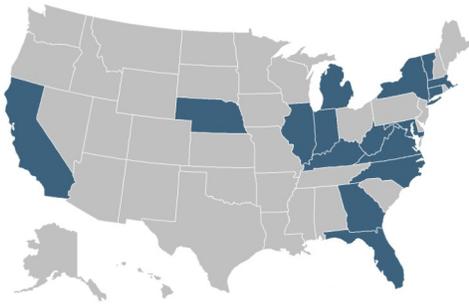


Is the Gas Tax Running Out of Gas?

Facts about the Massachusetts gas tax

The Massachusetts gas tax is a significant source of funding for our roads, bridges, and public transportation. Revenue generated by the gas tax can only be spent on transportation.



Sixteen states, including Massachusetts, set their gas tax to either increase with inflation or the price of gas to keep up with the rising costs of fixing, maintaining, and improving our roads and bridges and public transportation.



Inflation erodes the value of the gas tax. Before the recent adjustment of 3¢ per gallon, the gas tax was last adjusted 22 years ago. At that time, it was 21¢ per gallon which is only worth 12¢ today.



Even with the recent 3¢ increase, the state's gas tax still ranks 26th in the nation.

Taxpayers across Massachusetts are willing to pay more to fix, maintain, and improve roads, bridges, and public transit. The MassINC Polling Group found that...

More than 60% of voters support the gas tax if the funds are used for roads and highways.

More than 60% of voters are willing to spend an additional \$50 per year to create a sustainable funding stream for the roads and public transit.