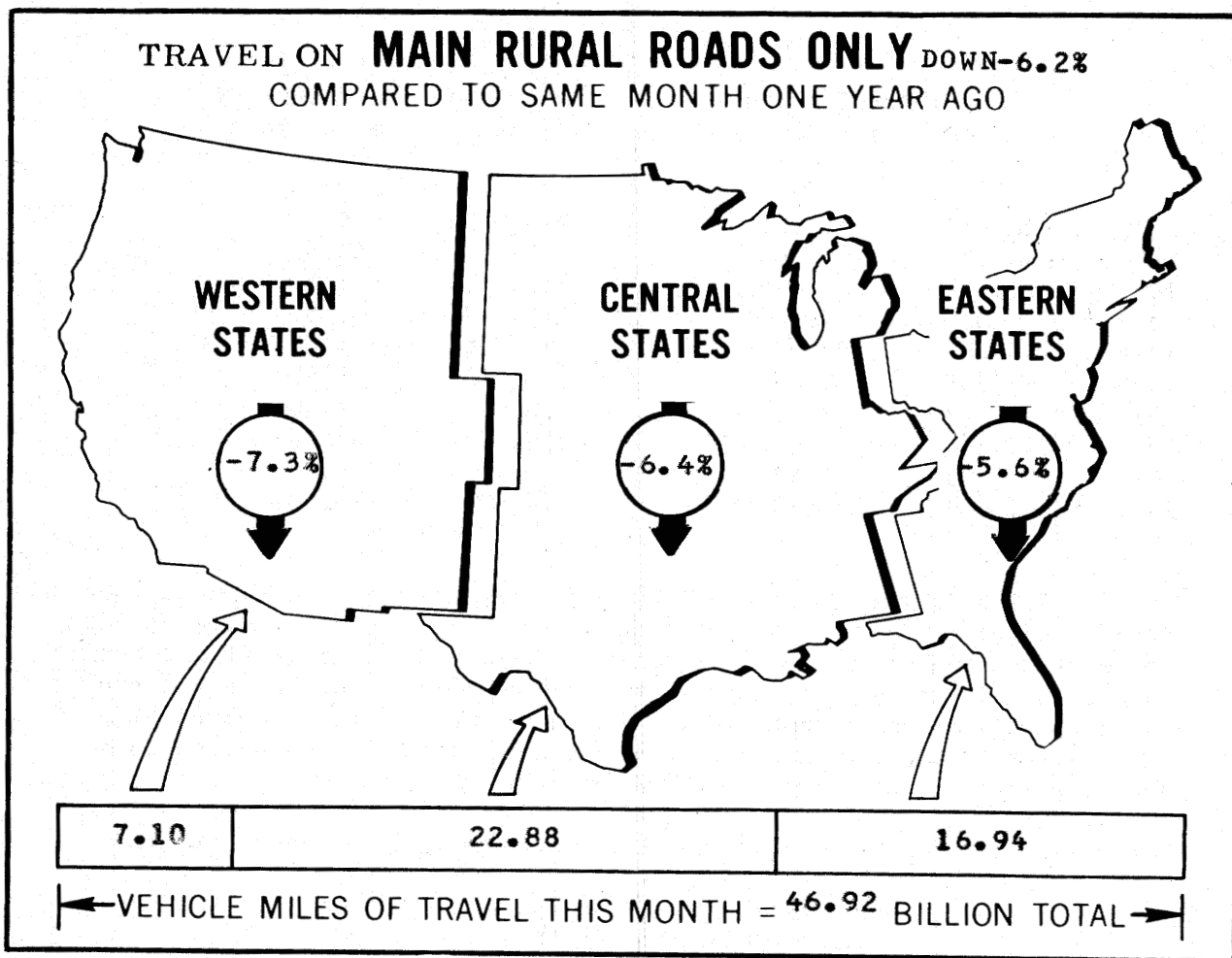


TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

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FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

JUNE 1979 \downarrow

TRAVEL ON **ALL ROADS AND STREETS** DOWN-4.9%
COMPARED TO SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO



^{1/} ALL DATA FOR THIS MONTH ARE PRELIMINARY, REVISED VALUES FOR PREVIOUS MONTH ARE SHOWN IN TABLES 1 and 2.

