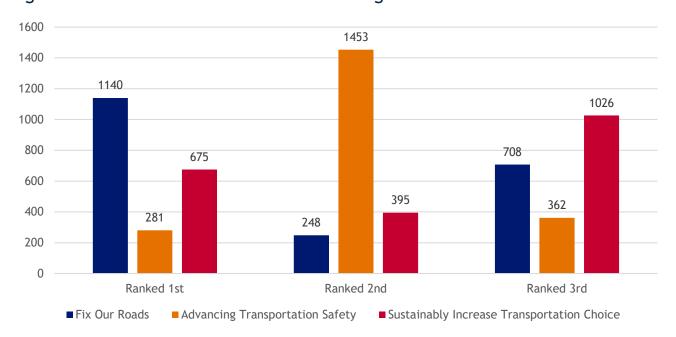
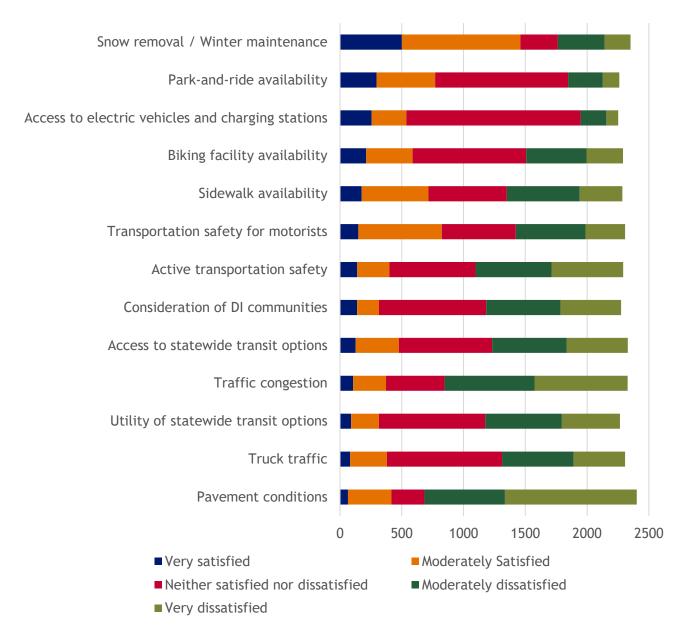




Figure 44. Statewide Level of Satisfaction



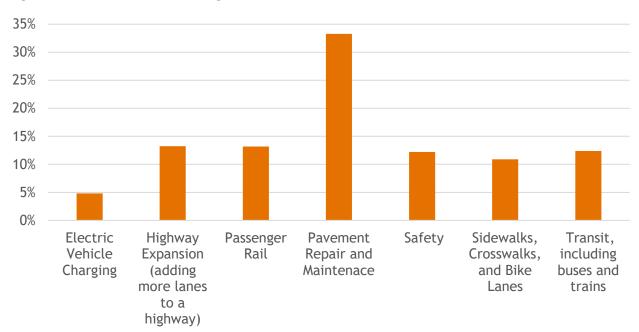


Figure 45. Statewide Budget Allocation

CDOT Region 1: Denver Metro/Central Colorado

Counties: Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Gilpin and Jefferson

Fix Our Roads

- Repair uneven road surfaces, recurring potholes, failing bridge joints, and deteriorating "patch" repairs (e.g., I-76 between I-25 and Pecos; southbound I-25 between Erie and Highway 7; I-25 north at 8th Avenue; I-70 near the Eisenhower Tunnel; CO-128 and CO-170).
- Implement long-term road repair strategies instead of short-term fixes.

Advance Transportation Safety

- Enforce speed limits through increased law enforcement and stricter penalties.
- Introduce traffic calming measures in residential areas intersecting with state highways.
- Improve hazardous intersections, restore faded striping, and upgrade unsafe pedestrian crossings (e.g., address poor night visibility on I-70 near the I-25 junction; fix narrow lanes and broken pavement on heavily used corridors).
- Enhance work zone safety measures.

- Invest in transit options and supporting infrastructure to reduce vehicle volumes (e.g., Front Range Passenger Rail; bus stop shelters).
- Add sidewalks, bus lanes, bike infrastructure, and safe crossings along state highways (e.g., expand protected bike lanes and pedestrian protections on major arterials).



