

Research group says more improvements needed in transportation

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ATLANTA - Metro Atlanta's roadways are improving but not enough. That's the takeaway from a recent report by TRIP which is a national transportation research group.

The group found that the state has funneled billions into improvements around the state.

However, they also found that Georgia's vehicle travel rate has increased at the second highest rate in the country.

They said that means overall roadway conditions will likely decline if the state doesn't provide more funding for improvements. And experts say those roadways are key to the state's economy.

Another concern noted in the group's report is the state's bridges.

They found that statewide five percent of Georgia's bridges are structurally deficient.

That's about one in every 20 bridges.