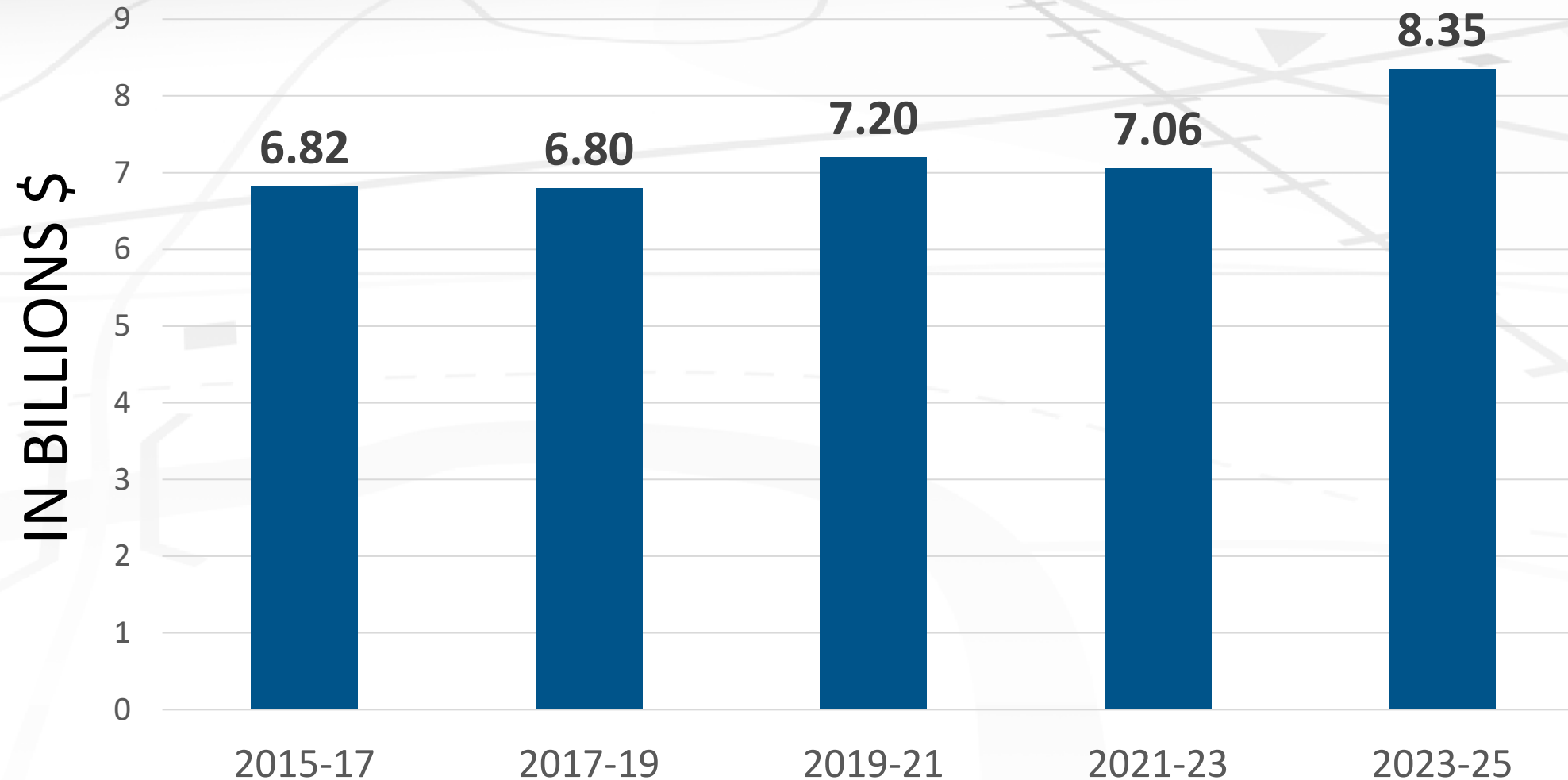




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Significant Investment In Current Biennium