NOTE: ALL VEHICLE MILES OF TRAVEL HAVE BEEN COMPUTED WITH 1976 VM-2 DATA AS A BASE.

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Based on preliminary reports from the state highway agencies, travel during June 1979 on all roads and streets in the nation decreased by -4.9 percent as compared to June 1978, resulting in estimated travel for the month at 128,839 million vehicle miles. This total includes 47,167 million vehicle miles on main rural roads, 13,149 million vehicle miles on other rural roads, and 68,522 million vehicle miles on city streets.

Travel for the current month as well as the cumulative yearly total on main rural roads and for all roads and streets is shown below. Similar totals for each year since 1970 are also included.

TRAVEL IN MILLIONS

	Main Rural Roads		All Roads and Streets	
	June	Year to Date	June	Year to Date
1970	38,662	191,921	100,035	535,801
1971	40,279	202,665	105,433	565,622
1972	41,523	210,016	113,265	611,111
1973	42,800	220,700	115,859	635,519
1974	40,882	207,000	113,888	612,826
1975	42,938	219,087	118,388	637,895
1976	45,437	237,411	124,128	679,692
1977	47,477	246,602	129,321	704,539
1978	50,285	256,874	135,438	724,453
1979	47,167	258,221	128,839	728,834

Traffic Volume Trends is a monthly report prepared by the Planning Services Branch, Highway Statistics Division, based on hourly traffic count data. These data, collected at approximately 4,000 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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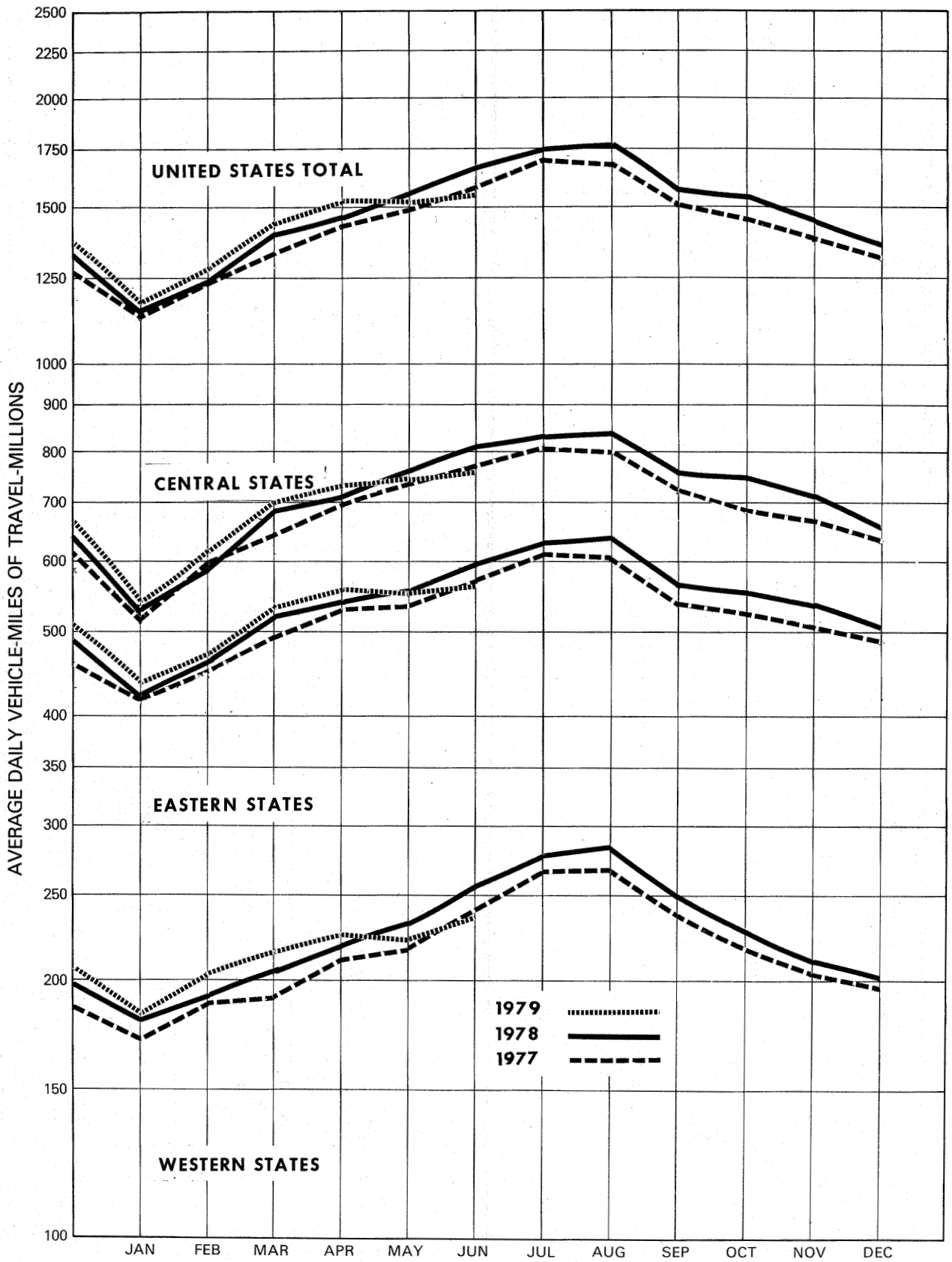


