

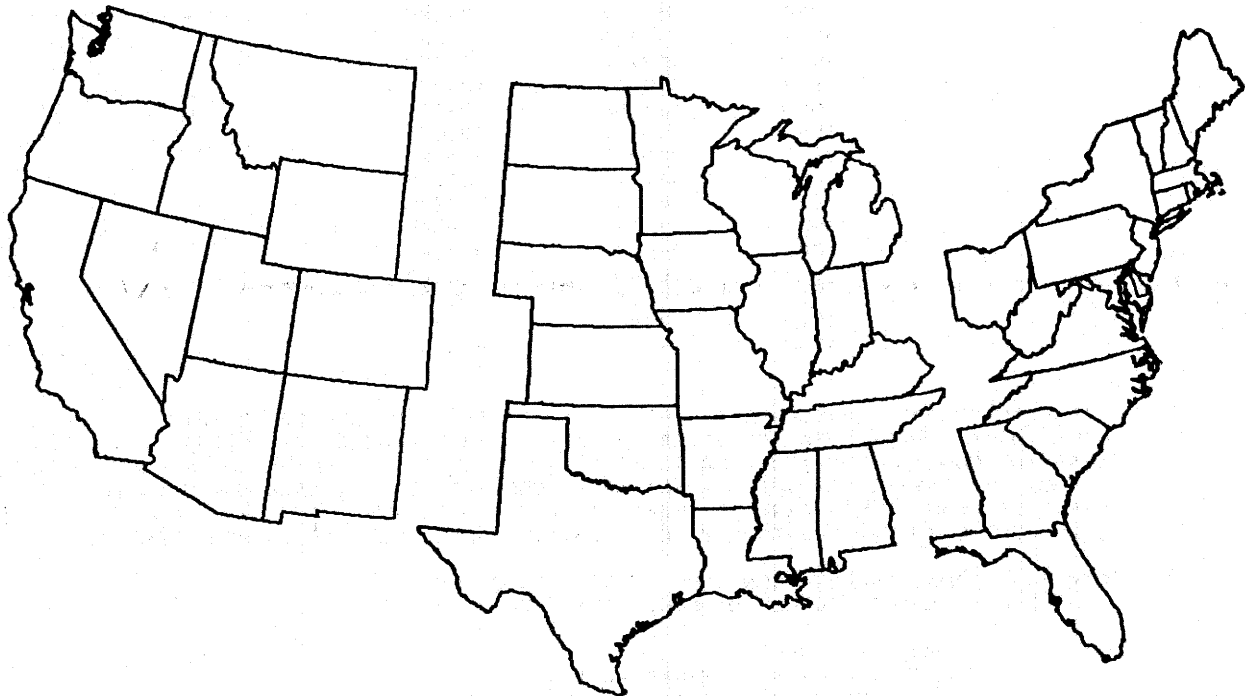


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TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

APRIL 1990

FOR APRIL 1990 AS COMPARED TO APRIL 1989.



WESTERN

CENTRAL

EASTERN

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - APRIL 1990

38.1 BILLION

74.7 BILLION

63.2 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+4.6

+2.7

+2.9

NOTE:

ALL DATA FOR THIS MONTH ARE PRELIMINARY. REVISED VALUES FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH ARE SHOWN IN TABLES 1 AND 2.

ALL VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL COMPUTED WITH 1988 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE.

COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OF JUNE 19, 1990.

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - APRIL 1990

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING APRIL 1990 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 3.2 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO APRIL 1989, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 177016 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 71865 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 105151 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON URBAN ROADS AND STREETS.

TRAVEL FOR THE CURRENT MONTH AS WELL AS THE CUMULATIVE YEARLY TOTAL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IS SHOWN BELOW. SIMILAR TOTALS FOR EACH YEAR SINCE 1970 ARE ALSO INCLUDED.