Source:
WisDOT

Projects & Programs Moving Forward



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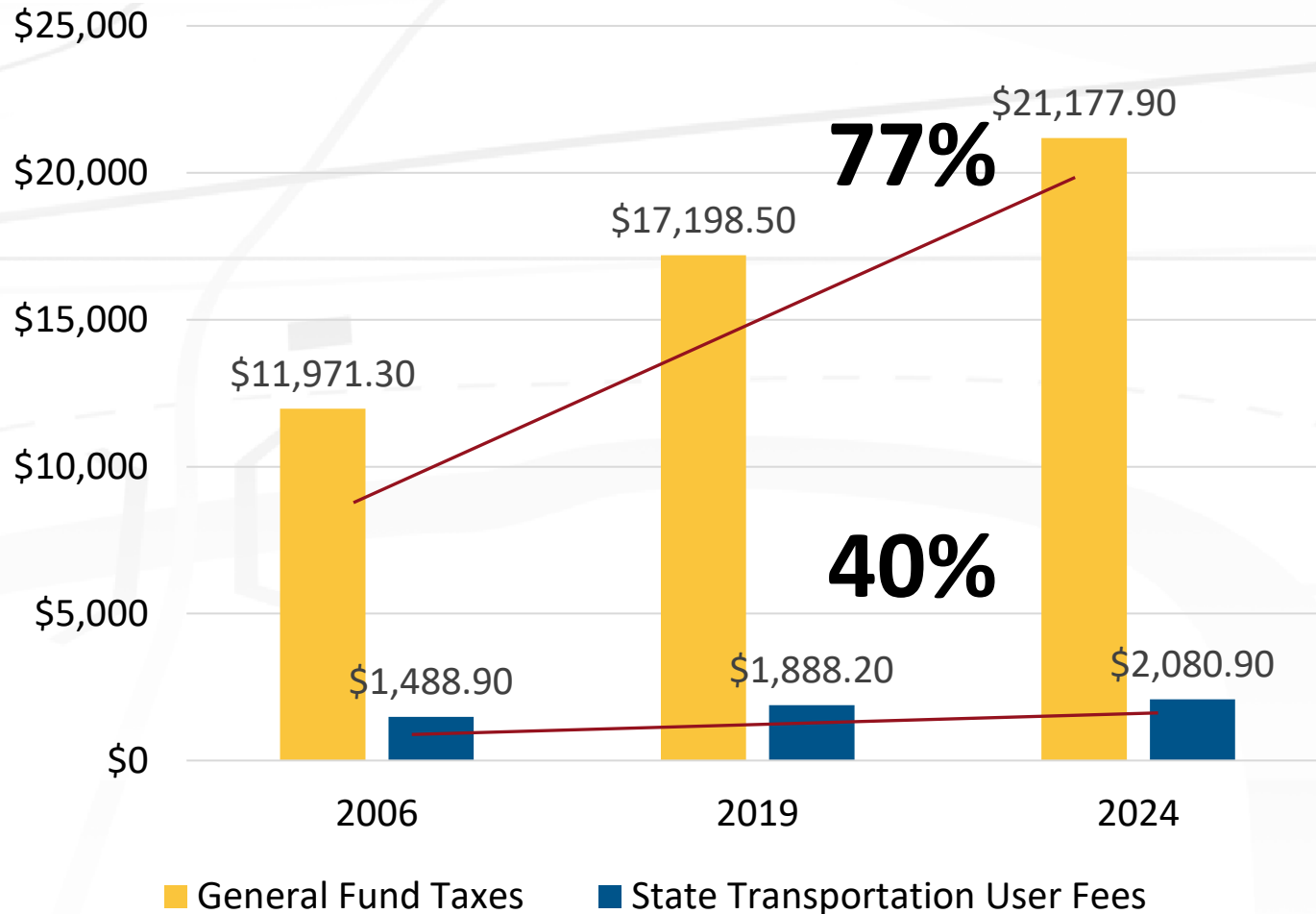
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Interstate Projects

Transportation User Fees Don't Grow with the Economy Like General Fund Taxes

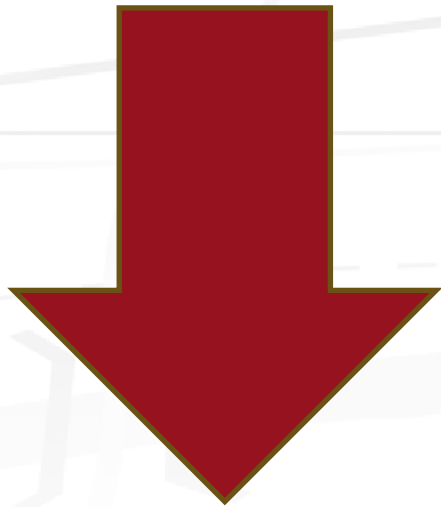
IN MILLIONS



- General Fund tax collections increased almost 80%, despite tax cuts, with growing incomes, prices, and consumer spending buoying the fund.
- Transportation user fee revenue grew about 40% with some fee increases.

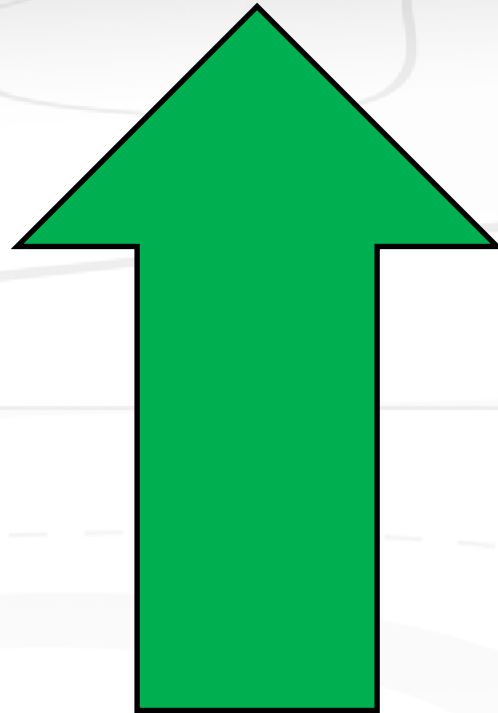
Graph Sources: Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports, WisDOT (excludes transfers, PECFA, misc. revenue, and investment income).

