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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN JANUARY (PRELIMINARY) AND DECEMBER (REVISED)

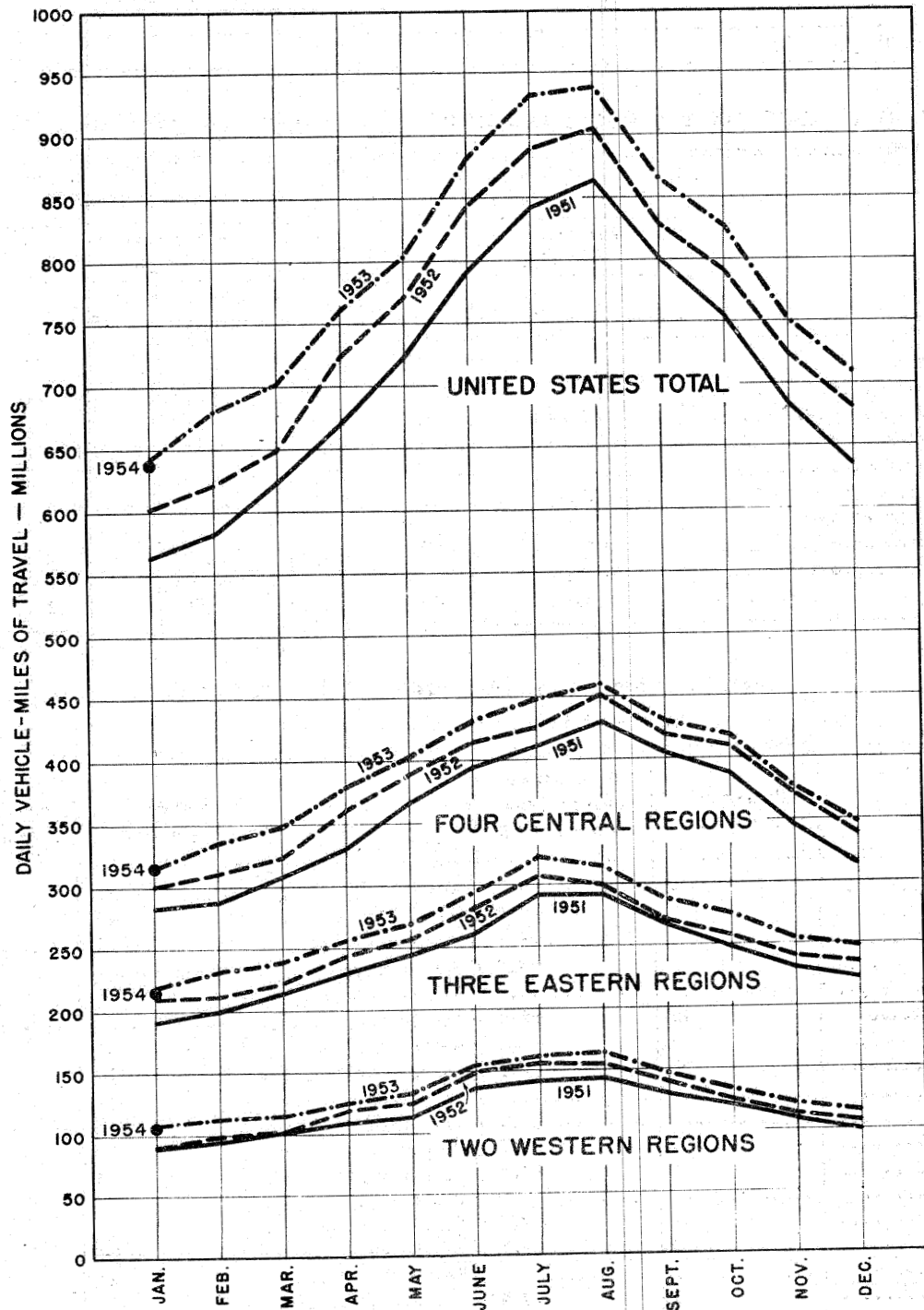
	Preliminary data for January 1954			Revised data for December 1953		
	Vehicle-miles (millions)		Percent- age change	Vehicle-miles (millions)		Percent- age change
	1953 (revised)	1954		1952 (revised)	1953	
Class of road:						
Main rural roads.....	14,341	14,221	-0.8	15,306	15,778	+3.1
Local rural roads.....	5,556	5,523	-0.6	5,854	6,231	+6.4
All rural roads.....	19,897	19,744	-0.8	21,160	22,009	+4.0
City streets.....	20,048	19,888	+1.2	.....	.....	+5.6
All roads and streets....	.....	.....	+0.2	.....	.....	+4.8
By region (rural only):						
Eastern regions.....	6,793	6,670	-1.8	7,295	7,695	+5.5
Central regions.....	9,753	9,764	+0.1	10,414	10,776	+3.5
Western regions.....	3,351	3,310	-1.2	3,451	3,538	+2.5