FIGURE 1 - TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

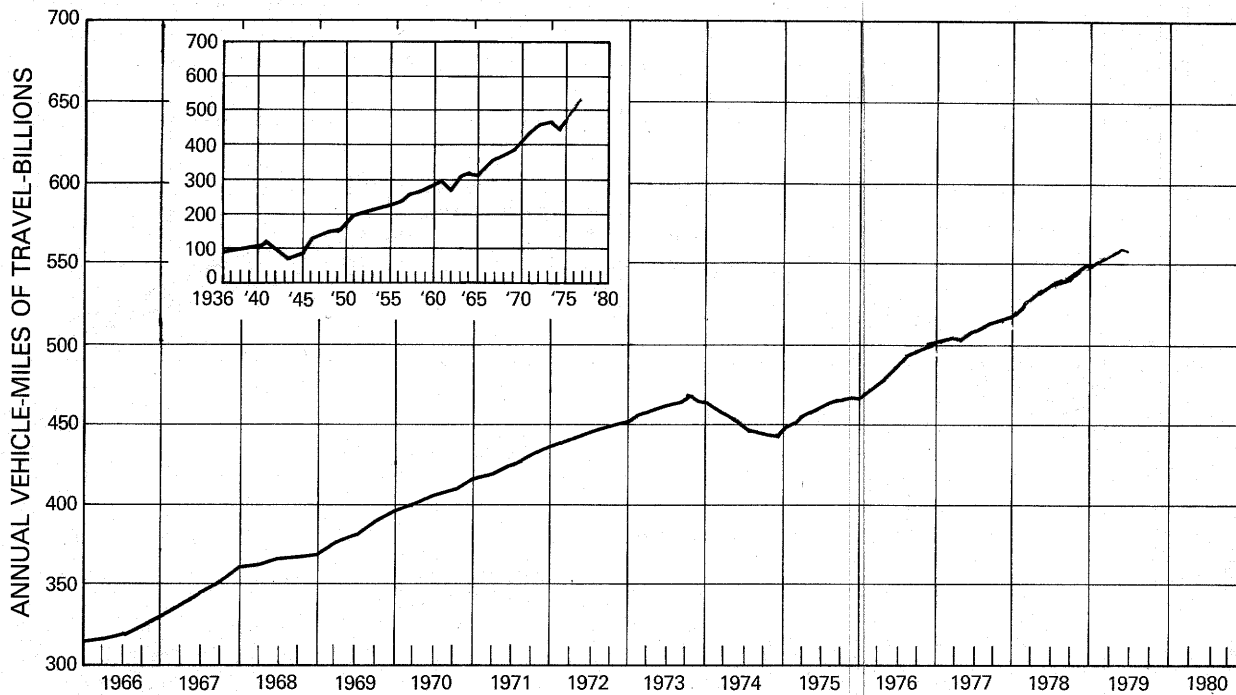


FIGURE 2 - ANNUAL TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS FOR 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING IN MONTH SHOWN

