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Report: Madisonians lose \$2,100 per year on bad roads

Deteriorating roads and bridges, congestion, and the lack of some desirable safety features cost Wisconsin motorists a total of \$6.8 billion annually and Greater Madison residents \$2,139 per driver, according to a new report released today by <u>TRIP</u>, a Washington, D.C.- based research group that advocates for increased investment in transportation infrastructure.

The TRIP report, titled "<u>Wisconsin Transportation by the Numbers: Meeting the State's Need for</u> <u>Safe, Smooth and Efficient Mobility</u>," says that in Madison, the resulting cost comes in the form of higher vehicle operating costs, traffic crashes, and congestion-related delays.

Throughout Wisconsin, the report found that one-half of major locally and state-maintained roads are in poor or mediocre condition and 9% of locally and state-maintained bridges are structurally deficient.