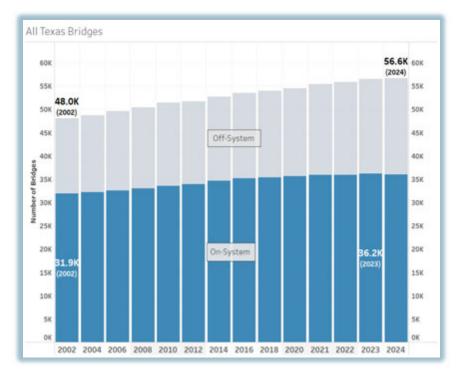
## **2024 Texas Bridge Facts**



## **Texas Bridge Inventory Overview**

Texas leads the nation with the highest number of bridges. More than twice as many as the second largest inventory, and Texas' inventory is larger than 18 states combined. The age of bridges in Texas varies widely. In general, most onsystem bridges have engineered plans and tend to last longer. Whereas many off-system bridges do not have engineered plans and deteriorate faster. Additionally, the Texas bridge inventory includes several international bridges, facilitating traffic between the U.S. and Mexico.



Bridge Category	Count	Average Age
Total Texas Bridges	56,620	44
On-System Bridges	35,973	49
Off-System Bridges	20,647	34
International Highway Bridges	33	41

## **Bridge Condition Terms**

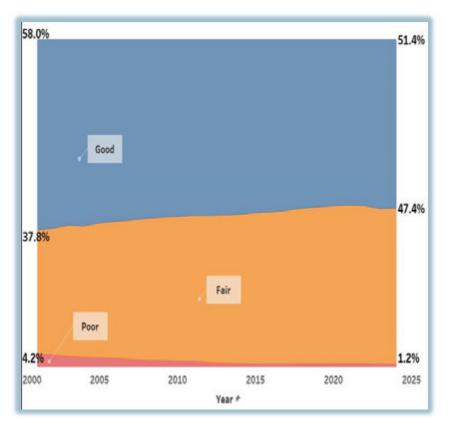
TxDOT routinely inspects bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards. Below are the classifications for bridge conditions.

• Bridges in Good Condition are those with a minimum condition rating of seven or greater. These bridges have no signs or very minor signs of deterioration.

• Bridges in Fair Condition are those with a minimum condition rating of five or six. These bridges have minor to moderate deterioration that may benefit from maintenance or repair.

• Bridges in Poor Condition have a minimum condition rating of four or less. These bridges show more advanced deterioration and need repair, rehabilitation, or replacement.

• Any bridge determined to be unsafe is immediately closed.



## **Bridge Construction Contracts**

•A combination of federal and state funds enabled TxDOT to award a variety of contracts for the construction, enhancement, and repair of bridges across Texas.

• Contracts were awarded to replace, widen, repair, or rehabilitate 3,570 existing bridges. The value of bridge work in these contracts is \$2.240 billion.

• Contracts were awarded to construct 408 new bridges. The value of bridge work in these contracts is \$1.354 billion.

