



# National Transportation Library

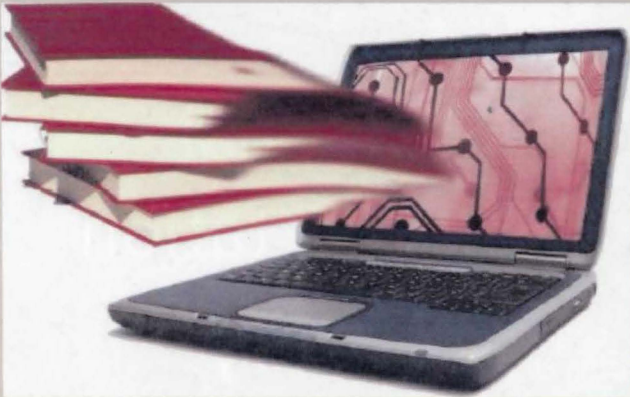


U.S. Department of Transportation  
Research and Innovative Technology Administration

## Reference Services

The National Transportation Library (NTL) assists the employees of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), other government agencies, and the general public in locating reports, statistics, and other transportation information. **Statistics and legal specialists** are available in the NTL for consultation.

We are happy to help you use our electronic databases, catalogs, and print collections, so please feel free to visit us or **make an appointment** with one of our reference librarians.



Our website, [ntl.bts.gov](http://ntl.bts.gov), offers a wide range of resources and tools, including transportation **directories**, **bibliographies**, **glossaries**, and **FAQs**.

Need an article or a book that is not available at the NTL? Simply submit an online **interlibrary loan** request.

Interested in learning more about our services? Attend one of our **information sessions** or request a **specialized session** to find out how the NTL can work for you!

## Collections & Resources

NTL provides access to over 200,000 print titles, 500 print periodical subscriptions, and 100 online databases. NTL resources cover all modes of transportation, with an emphasis on **highway, rail, maritime, and public transportation**. DOT HQ employees may borrow materials from the library.

### Technical Collection

- U.S. and state DOT reports, Transportation Research Board (TRB) publications, and academic research
- Technical journals and periodicals
- Extensive holdings on the history of transportation
- Current and historical statistical resources including *Statistical Abstract of the United States* and *Highway Statistics*

### Legal Collection

- Federal and state statutes and administrative regulations
- Treatises, periodicals, government documents, and legal encyclopedias
- Periodical indexes and case digests
- Legislative histories, special collections, and online databases, including *HeinOnline*

### Digital Resources

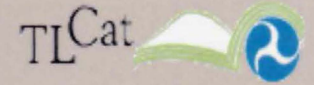
- Research, reference, and journal databases
- NTL Integrated Search — includes the *NTL Digital Repository*, *TRIS Online*, and other transportation websites and provides access to more than 600,000 bibliographic records and over 70,000 full-text documents
- eBooks and online historical special collections

## Networking Activities

In order to serve your information needs, we are networked with other transportation libraries, agencies, and organizations.

### TLCat

This interconnected catalog allows you to search through the collections of over 35 transportation libraries across the country.



### Transportation Knowledge Networks (TKNs)

The NTL is a driving force behind the increased communication and standardization of practices across the information community, effectively creating a national network of transportation libraries.

### Transportation Librarians Roundtable (TLR)

This monthly web conference forum gives transportation librarians opportunities to learn more about issues of mutual concern and interest and provides an avenue for increased communication and knowledge sharing among librarians.



## Our Vision

The National Transportation Library (NTL) is a dynamic Federal gateway that responds to the research needs of the greater transportation community by providing leadership, access to both print and electronic transportation resources, and utilizing partnerships and collaboration to offer premier research and knowledge management services.

## Our Mission

NTL's mission is to maintain and facilitate access to statistical and other information needed for transportation decisionmaking at the Federal, State, and local levels and to coordinate with public and private transportation libraries and information providers to improve information sharing among the transportation community.

## Our Story

The NTL was formed in 1998 by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) to fulfill the need for national leadership and coordination within the U.S. transportation information community. In 2008, the NTL merged with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Library. The DOT Library, created in 1969, serves both the DOT and the general public by providing critical information needed for transportation-related technical and legal research. The new NTL, augmented by its merger with the DOT Library, is a consolidated information center dedicated to serving both governmental decision-makers and the American public.

## Contact/Visit the NTL

### Library Hours:

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday

### Location:

DOT West Building  
Ground Floor (W12-300)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

### Phone numbers:

Circulation/Interlibrary Loan: 202.366.0745  
Reference: 202.366.0746  
Law: 202.366.0749  
Statistics: 202.366.3492  
Toll-Free: 1.800.853.1351

### Email:

[library@dot.gov](mailto:library@dot.gov)

### Website:

<http://ntl.bts.gov>

### Public Access:

Non-DOT library visitors will be asked to show a valid picture ID to gain access to the library and are encouraged to call ahead.