TRAVEL IN MILLIONS
ALL ROADS AND STREETS

YEAR	APRIL	YEAR TO DATE
1970	89956	337794
1971	98106	356534
1972	103238	386901
1973	108120	404841
1974	104579	386771
1975	107133	402848
1976	117014	432286
1977	121513	446334
1978	122741	464632
1979	129539	484949
1980	125698	474677
1981	128465	482077
1982	129845	475296
1983	132741	496819
1984	141327	518646
1985	147635	535548
1986	150277	557984
1987	159801	593288
1988	166829	625343
1989	171562	646705
1990	177016	668460

"TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS" IS A MONTHLY REPORT BASED ON HOURLY TRAFFIC COUNT DATA. THESE DATA, COLLECTED AT APPROXIMATELY 4000 CONTINUOUS TRAFFIC COUNTING LOCATIONS NATIONWIDE, ARE USED TO DETERMINE THE PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC FOR THE CURRENT MONTH COMPARED TO THE SAME MONTH IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THIS PERCENT CHANGE IS APPLIED TO THE TRAVEL FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO OBTAIN TRAVEL FOR THE CURRENT PERIOD.

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FIGURE 1 - MOVING 12-MONTH TOTAL ON ALL HIGHWAYS

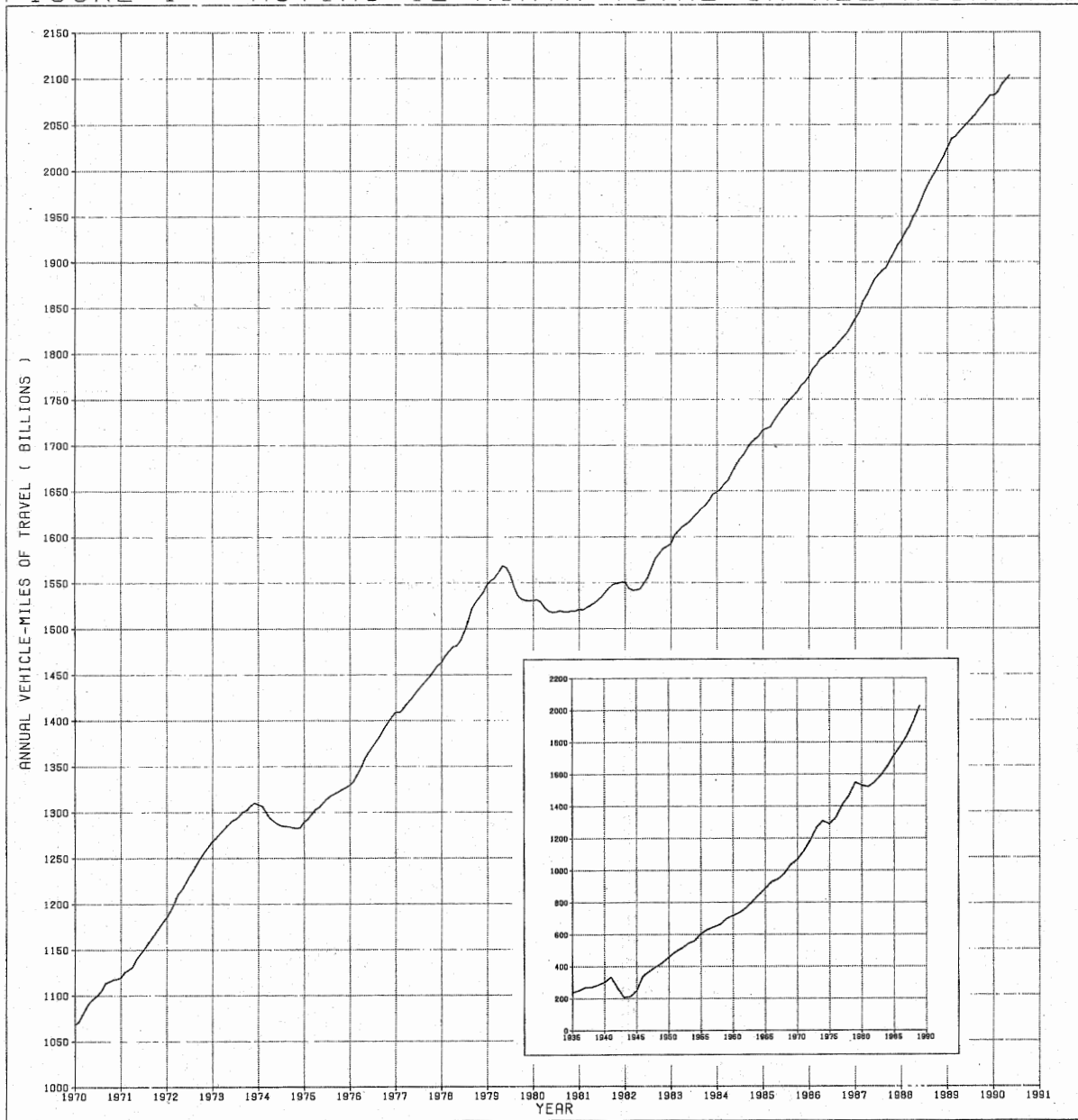


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH

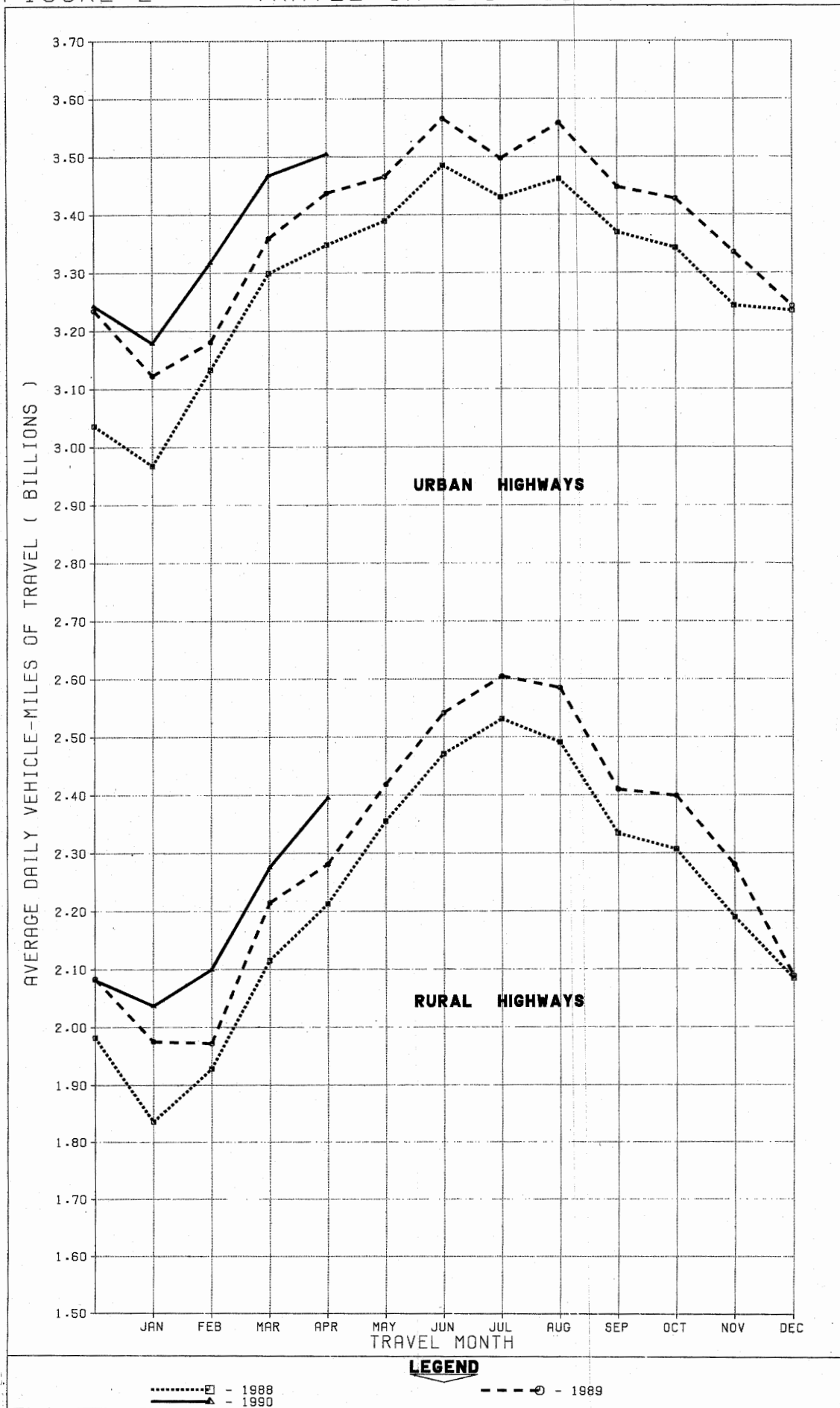


TABLE 1.

ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES *

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1989 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	37.0	33.4	42.4	41.3	44.8	46.0	49.2	49.5	43.7	44.7	41.7	39.6
OTHER RURAL	24.2	21.8	26.3	27.1	30.2	30.3	31.6	30.7	28.6	29.7	26.7	24.9
URBAN	96.8	89.1	104.2	103.1	107.4	107.0	108.4	110.3	103.4	106.3	100.1	100.5
ALL SYSTEMS	158.0	144.3	172.8	171.6	182.4	183.2	189.2	190.4	175.7	180.6	168.5	165.0
1990 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	38.4	35.8	43.5	43.8								
OTHER RURAL	24.8	23.0	27.1	28.0								
URBAN	98.5	92.9	107.5	105.2								
ALL SYSTEMS	161.7	151.7	178.1	177.0								
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1990 VS. 1989												
RURAL ARTERIAL	3.6	7.1	2.6	6.0								
OTHER RURAL	2.4	5.5	2.9	3.5								
URBAN	1.8	4.3	3.2	2.0								
