



2022 Legislative Session

Transportation In Review

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Association Overview

- *State Chamber of Commerce*
- *State Manufacturing & Technology Assn*
- *All Types of Business*

as of Sept. 30, 2021

AWB Mission & Vision

- **Mission**: AWB is the catalytic leader and unifying voice for economic prosperity throughout Washington state.
- **Vision**: Washington will excel as a globally competitive state built on a solid foundation of innovation, a world class workforce, and a quality of place second to none.

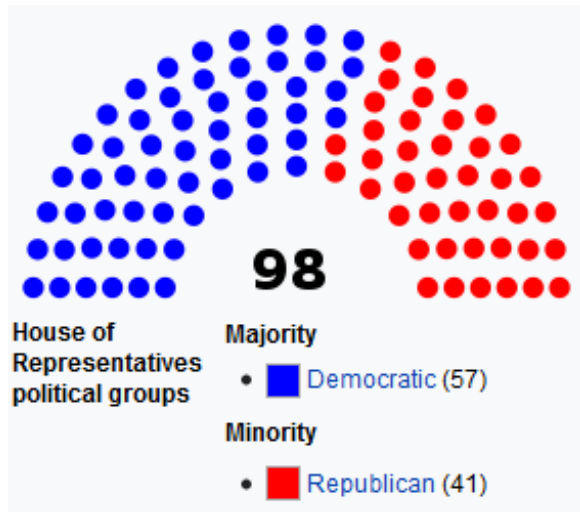
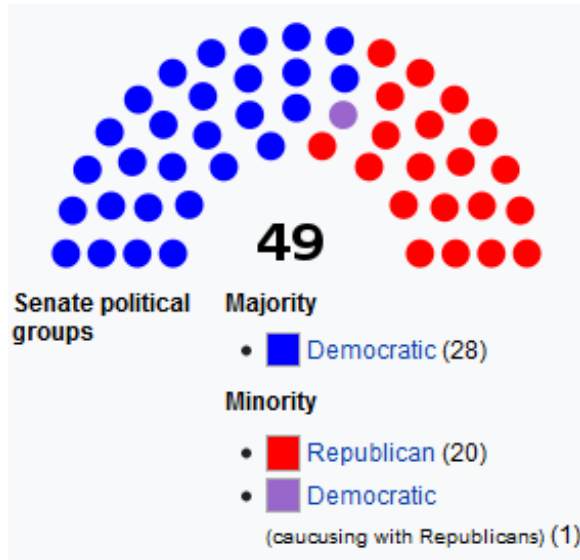
Strategies for Achieving Mission & Vision

- Achieve:** Provide a high-caliber education and workforce development system aligned with the demands of the 21st century.
- Connect:** Create an efficient, multi-modal transportation and infrastructure system that links Washington's employers and communities to each other and to the world.
- Employ:** Encourage and support innovation, entrepreneurship, job retention and creation.
- Compete:** Foster a business environment conducive to creating a resilient and growing, statewide economy.
- Place:** Cultivate actions that enable vibrant communities and environments.

