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TRB's involvement in research on Rural Transportation from 2021-2024

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**Specialty Reports**

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- [Critical Issues in Transportation 2019](#)
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- [Racial Equity Addendum to Critical Issues in Transportation](#)

**Recent Reports & Publications**

- Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program

- National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP)
  - [NCHRP 20-65/Task 81](#) - Best Practices in Rural Service Assessment
  - [Report 995](#) - Guidelines for Treatments to Mitigate Opposite Direction Crashes
  - [Report 988](#) - Rural Transportation Issues: Research Roadmap
  - [Report 978](#) - Initiating the Systems Engineering Process for Rural Connected Vehicle Corridors, Volume 1: Research Overview
  - [Synthesis 575](#) - Lighting Practices for Isolated Rural Intersections
  - [Web-Only Document 354](#) - Safe and Effective Temporary Traffic Control for Mobile Operations on Two-Lane Roadways
  - [Web-Only Document 349](#) - Virtual Public Involvement: Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic
  - [Web-Only Document 295](#) - Improved Prediction Models for Crash Types and Crash Severities

- Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP)
  - [TRANSIT-IDEA Issue 97](#) - Open Platform to Attract, Organize, and Coordinate Volunteers for Rural and Small Urban Transit

- Transportation Research Circulars
  - [E-Circular 283](#) - 13th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads
  - [E-Circular 272](#) - Technology Exchange on Local Roads Bridge Programs
Recently Completed Projects/Pending Publication

- NCHRP 20-65/Task 78 - Impact of Decline in Volunteerism on Rural Transit Systems: Final Guidebook
- NCHRP 17-92 - Developing Safety Performance Functions for Rural Two-Lane Highways that Incorporate Speed Measures
- NCHRP 08-135 - Reliability and Quality of Service Evaluation Methods for Rural Highways

Current & Upcoming Projects

Current Projects

- NCHRP 08-130 - Best Practices in Coordination of Public Transit and Ride Sharing
- NCHRP 08-144 - Rural Transit Fleet Mix and Vehicle Size Decision Trees
- NCHRP 08-147 - Improving Public Transportation in Rural Areas and Tribal Communities
- NCHRP 08-149 - Estimating Benefits of Closing Gaps in Active Transportation Networks
- NCHRP 08-183 - Resource to Support Volunteer Driver Programs in Rural and Low-Density Areas
- NCHRP 08-191 - Advancing Safe Connections for the Tribal and Rural Communities to the Intercity Bus Network
- NCHRP 15-82 - Relationship of Speed, Roadway Geometrics, and Crashes on High-Speed Rural Highways
- NCHRP 17-106 - Motorist Behavior and Safety Impacts on Bicyclists from Centerline and Shoulder Rumble Strips on High-Speed Two-Lane Highways
- NCHRP 17-133 - Validity of the 85th-Percentile Speed for Freeways, Expressways, and Rural Highways
- TCRP B-49 - Improving Public Transportation in Rural Areas and Tribal Communities
- TCRP Synthesis J-07/Topic SB-41 - Microtransit Solutions in Rural Communities: On-Demand Alternatives to Dial-A-Ride Services and Unproductive Coverage Routes
- TCRP Synthesis J-07/Topic SB-42 - Operational and Service Factors When Integrating/Consolidating ADA Paratransit and On-Demand Services

Upcoming Projects

- BTSCRPT BTS-37 - Equitable Driving Training for All Youth
- BTSCRPT BTS-39 - The Last Impaired Mile: Challenges of Impaired Mobility in a Multimodal World
- NCHRP 20-24(146) - Guide to Supporting and Sustaining Transportation Grant Programs for Local Governments and Tribes
- NCHRP Synthesis 20-05/Topic 56-11 - Practices for Transportation Planning in Non-Metropolitan Areas
- NCHRP Synthesis 20-05/Topic 56-20 - Pavement Design and Evaluation of Low Volume Roads with Heavy Loads
- TCRP A-51 - Innovative Practices for Technology Implementation at Rural, Small, and Mid-Sized Transit Agencies
- TCRP D-23 - Manual for Planning and Constructing a Small, Rural, or Tribal Transit Facility
- TCRP H-62 - Innovative Toolkit for Quantifying Rural Transit Benefits
- TCRP J-07/Topic SB-42 - Operational and Service Factors When Integrating/Consolidating ADA Paratransit and Microtransit

Reports from the National Academies Press on Rural Transportation

- Addressing the Rising Mental Health Needs of an Aging Population: Proceedings of a Workshop
- Serious Illness Care Research: Exploring Current Knowledge, Emerging Evidence, and Future Directions: Proceedings of a Workshop
- Forum on Medical and Public Health Preparedness for Disasters and Emergencies: 2023 Annual Report
- Navigating an Electric Vehicle Future: Proceedings of a Workshop
- Building Resilience into the Nation's Medical Product Supply Chains
- Closing the Opportunity Gap for Young Children
- Integrating Serious Illness Care into Primary Care Delivery
- Providing Health Literate Virtual Health Services
- Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity
- Population Health in Rural America in 2020
- The Future of Nursing 2020-2030
- Population Health Science in the United States
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  o D08131 - Access to Jobs, Economic Opportunities, and Education in Rural Areas
  o D08135 - Reliability and Quality of Service Evaluation Methods for Rural Highways
  o D08144 - Rural Transit Fleet Mix and Vehicle Size Decision Trees
  o D08147 - NCHRP 08-147/TCRP B-49 Improving Public Transportation in Rural Areas and Tribal Communities
  o D08183 - Volunteer Driver Programs (VDPs) Serving Rural and Low Density Communities
  o D08191 - Advancing Safe Connections for the Tribal and Rural Communities to the Intercity Bus Network
  o D1582 - Effects of Operating Speed and Posted Speed Limit in Conjunction with Roadway Geometric Design on Safety Performance for High-Speed Rural Highways and Freeways
  o D17133 - Validity of the 85th-Percentile Speed for Freeways, Expressways, and Rural Highways
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  o D20122 - Workshop on Rural Transportation Issues and Needs
  o D8015 - Highway Safety Strategies for Rural Communities
  o SN4807 - Investment Prioritization Methods for Low Volume Roads
  o SN5111 - Lighting Practices for Isolated Rural Intersections
  o STSB41 - Microtransit Solutions in Rural Communities: On-Demand Alternatives to Dial-A-Ride Services and Unproductive Coverage Routes
  o TA51 - Innovative Practices for Technology Implementation at Rural, Small, and Mid-Sized Transit Agencies
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