ALL SYSTEMS	2.3	5.1	3.0	3.2								

TABLE 2.

ESTIMATED CUMULATIVE MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES *

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1989 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	37.0	70.5	112.8	154.2	199.0	245.0	294.2	343.6	387.3	432.0	473.7	519.3
OTHER RURAL	24.2	46.0	72.3	99.4	129.5	159.8	191.4	222.1	250.7	280.3	307.1	332.0
URBAN	96.8	185.9	290.0	393.1	500.6	607.6	716.0	826.3	929.7	1036.0	1136.1	1236.6
ALL SYSTEMS	158.0	302.3	475.1	646.7	829.1	1012.4	1201.5	1392.0	1567.7	1748.3	1916.8	2081.9
1990 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	38.4	74.2	117.7	161.5								
OTHER RURAL	24.8	47.8	74.8	102.9								
URBAN	98.5	191.4	298.9	404.1								
ALL SYSTEMS	161.7	313.4	491.4	668.5								
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1990 VS. 1989												
RURAL ARTERIAL	3.6	5.3	4.3	4.7								
OTHER RURAL	2.4	3.8	3.5	3.5								
URBAN	1.8	3.0	3.1	2.8								
ALL SYSTEMS	2.3	3.7	3.4	3.4								

* SYSTEM ENTRIES MAY NOT ADD TO GIVE "ALL SYSTEMS" TOTAL DUE TO ROUNDING.

