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The report card, which surveyed more than 120 municipalities representing 60% of the Canadian population, suggests more than half of municipal roads are falling apart.

One in four roads is over capacity, transporting far more people and goods than it was designed to handle.

The same percentage of wastewater treatment plants need to be upgraded or replaced to meet new federal standards introduced this summer, at a cost of at least \$20 billion.

Nenshi said Calgary is in a better position than much of the country when it comes to drinking water and wastewater collection and treatment because of major investment over the past decade.

"However, those investments created enormous debt for the City of Calgary, which we are currently addressing," he said.

"And, in a growing city like Calgary, transportation and public transit continue to be major priorities."