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## **State Transportation Funding Could Get Even Tougher as Oil Prices Rise.**

**With oil prices spiking at a time when voters are focused on affordability, states could find it even harder to pay for transportation needs.**

### **In Brief:**

- Gas prices are rising as a result of the war in the Middle East and the blockage of oil shipping channels.
- States rely on gas taxes at the state and federal levels to pay for transportation infrastructure.
- Gas tax revenues are increasingly not big enough to cover all their needs, and lawmakers have a hard time raising them.

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