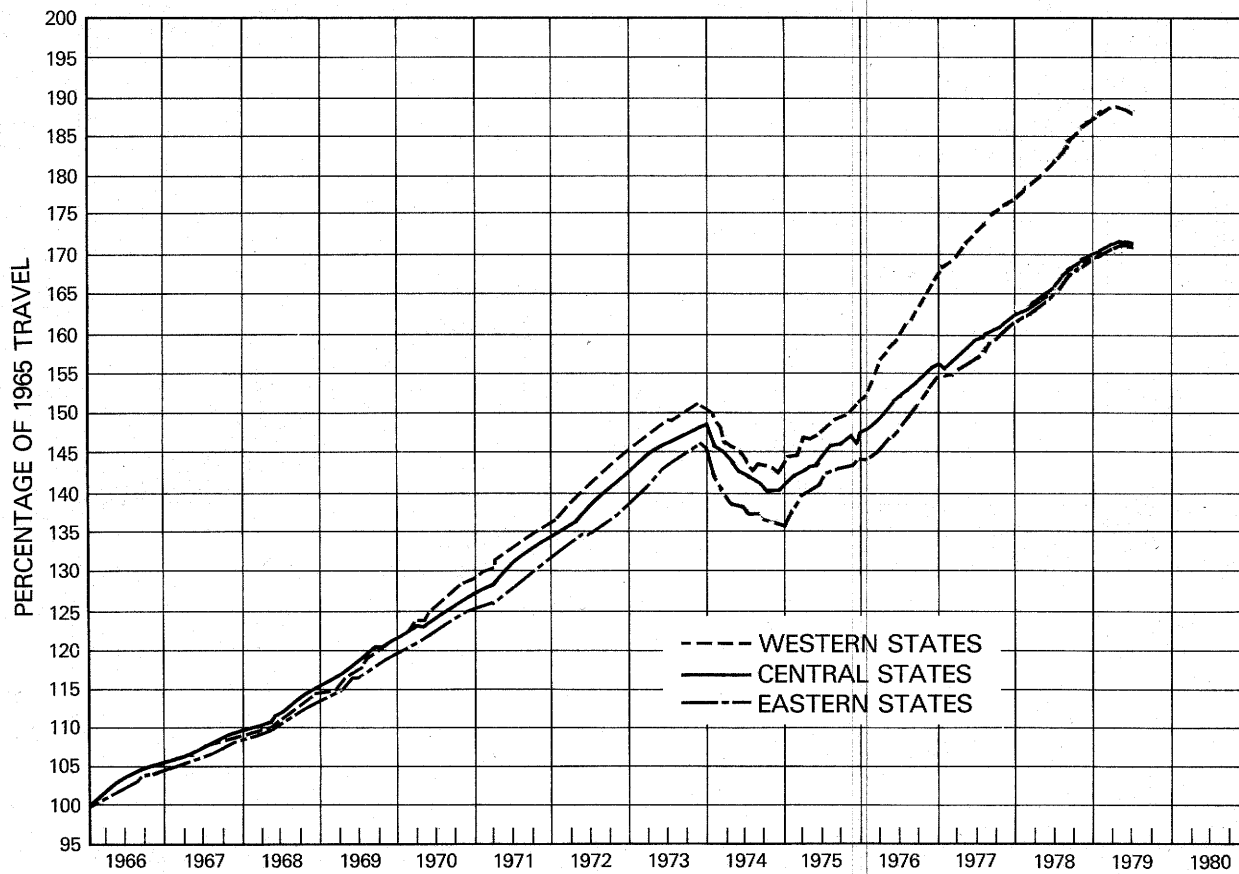


FIGURE 3 - ANNUAL TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS AS PERCENTAGE OF YEAR 1965

TABLE 1.-SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR JUNE			REVISED DATA FOR MAY		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1979	1978		1979	1978	
MAIN RURAL ROADS.....	47,167	50,285	-6.2	47,714	48,497	-1.6
LOCAL RURAL ROADS.....	13,149	13,554	-3.0	13,460	13,610	-1.1
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	60,316	63,838	-5.5	61,174	62,108	-1.5
CITY STREETS.....	68,522	71,600	-4.3	69,959	71,769	-2.5
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	128,839	135,438	-4.9	131,133	133,877	-2.0
48 STATES (MAIN RURAL ONLY):						
EASTERN REGION.....	16,939	17,935	-5.6	17,172	17,341	-1.0
CENTRAL REGION.....	22,878	24,431	-6.4	23,387	23,680	-1.2
WESTERN REGION.....	7,100	7,657	-7.3	6,870	7,189	-4.4
TOTAL.....	46,917	50,023	-6.2	47,429	48,210	-1.6

TABLE 2.-CHANGES ON MAIN RURAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	JUNE (PRELIMINARY)		MAY (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	JUNE (PRELIMINARY)		MAY (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.....	8	-11.7	9	-3.8	ALABAMA.....	53	-7.7	53	-0.1
MAINE.....	22	-5.5	21	-3.7	KENTUCKY.....	36	-6.5	39	-1.9
MASSACHUSETTS.....	-	-	6	-9.2	MISSISSIPPI.....	40	-5.1	44	2.8
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	-	-	59	-3.9	TENNESSEE.....	-	-	33	0.8
RHODE ISLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	40	-3.5	40	-0.6	IOWA.....	32	-7.7	32	-2.9
