CARBONDALE -- Decaying roads can have a big impact on drivers, and a new report finds many are falling apart faster than they can be repaired.

Billions of dollars are spent on road improvements every year. Stimulus spending is paying for thousands of projects nationwide.

The report from USA Today and TRIP, a national transportation research group, looks at information from 2008 to 2011.

Their analysis shows Illinois is one of 26 states that have more than 20 percent of roads in "poor condition." That's compared to Kentucky at almost 7.9 percent and Missouri at 6.3 percent.

Suspension and vibration issues make up about a third of the traffic Rennison deals with each week.

"They'll just tell us they got a lot of big potholes in their road," said Owner Steve Rennison. "Now they're having these problems."

Until road conditions improve, Rennison believes your best bet is to keep an eye on trouble spots.

"Just reduce your speed," said Rennison. "You know try to look out ahead."

A spokesperson said the Illinois Department of Transportation has made investing in roads and bridges a priority. Around 14 Billion dollars has gone into more than five thousand projects. Those projects are funded through the Illinois Jobs Now! Program. More road projects in southern Illinois are also slated for the near future.

You can view the USA Today and TRIP report here: USA Today Report.