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## New report says poor condition of W.Va. roads cost drivers millions per-year in extra repair costs.



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**CHARLESTON, W.VA. (WTAP)** - One nonprofit transportation group says roads in the Mountain State are so bad that it's costing residents millions of dollars.

The report was released Thursday, by the Washington, D.C.-based group, "TRIP."

It found 29-percent of major roads in West Virginia are in poor condition, 55-percent are in mediocre or fair condition, and just 17-percent are in good condition.

The group says the roads are costing residents an extra \$758-million per-year, to operate their vehicles.

This includes accelerated vehicle depreciation, increased fuel consumption, tire wear, and other repair costs.

Governor Jim Justice proposed raising the gas tax and motor-vehicle fee, to pay for highway construction.

Groups gathered in Charleston today to push lawmakers to increase funding for the state's roads and bridges.