# Transportation Infrastructure

Dallas-Fort Worth's vast transportation infrastructure connects residents and businesses to where they need to go. The freeway system provides accessible corridors to employment centers and centers of commerce. Mass transit options, including Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), the Fort Worth T, Trinity Railway Express (TRE), the Denton County Transit Authority's (DCTA) A Train, and the intermodal TEXRail, offer convenient alternatives to passenger vehicles.

DFW's robust interstate infrastructure includes critical segments along the USMCA corridor, linking Mexico to Canada and to East and West Coast destinations in the U.S. This makes it an important intermodal center for the distribution of air, rail, and truck freight. The nation's two largest railroads, Fort Worth-based Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific, have major operation nodes in the region offering business-efficient access to other key ports and distribution centers across the United States and into Mexico.

DFW also offers many options for regional and international air travel, including Dallas Fort Worth International Airport (the 2nd busiest airport in the world), the workhorse Dallas Love Field, and the first major U.S. industrial airport, Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance.



### **Commercial Airports**

**Dallas Fort Worth International Airport** (DFW)

Number of runways: 7 Lengths of runways (feet): 8,500; 9,000; 9,300; 11,400 (3); 13,400

**2022 Total operations:** 656,676

**2021 Total operations:** 651,895

**Dallas Love Field** (DAL)

Number of runways: 2 Lengths of runways (feet): 7,752; 8,800

**2022 Total operations:** 230,529

**2021 Total operations:** 211,330

## Alliance Airport

Number of runways: 2 Lengths of runways (feet): 11,000; 11,010

**2022 Total operations:** 109.684

**2021 Total operations:** 105,643

Source: FAA; Globalair.com

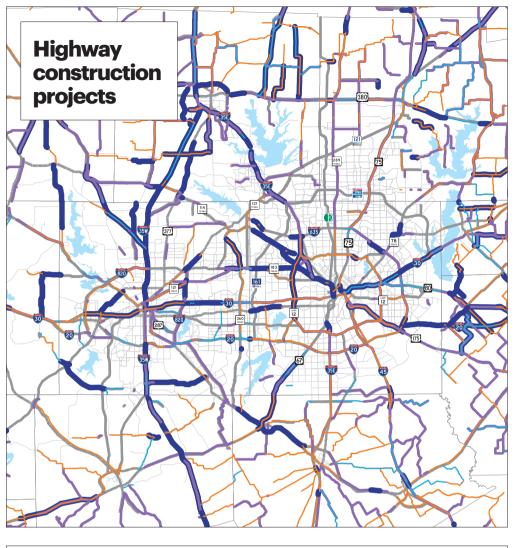


- 1 Dallas Fort Worth International Airport
- 2 Dallas Love Field
- 3 Addison Airport
- 4 Arlington Municipal
- 5 Dallas Executive
- 6 Denton Enterprise
- 7 Perot Field Fort Worth Alliance
- 8 Fort Worth Meacham International Airport
- **9** Fort Worth Spinks
- 10 Grand Prairie Municipal
- 11 Lancaster Regional
- **12** McKinney National
- **13** Mesquite Metro
- 14 NAS Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base
- 15 Northwest Regional
- 16 Ralph M Hall/Rockwall Municipal

Helicopters and Vertical Take-Off and Landing Aircraft Only:

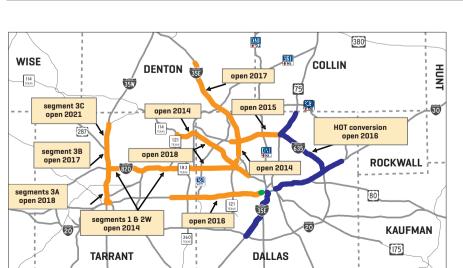
- 17 Dallas CBD Vertiport
- 18 DeSoto Heliport
- 19 DFW Heloplex/Heliport
- 20 Ferris Red Oak Municipal Heliport

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### Major Transportation Construction Projects

The transportation sector is essential to Texas' future. The movement of goods and people in an efficient manner ensures the economy remains competitive and prosperous. North Texas continues to experience tremendous population growth, which places increased demand on the region's transportation infrastructure. To meet this demand, billions of dollars are being invested to maintain existing infrastructure. prevent congestion, and ensure mobility and safety by relieving chokepoints and expanding critical corridors. Dozens of projects are currently underway with many more planned for the future.



Construction underway or begins soon

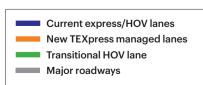
Construction begins within 4 years

Construction begins in 5-10 years

Corridor studies, construction in 10+ years

## **Current Express/HOV** and New Managed Lanes

The DFW region has the most managed lanes of any metro in the U.S. The area's regional transportation planning agency has created a program to use managed lanes to ensure that critical transportation modes, such as buses, are able to maintain 50-70 mph speeds in order to reliably arrive on time.



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