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# TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

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November 1952

On the basis of preliminary figures, motor-vehicle travel on main and local roads for the country as a whole was higher during November 1952 than in any previous November.

	Vehicle-miles (millions)	Percentage increase from 1951
Main rural roads.....	15,953	7.2
Local rural roads.....	5,823	3.1
All rural roads.....	21,776	6.1

Traffic on rural roads in the geographic regions and changes from previous year are as follows:

	Vehicle-miles (millions)	Percentage increase from 1951
Eastern regions.....	7,139	3.1
Central regions.....	11,288	9.0
Western regions.....	3,349	3.0

Traffic on city streets also was heavier than in any previous November. Comparisons with November of previous year for city streets, rural roads and all roads and streets are as follows:

	Percentage increase from 1951
City streets.....	4.2
Rural roads.....	6.1
All roads and streets.....	5.2

Attachments

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Table 1.—PRELIMINARY SUMMARY OF AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC RECORDER DATA FOR NOVEMBER 1952 INCLUDING 735 STATIONS IN 39 STATES

Type of highway and State	Number of stations	Traffic volume percentage change from November 1951	Type of highway and State	Number of stations	Traffic volume percentage change from November 1951
<i>STATE HIGHWAYS</i>			<i>STATE HIGHWAYS—Con.</i>		
Alabama.....	8	+4.9	Texas.....	102	+3.4
Arizona.....	4	+16.4	Utah.....	14	+9.6
Arkansas.....	.....	.....	Vermont.....	12	+7.2
California.....	.....	.....	Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	+6.8
Colorado.....	.....	.....	Washington.....	11	+2.7
Connecticut.....	18	+5.4	West Virginia.....	27	+6.6
Delaware.....	5	0.0	Wisconsin.....	10	+8.7
Florida.....	23	+8.9	Wyoming.....	.....	.....
Georgia.....	7	+4.9			
Idaho.....	9	+5.4	<i>TOTAL—39 STATES<sup>1</sup>.....</i>	<i>699</i>	<i>+7.2</i>
Illinois.....	4	+2.6			
Indiana.....	.....	.....	<i>LOCAL HIGHWAYS</i>		
Iowa.....	.....	.....	Alabama.....	2	+3.9
Kansas.....	14	-0.9	Connecticut.....	3	+7.1
Kentucky.....	14	+9.0	Delaware.....	1	+8.9
Louisiana.....	42	+4.2	Kentucky.....	1	+18.3
Maine.....	12	+7.4	Maryland.....	1	+3.1
Maryland.....	18	0.0	Michigan.....	2	+14.6
Massachusetts.....	9	+3.9	Missouri.....	1	+1.3
Michigan.....	24	+15.6	Montana.....	2	-25.7
Minnesota.....	25	+12.7	Nebraska.....	3	-10.9
Mississippi.....	17	+12.9	New Jersey.....	3	-4.7
Missouri.....	26	+12.3	North Carolina.....	10	+2.4
Montana.....	18	+7.5	North Dakota.....	1	+9.1
Nebraska.....	11	-3.2	Ohio.....	2	+24.6
Nevada.....	19	+6.1	Oregon.....	1	+5.3
New Hampshire.....	14	+2.7	South Dakota.....	2	-10.7
New Jersey.....	6	+3.1	Wisconsin.....	1	+37.5
New Mexico.....	19	+7.0			
New York.....	.....	.....	<i>TOTAL—16 STATES<sup>1</sup>.....</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>+3.1</i>
North Carolina.....	28	+7.1			
North Dakota.....	13	+10.7	<i>ALL HIGHWAYS—</i>		
Ohio.....	16	+14.0	<i>39 STATES<sup>1</sup>.....</i>		
Oklahoma.....	20	+2.2		<i>735</i>	<i>+6.1</i>
Oregon.....	14	+4.4	<i>3 EASTERN REGIONS<sup>1</sup>...</i>		
Pennsylvania.....	37	+3.6		<i>235</i>	<i>+3.1</i>
Rhode Island.....	.....	.....	<i>4 CENTRAL REGIONS<sup>1</sup>...</i>		
South Carolina.....	1	+0.1		<i>389</i>	<i>+9.0</i>
South Dakota.....	28	+8.0	<i>2 WESTERN REGIONS<sup>1</sup>...</i>		
Tennessee.....	.....	.....		<i>111</i>	<i>+3.0</i>

