

## Poor Road Quality Causes Damage to New York Motorists in the Billions

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[The Road Information Program](#) (TRIP), a national transportation research nonprofit, held a [press conference](#) on January 9th discussing their latest report: New York Transportation by Numbers: Providing a Modern, Sustainable Transportation System in the Empire State.

The report reflects upsetting news for New York's motorists: traffic congestion, rough roads, and the lack of roadway safety [features](#) cost drivers \$40.3 billion per year. In the New York metropolitan Area, the costs of lost time, vehicle damage, and car crashes caused by deteriorated roads average at \$3800 per vehicle annually. Nearly a third of the area's pavements are in poor condition, leading to increased fuel use and tire wear. Highway superintendents and local municipalities are seeking a \$250 billion transportation funding increase.

Have you had a tire or other damage due to New York's roadways this year? Leave a comment below.

*Eric Garcia of Thompson Bender alerted The [Yonkers](#) Ledger to this story.*

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Screenshot: Rocky Moretti, Director of Policy Research at TRIP

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Screenshot: James Dussing, President of the [New York State](#) Highway Superintendents Association