Figure 46. Region 1 - Greater Denver Area: Fix Our Roads

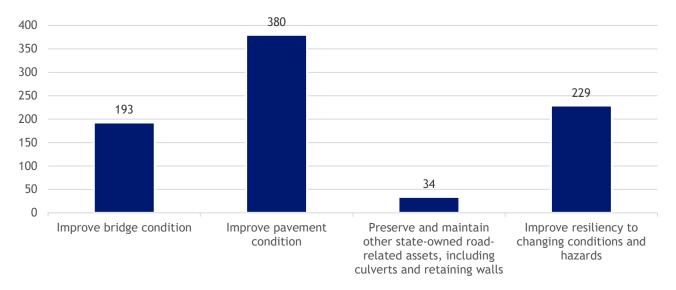


Figure 47. Region 1 - Greater Denver Area: Advancing Transportation Safety

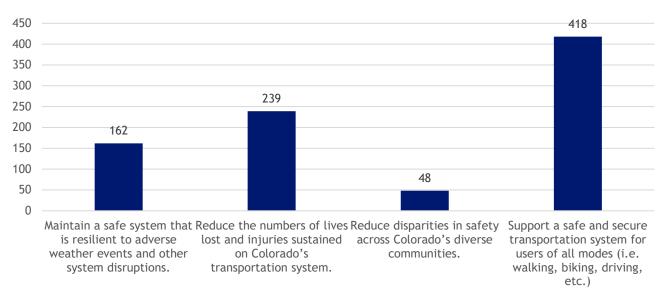




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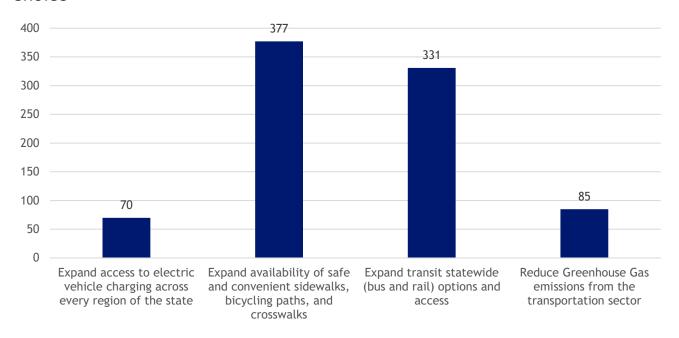


Figure 49. Region 1 - Greater Denver Area PD 14 Rankings

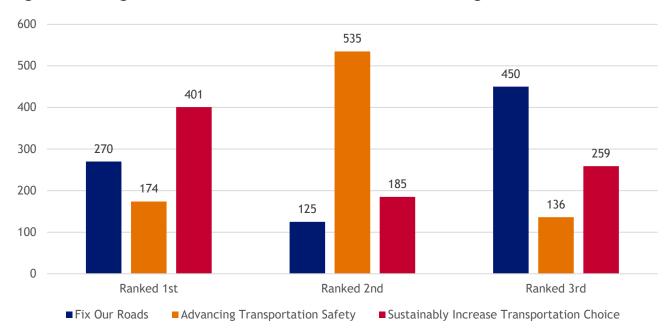
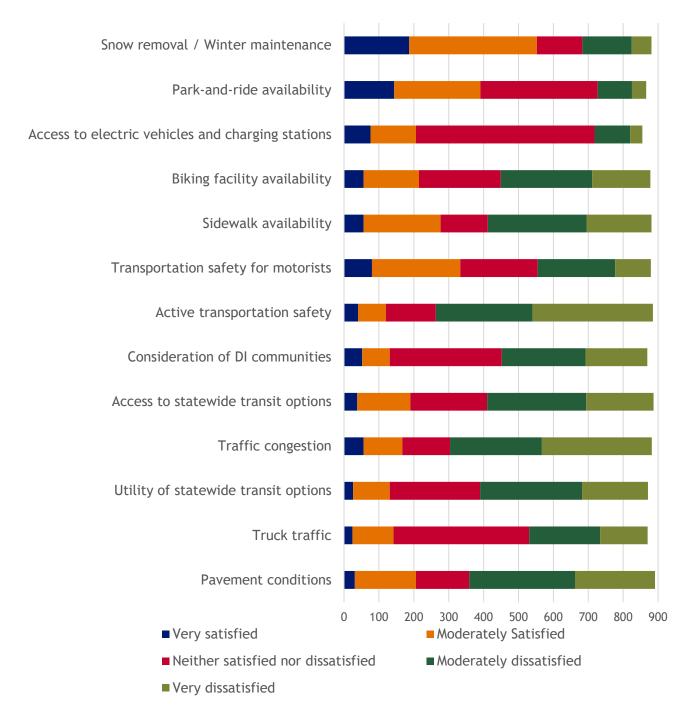