** THESE ARE PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES WHICH WILL BE REVISED TO AGREE WITH FINAL ESTIMATES OF 1989 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

*** TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1990 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.

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TABLE 3.-SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR APRIL			REVISED DATA FOR MARCH		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1990	1989		1990	1989	
CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:						
RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS.....	43,824	41,348	6.0	43,500	42,382	2.6
OTHER RURAL ROADS.....	28,041	27,088	3.5	27,052	26,280	2.9
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	71,865	68,437	5.0	70,552	68,662	2.8
CITY STREETS.....	105,151	103,126	2.0	107,507	104,150	3.2
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	177,016	171,562	3.2	178,059	172,812	3.0
48 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL):						
EASTERN REGION.....	15,050	14,158	6.3	14,867	14,564	2.1
CENTRAL REGION.....	20,718	19,552	6.0	20,333	19,902	2.2
WESTERN REGION.....	7,864	7,448	5.6	8,113	7,728	5.0
TOTAL.....	43,632	41,158	6.0	43,313	42,194	2.7

TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	APRIL (PRELIMINARY)		MARCH (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	APRIL (PRELIMINARY)		MARCH (REVISED)	
	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PER-CENTAGE CHANGE	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PER-CENTAGE CHANGE		NUMBER OF STATIONS	PER-CENTAGE CHANGE	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PER-CENTAGE CHANGE
NEW ENGLAND:					EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
CONNECTICUT.....	-	-	-	-	ALABAMA.....	47	8.5	49	2.4
MAINE.....	-	-	-	-	KENTUCKY.....	-	-	-	-
MASSACHUSETTS.....	11	3.6	10	2.7	MISSISSIPPI.....	9	7.2	8	4.1
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	54	0.3	50	0.3	TENNESSEE.....	15	7.8	11	- 4.5
RHODE ISLAND.....	10	1.5	10	0.7	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	-	-	-	-	IOWA.....	62	5.9	62	3.3
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	61	3.1	64	1.7
NEW JERSEY.....	13	1.5	13	3.2	MINNESOTA.....	42	9.5	43	- 2.5
NEW YORK.....	13	2.2	16	- 1.0	MISSOURI.....	44	4.1	42	4.2
PENNSYLVANIA.....	34	5.8	34	5.7	NEBRASKA.....	27	4.8	28	3.1
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	30	5.8	3	4.3
DELAWARE.....	-	-	-	-	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	22	1.8	24	0.6
MARYLAND.....	-	-	28	2.9	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	ARKANSAS.....	16	6.1	16	0.1
WEST VIRGINIA.....	8	7.4	-	-	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	29	4.3	29	- 1.8
FLORIDA.....	-	-	46	- 0.4	TEXAS.....	81	5.2	82	4.2
GEORGIA.....	-	4.7	-	5.2	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	5	7.4	7	3.2	ARIZONA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	20	11.6	20	2.4	COLORADO.....	30	5.2	29	- 0.1
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	-	-	54	8.1
ILLINOIS.....	-	-	-	-	MONTANA.....	34	8.9	-	-
INDIANA.....	-	-	26	3.5	NEVADA.....	18	8.9	18	1.3
MICHIGAN.....	56	5.9	62	3.8	NEW MEXICO.....	-	- 1.8	-	2.3
OHIO.....	16	5.2	15	2.7	UTAH.....	42	10.7	45	9.2
WISCONSIN.....	49	6.6	49	3.8	WYOMING.....	39	5.3	-	-
ALASKA.....	21	2.4	23	2.3	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	2	0.3	2	- 1.9	CALIFORNIA.....	-	5.5	-	5.9
					OREGON.....	7	4.8	6	0.7
					WASHINGTON.....	41	7.8	35	12.5

NOTE: 1-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS IS SHOWN AS A DASH AND A VALUE FOR PERCENTAGE CHANGE IS INDICATED, THE LATTER VALUE IS BASED ON A STATEWIDE ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY THE HIGHWAY AGENCY AS DETERMINED FROM EXTENSIVE TRAFFIC SAMPLING SURVEYS.

2-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE ARE SHOWN AS DASHES, INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE TO DETERMINE AN ESTIMATE.

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