DISTRICT PROFILE

The Wichita Falls District plans, designs, builds, operates, and maintains the state transportation system in nine counties. The district primarily conducts asset preservation, which results in varying challenges for maintenance crews and designers to maintain mobility and ensure the traveling public's safety. The Wichita Falls District experiences varying weather conditions from extreme heat to sub-freezing temperatures. Blizzards, tornadoes, flooding, and wildfires are common in the region.



FAST FACTS (FY 2024):

Population	250,000
Area (Sq. Miles)	8,091
Lane Miles	6,480
Daily Vehicle Miles	7,862,394
Registered Vehicles	262,079
TxDOT Employees	311
Construction/Maintenance Expenditures	\$225,497,982.53
Percentage of Projects Completed On-Time	55%
Percentage of Projects Completed Under Budget	77%

KEY PROJECTS UNDERWAY:

- I-35 in Cooke Co. Upgrade to a six-lane freeway from US 82 to S. of Spring Creek Rd. \$210 million.
- I-35 in Cooke Co. Upgrade to a 6-lane freeway from US 82 to Oklahoma including new bridges over the Red River. \$482 mil.
- US 82 in Montague Co- Upgrade to a 4-lane divided highway from Ringgold to the Clay Co. Line. \$39 million.
- SH-114 in Young Co.-Upgrade to a Super-2 highway from SH-79 to FM 1769. \$10.6 mil.

PLANNED KEY PROJECTS:

- I-35 in Cooke Co.- Widen to a 6-lane freeway from North of FM 3002 to South of Spring Creek. Let: Feb. 2026 Est. \$202 million.
- US 81/287in Montague Co. New Safety Rest Area south of Bowie. Let: Aug. 2026 Est. \$30 million.
- US 82 in Clay Co.- Upgrade to a 4-lane divided highway from Bryant Edwards Rd. to the Montague County line.
 Let: Jan. 2028 Est. \$329 million.

MAINTENANCE: Fully loaded semis transporting cargo as well as support for the wind, oil, and gas energy sectors keep maintenance personnel busy and led our employees to design a nationally recognized hot mix pavement that can handle the beating. In fiscal year 2024, we spent \$11.04 million on seal coat projects for preventative maintenance. \$595.2 million paid for pavement repair, overlay jobs, and widenings. Our total construction letting was \$626.3 million.

CORRIDORS: The Wichita Falls District has two interstates running through it into Oklahoma and points north. I-44 and I-35 are the two busiest travel highways for the region. However, US 287 carries the third-highest traffic volume for the Wichita Falls District.

SAFETY: Our engineers are challenged to design safer highways with wider lanes and shoulders to handle the mix of traffic. We utilize rumble strips as a lane departure warning system and employ cable barriers to protect motorists from head-on collisions. Maintenance employees are skilled at battling snow and ice as well as rushing flood waters that not only take a toll on our roads and bridges but also endanger motorists.





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