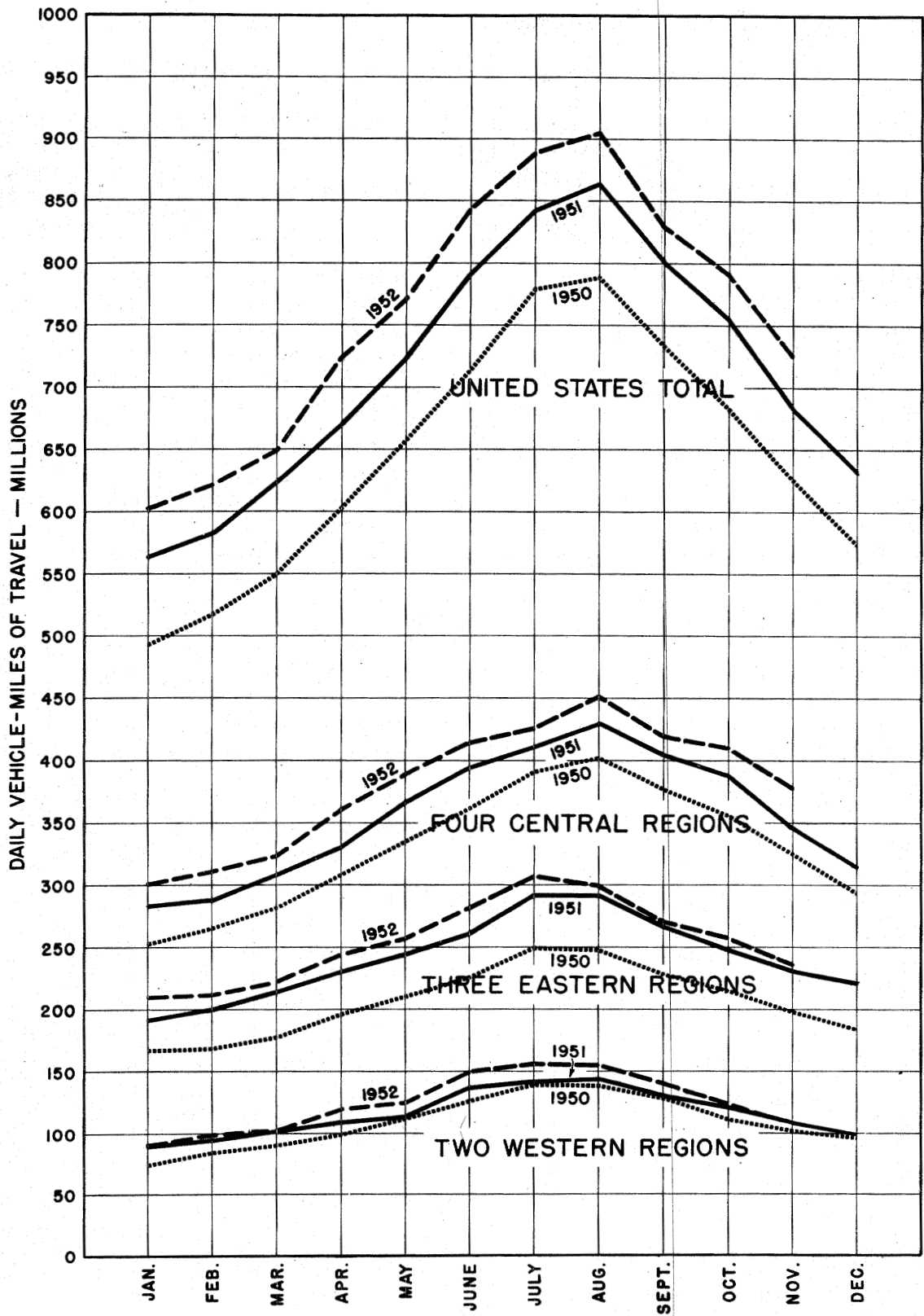
<sup>1</sup> Percentage figured from trend in vehicle miles.

