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BTS PRODUCTS AND ACTIVITIES

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- The *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* (Public Law No: 117-58, November 15, 2021) continues BTS programs and requires BTS to develop a roadmap for data and analytics support to decision-making officials in state, regional, and local government (Section 25003).
- BTS published over 100 products, including 82 data releases, 3 reports to Congress, annual reports for clients of the confidential close calls program, continuous updates and expansions to the National Transportation Atlas Database, an updated benchmark for the Freight Analysis Framework, and several web apps. All are available at www.bts.gov and can be seen at Booth 344-345 in the Exhibits Hall. Key products include:
 - o On COVID-19.
 - 2021 Transportation Statistics Annual Report focusses on a period of dramatic change as travelers, shippers, and providers of transportation services responded to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - BTS publishes weekly and monthly statistics on COVID-related trends in transportation at https://www.bts.gov/covid-19.
 - o On Supply Chain Disruptions.
 - The annual report of the Port Performance Freight Statistics Program will be released this month.
 - BTS convened an interagency working group to track key supply chain indicators on the weekly basis. Indicators will be published on the BTS website soon.
 - o On Mobility and Advancing Transportation Equity
 - BTS released the Access to Intercity Transportation in Rural Areas map and the national bike-share and e-scooter map. See https://www.bts.gov/product/geospatial-application-and-map-gallery.
 - BTS is building out the National Transit Map, a nationwide digital catalog of fixed-guideway and fixed-route transit service in America, from data provided by transit operators.
 - BTS is expanding our offerings of foundational economic and geospatial datasets for use in analysis and pulling information from the recent RFI to develop an equity data and analysis tools research roadmap to focus our efforts on new solution sets over the next 3-5 years
- While most BTS products like *Freight Facts and Figures* are available only in electronic form so that they can be continuously updated, BTS has printed a special 50th anniversary edition of *National Transportation Statistics*.
- BTS continues to expand the on-line repository of documents and data of interest to the transportation community in the National Transportation Library, including all research documents funded by DOT.
- BTS is undertaking a major effort to improve revenue, expenditure, and financial statistics relevant to transportation decision makers. For further information, contact Stephanie.Lawrence@dot.gov.

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- Version 5 of the Freight Analysis Framework is now available at https://www.bts.gov/faf. Version 5 is benchmarked on 2017 with forecasts to 2050. Annual estimates will be made from the new benchmark. Additional FAF products are under development.
- In addition to the regular Commodity Flow Survey data products (including tables and a public use file), BTS has released an experimental CFS Subarea file (lower level of geography) and an internal Title 13 version of the CFS available via a Research Data Center. For more information, see https://www.bts.gov/cfs. Data collection for the 2022 CFS begins in April.
- Data collection for the 2021 Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (VIUS) will begin in February 2022. Visit https://www.bts.gov/vius for information about the survey.

BTS POSITION OPENINGS

- See the jobs and internships section under "Learn About BTS and Our Work" at https://www.bts.gov/jobs.
- BTS is currently seeking Fellows interested in bringing transformational change to the Federal Government in Commodity Flow Survey/freight data analysis, library science, geospatial analysis, data journalism, and offshore oil and gas industry risk analysis. See the Fellows section of https://www.bts.gov/jobs.