

THE WORKS PROGRAM

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More than half of Arkansas' WPA project cost to be spent for construction and repair of public buildings and roads.

Approximately 63 per cent of the money for WPA projects in Arkansas will be spent for the construction and repair of highways, roads, bridges and public buildings, both educational and federal government, according to an announcement made today by Harry L. Hopkins, Works Progress Administrator.

An additional 16.3 per cent will be spent on parks and playgrounds, flood control and other conservation, water supply and sewer systems, electric utilities and transportation. The balance of the money will be spent to provide work for women, white collar, and other professional and technical unemployed.

A listing by types and cost of projects shows that of the total of \$14,335,580 to be spent on projects, by the state WPA Administrator as of December 31, 1935, each classification will receive the following:

Highways, farm-to-market roads, streets and bridges, \$7,305,537; or 51 per cent; public buildings, \$1,750,365 or 12.2 per cent; parks and playgrounds \$860,195, or 6 per cent; Flood control and other conservation, \$1,002,972, or 7 per cent; water supplies and sewer systems, \$401,350, or 2.8 per cent; electric utilities, \$24,422 or 0.2 per cent, and transportation, 0.3 per cent. In the white collar and women's projects a total of \$2,945,400 or 20.5 per cent will be spent.

Note: A detailed table is attached.

## ARKANSAS

## WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

Works Progress Administration Projects Selected for Operation  
Through December 31, 1935

(Subject to Revision)

Type of Work	Number of Projects		Total Cost Estimate	
	Number	Percent Dist.	Amount	Percent Dist.
GRAND TOTAL	1,812	100.0	\$ 14,335,580	100.0
Highways, Roads and Streets - Total	759	41.8	7,305,537	51.0
Highways	6	0.3	195,395	1.4
Farm to market & other secondary roads	528	29.1	5,330,948	37.2
Streets and alleys	148	8.1	1,138,945	7.9
Bridges and viaducts	27	1.5	258,810	1.8
Other*	50	2.8	381,439	2.7
Public Buildings - Total	235	13.0	1,750,365	12.2
Educational Buildings	149	8.2	825,184	5.8
Federal Government buildings	3	0.2	59,284	0.4
Other*	83	4.6	865,897	6.0
Parks and Playgrounds	58	3.2	860,195	6.0
Flood Control & Other Conservation - Total	98	5.4	1,002,972	7.0
Forestation	1	0.1	16,138	0.1
Erosion control & land utilization	3	0.2	14,397	0.1
Irrigation and water conservation	90	4.9	926,520	6.5
Other*	4	0.2	45,917	0.3
Water Supply & Sewer Systems - Total	50	2.8	401,350	2.8
Water purification & supply	16	0.9	122,467	0.9
Sewer systems	31	1.7	262,042	1.8
Other*	3	0.2	16,841	0.1
Electric Utilities - Total	5	0.3	24,422	0.2
Transportation - Total	5	0.3	45,339	0.3
Airports and airways	3	0.2	31,694	0.2
Other	2	0.1	13,645	0.1
Educational, Professional & Clerical - Total	205	11.3	414,818	2.9
Educational	13	0.7	56,402	0.4
Clerical	22	1.2	40,737	0.3
Professional and technical	128	7.1	190,874	1.3
Research & statistics survey	9	0.5	49,992	0.4
Art, literary and recreational	33	1.8	76,813	0.5
Goods Projects - Total	94	5.2	723,906	5.0
Sewing	88	4.9	690,865	4.8
Other	6	0.3	33,041	0.2
Sanitation and Health	140	7.7	1,279,914	8.9
Miscellaneous	163	9.0	526,762	3.7

\* Includes projects classifiable under more than one of the headings above.

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