

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION LIBRARY

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Archiving

Reference
Services

Information
Resources

Digital
Collection

TRIS Online

The National Transportation Library helps you find high-quality, relevant information easily by

Increasing the availability of transportation information

- ▲ bibliographic databases
- ▲ reference services
- ▲ intermodal information

Providing training on using

- ▲ TRIS Online
- ▲ the NTL digital library
- ▲ other internet resources

Working to build a national transportation library network by

- ▲ developing regional library consortia
- ▲ creating a transportation union catalog
- ▲ partnering with information providers

Maintaining a permanent archive of digital documents in its collection

Getting the right information at the right time means better decisionmaking, faster implementation of research and innovations, and reduced duplication of research efforts.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION SAVES

**TIME
MONEY
and
LIVES**

YOUR ONLINE RESOURCE FOR TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

NTL: MAKE THE CONNECTION

**Have a question ?
Need some numbers ?**

- ▶ Call us or send an email. Our online reference staff can help you find statistics, locate a report, or contact an expert.

The NTL digital library contains over 8,000 public domain, full-text reports covering a wide range of transportation topics. The collection, which includes policy documents, research reports, and journals, focuses on USDOT publications and those provided by state DOTs.

The internet version of the Transportation Research Board's Transportation Research Information Service (TRIS Online) gives researchers, engineers, students, and other transportation professionals free access to almost half a million records of published research on all transportation modes and disciplines. Full-text links help users find needed information. The database is available online through a partnering agreement with the Transportation Research Board.

MIDWESTERN TRANSPORTATION LIBRARY CONSORTIUM

The NTL is helping create the Midwestern Transportation Library Consortium to link library resources in the region and increase access to state transportation information.

The transportation union catalog, which is under development, will let users search the holdings of the participating libraries. A top priority, is getting state DOT research reports into the union catalog. State DOTs will benefit by having easy access to research conducted by counterparts in the Midwest.

Building on the success of this first project, the NTL will look to partner similar consortia in other regions of the United States.

Partners in the Consortium include the state DOT libraries in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin, as well as the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute Library and the Northwestern University Transportation Library.

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The National Transportation Library (NTL)

was established within the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) by Congress to improve the ability of the transportation community to access and share information. As directed by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, BTS is partnering with public and private organizations to

- ▲ acquire and organize digital transportation information in the public domain and make it permanently accessible to the transportation community
- ▲ provide quality reference services to the transportation community
- ▲ develop a nationally coordinated network of transportation library collections and services

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