



Fast Facts

- Smooth Roads Initiative brings busiest 2,200 miles of Missouri highways up to good condition.
 - *That mileage will get you from Missouri to Florida – and back!*
- Completed in just two years – 2005 and 2006. That’s a full year ahead of schedule.
 - *Early completion will save an estimated 14 lives and prevent 589 injuries.*
 - *The Department of Economic Development also estimates that finishing a year early will increase income to Missouri by \$133 million.*
 - *Early completion saved taxpayers a year of maintenance costs on many of these roads – that’s a savings of \$2.2 million*
- Three-fourths of these roads were in fair to poor condition when initiative began.
- These roads comprise just seven percent of state highway system, but carry 60 percent of all miles traveled.
- 86 percent of Missourians live within 10 miles of one of these roads.
- 80 million miles a day are traveled on these highways.
 - *That’s a lot of driving – 3,213 laps around the earth, for example*
 - *And if you’re going to make that trip you’d better get started. At 70 mph, it’ll take you 130 years!*
- Smooth Roads Initiative comprised of 223 projects awarded at \$388 million.
- 188,000 signs, 12,000 emergency markers and 150,000 guardrail and guard cable reflectors as a result of Smooth Roads Initiative.
- Used 266,485 square feet of sign panels– that’s 13 times our normal production.
 - *If you could spread out those signs side by side, they would cover more than six acres!*
- Smooth Roads Initiative used 12.8 million tons of asphalt – that’s twice our normal amount.
 - *That’s enough asphalt to completely fill up a major league baseball stadium – three times!*
- Also used 424,000 square yards of concrete pavement and installed more than 41 million feet of striping.
- MoDOT maintenance crews spent more than 888,000 labor hours on SRI.
 - *That’s more hours than you’ve been alive, unless you’re 101.*