Members by Size



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Session Dynamics

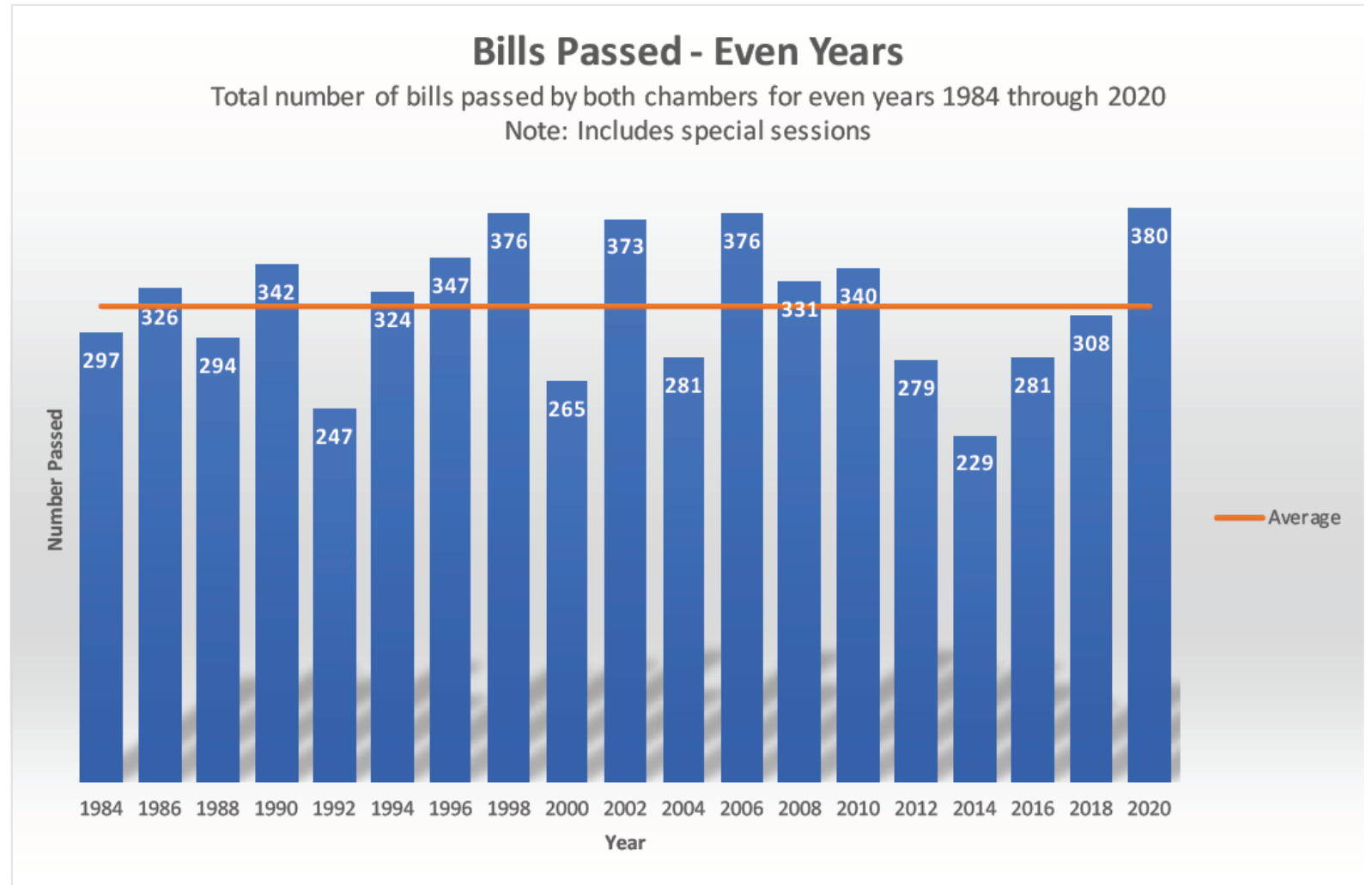
- 60-Day Session
- Remote-Remote-Remote
- Democrat Control - Big Majorities
- Moves Policy Away From the Middle
 - House: 58 D – 41 R
 - Senate: 28 D – 20+1
- 15B Operating Budget Surplus

