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Five Places In The United States With Poor (Potholes And Bumpy) Road Conditions

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The roads in California - specifically in Los Angeles - really are the worst in the nation. We're worse in some categories by a margin of almost 50% than even the next worst city, according to some studies. It costs drivers in Los Angeles an average of \$750 extra every year in maintenance costs due to vehicular damage done by unmaintained roads.

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Everybody hates driving over a pothole or encountering bumpy roads, especially if you're on a relaxing road trip. In a worst case scenario, you might even spent a huge amount of money because a simple pothole that may eventually lead to a troublesome accident.

According to report by [CityLab](#), the severe road conditions of Oakland and San Francisco, California costs its drivers almost \$1,000 each year. The cost includes damages from bumping accidents, vehicle maintenance and repairs, heightened fuel utilization and general reduction due to wear and tear, which will give you an average of \$978 within these Bay cities, unlike the national average of \$523, according to nonprofit transportation group TRIP.

According to the [Smithsonian](#), 71 percent of the roads of **San Francisco and Oakland**, California have a very bad state. The second area with severe road conditions is a three way tie between **Los Angeles, Long Beach and Santa Ana**, all in the state of California. Sixty percent of the roads of these three areas in California are in below average condition. In third is **San Jose**, California, with 59 percent of its roads in bad shape. **Detroit** in the state of Michigan comes in fourth place, with 56 percent of its roads in critical condition. The fifth place with bad road conditions is in **Milwaukee** in the state of Wisconsin, with 56 percent of its roads in bad shape.

Despite not being on the higher part of the list, Oklahoma City, being rank eighth in the list, has an average cost for motorists at \$1,025. The city of Tulsa in the state of Oklahoma, ranks tenth in the list, has an average of \$998 cost.