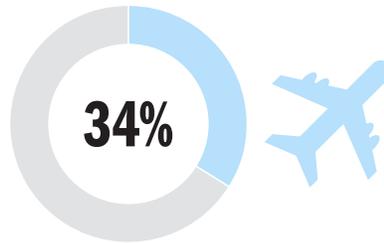
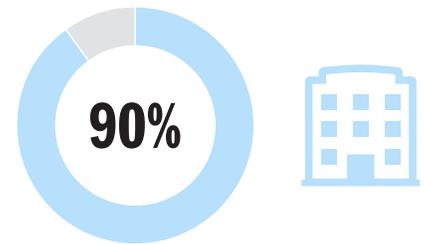


# THE COUNTY ROLE IN INFRASTRUCTURE

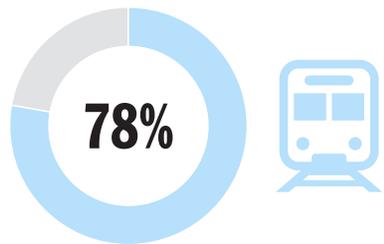
**C**ounties are leaders in the nation's infrastructure system. Transportation and infrastructure are core public sector responsibilities that impact everything from our daily commutes to shipping goods around the globe. **From building and maintaining roads and bridges to providing efficient transit options, counties are a driving force connecting communities and strengthening our economy.** Counties also play a major role in other essential community infrastructure, such as schools, hospitals, jails, courthouses, parks, broadband deployment, and water purification and sewage systems.



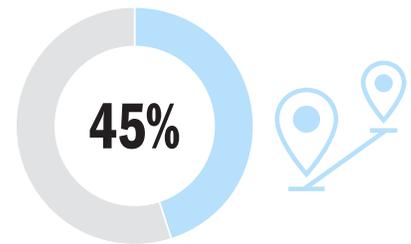
Counties are involved in the operation of **34% OF PUBLIC AIRPORTS.**



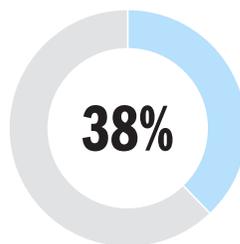
Counties support over **900 HOSPITALS** and invest in **90% OF JAILS.**



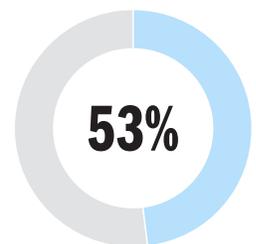
**78% OF PUBLIC TRANSIT AGENCIES** are county supported, including buses, trains, light rail and subway systems.



Counties own and maintain **45% OF AMERICA'S ROADS.** In total, **3.1 MILLION MILES** are locally-owned roads, where the majority of trips both start and end.



Counties own and maintain **38% OF BRIDGES**—in 2018, 45,700 bridges were **structurally deficient, OF WHICH 53% WERE OWNED BY COUNTIES.**



# HOW COUNTIES INVEST IN AMERICA'S INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM

**\$83 BILLION** in community health and hospitals

**\$60 BILLION** in construction of public facilities such as hospitals, schools, jails, and other local institutions

**\$21.6 BILLION** in sewage and waste management

**\$134 BILLION** in infrastructure and maintaining and operating public works



## COUNTY PRIORITIES IN A FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE

- A strong federal-state-local intergovernmental partnership that maintains local decision-making.
- Dedicated funding for locally owned infrastructure.
- Preservation of tax-exempt status of municipal bonds.
- Streamlining of the federal permit process while ensuring common-sense environmental stewardship.
- Bringing long-term certainty and solvency to the federal Highway Trust Fund.

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