

# **State of Alaska FY2025 Governor's Operating Budget**

## **Department of Public Safety Prisoner Transportation Component Budget Summary**

**Component: Prisoner Transportation****Contribution to Department's Mission**

Preserve public peace; protect life, property, and resources.

**Core Services**

- Transport prisoners needing pre-arraignment and post-arraignment escort, as well as convicted prisoners between in-state facilities and out-of-state prisons.
- Coordinate transport of prisoners using the services of state troopers, municipal police officers, and court services officers.

**Major Component Accomplishments in 2023**

The prisoner transport volume for the Division of Alaska State Troopers (AST) increased 53 percent from FY2022 to FY2023. The division moved 34,257 prisoners in FY2022 and 52,335 prisoners in FY2023. This number increased dramatically as COVID-19 impacts are mitigated, and the Alaska Court System resumes normal activities.

There were no prisoner escapes, and no significant injuries to any personnel during prisoner transports throughout the year.

**Key Component Challenges**

The cost of prisoner transports depends greatly on the amount of time the Alaska Court System (ACS) provides to Judicial Services (JS) to arrange transport, the types of transport available, and the availability of officers to staff the transport. Additionally, JS must always consider public safety when arranging transport of prisoners who pose greater risk. The Alaska Court System (ACS) and the Department of Corrections (DOC) decide when to transport prisoners. The DOC is under mandate by the courts to limit the number of inmates at all institutions, which often requires Department of Public Safety's assistance to balance the inmate population among different institutions.

Anchorage JS continues to work with the courts to ensure that defendants with multiple cases in more than one jurisdiction are only transported when essential; this new effort began in FY2021 and is a significant departure from past practice. For example, if a defendant has multiple open felony cases in Kenai and a single Anchorage misdemeanor, Anchorage JS will attempt to ensure that the defendant remains in Kenai to complete the felony cases, provided this arrangement will not conflict with statutory or court rule appearance requirements.

**Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2025**

AST anticipates an increase of prisoner moves as well as a rise in court security as court activity continues to normalize. The ACS currently has an extensive backlog of cases requiring hearings in addition to the new cases added daily. Electronic monitoring is not expected to reduce the increase in prisoner moves, only to marginally slow the growth.

Initial statistics from FY2023 indicate there is an increase in prisoner transports, as the court system recovers from the impacts of public health restrictions and resumes normal activity.

AST continues to coordinate with the ACS and DOC to install and implement video conferencing capabilities, to minimize the impacts of the anticipated increase in moves. As technology infrastructure advances, additional options in the use of video systems may become available. While this may reduce the number of transports, there will be increased service and equipment costs associated with the annual operations of the

video conferencing systems.

AST's priority is to continue to provide prisoner transport with no escapes.

### **Statutory and Regulatory Authority**

DPS-Powers and duties of department (AS 44.41.020)  
State Troopers (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.110)  
Police Protection (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.790)  
Law enforcement duties (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.086)  
Controlled Substances (AS 11.71.010 - AS 11.71.900)  
Judicial Services (AS 22.20.100 - AS 22.20.140)  
Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 and AS 33.30.081)

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**Component Detail All Funds**  
**Department of Public Safety**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)  
**RDU:** Alaska State Troopers (160)

Non-Formula Component

	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Enrolled	FY2024 Authorized	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor Adjusted Base	FY2025 Governor	FY2024 Management Plan vs FY2025 Governor	
1000 Personal Services	9.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	0.0	0.0%
2000 Travel	1,040.1	1,252.5	1,252.5	1,085.5	1,085.5	1,085.5	0.0	0.0%
3000 Services	926.8	416.8	416.8	900.0	900.0	900.0	0.0	0.0%
4000 Commodities	5.4	20.0	20.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0%
5000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
7000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
8000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,981.8</b>	<b>1,704.3</b>	<b>1,704.3</b>	<b>2,010.5</b>	<b>2,010.5</b>	<b>2,010.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Fund Sources:</b>								
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	1,954.4	1,634.3	1,634.3	1,940.5	1,940.5	1,940.5	0.0	0.0%
1007 I/A Rcpts (Other)	27.4	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	0.0	0.0%
<b>Unrestricted General (UGF)</b>	<b>1,954.4</b>	<b>1,634.3</b>	<b>1,634.3</b>	<b>1,940.5</b>	<b>1,940.5</b>	<b>1,940.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Designated General (DGF)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>27.4</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Federal Funds</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Positions:</b>								
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%

**Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions**  
**Department of Public Safety**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)  
**RDU:** Alaska State Troopers (160)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2024 Enrolled To FY2024 Authorized *****												
<b>FY2024 Enrolled</b>	Enrolled	1,704.3	15.0	1,252.5	416.8	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		1,634.3										
1007 I/A Rcpts		70.0										
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1,704.3</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>1,252.5</b>	<b>416.8</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
***** Changes From FY2024 Authorized To FY2024 Management Plan *****												
<b>Align Authority with Anticipated Expenditures</b>	LIT	0.0	0.0	-167.0	177.0	-10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Transfer authority from travel and commodities for anticipated services costs. The remaining authority is sufficient to cover anticipated expenditures.												
<b>Transfer Authority from Alaska State Trooper Detachments for Program Alignment</b>	Trin	306.2	0.0	0.0	306.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		306.2										
Transfer authority from Alaska State Trooper Detachments to restore authority to pre-pandemic levels and allow for department aircraft charges.												
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2,010.5</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>1,085.5</b>	<b>900.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
***** Changes From FY2025 Governor Adjusted Base To FY2025 Governor *****												
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2,010.5</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>1,085.5</b>	<b>900.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Line Item Detail (1676)**  
**Department of Public Safety**  
**Travel**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
2000	Travel		1,040.1	1,085.5	1,085.5
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
<b>2000 Travel Detail Totals</b>			<b>1,040.1</b>	<b>1,085.5</b>	<b>1,085.5</b>
2000	In-State Employee Travel	Cost of transporting prisoners, and other individual in custody, within Alaska.	363.9	450.0	450.0
2001	In-State Non-Employee Travel	Instate travel costs for non-employee (individuals in custody & prisoners) performed by local government police officer, village public safety officers, village police officers, and court service officers.	535.6	505.0	505.0
2002	Out of State Employee Travel	Cost of transporting prisoners, and other individual in custody, between Alaska and other locations.	124.3	115.0	115.0
2003	Out of State Non-Employee Travel	Out of state travel costs for transporting non-employees (individuals in custody & prisoners) between Alaska and other locations performed by local government police officer, village public safety officers, village police officers, and court service officers.	16.3	15.5	15.5

**Line Item Detail (1676)**  
**Department of Public Safety**  
**Services**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)

Line Number	Line Name			FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
3000	Services			926.8	900.0	900.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation		FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
<b>3000 Services Detail Totals</b>				<b>926.8</b>	<b>900.0</b>	<b>900.0</b>
3033	Inter-Agency Aircraft	PubSaf - Aircraft Section (2537)	RSA with DPS Aircraft for costs to transport prisoners.	786.8	760.0	760.0
3036	Inter-Agency Safety	Correct - Department-wide	RSA with Corrections for costs to transport prisoners between state correctional facilities, hospitals, mental health facilities, courts, etc.	140.0	140.0	140.0

**Line Item Detail (1676)**  
**Department of Public Safety**  
**Commodities**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
4000	Commodities		5.4	10.0	10.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
<b>4000 Commodities Detail Totals</b>			<b>5.4</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>
4000	Business	Business supplies such as pens, office paper, etc.	0.0	1.0	1.0
4002	Household/Institutional	Clothing, uniforms, cleaning, food and non-food supplies.	5.4	8.0	8.0
4020	Equipment Fuel	Equipment fuel.	0.0	1.0	1.0



**Revenue Detail (1681)**  
**Department of Public Safety**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)

Revenue Type (OMB Fund Code) Revenue Source	Component	Comment	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
<b>5007 I/A Rcpts (1007 I/A Rcpts)</b>			<b>27.4</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts		IA Revenues from escorted transportation of mental health consumers from their communities to either the Alaska Psychiatric Institute (API), or to a community with a hospital providing local designated treatment and evaluation services.	27.4	70.0	70.0

**Inter-Agency Services (1682)**  
**Department of Public Safety**

**Component:** Prisoner Transportation (512)

				FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
<b>Component Totals</b>				<b>926.8</b>	<b>900.0</b>	<b>900.0</b>
With Department of Public Safety				786.8	760.0	760.0
With Department of Corrections				140.0	140.0	140.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation		FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Management Plan	FY2025 Governor
3033	Inter-Agency Aircraft	PubSaf - Aircraft Section (2537)	RSA with DPS Aircraft for costs to transport prisoners.	786.8	760.0	760.0
3036	Inter-Agency Safety	Correct - Department-wide	RSA with Corrections for costs to transport prisoners between state correctional facilities, hospitals, mental health facilities, courts, etc.	140.0	140.0	140.0