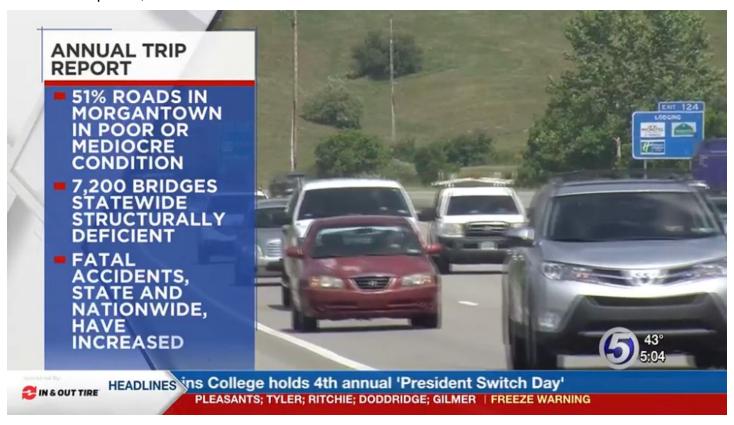


Morgantown road conditions addressed in TRIP report

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MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (WDTV) - New data has been released in this year's "TRIP" report, measuring road conditions and road safety throughout the Mountain State.

In the Morgantown area alone, the report found that 51% of the roads are in poor or mediocre condition.

Officials say these conditions cost the average driver around \$875 annually in extra vehicle operating costs.

According to the report, little more than 7,000 bridges in West Virginia are in poor or structurally deficient condition, which means they have at least one major issue that needs to be addressed.

20% of bridges in the Morgantown area are in poor or structurally deficient condition.

The report acknowledges that the state Division of Highways has invested hundreds of millions of dollars to address the bridges around the state.

Finally, the report indicates that there has been an increase in fatal accidents in recent years, both in West Virgina and around the country.

However, officials say this is more due to distracted driving with drugs, alcohol, or cellphone use, than it is due to road conditions.

The full report can be found HERE.