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309
Laws

762 bills introduced
309 bills passed



Source: Office of Program Research

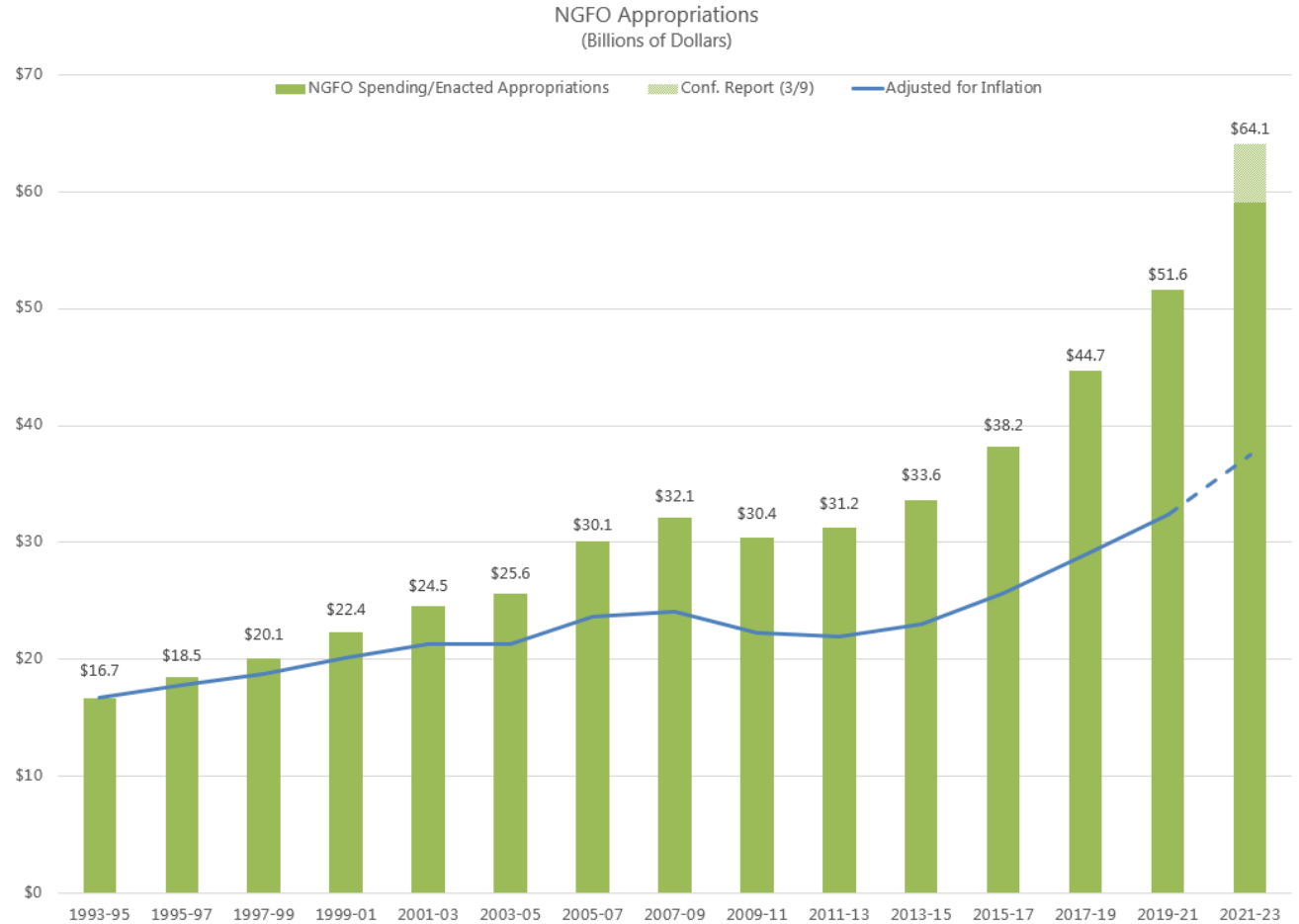
Big Picture: 2022

Despite billions in surplus and rising costs for citizens, virtually no tax relief

- Inflation at 40 year high - prices rising for gas, food, housing, and electricity - yet no tax relief offered to Washingtonians

Increases 2021-23 spend by over \$5 billion in this biennium

- Policy spending increase of \$6.2
- More than 1,300 policy adds took priority over tax relief



