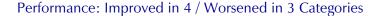
## **North Carolina**





Although North Carolina improved in four categories of highway performance between 1989 and 2008, it also worsened in three. Road conditions worsened on rural and urban interstates, but improved on rural arterials. In addition, urban congestion decreased, deficient bridges were

fixed, and the highway fatality rate was reduced. Narrow lanes on rural primaries, however, became more numerous.

Even though North Carolina experienced generally worsened road conditions, the 2008 numbers were not as bad as the national average percentages for roads in poor condition. In addition, urban congestion dropped by 12.6 percentage points, which was significantly better than the national average of 4 percentage points.

Category	<b>Rank Showing Most Improvement 1989</b>	<b>-2008</b>
Overall Performance and Spending Efficiency		38
State-Administered Highway Mileage (ranked largest t	o smallest based on system size in 2008)	1
Rural Interstate in Poor Condition		41
Rural Arterials in Poor Condition		18
Rural Arterials with Narrow Lanes		46
Urban Interstates in Poor Condition		36
Urban Interstate Congestion		14
Deficient Bridges		16
Fatality Rate		17
Total Disbursements Per Mile (1=biggest spendi	ng increase, 50=biggest spending decrease	) 14