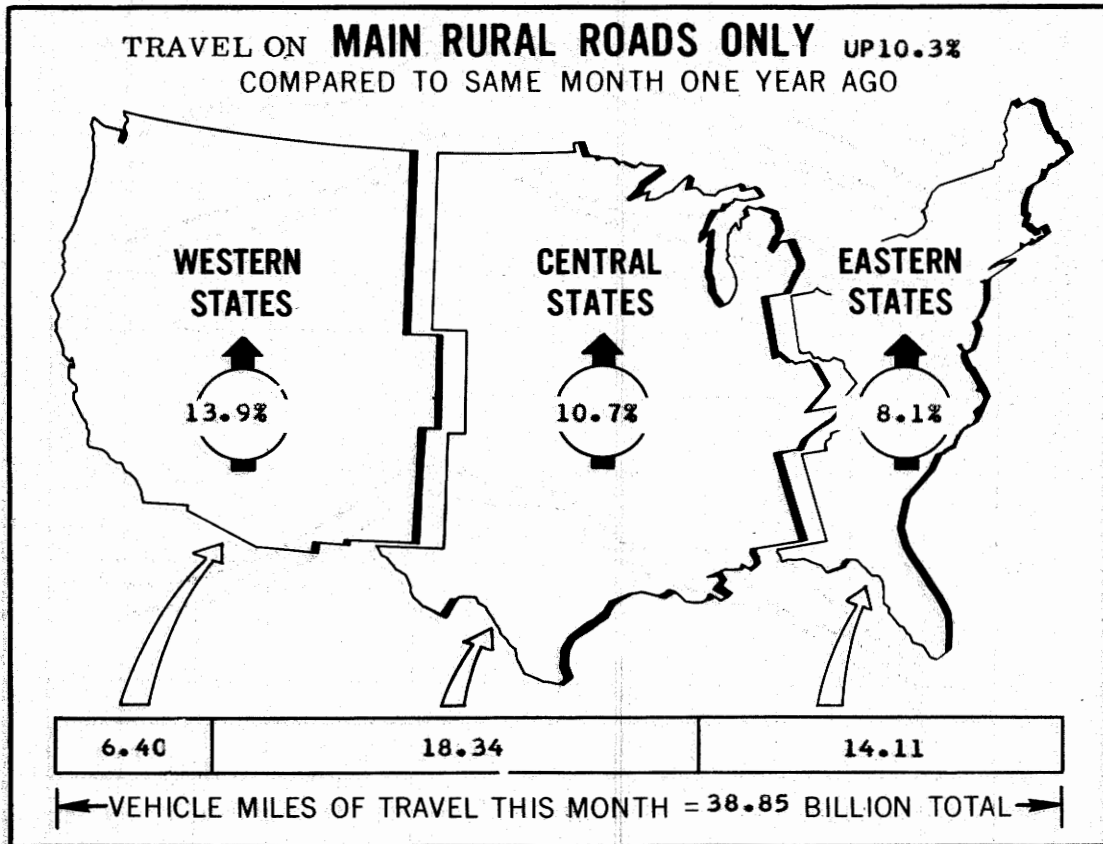


TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

MARCH 1972 1/

TRAVEL ON **ALL ROADS AND STREETS** UP 8.8%
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