Figure 50. Region 1 - Greater Denver Area Level of Satisfaction



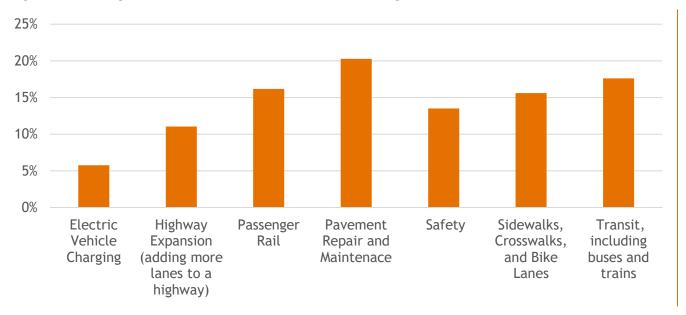


Figure 51. Region 1 - Greater Denver Area Budget Allocation

CDOT Region 2: Southeast Colorado

Counties: Baca, Bent, Crowley, Custer, El Paso, Fremont, Huerfano, Kiowa, Las Animas, Otero, Park, Prowers, Pueblo and Teller

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes, cracks, and surface damage using long-lasting, high-quality materials and construction standards.
- Maintain roads proactively with consistent and reliable upkeep to extend pavement life and prevent deterioration.
- Improve road markings, signage, and visibility to support safer and more navigable roadways.
- Prioritize infrastructure repairs at critical locations

- Enforce traffic laws targeting speeding, aggressive, reckless, distracted, and impaired driving with stricter penalties and increased accountability.
- Protect vulnerable road users, including pedestrians and bicyclists, by constructing safer infrastructure such as protected bike lanes, sidewalks, and crossings.
- Construct wildlife crossings (e.g., the I-25 Exit 2 tunnel) to prevent animal-vehicle collisions and enhance roadway safety.
- Address commercial truck safety by monitoring behavior and applying appropriate penalties.



• Prepare for climate-related events and hazardous conditions (e.g., wildfires and flooding) with resilient infrastructure planning.

- Expand public transportation services, including Front Range Passenger Rail and Bustang routes in underserved areas such as Teller, Fremont, and Pueblo counties.
- Ensure transit access is reliable, frequent, and responsive to both rural and urban needs.
- Develop safe, connected walking and biking networks to support active transportation.
- Support adoption of electric vehicles by investing in charging infrastructure statewide.
- Reduce congestion near corridors like I-25 through enhanced multimodal access, especially rail.