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	66	-8.1	68	-3.9
NEW JERSEY.....	-	-	-	-	MINNESOTA.....	37	-7.4	37	-2.3
NEW YORK.....	28	-9.8	25	-5.7	MISSOURI.....	72	-7.0	68	-1.0
PENNSYLVANIA.....	53	-5.9	53	-1.7	NEBRASKA.....	19	-7.8	19	-5.1
SOUTH ATLANTIC					NORTH DAKOTA.....	-	-9.9	-	-3.7
(NORTH):					SOUTH DAKOTA.....	-	-	35	-3.3
DELAWARE.....	13	-8.4	13	-2.8	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
MARYLAND.....	-	-	-	-4.1	ARKANSAS.....	24	-4.2	23	-0.7
VIRGINIA.....	-	-2.0	-	3.3	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	44	1.1
WEST VIRGINIA.....	-	-	27	-0.1	OKLAHOMA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC					TEXAS.....	117	-5.0	117	-0.2
(SOUTH):					MOUNTAIN:				
FLORIDA.....	21	-5.8	27	0.0	ARIZONA.....	9	-9.3	9	-6.2
GEORGIA.....	-	-5.5	-	-	COLORADO.....	42	-6.4	42	-1.7
NORTH CAROLINA.....	46	-3.2	45	1.5	IDAHO.....	-	-	63	-1.5
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	9	-3.5	13	0.0	MONTANA.....	26	-7.1	27	-3.0
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					NEVADA.....	28	-7.7	27	-7.1
ILLINOIS.....	27	-6.5	28	-3.2	NEW MEXICO.....	30	-7.2	30	-2.1
INDIANA.....	22	-5.7	22	-1.3	UTAH.....	-	-6.9	36	-4.5
MICHIGAN.....	33	-9.4	67	-1.4	WYOMING.....	-	-7.6	-	4.6
OHIO.....	17	-5.0	23	-2.3	PACIFIC:				
WISCONSIN.....	45	-7.4	48	-2.0	CALIFORNIA.....	15	-6.6	16	-5.9
ALASKA.....	-	-	47	-1.8	OREGON.....	-	-	-	-
HAWAII.....	3	-2.7	3	0.5	WASHINGTON.....	9	-8.6	24	-6.1