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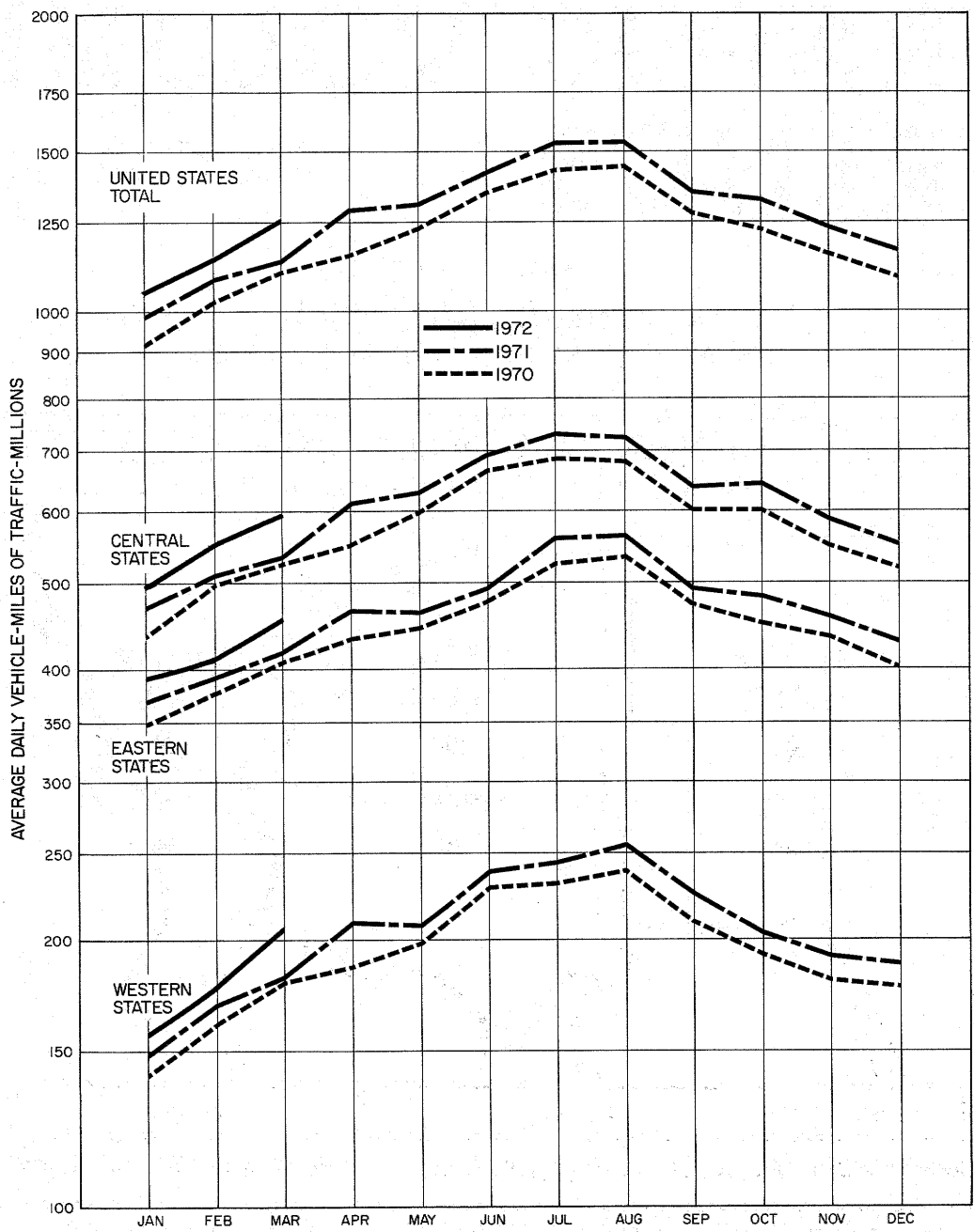