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Table 2.—REVISED SUMMARY OF AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC RECORDER DATA FOR OCTOBER 1952 INCLUDING 887 STATIONS IN 46 STATES

Region and State	Number of stations	Traffic volume percentage change from October 1952	Region and State	Number of stations	Traffic volume percentage change from October 1952
<b>NEW ENGLAND:</b>			<b>EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>		
Connecticut.....	21	+ 7.9	Alabama.....	9	+ 9.2
Maine.....	10	+ 4.5	Kentucky.....	15	+ 7.5
Massachusetts.....	9	+ 7.1	Mississippi.....	18	+ 11.3
New Hampshire.....	13	+ 7.8	Tennessee.....	19	+ 9.1
Rhode Island.....	3	+ 27.0	<i>Subtotal</i> .....	61	+ 9.3
Vermont.....	12	+ 7.4	<b>WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>		
<i>Subtotal</i> .....	68	+ 7.3	Arkansas.....	.....	.....
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC:</b>			Louisiana.....	42	+ 3.3
New Jersey.....	9	+ 6.0	Oklahoma.....	20	+ 4.4
New York.....	.....	.....	Texas.....	106	+ 6.7
Pennsylvania.....	39	+ 0.4	<i>Subtotal</i> .....	168	+ 5.4
<i>Subtotal</i> .....	48	+ 1.3	<b>MOUNTAIN:</b>		
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC:</b>			Arizona.....	4	+ 17.0
Delaware.....	6	+ 7.5	Colorado.....	22	- 0.6
Maryland.....	19	+ 3.6	Idaho.....	9	+ 11.1
Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	+ 5.8	Montana.....	20	+ 13.6
West Virginia.....	26	+ 1.1	Nevada.....	19	+ 7.8
<i>Subtotal north</i>			New Mexico.....	19	+ 10.6
<i>portion</i> .....	51	+ 3.4	Utah.....	13	+ 8.3
Florida.....	21	+ 8.5	Wyoming.....	8	+ 17.0
Georgia.....	7	+ 2.8	<i>Subtotal</i> .....	114	+ 8.7
North Carolina.....	38	+ 2.8	<b>PACIFIC:</b>		
South Carolina.....	1	- 7.2	California.....	6	+ 4.3
<i>Subtotal south</i>			Oregon.....	15	+ 11.2
<i>portion</i> .....	67	+ 4.3	Washington.....	11	+ 7.6
<i>Subtotal</i>			<i>Subtotal</i> .....	32	+ 8.1
<i>region</i> .....	118	+ 3.8	<b>TOTAL ALL STATES<sup>1</sup>....</b>		
<b>EAST NORTH CENTRAL:</b>				887	+ 4.8
Illinois.....	3	+ 4.5	<b>STATE HIGHWAYS<sup>1</sup>.....</b>		
Indiana.....	22	+ 5.5		826	+ 5.1
Michigan.....	26	+ 6.1	<b>LOCAL HIGHWAYS<sup>1</sup>.....</b>		
Ohio.....	19	+ 7.7		61	+ 4.1
Wisconsin.....	11	+ 5.3	<b>3 EASTERN REGIONS<sup>1</sup>....</b>		
<i>Subtotal</i> .....	81	+ 6.2		234	+ 3.8
<b>WEST NORTH CENTRAL:</b>			<b>4 CENTRAL REGIONS<sup>1</sup>....</b>		
Iowa.....	33	+ 1.7		507	+ 5.6
Kansas.....	62	+ 0.6	<b>2 WESTERN REGIONS<sup>1</sup>....</b>		
Minnesota.....	19	+ 6.3		146	+ 4.4
Missouri.....	27	+ 5.7			
Nebraska.....	14	+ 0.6			
North Dakota.....	12	+ 3.8			
South Dakota.....	30	+ 6.9			
<i>Subtotal</i> .....	197	+ 3.5			