Figure 52. Region 2 - Southeast Colorado: Fix Our Roads

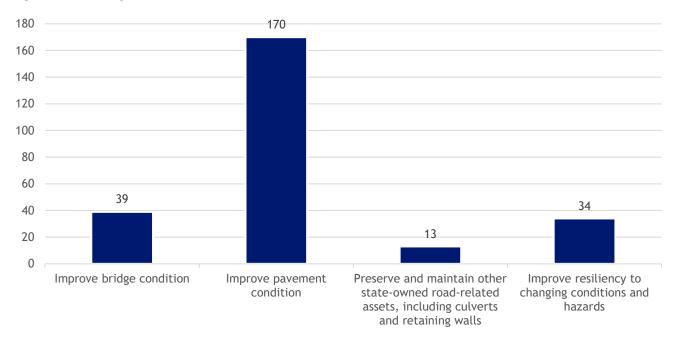




Figure 53. Region 2 - Southeast Colorado: Advancing Transportation Safety

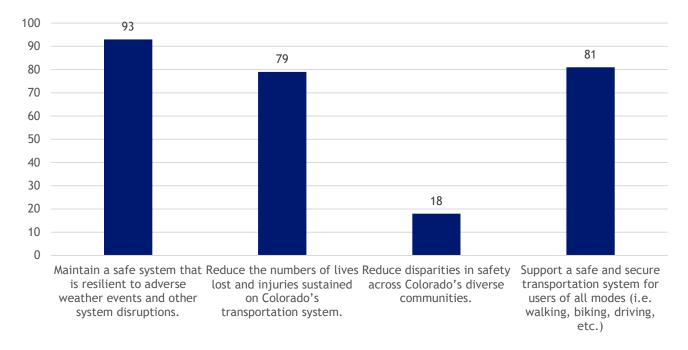


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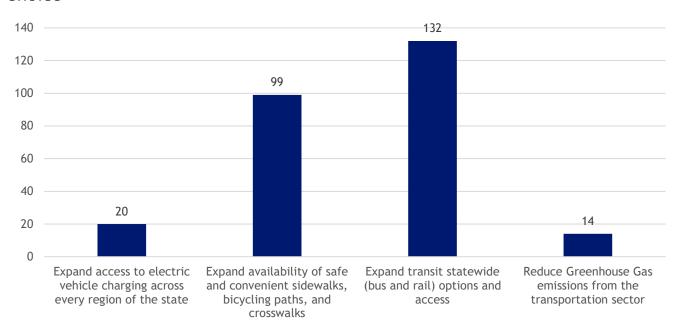
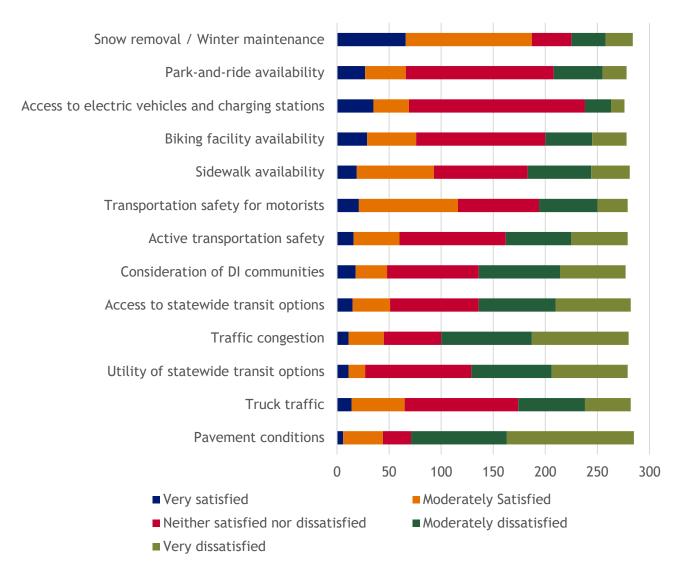




Figure 55. Region 2 - Southeast Colorado PD 14 Rankings



Figure 56. Region 2 - Southeast Colorado Level of Satisfaction



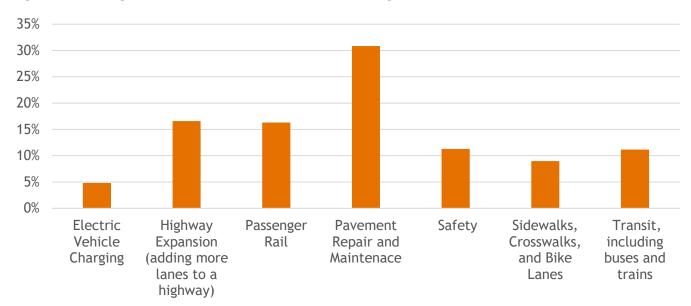


Figure 57. Region 2 - Southeast Colorado Budget Allocation

CDOT Region 3: Northwest Colorado

Counties: Delta, Eagle, Garfield, Grand, Gunnison, Jackson, Hinsdale, Lake, Mesa, Moffat, Montrose,* Pitkin, Rio Blanco, Routt and Summit

*Northeastern Montrose County is in Region 3. Southwestern Montrose County is in Region 5.

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and surface damage on highways and local roads, including major corridors.
- Use higher-quality construction materials and methods to extend road life and reduce recurring maintenance needs.
- Accelerate repair timelines and construction schedules to reduce disruptions and minimize vehicle damage.
- Implement long-term maintenance strategies for sustained pavement performance and roadway reliability.

- Enforce traffic laws with stronger penalties and greater law enforcement presence to address aggressive, distracted, and impaired driving.
- Improve roadway conditions to reduce crashes, including winter maintenance, adding paved shoulders on narrow mountain roads, and maintaining visibility.
- Redesign dangerous intersections, such as along Highway 40, 4th and 5th Streets in Grand Junction, and Highway 65 in Delta County, for safer travel.



- Build wildlife crossings and chain-up stations to reduce vehicle-wildlife collisions and improve mountainous corridor safety.
- Invest in safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, especially in towns and areas with vulnerable road users.
- Enhance safety for all transportation mode users, including transit riders and those traveling in inclement weather.
- Incorporate protections for road workers and plan for hazards like flooding and wildfires to increase infrastructure resilience.

- Expand public transportation facilities and service coverage, including rural areas like Craig and Steamboat Springs, and regional links such as Gunnison to Montrose and Front Range rail corridors.
- Improve walking and biking infrastructure to support safe and convenient active transportation in urban, rural, and mountain communities.
- Support electric vehicle adoption through expanded charging networks and incentives.
- Consider integrated and frequent transit service models, such as light rail between Fruita, Grand Junction, and Palisade, linked with Amtrak.
- Reduce congestion with coordinated traffic management and increased mobility options across modes.

