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Document details winter road operations

Four million gallons of salt brine, 103,000 tons of salt and 574 snow plows are just a part of what it takes to keep the Kansas highway system safe and open for travel during an average winter season.

[“Managing Snow and Ice,”](#) which is posted on the Kansas Department of Transportation’s [website](#), includes these facts and much more about operations on the state’s nearly 10,000-mile system (which comprises more than 25,000 lane miles) during snow and ice season.

“On an average February weekday, the Kansas interstate and state highway system carries more than \$175 million in goods, as well as commuters earning \$30 million in daily wages,” said Acting Transportation Secretary Barbara Rankin.

“It is essential that KDOT prioritize both its snow and ice operations and our highway maintenance positions so these important economic activities are uninterrupted.”

The guide also includes information about which roads are plowed most frequently during a storm, considerations that can result in closing a road and the many other non-winter activities that occupy road crews throughout the year.

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