

## Report: bad roads costing Michigan drivers billions each year

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Driving on Michigan roads that are deteriorated and congested costs drivers a total of \$17 billion each year, according to [a new TRIP report](#).

The average driver in the Detroit area loses more than \$3,000 each year.

According to TRIP director of policy Rocky Moretti, inadequate state and local funding is the reason that 40% of roads and highways in Michigan are in poor or mediocre condition.

“Everyone’s struggling to buy groceries and other things like that in this highly inflationary period we’ve been going through, and these costs to the consumer are very hard to add up, but they’re real costs,” Moretti said. “I hope that this turns the light bulb on for people that understand that Michigan has a funding problem. Our governor’s been doing a great job with their bonding program and the federal dollars that we’ve been getting, but those dry up.”

11% of Michigan’s bridges are rated in poor condition.