Figure 58. Region 3 - Northwest Colorado: Fix Our Roads

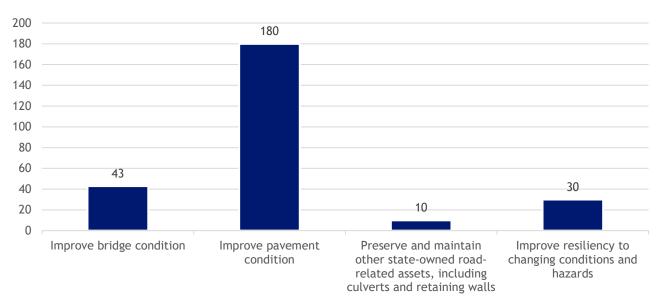




Figure 59. Region 3 - Northwest Colorado: Advancing Transportation Safety

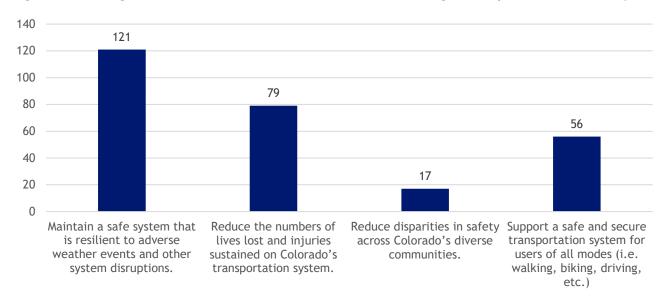


Figure 60. Region 3- Northwest Colorado: Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

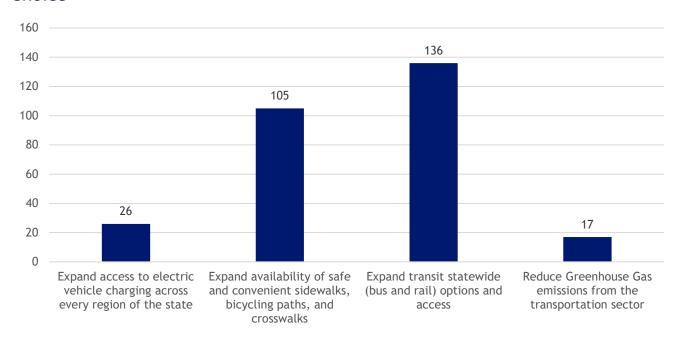




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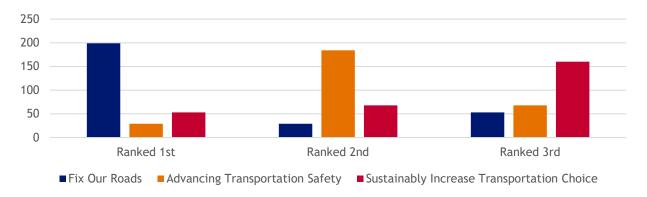


Figure 62. Region 3 - Northwest Colorado Level of Satisfaction

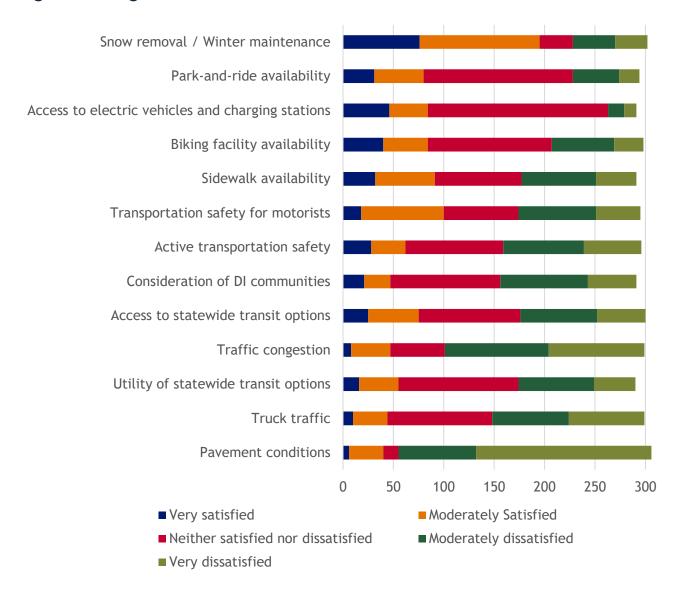
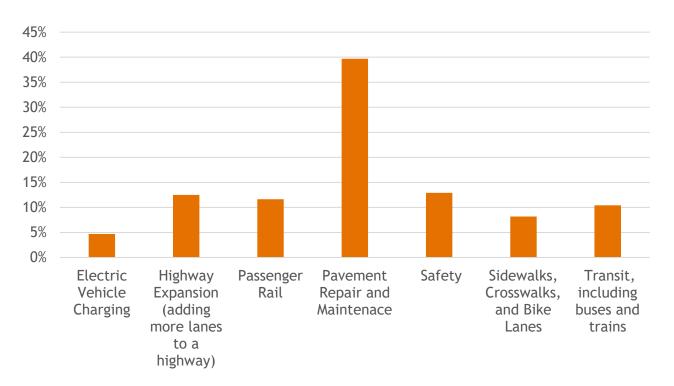


Figure 63. Region 3 - Northwest Colorado Budget Allocation



CDOT Region 4: Northeast Colorado

Counties: Boulder, Broomfield, Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Weld, and Yuma

Fix Our Roads

- Repair and maintain key highways and roads (e.g., I-70, I-76, Highway 34, Highway 63, Highway 287, Highway 385), especially in rural and high-traffic areas.
- Use long-lasting construction materials and techniques to improve durability and reduce recurring repairs.
- Accelerate pothole repairs and road construction timelines to minimize disruption and vehicle damage.