Transportation and Infrastructure

Move Ahead Washington, 16 years, \$17 billion

Key Provisions

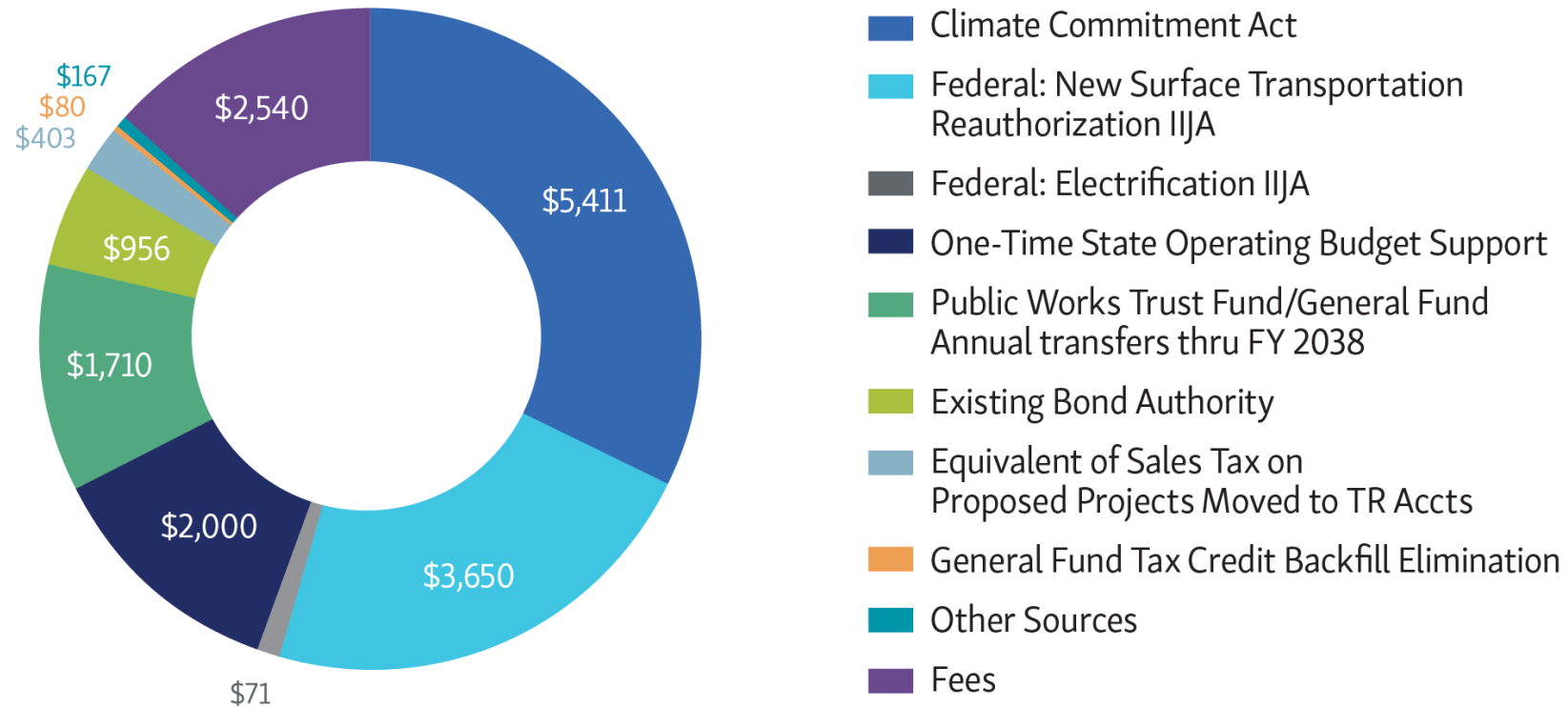
- Fourth transportation package in 20 years
- No gas tax but allocates \$5.4 billion of future revenue from Climate Commitment Act
- All remaining revenues allocated to roads
- Transfers \$2.8 billion from the operating budget
- Fully funds fish passage barriers as mandated by the court
- Funds four new ferry vessels
- Funds \$1 billion for I-5 crossing in Vancouver
- Backfills revenue losses in Connecting Washington projects
- Allocates \$3 billion to maintenance and preservation
- Removes fuel export tax and the local option utility tax