Table 1.—JANUARY 1954 MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL (PRELIMINARY)

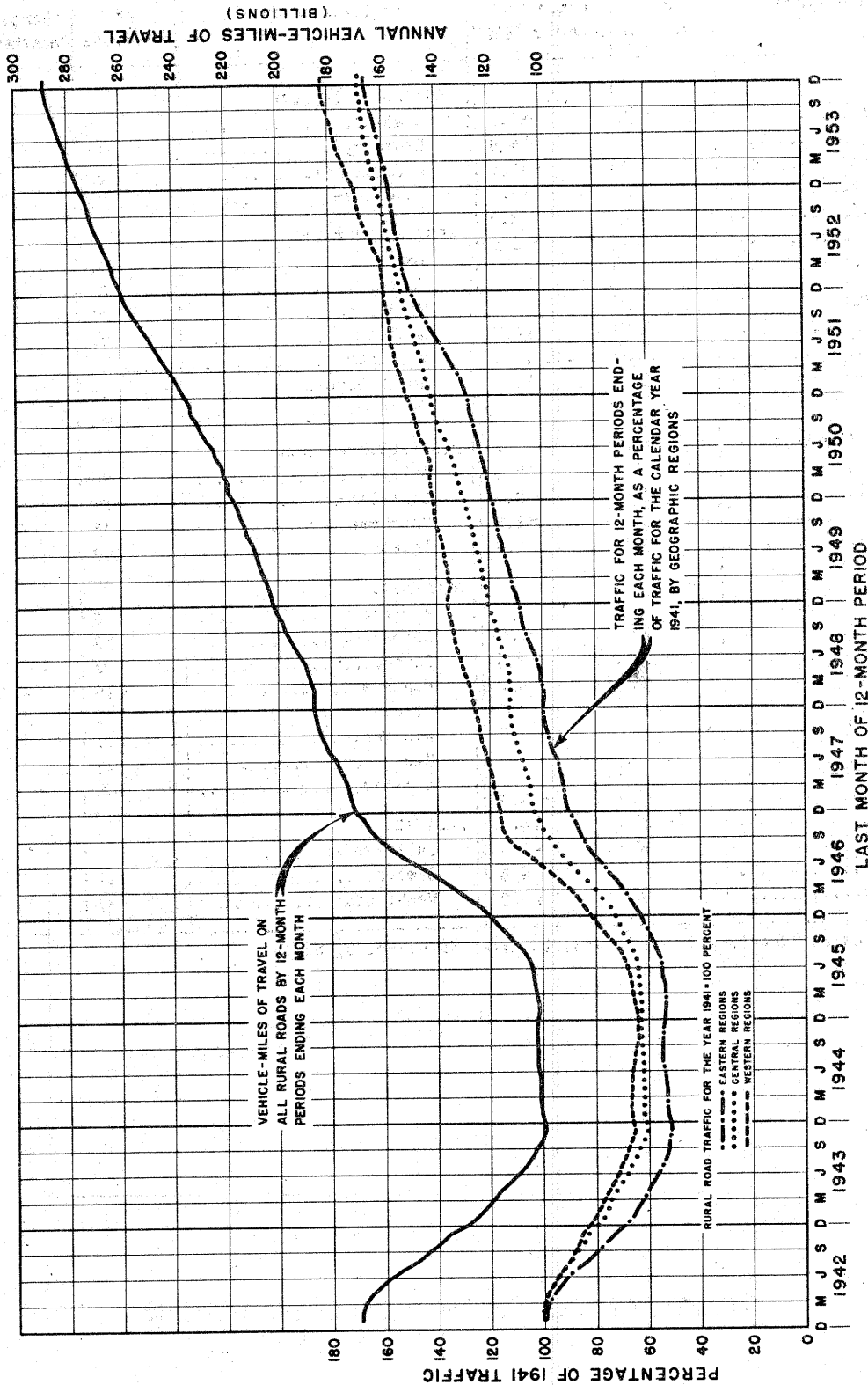
Summary of Automatic Traffic Recorder Data