- Enforce traffic laws and apply stronger penalties for aggressive, reckless, or distracted driving to improve safety, especially along congested corridors like I-25.
- Improve winter maintenance and signage to reduce crash risks during severe weather and in rural areas.
- Redesign hazardous intersections and implement traffic calming measures in high-risk areas.
- Address the safety impacts of heavy freight traffic through improved management and monitoring.



 Build pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and protect road workers with enhanced safety protocols.

- Expand public transportation facilities and services in rural areas and along the Front Range, including rail connections (e.g., Fort Collins to Pueblo).
- Improve frequency, accessibility, and coverage of local bus systems (e.g., in Fort Collins, Loveland, Greeley).
- Develop walking and biking infrastructure to promote safe, active transportation.
- Support electric vehicle adoption by expanding charging infrastructure and offering incentives.

Figure 64. Region 4 - Northeast Colorado: Fix Our Roads

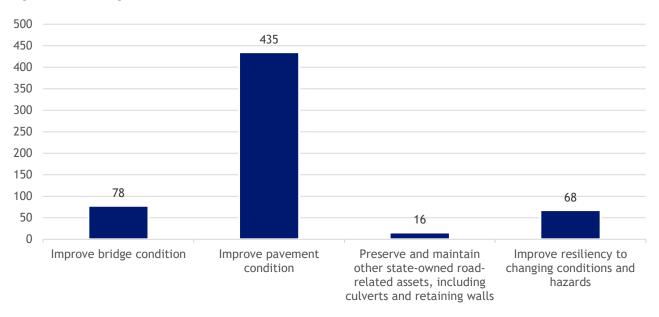




Figure 65. Region 4 - Northeast Colorado: Advancing Transportation Safety

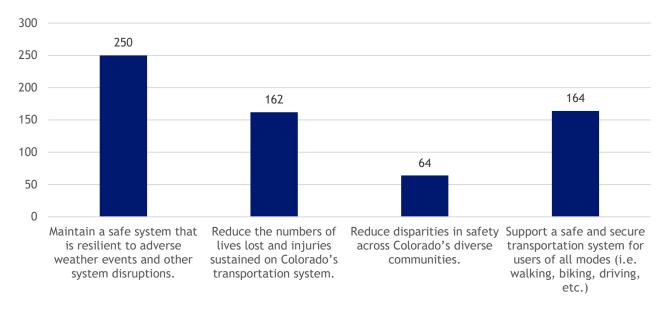


Figure 66. Region 4 - Northeast Colorado: Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