FIGURE 1 - TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

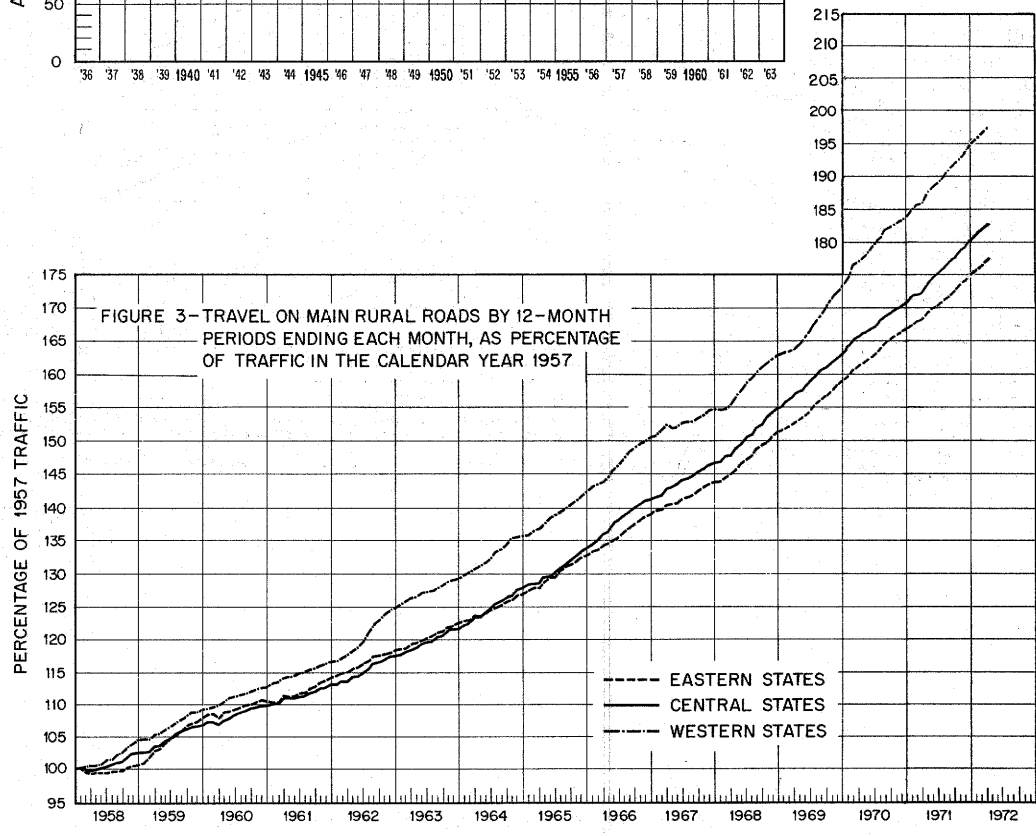
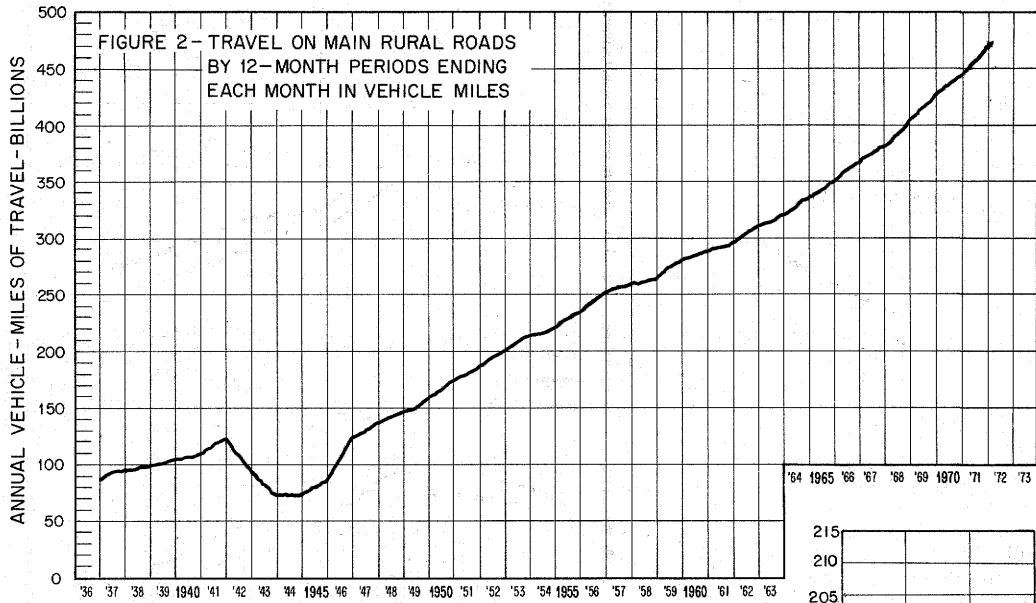


