

New study says more than half of Cincinnati's roads could use improvement

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CINCINNATI — A nonprofit studying Ohio's roads said more than half of Cincinnati's main roads could use improvement.

The group, known as TRIP, rated 55 percent of Cincinnati's major roads as poor or mediocre.

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Among major metros in the state, Cincinnati was only better than the Cleveland-Akron area.

Statewide, five percent of Ohio's bridges are rated poor/structurally deficient, with significant deterioration to the bridge deck, supports or other major components. Five percent of bridges in the Cincinnati area are rated poor/structurally deficient.

"Ohio has put increased state and federal transportation dollars to good use and made needed improvements to its transportation network," said Dave Kearby, TRIP's executive director. "But, in order to continue to enhance the system, the state will need to make further increases in its level of transportation investment."

Ohio plans to improve State Route 32 in Clermont County and Route 73 in Warren County over the next couple of years, along with building a new Western Hills Viaduct.