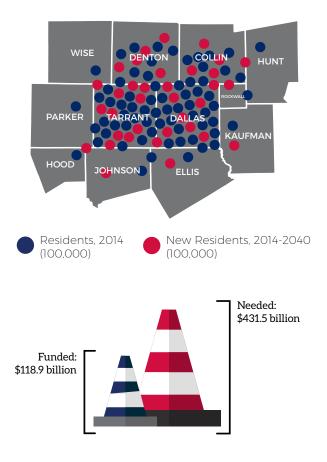
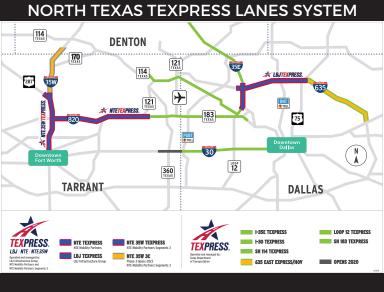


## WHY WE NEED THEM AND HOW THEY CAN HELP OUR REGION

DFW adds more than 1 million new residents per decade, and current transportation funding is not keeping pace with the need to maintain roadways and serve the growing population.



Funding challenges partly stem from the fact that the gas tax has lost most of its purchasing power. State fuel taxes have not increased since 1991; federal fuel taxes have not increased since 1993; construction costs are increasing, and vehicles are more fuel-efficient.



TEXpress Lanes provide transportation choices, reduce congestion, lower maintenance obligations for the state, manage travel demand, and free up capacity in the other travel lanes. They bring economic development, increased property values, and additional tax revenues. Air quality is positively impacted due to less stop-and-go traffic conditions. Corridors with TEXpress Lanes have been improved or completely rebuilt with both tolled and non-tolled lanes.

TEXpress Lanes provide needed transportation choices for North Texas residents, and are designed for drivers who want a reliable and time-saving trip to various destinations.





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