Missed Opportunities

- Removes the gas tax link to LCFS
- Funds very few projects in Eastern Washington
- Sweeps \$800 million from the public works trust fund
- Raises about \$2.4 billion in new fees

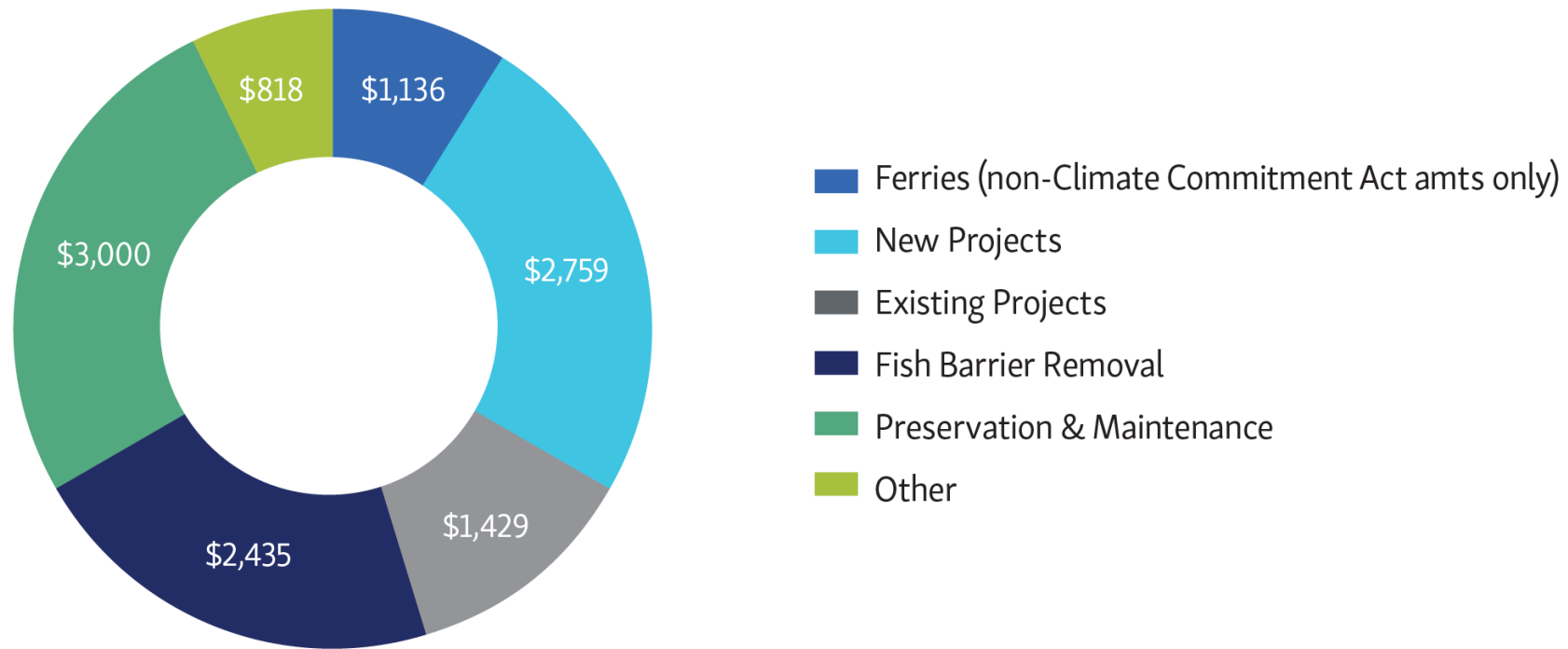
Move Ahead WA Revenue Summary

(Dollars in Millions, 16 Year Total)



