

State Transportation Aid Summary Tables

2005-2006 Payment for 2004-2005 Cost

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Table 1 - Summary of State Transportation Aid

Total Allowable Cost	\$350,294,301
Total Cost Eligible For State Aid	\$300,591,117
Total Entitlement	\$200,945,538*
Total Aid Paid	\$152,706,133*
Appropriation Reduction Percent	24.006083%
Percent Eligible Cost Paid by State Aid	50.80%

*Does not include payment for transportation for Charter Schools and Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation.

Table 2 - Summary Pupil Transportation Costs By Account Code

Account Code	Allowable	Non-Allowable	Total
Paid Other Districts	\$690,466	N/A	\$690,466
Received Other Districts	-\$1,842,016	N/A	-\$1,842,016
Certified Salaries	\$3,576,101	\$0.00	\$3,576,101
Non-Certified Salaries	\$99,599,995	\$117,442	\$99,717,437
Employee Benefits	\$27,982,360	\$45,837	\$28,028,197
Purchased Services	\$163,609,455	\$1,692,233	\$165,301,688
Supplies	\$34,244,698	\$159,186	\$34,403,884
Major Tool	\$463,709	\$0.00	\$463,709
Capital Outlay (Contracted Only)	\$5,654	\$0.00	\$5,654
Bus Depreciation	\$21,028,426	\$0.00	\$21,028,426
Facility Depreciation	\$935,454	\$0.00	\$935,454
Total	\$350,294,302	\$2,014,698	\$352,309,000

Table 3a - Summary Eligible Average Daily Transported

Kindergarten - 12th Grade	497,340
Vocational	11,205
Handicapped	15,526
Total	524,071

Table 3b - Summary Ineligible Average Daily Transported

Kindergarten - 12th Grade Additional Cost	564.5
Kindergarten - 12th Grade No Added Cost	23,741
Total	24,305.5

Table 4 - Summary Miles Traveled

Category	Contracted	District Operated	Both
Approved Route/Eligible Miles	41,608,812	61,467,956	103,076,768
Disapproved Route/Ineligible Miles	2,901,736	3,741,396	6,643,132
Non-Route/Ineligible Miles	3,496,477	9,696,893	13,193,370
Total	48,007,025	74,906,245	122,913,270

Table 5 - State Cost Averages

	Contracted	District Operated	Both
Cost Per Mile	3.2149	2.62	2.85
Cost Per Eligible ADT	709.71	446.80	573.57
Cost per ADT for Eligible Miles			535.69*

*Used in calculation of state average cost per ADT for second preceding year.

Table 6 - School Bus Information

	Contracted	District Operated	Both
Number of School Buses (No Chg)	4,562	7,197	11,759
Expenditure for School Buses	Not Available	\$25,132,624	

CALCULATION OF STATE TRANSPORTATION AID

The state transportation aid program reimburses public school districts for transporting pupils to school from their residence and from school to their residence at the beginning and end of the school day during the regular school term pursuant to sections 163.161 and 167.231 RSMo. The State Board has adopted regulation (5CSR 30-261.040 Allowable Costs for State Transportation Aid) governing the calculation of state transportation aid.

State transportation aid payments to public school districts are calculated annually. School district expenditures for the previous school year that are allowable cost and reported data for the regular school term regarding the number of eligible and ineligible students

transported on a regular basis, the total number of days students were transported, and the eligible and ineligible mileage are used to calculate state transportation aid payments. For example the program reimburses a school district during the 2005-06 school year for their 2004-2005 school year transportation expenditures.

The reimbursement percentage for the state transportation aid program is a maximum of 75% of a school district's allowable cost for transporting eligible pupils on approved routes. There are two adjustments made to allowable cost. One adjustment is to prorate the allowable cost for eligible pupils and eligible miles or eligible cost for state transportation aid. The second adjustment is for cost efficiency. Only a negative adjustment is made when a school district service for regular pupil transportation is determined to be inefficient. A maximum efficiency adjustment of a negative 30% may be made. An appropriation has been set for the state transportation aid program. When necessary, a reduction in the calculated payment to keep the total payment to all school districts from exceeding the appropriation limitation is made annually. The 2005-06 entitlement calculation total in June 2006 for 2004-2005 transportation costs is \$200,945,538. That entitlement has been reduced by 24.006083% to keep the total amount paid to all school districts, including charter schools and VICC, from exceeding the total appropriation limitation.

During the months of July through October estimated amounts based on the previous year's payment is used to make an estimated monthly payment until data is collected and a live payment can be calculated. The first live payment usually is calculated for the month of November. An adjustment in the month of the first live payment and subsequent months for any over or under payments made during previous months is made monthly until June when the payment is final.

NOTE 1: 2005-06 transportation aid payment data for each of the 521 school districts may be found under the general heading of "[Monthly Financial Reports](#)."

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