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NEW REPORT EVALUATES PENNSYLVANIA ROAD & BRIDGE CONDITIONS, CONGESTION, TRAFFIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

A new report that evaluates the current condition, use and funding of Pennsylvania's surface transportation system will be released on Wednesday, May 29. The report is being released by [TRIP](http://tripnet.org), a national nonprofit transportation research group based in Washington, DC.

The report, "*Future Mobility in Pennsylvania: The Cost of Meeting the State's Need for Safe and Efficient Mobility*," analyzes road and bridge conditions, traffic congestion, economic development, highway safety, and transportation funding in Pennsylvania. TRIP's report finds that Pennsylvania drivers lose a total of \$9.4 billion each year as a result of driving on roads that are congested, deteriorated or lack some desirable safety features. Driving on deficient roads costs the average driver in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre area loses more than \$1,300 each year. The report also contains transportation data and a breakdown of the cost per motorist of driving on deficient roads in the state's largest urban areas, including Harrisburg-York-Lancaster, Lehigh Valley-Reading, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Spokespersons will be available for interviews throughout the day in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre area.

WHEN: **Wednesday, May 29**

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