

## Congressman Bill Shuster (PA-09) Biography



Throughout his career in the House, Congressman Shuster has proven to be a leader on local and national issues, and an outspoken advocate for the people of the 9th Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

As the Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for the 113th Congress, Shuster continues to focus on strengthening America's transportation networks to make us more efficient, more competitive and more prosperous. One of the largest committees in Congress, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee currently has jurisdiction over all modes of transportation: aviation, maritime and waterborne transportation, roads, mass transit, and railroads.

Shuster has served on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee since coming to Congress in 2001. He previously served as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials and as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

In addition to Congressman Shuster's expanded role on transportation policy, he continues to be an active voice in support of our Armed Services and a recognized leader on national security matters. Shuster currently serves on the House Armed Services Committee and in the 112th Congress was the Chairman of a special panel to investigate the challenges small and medium sized businesses face in doing business with the Department of Defense. The special panel held roundtables across the country with business and hearings with DOD personnel in Washington, DC resulting in recommendations that were incorporated into the National Defense Authorization Act to help reduce barriers to entry for small and medium size businesses and to expand our national defense industrial base.

Prior to coming to Congress, Shuster worked on his family's farm in Bedford County, gained marketing and management experience with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Corporation and rose to District Manager with Bandag Incorporated. He is also an experienced small business leader, having owned and operated an automobile dealership, in East Freedom, Pennsylvania.

Bill Shuster was born in McKeesport, Pennsylvania on January 10, 1961. After graduating from Everett High School he attended Dickinson College in Carlisle, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History. Shortly thereafter he went on to earn a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) from American University in Washington, D.C.