

54 Oneida County bridges deemed 'structurally deficient'



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UTICA – TRIP, a National Transportation Research Nonprofit, has released a [report](#) identifying bridges in Oneida County that are considered in poor condition.

By providing this data, TRIP urges the state to prioritize bridges used for daily transportation by repairing or replacing deficient bridges and providing needed maintenance on other bridges.

The report lists bridges in each county and designates the condition of the bridge and the average daily traffic on each structure. According to the findings, Utica has 54 bridges considered structurally deficient, and an average of nearly 223,000 vehicles travel on those deteriorating bridges each day.

Although these findings deem the bridges are deteriorating, the New York State Department of Transportation says bridges are considered safe to travel unless they are closed after inspection.

“Safety is our top priority and the State Department of Transportation has an aggressive bridge inspection program that requires bridges to be inspected at least once every two years by licensed professional engineers. The fact a bridge is categorized as poor condition in the report does not mean that it is unsafe. If a bridge is deemed unsafe as a result of a rigorous inspection, it will be closed to traffic,” said Jim Piccola, spokesman for the New York State Department of Transportation.

The top five Oneida County bridges in poor condition with the most daily traffic are:

Rank	County	City	Facility Carried	Feature Intersected	Location	Year Built	Lanes	ADT	Open, Closed, Posted
1	Oneida	Westmoreland	RTE 190	NYO&W RR (ABAND)	1.65 MI W INT 32 ON I-90	1954	4	28,725	Open
2	Oneida	New Hartford	RTE 8	RTE 921E	05MI S JCT RTS 8+12	1967	4	28,519	Open
3	Oneida	Whitesboro	RTE 190	RTE 69	3.0MI W INT 31 UTICA NY	1954	4	23,699	Open
4	Oneida	Utica	RTE 8	RTE 5	JCT 5+8 NEW HARTFORD	1960	6	22,020	Open
5	Oneida	Verona	RTE 365	RTE 190	.3 MI S JCT SH234 & SH365	1954	5	19,283	Open

(ADT - Average Daily Traffic)

Nearly 10 percent of the state’s bridges are listed in poor condition, with Hudson Valley containing the most. There are 329 bridges that are not structurally sound in that area.

	Poor/Structurally Deficient		Fair		Good		All Bridges
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	68	8%	477	57%	294	35%	839
Binghamton	45	7%	370	55%	261	39%	676
Buffalo	91	8%	525	45%	548	47%	1,164
Hudson Valley	329	13%	1634	64%	588	23%	2,551
Long Island	6	1%	388	56%	295	43%	689
New York	113	8%	930	64%	409	28%	1,452
Rochester	122	10%	613	50%	503	41%	1,238
Syracuse	101	12%	528	60%	246	28%	875
Utica	54	11%	241	49%	192	39%	487
NY STATEWIDE	1,757	10%	9,364	53%	6,400	37%	17,521

The current report, and other information regarding preserving New York State bridges can be found [here](#).