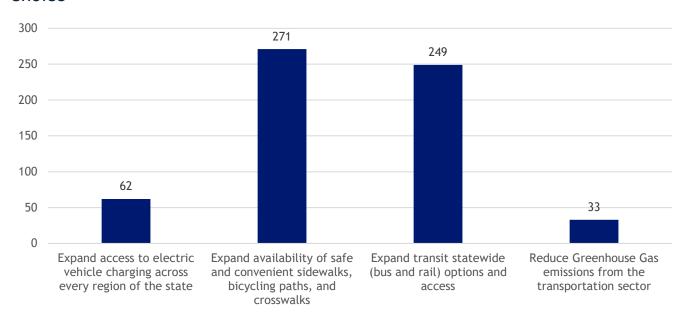




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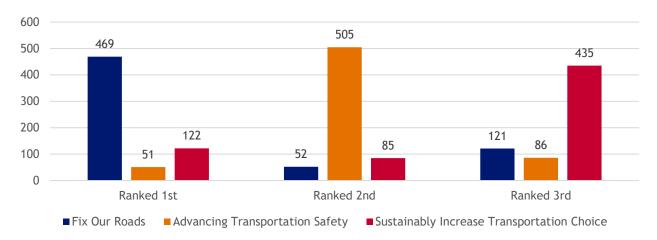
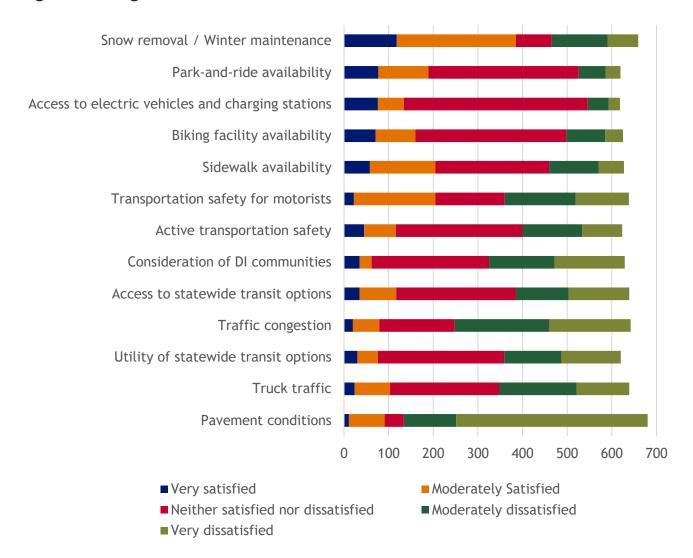


Figure 68. Region 4 - Northeast Colorado Level of Satisfaction



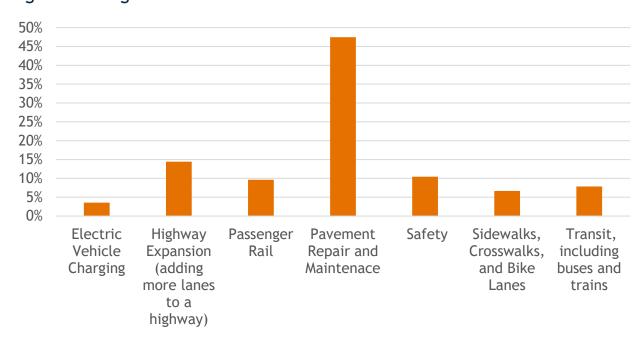


Figure 69. Region 4 - Northeast Colorado Level of Satisfaction

CDOT Region 5: Southwest/South Central Colorado

Counties: Alamosa, Archuleta, Chaffee, Conejos, Costilla, Dolores, La Plata, Mineral, Montezuma, Montrose,* Ouray, Rio Grande, Saguache, San Juan and San Miguel

*Northeastern Montrose County is in Region 3. Southwestern Montrose County is in Region 5.

Fix Our Roads

- Repair potholes and surface damage with durable, high-quality materials to prevent future vehicle damage and extend roadway life.
- Complete road repairs quickly and to high standards to minimize disruptions and improve safety.
- Maintain roads through consistent, proactive upkeep, including improved road markings for visibility.

- Enforce traffic laws and strengthen driver accountability to deter aggressive and distracted driving.
- Improve winter maintenance practices to support safer travel during severe weather.
- Build wildlife crossings and implement other wildlife safety measures to reduce vehicle collisions.
- Use traffic calming strategies in high-risk areas to manage speed and reduce crash risks.



- Redesign roads and intersections to improve safety, including roundabouts and added passing lanes (e.g., Poncha Springs, Highway 285).
- Expand lanes where necessary to ease congestion and improve flow.
- Protect workers in construction zones with enhanced safety measures.
- Develop safe, connected walking and biking infrastructure as part of a complete, multimodal safety approach.

- Expand and invest in public transportation facilities and services, including added bus routes to key areas like Colorado Springs.
- Build and improve safe active transportation facilities for pedestrians and cyclists to ensure connected, accessible communities.

Figure 70. Region 5 - Southwest/South Central Colorado: Fix Our Roads

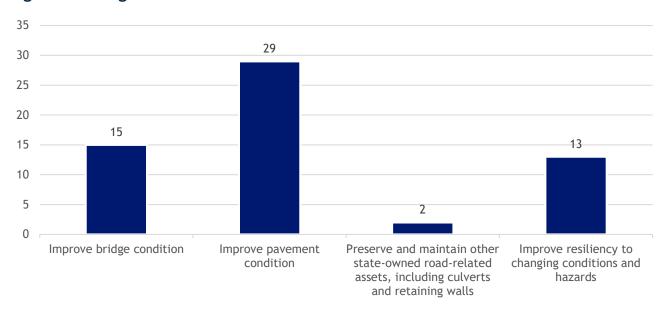




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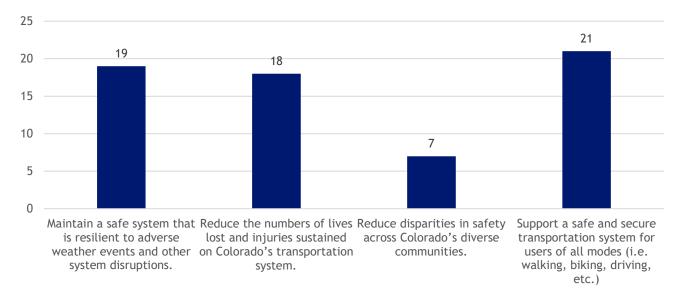