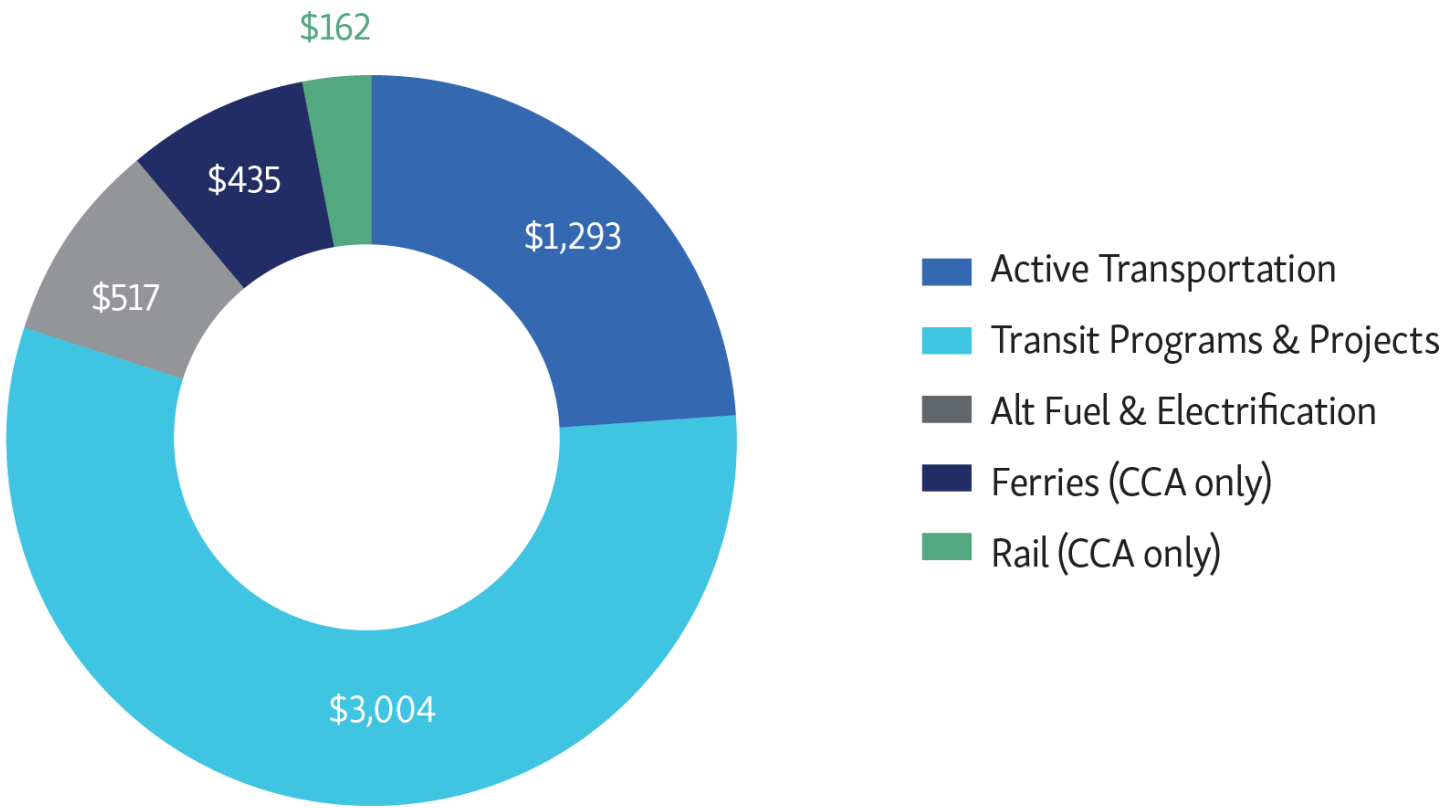
Move Ahead WA Highway Spending Summary

(Dollars in Millions, 16 Year Total)



Move Ahead WA Non-Highway Climate Commitment Act Spending

(Dollars in Millions, 16 Year Total)



Looking ahead --

- Long session
- New or narrower majorities?
- Back to in-person?
- Biennial budgets
- Road Usage Charge
- Workforce challenges
- Additional funding?
 - I-5 Crossing in Vancouver
 - M&P Shortfall
 - HWY 2 Trestle
 - 405 Master Plan



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