



Study shows Jackson roads cost drivers up to \$2K a year

Concern raised about road safety



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JACKSON, Miss. - A study about Jackson roads was published days before a special session will be held to approve a budget for the Mississippi Department of Transportation.
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Jackson drivers could be losing up to \$2,000 a year because of deteriorated and congested roads and a lack of “desirable safety features,” according to the report from TRIP, a national nonprofit transportation research group based in Washington, D.C.

The report also brought up a concern for safety on the roads throughout Mississippi.

“The financial cost of traffic crashes, some of which could have been prevented had there been better safety precautions on the roadway,” said study author Carolyn Kelly.

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“The safety issue is surprising to me and the number of deaths we’ve had, I think it’s very in-depth, and I think it provides much needed information to those making decisions,” said Jimmy Clyde, with the Mississippi Municipal League.

The authors of the study do not provide suggestions for fixing the problem but said they want to educate the public and encourage them to speak to their legislators.

The special session begins Monday.