

Study: Poor road conditions costing drivers extra

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Road Construction (image © Midwest Communications)

WAUSAU, WI (WSAU-WAOW) -- Rough roads are more than an annoyance to motorists in the Wausau area, they can also hit your pocketbook according to a new survey.

WAOW TV reports the latest TRIP survey shows drivers in Wausau can expect to pay an extra \$1,517 annually due to added wear and tear on vehicles from bumpy roads. That price tag also factors decreased gas mileage and lost productivity due to traffic congestion from roads in need of repair.

According to the survey some 51% of Wausau's roads are in poor condition while 10% of bridges are listed as structurally deficient. Both of those numbers are above state averages.