

RUC America is a leading authority on road usage charging in the United States. The membership includes 20 state transportation organizations who share resources to investigate road usage charging as an appropriate revenue collection method for their respective state.

The group formed to grow agency expertise, increase preparedness and collaborate on projects of mutual interest. RUC America offers participating agencies the opportunity to achieve economies of scale in their road usage charging projects or research by offering joint testing and evaluation over wide territories.

With a wealth of cooperative research, case studies and best practices, RUC America serves as central host for the latest information on road usage charging.

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#### **AREAS OF WORK**

- ✓ Technical research and development
- ✓ Legal and policy issues
- ✓ Research of fiscal and economic issues
- ✓ Standards and certifications
- ✓ Administrative and operational issues
- ✓ Inter-jurisdictional concerns
- ✓ Stakeholder outreach and communications
- ✓ Platforms and operations for state or regional pilots

# What is road usage charging?

Road usage charging (RUC) is a pay-by-themile concept where drivers pay for miles driven instead of gallons of fuel consumed. For nearly two decades, gas tax revenues have declined significantly due to increased fuel efficiency (including electric and hybrid vehicles).

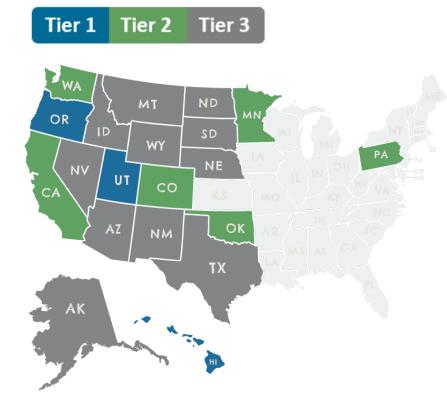
In addition the decreased purchasing power of tax dollars for construction materials has resulted in many states cannot keep pace with the costs of operating, maintaining, and improving their vital transportation system.

## **RUC America Priorities**

American states are working together to study the viability of per-mile charging.

RUC America allows state departments of transportation to pool resources to study outcomes and share best practices. RUC America has already funded 24 projects related to the feasibility and evaluation of road usage charging, with more on the way.

### RUC America MEMBER LEGEND



#### **OUR MEMBERS**

**Tier 1:** Actively promoting road usage charging as an equitable road-funding solution (implementing a program)

- Oregon
- Hawaii
- Utah

**Tier 2:** Conducting Research Pilot Projects for a RUC

- California
- Colorado
- Minnesota
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- Washington

**Tier 3:** Monitoring transportation trends (evaluating the road usage charge environment)

- Alaska
- Arizona
- Idaho
- Montana
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- ❖ North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Texas
- Wyoming

### **Interested in learning more?**

RUC America welcomes state members to stay informed about RUC trends. A membership in RUC America connects your organization with the most current tools, resources and information on road usage charging. Whether watching the concept unfold or considering implementation of a state program, RUC America is the go-to source for all things RUC.

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