Motorist Are Paying Less in Gas Tax



\$36.68

Less Gas Tax Paid



\$104.3

More on a \$100 market
basket of goods and
services

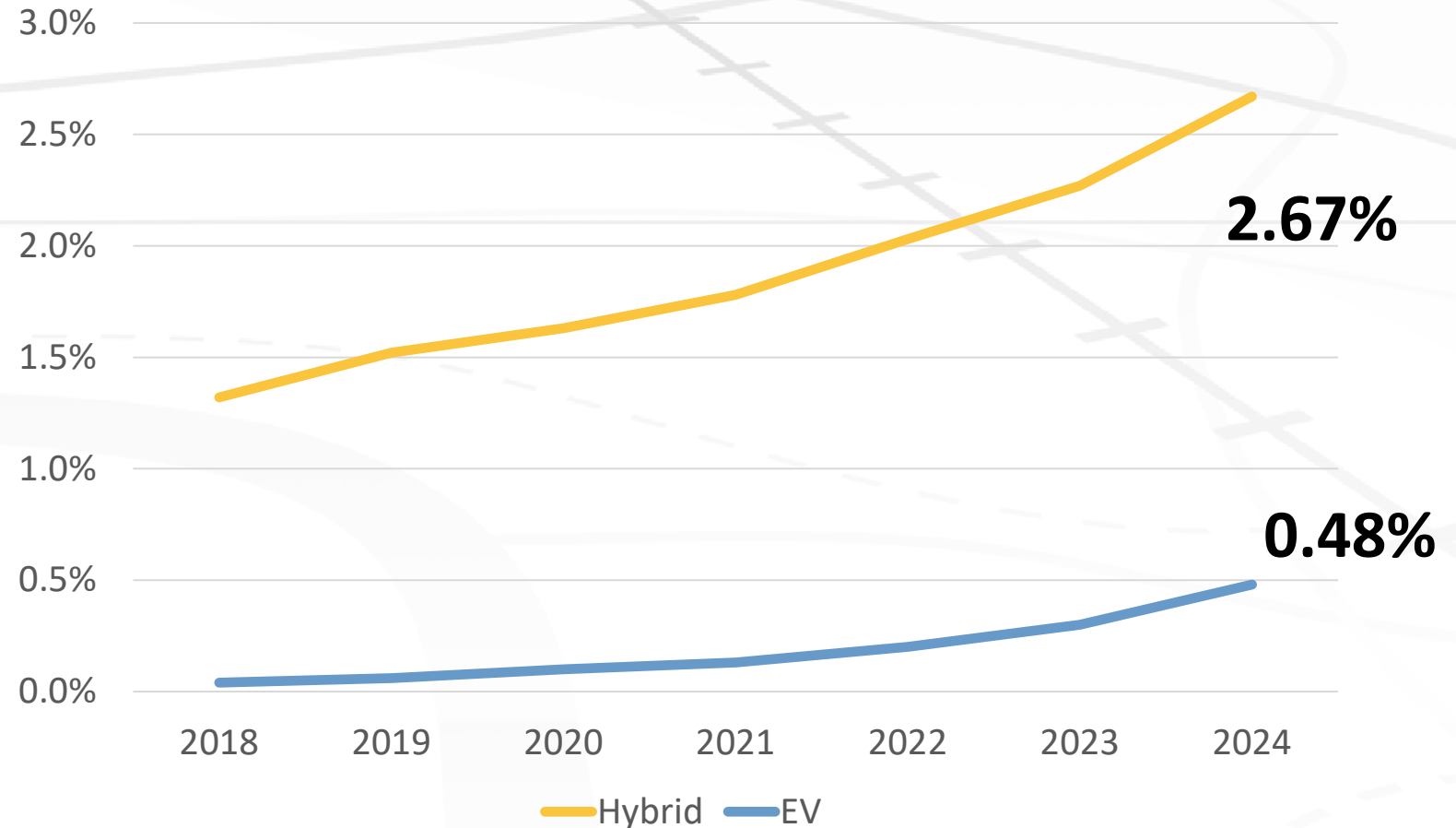
- Average fuel efficiency increased from 20.3 MPG in 2006 to 25.4 MPG in 2025.
- Motorists driving 12,000 miles/year buys 118.7 fewer gallons than in 2006.
- And pays **\$36.68 less in today's dollars**, about \$90 in constant 2006 dollars.

