The 2021 Infrastructure Bill's Impact on the Construction Industry

In November 2021, President Biden signed a \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill into law. This bill involves using a total of \$550 billion of new federal investments in America's infrastructure over a five-year span. The bill touches on everything from bridge and road repairs to rebuilding the electric grid — making it especially important to the construction industry.



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Here are a few ways the infrastructure bill will impact the construction industry:

- \$110 billion for roads, bridges and major infrastructure projects.
- \$65 billion to ensure nationwide access to reliable high-speed internet.
- \$65 billion to rebuild the electric grid, building thousands of miles of new power lines and expanding renewable energy.
- \$55 billion to upgrade water infrastructure, replacing lead service lines and pipes.
- Over \$50 billion to protect against the impacts of climate change and cyber-attacks.
- \$40 billion for bridge repair, replacement and rehabilitation.
- \$17 billion in port infrastructure and \$25 billion in airports to address repair and maintenance backlogs.
- More than 80% of new jobs would not require college degrees, benefitting electricians, plumbers, truck drivers, construction workers, mechanics, and shipping and materials handling personnel.

As the new infrastructure bill is implemented, it will help revolutionize the construction industry and the way contractors perform their jobs every day.

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