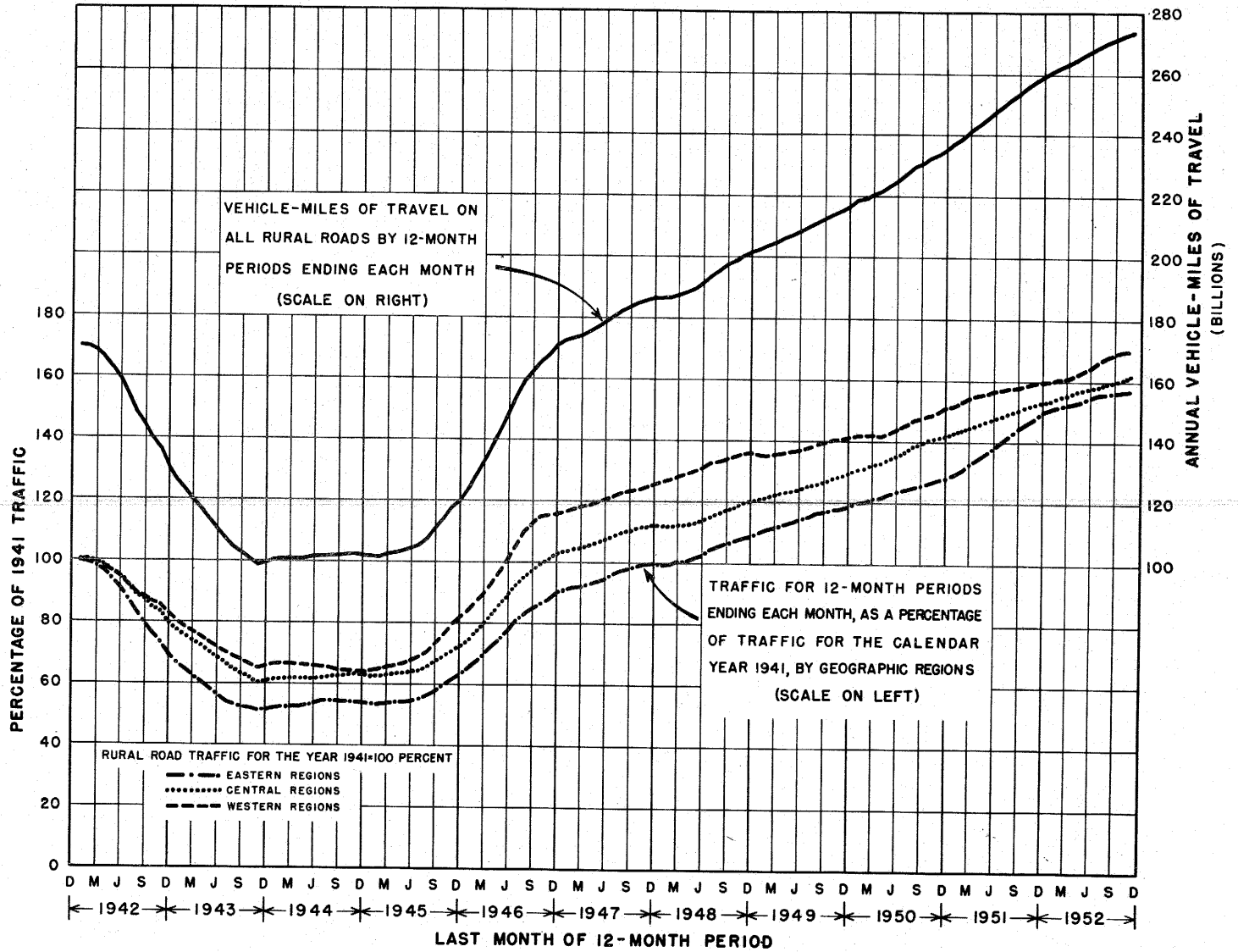
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TRAVEL ON ALL RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

TRAVEL ON ALL RURAL ROADS BY 12-MONTH PERIODS ENDING EACH MONTH, IN VEHICLE-MILES AND AS A PERCENTAGE OF TRAFFIC IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 1941

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