Figure 72. Region 5 - Southwest/South Central Colorado: Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice

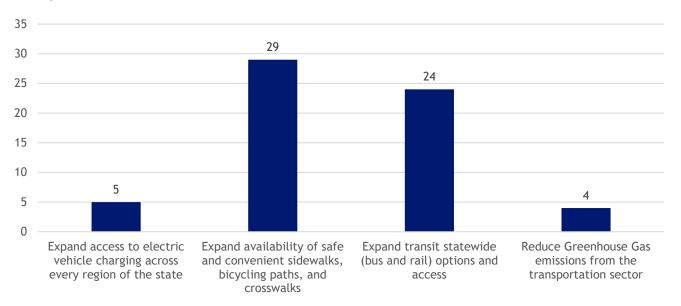




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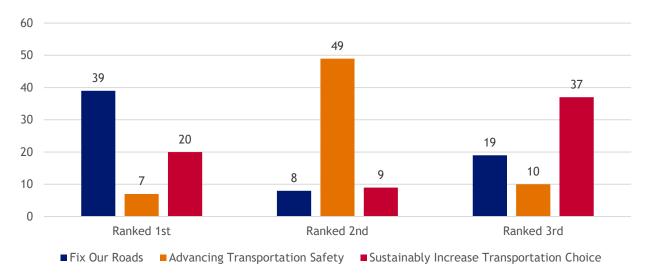
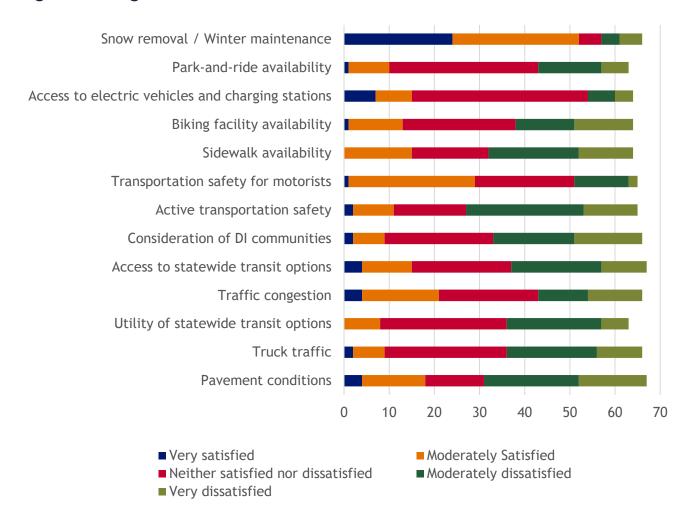


Figure 74. Region 5 - Southwest/South Central Colorado Level of Satisfaction



Crosswalks,

and Bike

Lanes

including

buses and

trains

35%
30%
25%
20%
15%
10%
5%
0%
Electric Highway Passenger Pavement Safety Sidewalks, Transit,

Repair and

Maintenace

Figure 75. Region 5 - Southwest/South Central Colorado Level of Satisfaction

Conclusion

Vehicle

Charging

Expansion

(adding more

lanes to a

highway)

Rail

The engagement process for the 2050 Statewide Transportation Plan builds on the expansive outreach from CDOT's last planning effort and underscores the importance of listening to communities across Colorado to understand their priorities. Through telephone town halls, online surveys, county and stakeholder meetings, and regional outreach, thousands of Coloradans shared their perspectives on the challenges and opportunities facing the state's transportation system.

Across regions, the themes were consistent: community members want better-maintained roads, safer travel conditions for all users, and expanded choices for getting around. Participants also highlighted location-specific concerns, such as wildlife collisions in mountain areas, congestion on key corridors, and the need for equitable access to transit in both urban and rural communities.

These insights provide CDOT with a clear direction: continue investing in road repair and long-term maintenance, strengthen safety measures through enforcement and design improvements, and expand multimodal options including public transit, walking, biking, and electric vehicles. Importantly, the feedback gathered reflects a broad cross-section of Coloradans, ensuring that the transportation system of the future is responsive to the needs of diverse communities across the state.

This input will guide CDOT in advancing Policy Directive 14 goals, Fix Our Roads, Advance Transportation Safety, and Sustainably Increase Transportation Choice, and will play a critical role in shaping the 10-Year Plan and other investment strategies. By centering community voices, CDOT reaffirms its commitment to delivering a transportation system that is safe, reliable, and accessible for all Coloradans.