TABLE 1.-SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR MARCH			REVISED DATA FOR FEBRUARY		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1972	1971		1972	1971	
MAIN RURAL ROADS.....	39,011	35,378	10.3	32,289	30,126	7.2
LOCAL RURAL ROADS.....	.....	.....	6.6	.....	.....	3.4
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	.....	.....	9.5	.....	.....	6.3
CITY STREETS.....	.....	.....	8.1	.....	.....	5.4
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	.....	.....	8.8	.....	.....	5.9
48 STATES (MAIN RURAL ONLY):						
EASTERN REGION.....	14,106	13,046	8.1	11,597	11,042	4.7
CENTRAL REGION.....	18,344	16,569	10.7	19,576	14,270	9.2
WESTERN REGION.....	6,397	5,614	13.9	5,016	4,684	7.1
TOTAL.....	38,847	35,229	10.3	32,149	29,996	7.2

TABLE 2.-CHANGES ON MAIN RURAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	MARCH (PRELIMINARY)		FEBRUARY (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	MARCH (PRELIMINARY)		FEBRUARY (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.....	-	-	17	- 0.4	ALABAMA.....	53	15.4	52	9.9
MAINE.....	23	5.2	18	5.6	KENTUCKY.....	37	10.7	38	9.3
MASSACHUSETTS.....	8	7.7	7	4.2	MISSISSIPPI.....	41	9.9	42	9.6
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	52	8.9	40	6.7	TENNESSEE.....	-	-	22	10.8
RHODE ISLAND.....	2	5.5	4	- 0.3	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	45	6.9	46	3.8	IOWA.....	29	7.1	28	3.6
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	74	11.0	66	15.6
NEW JERSEY.....	17	4.2	16	- 0.8	MINNESOTA.....	28	9.8	36	15.6
NEW YORK.....	32	10.4	36	5.0	MISSOURI.....	12	13.7	72	10.9
PENNSYLVANIA.....	-	-	-	-	NEBRASKA.....	17	15.7	16	15.0
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	34	7.7	36	3.6
DELAWARE.....	12	8.5	13	3.5	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	28	11.5	31	6.8
MARYLAND.....	33	9.0	33	0.8	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	5.7	-	4.8	ARKANSAS.....	37	14.9	33	7.9
WEST VIRGINIA.....	25	10.8	27	5.7	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	36	3.0
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	-	-	-	-
FLORIDA.....	-	-	62	9.1	TEXAS.....	104	11.7	113	7.7
GEORGIA.....	30	14.3	35	10.7	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	-	-	43	6.2	ARIZONA.....	16	18.9	20	12.4
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	4	6.7	6	1.0	COLORADO.....	34	17.5	37	14.9
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	-	-	57	7.5
ILLINOIS.....	19	5.6	19	4.6	MONTANA.....	27	11.2	25	5.7
INDIANA.....	25	14.4	29	9.9	NEVADA.....	26	18.2	33	9.1
MICHIGAN.....	-	-	-	-	NEW MEXICO.....	32	16.0	32	12.3
OHIO.....	19	7.9	21	11.9	UTAH.....	-	-	36	11.0
WISCONSIN.....	37	10.8	35	10.5	WYOMING.....	33	18.4	33	9.4
ALASKA.....	-	-	13	4.2	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	-	-	1	9.3	CALIFORNIA.....	16	14.4	17	3.6
					OREGON.....	-	-	89	7.3
					WASHINGTON.....	-	-	-	-

NOTE: 1-RURAL MILEAGE OF EACH MAJOR TOLL ROUTE IS CONSIDERED AS ONE OR MORE STATIONS, DEPENDING ON STATES' METHOD OF REPORTING.
 2-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS IS DASH AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IS SHOWN, THE STATES PREPARED TRAFFIC ESTIMATES, GENERALLY BASED ON EXTENSIVE TRAFFIC SAMPLING SURVEYS.
 3-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE FOR A STATE ARE DASHES, THE STATE REPORT HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT TIME OF PRINTING.