Source: Legislative Fiscal Bureau Paper, Jan. 2025

Gas-Powered Vehicles Are Not Going Away Soon

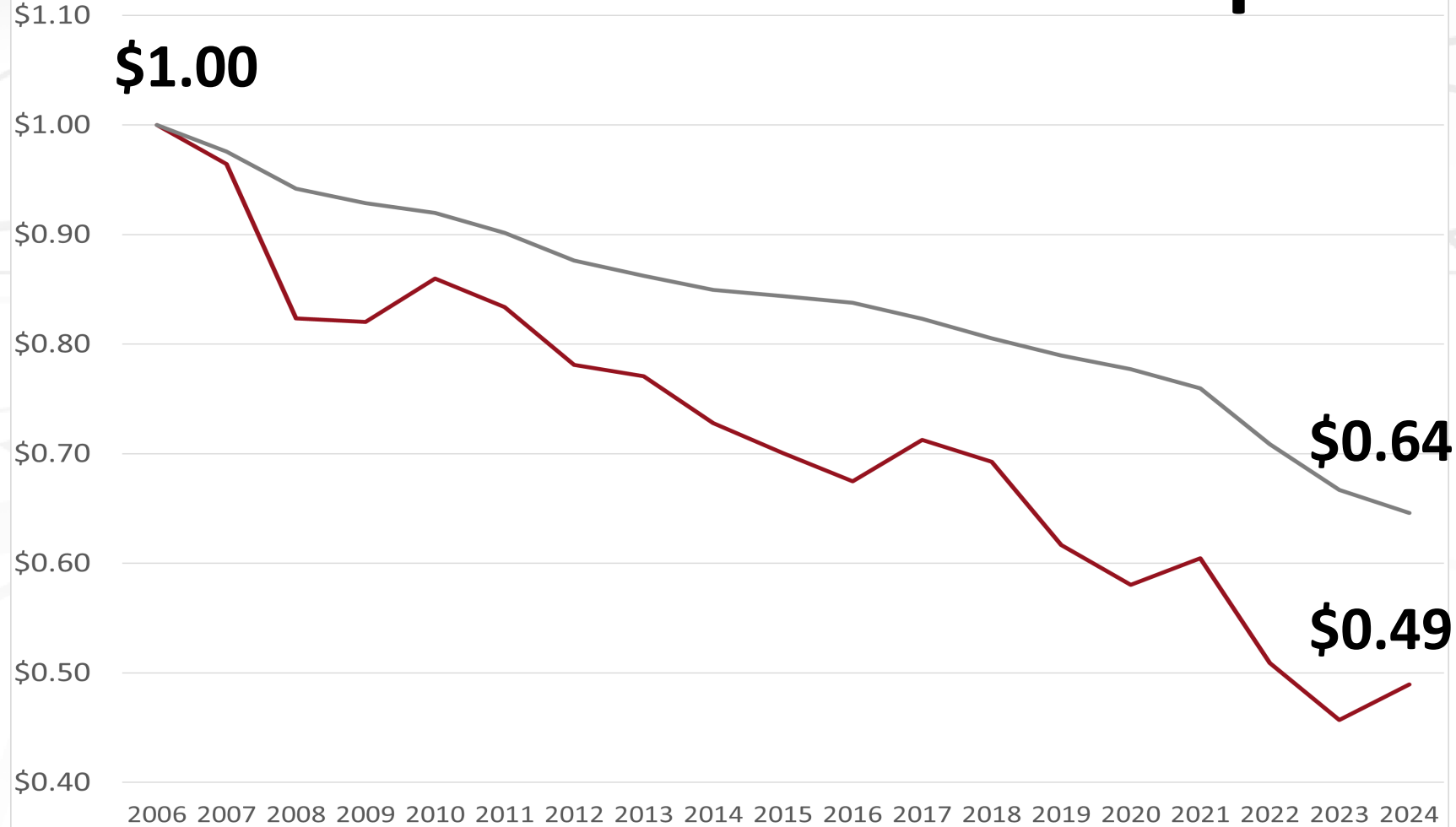
Registered Hybrid and EV Percentages of
Wisconsin Passenger Vehicle Fleet

Nearly 97%
of Wisconsin's 4.8M
passenger vehicle fleet
are non-hybrid, gas-
powered vehicles.



Source: Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Gas Tax Purchasing Power Declines, Construction Cost Inflation Outpaces CPI