NOTE: 1--RURAL MILEAGE OF EACH MAJOR TRAIL ROUTE IS CONSIDERED AS ONE OR MORE STATIONS, DEPENDING ON STATES' METHOD OF REPORTING.

2--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 DETERMINED FROM EXTENSIVE TRAFFIC SAMPLING SURVEYS.

3--WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE ARE SHOWN AS DASHES, SUFFICIENT INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO DETERMINE AN ESTIMATE.

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TABLE 3.

ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES ***

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1978 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS*												
MAIN RURAL	34.6	35.0	44.2	44.3	48.5	50.3	54.3	55.0	47.4	48.0	44.0	42.8
LOCAL RURAL	9.5	9.4	11.2	12.3	13.6	13.6	14.4	14.4	13.2	13.4	12.0	11.1
URBAN	59.4	57.9	68.9	68.5	71.8	71.6	72.4	73.3	69.3	72.0	66.9	67.7
ALL SYSTEMS	103.5	102.3	124.4	125.0	133.9	135.4	141.2	142.7	129.9	133.4	122.8	121.6
1979 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
MAIN RURAL	36.3	36.1	45.1	45.8	47.7	47.2						
LOCAL RURAL	9.6	9.6	11.6	12.5	13.5	13.1						
URBAN	61.9	60.0	71.2	69.1	70.0	68.5						
ALL SYSTEMS	107.8	105.7	127.9	127.4	131.1	128.8						
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1979 VS. 1978												
MAIN RURAL	4.8	3.3	2.1	3.4	-1.6	-6.2						
LOCAL RURAL	1.7	2.0	3.1	2.2	-1.1	-3.0						
URBAN	4.3	3.6	3.4	0.8	-2.5	-4.3						
ALL SYSTEMS	4.2	3.3	2.9	1.9	-2.0	-4.9						

* THESE ARE PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES WHICH WILL BE REVISED TO AGREE WITH FINAL ESTIMATES OF 1978 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

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TABLE 4.
ESTIMATED CUMULATIVE MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES ***

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1978 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS*												
MAIN RURAL	34.6	69.6	113.8	158.1	206.6	256.9	311.2	366.2	413.5	461.6	505.6	548.4
LOCAL RURAL	9.5	18.9	30.1	42.4	56.0	69.5	84.0	98.4	111.6	125.0	137.0	148.1
URBAN	59.4	117.3	186.2	254.7	326.5	398.1	470.5	543.8	613.1	685.1	752.0	819.6
ALL SYSTEMS	103.5	205.8	330.1	455.1	589.0	724.5	865.6	1008.3	1138.2	1271.7	1394.5	1516.1
1979 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
MAIN RURAL	36.3	72.4	117.5	163.3	211.1	258.2						
LOCAL RURAL	9.6	19.2	30.8	43.3	56.8	69.9						
URBAN	61.9	121.9	193.1	262.2	332.1	400.7						
ALL SYSTEMS	107.8	213.5	341.5	468.9	600.0	728.8						
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1979 VS. 1978												
MAIN RURAL	4.8	4.0	3.3	3.3	2.2	0.5						
LOCAL RURAL	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.3	1.5	0.6						
URBAN	4.3	3.9	3.7	2.9	1.7	0.7						
ALL SYSTEMS	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.0	1.9	0.6						

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