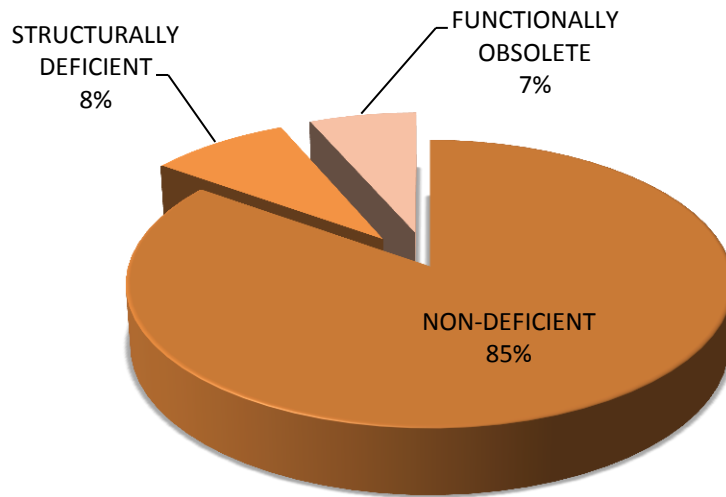


KANSAS BRIDGE FACT SHEET

BRIDGE DEFICIENCY



Kansas Bridge Deficiencies

All states, including Kansas, are required to annually submit bridge data to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The FHWA then reports back the deficiency status for each bridge.

The data shown is for calendar year ending in 2015 and is the most up to date data for Kansas bridges.

	STATE	LOCAL	KTA	OTHER	TOTAL
NUMBER OF BRIDGES	5,090	19,435	368	1	24,894
<i>NON-DEFICIENT</i>	4,656	16,289	185	1	21,131
<i>STRUCTURALLY DEFICIENT</i>	35	2,086	9	0	2,130
<i>FUNCTIONALLY OBSOLETE</i>	399	1,060	174	0	1,633

About Deficiencies

A bridge is classified as “Structurally Deficient” when it is inadequate to carry today’s legal loads. This could be by obsolete design, structural deterioration and/or waterway inadequacy. A “Functionally Obsolete” bridge is a bridge which does not meet current engineering standards because it is narrow, the clearance beneath it or through it is inadequate, the approaching roadway alignment is deficient, and/or structural condition or waterway adequacy is deficient.

The Kansas inventory of deficient bridges has been cut nearly in half over the past 20 years.