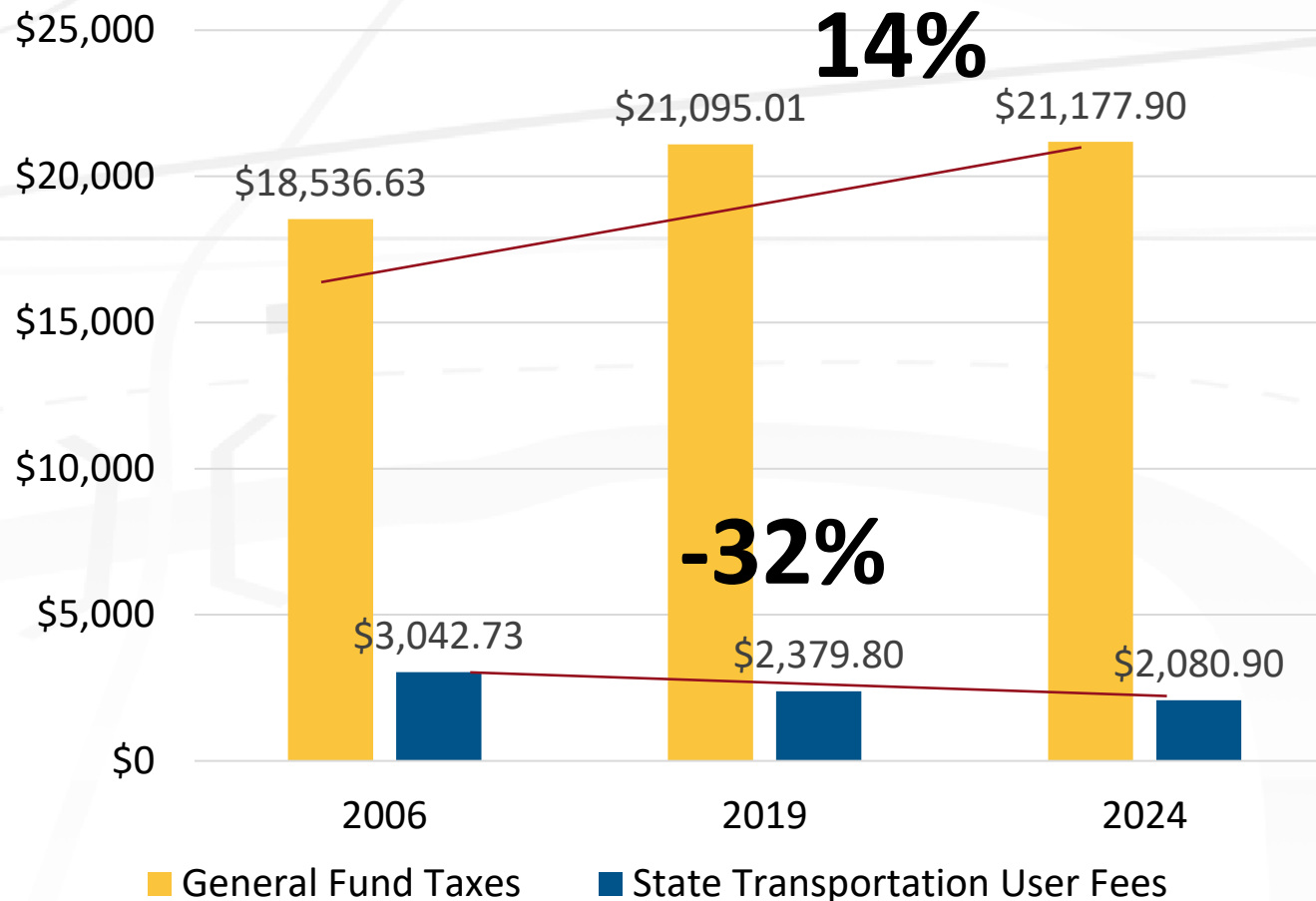


CPI: >30%
decrease in
purchasing power

**Wis. Construction
Cost Index: 50+%**

Transportation User Fees Don't Grow with the Economy Like General Fund Taxes (Constant \$)

IN MILLIONS

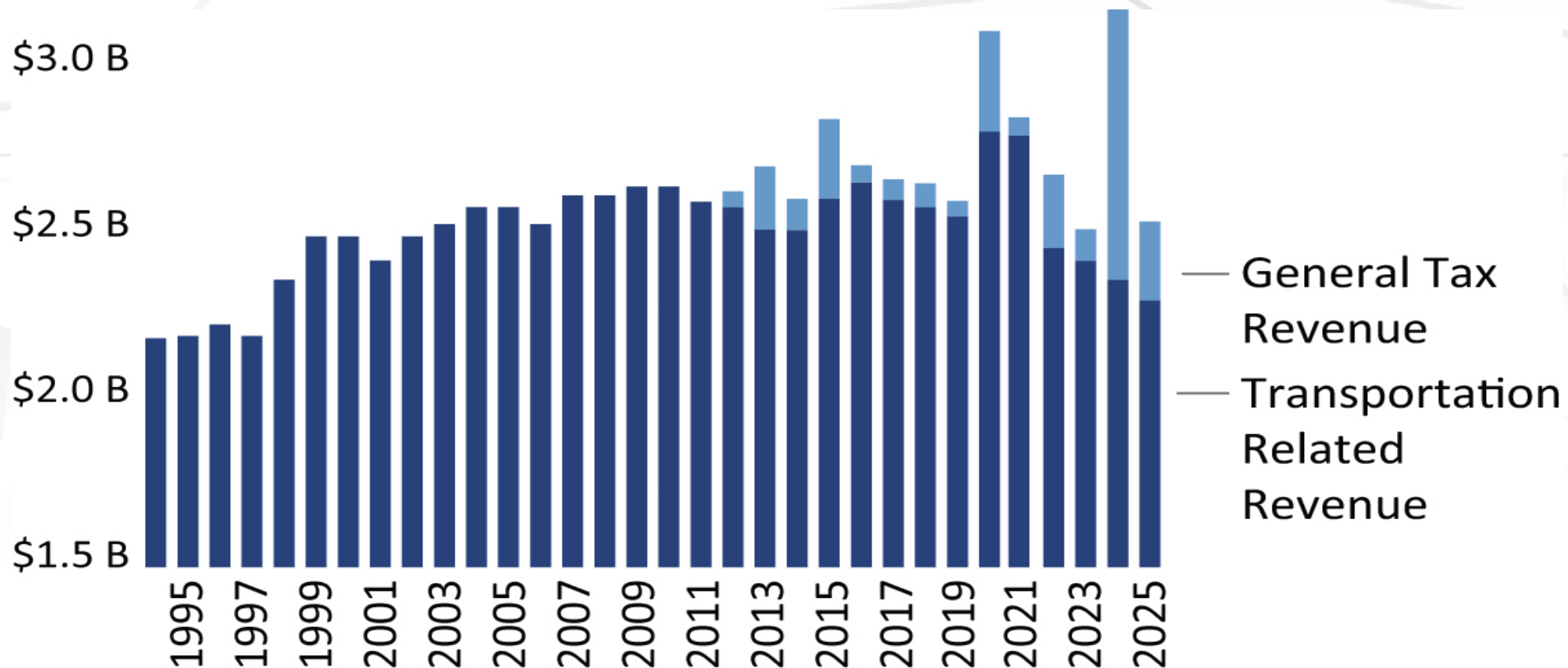


- General Fund tax collections in 2024 dollars (CPI) increased 14%, despite tax cuts, with growing incomes, prices, and consumer spending buoying the fund.
- Transportation user fee revenue (in 2024 \$s, WCCI) **decreased 32%** despite some fee increases.

