

Sacramento has 12th worst roads in US, report says



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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (KCRA) — Sacramento has the 12th worst roads in the nation, according to a new report.

The reason?

Forty-one percent of major roads and highways in California's capital are in poor shape and Sacramento drivers pay an average of \$754 annually in additional vehicle operating costs as a

result of the rough roads, according to TRIP, a Washington, D.C.-based transportation research group.

The nonprofit [released the report](#) Wednesday, and other large California cities did not fare well.

The San Francisco/Oakland area ranked worst and San Jose was second. The Los Angeles area, including Long Beach and Anaheim, came in third.

Modesto was also noted for its rough roads among mid-sized urban areas. Thirty-seven percent of the city's major roads and highways are in poor condition, according to the report.

The nonprofit says that vehicle travel in the U.S. increased 16 percent from 2000 to 2016 and that travel by commercial trucks went up 29 percent over the same period. That uptick in travel "increases the amount of road, highway and bridge investment needed to improve conditions and meet the nation's transportation needs," the report said.

The report comes as California voters are set to vote on a November ballot measure to repeal Senate Bill 1. The legislation increased the gas tax and vehicle registration fees in order to fund road construction projects across the state.