

ILLINOIS ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE

The Illinois Economic Policy Institute (ILEPI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan research organization that uses advanced statistics and the latest forecasting models to promote thoughtful economic growth for businesses and working families.

ABOUT US

- We have published over 250 reports since our founding in 2013.
- Our research is cited by hundreds of media outlets annually.
- Our focus areas include: infrastructure funding, prevailing wage, apprenticeship training, responsible bidding, clean energy, workers' rights, minimum wage, economic development, and tax and budget policy.
- We maintain an updated toolkit on the Rebuild Illinois capital program on our website—with fact sheets, revenue estimates, funding breakdowns, maps, and links to legislation.

POLICY CHANGES INFLUENCED BY OUR RESEARCH

- 1. The \$45 billion Rebuild Illinois capital program
- 2. The Illinois Safe Roads Amendment
- 3. Funding for the I-80 reconstruction project
- 4. Performance-based programming for transportation projects
- 5. The Climate and Equitable Jobs Act
- 6. The first \$15 minimum wage in the Midwest
- 7. The Workers' Rights Amendment
- 8. A stronger Illinois Prevailing Wage Act
- 9. The WorkShare Illinois program
- 10. Legal adult-use recreational cannabis

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