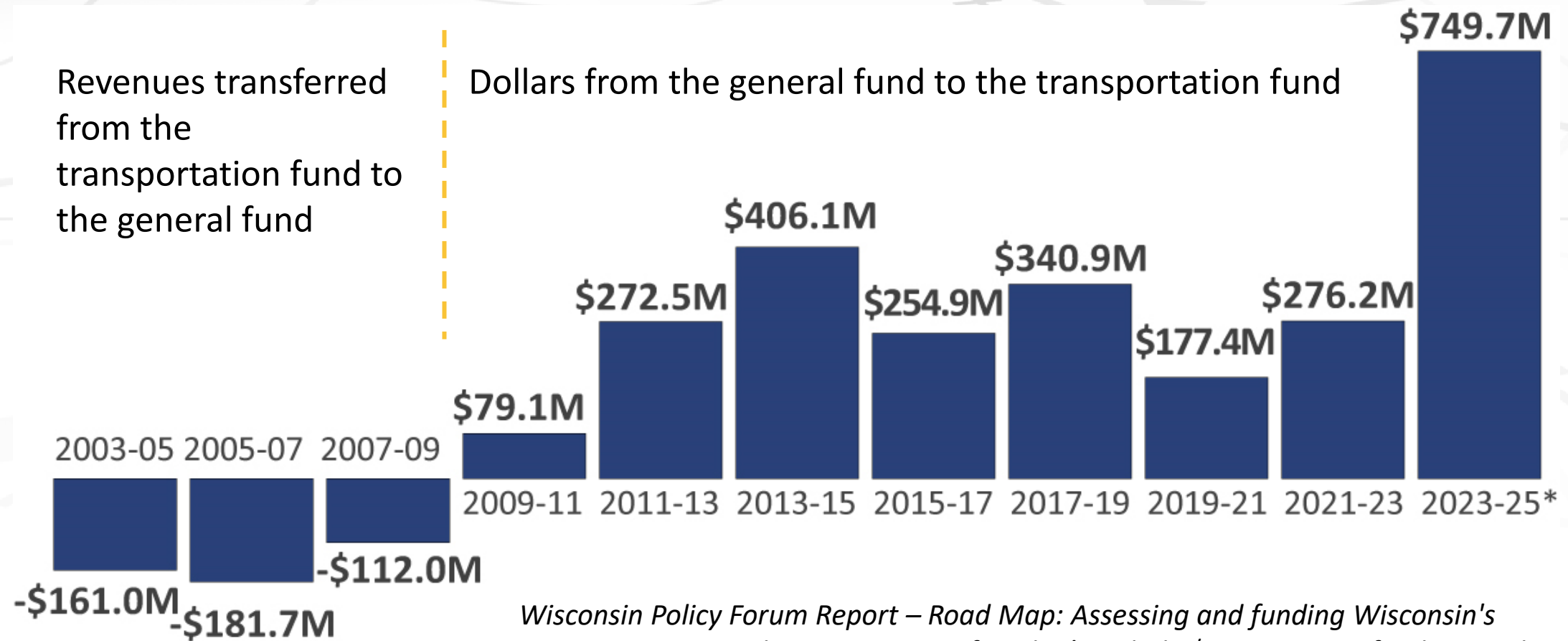
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Adjusted for inflation General Fund taxes using CPI and Transportation Fund User fees with Wisconsin Construction Cost Index.

Inflation Adjusted Transportation Revenue Lowest Since 1998

Total transportation revenue by fiscal year 1994 to 2025, 2023 \$s (CPI)



Wisconsin Increasingly Relies on General Fund Revenue for Transportation



Wisconsin Policy Forum Report – Road Map: Assessing and funding Wisconsin's transportation needs. 2023-25 transfers don't include \$228.7 transit funding paid directly from the General Fund.