State	Number of stations	Percentage change from January 1953	State	Number of stations	Percentage change from January 1953
Alabama.....	10	+6.6	Nebraska.....	15	+7.8
Arizona.....	8	-8.6	Nevada.....	19	+5.5
Arkansas.....	3	-6.6	New Hampshire.....	.....	.....
California.....	4	+8.5	New Jersey.....	.....	.....
Colorado.....	.....	.....	New Mexico.....	23	+1.9
Connecticut.....	22	+2.4	New York.....	.....	.....
Delaware.....	6	-5.1	North Carolina.....	37	-3.6
Florida.....	23	+7.2	North Dakota.....	17	-11.1
Georgia.....	.....	.....	Ohio.....	21	+3.7
Idaho.....	.....	.....	Oklahoma.....	18	-4.2
Illinois.....	5	+0.7	Oregon.....	19	-12.1
Indiana.....	21	+4.4	Pennsylvania.....	52	-3.4
Iowa.....	.....	.....	Rhode Island.....	1	-7.1
Kansas.....	12	-7.4	South Carolina.....	8	-3.0
Kentucky.....	15	-4.7	South Dakota.....	30	+8.6
Louisiana.....	.....	.....	Tennessee.....	23	-0.4
Maine.....	9	-7.9	Texas.....	102	-0.7
Maryland.....	23	-4.5	Utah.....	12	+4.2
Massachusetts.....	8	+7.7	Vermont.....	7	+11.9
Michigan.....	30	-5.1	Virginia ¹.....	.....	+3.7
Minnesota.....	26	+3.3	Washington.....	.....	.....
Mississippi.....	28	+6.6	West Virginia.....	32	+0.5
Missouri.....	27	-6.1	Wisconsin.....	11	-1.4
Montana.....	20	-7.3	Wyoming.....	.....	.....

¹Percentage calculated from trend in vehicle-miles furnished by State.



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

Table 2.—DECEMBER 1953 MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL (REVISED)

Summary of Automatic Traffic Recorder Data

Region and state	Number of stations	Percentage change from December 1952	Region and state	Number of stations	Percentage change from December 1952
NEW ENGLAND:			EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:		
Connecticut.....	22	+9.5	Alabama.....	9	+1.4
Maine.....	10	+4.9	Kentucky.....	14	+0.1
Massachusetts.....	9	+10.8	Mississippi.....	27	+3.4
New Hampshire.....	15	+11.6	Tennessee.....	20	+4.5
Rhode Island.....	4	+3.6	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:		
Vermont.....	14	+12.8	Iowa.....	32	+8.9
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:			Kansas.....	62	+2.4
New Jersey.....	10	+8.2	Minnesota.....	26	+3.3
New York.....	.....	.....	Missouri.....	27	+6.3
Pennsylvania.....	51	+3.4	Nebraska ¹.....	.....	+3.7
SOUTH ATLANTIC (North):			North Dakota.....	18	-4.8
Delaware.....	7	+5.3	South Dakota.....	30	-1.2
Maryland.....	22	+8.8	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:		
Virginia ¹.....	.....	+3.6	Arkansas.....	22	+5.2
West Virginia.....	31	+2.1	Louisiana.....	38	+6.0
SOUTH ATLANTIC (South):			Oklahoma.....	18	+3.9
Florida.....	22	+6.7	Texas.....	98	+0.8
Georgia.....	21	+1.5	MOUNTAIN:		
North Carolina.....	39	-0.3	Arizona.....	6	-2.9
South Carolina.....	7	-1.9	Colorado.....	20	+5.0
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:			Idaho.....	9	+7.6
Illinois.....	5	+14.2	Montana.....	19	+10.5
Indiana.....	22	+4.5	Nevada.....	19	+5.5
Michigan.....	30	-3.5	New Mexico ¹.....	.....	+1.2
Ohio.....	18	+4.5	Utah.....	12	+6.9
Wisconsin.....	26	+4.3	Wyoming.....	8	-1.5
			PACIFIC:		
			California ¹	+1.1
			Oregon.....	17	+2.5
			Washington.....	11	+2.6

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