\$1+ Billion 2025-27 Challenge

1

Replace the one-time GPR funding

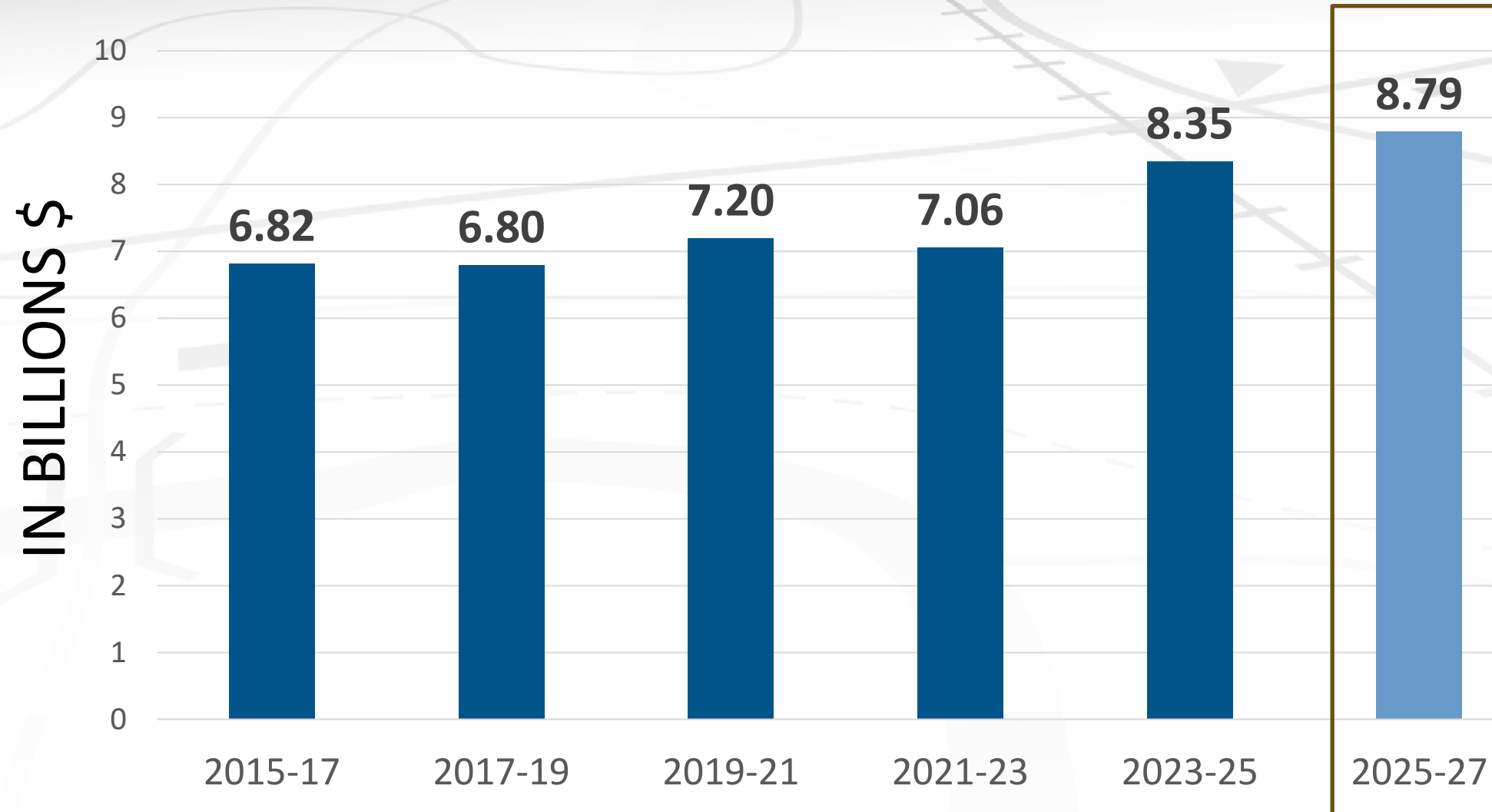
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Provide resources for generational projects in the hopper

3

Maintain program purchasing power

A Comparison to the Governor's Proposal

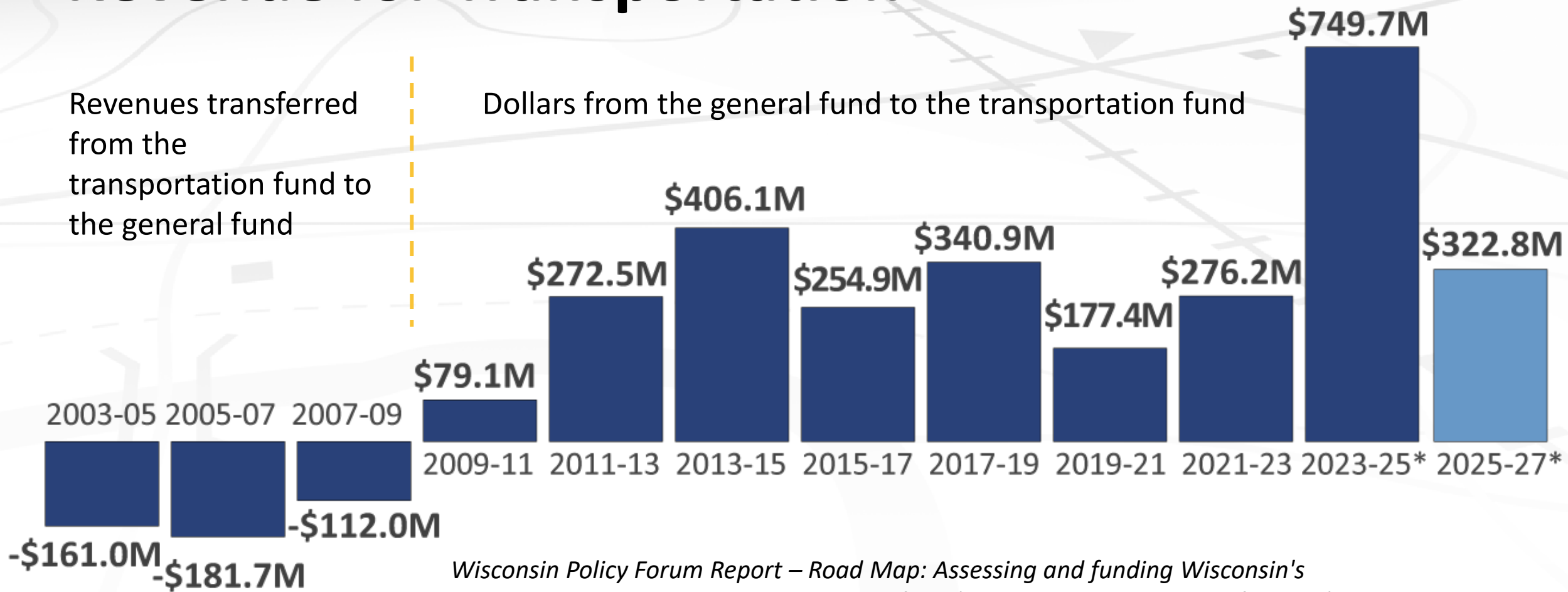


Source:
WisDOT

How the Governor Pays for His Proposal

- More than \$400 million new revenue over the biennium:
 - Transfer increase in auto parts, repair, etc. sales tax from FY2020 & year of transfer, \$129.2 million.
 - Increase the vehicle title fee by \$120, \$282.6 million.
 - Up the driver's license renewal fee by \$8.50, \$7.5 million.
- Transportation Items paid out of General Fund.
- Increased bonding.

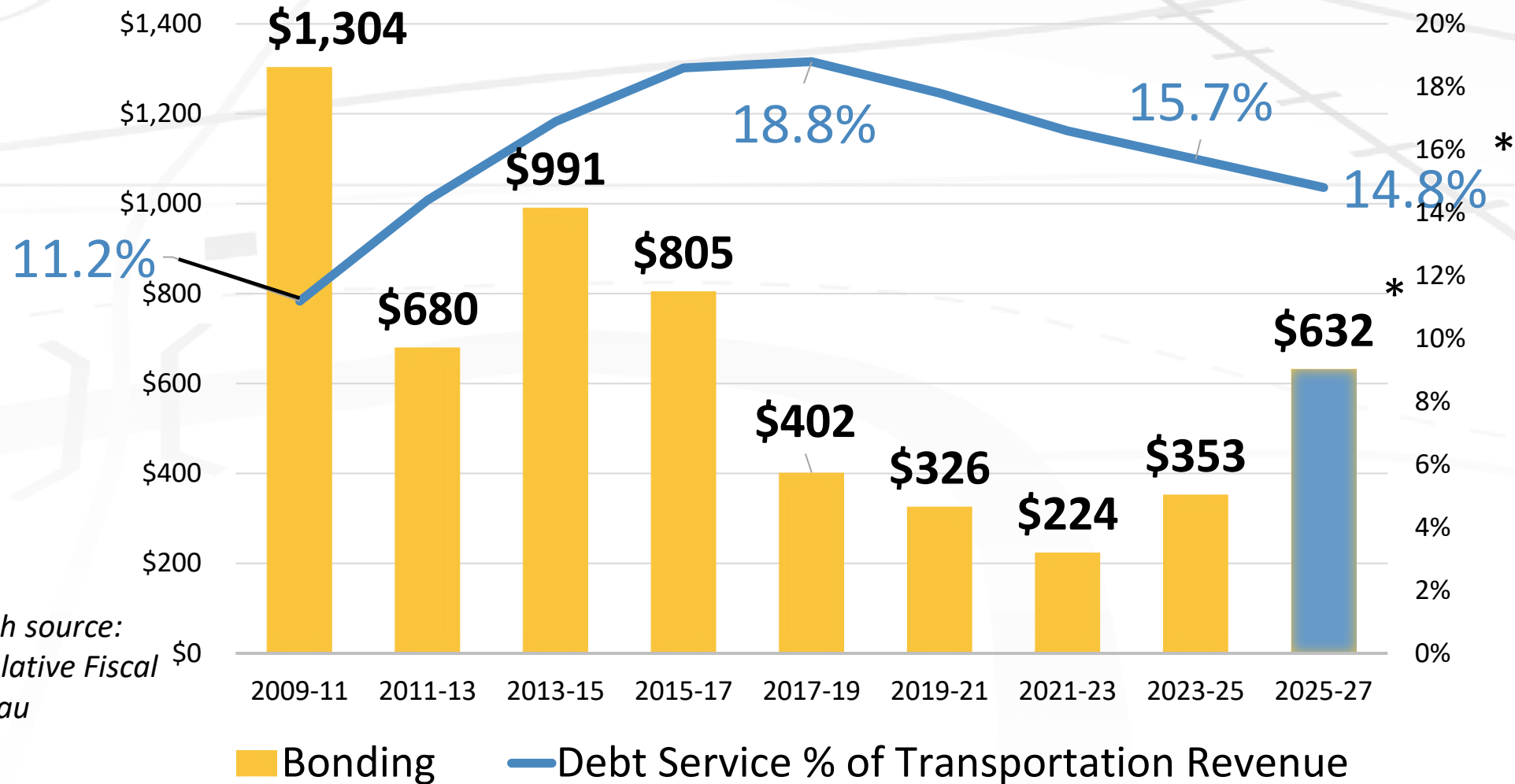
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Wisconsin Bends the Debt Service Trend, Still Work to Do

IN MILLIONS



Graph source:
Legislative Fiscal
Bureau

* Governor's
budget proposal.

Today's Key Messages



Transportation Delivers: jobs, economic development, and safety.



We are **grateful for the current investment** level and the projects moving forward.



However, **ongoing transportation fund revenue streams are insufficient** to address the well-documented back log of needs.

Office Visit Tips

Do:

- Talk about system needs.
- Highlight successful projects and the benefits to your community or industry.
- Emphasize the ongoing efforts to deliver projects more efficiently. But that this doesn't negate the need for revenue streams that grow with the economy.

Office Visit Tips

Don't:

- Make the case for your project or program by talking down other projects or programs.
- Don't share your opinion on how Wisconsin should solve its transportation funding issue.
- Monopolize the conversation. The power of these meetings is in the breadth of the participants.

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Let's Meet the Team Leaders



Thanks for your participation!