

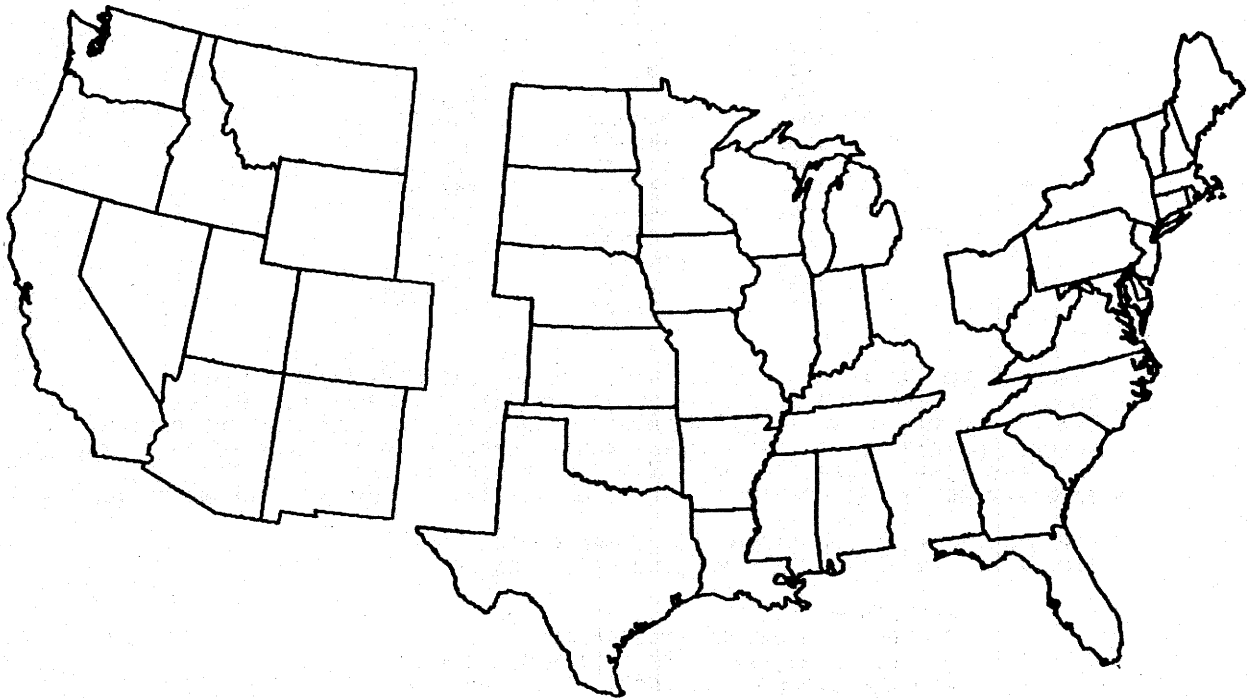


U.S. Department
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TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

MAY 1989

**TRAVEL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IS UP BY 2.4 PERCENT
FOR MAY 1989 AS COMPARED TO MAY 1988.**



WESTERN

CENTRAL

EASTERN

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - MAY 1989.

38.3 BILLION

76.4 BILLION

22.7 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+5.2

+1.9

+1.3

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 1987 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE.

COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OF JULY 13, 1989.

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - MAY 1989

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING MAY 1989 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 2.4 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO MAY 1988, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 178427 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 75113 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 103314 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	MAY	YEAR TO DATE
1970	97972	435766
1971	103655	460189
1972	110945	497846
1973	114819	519660
1974	112167	498938
1975	116659	519507
1976	123278	555564
1977	128884	575218
1978	134427	599059
1979	132394	617343
1980	131269	605946
1981	134305	616382
1982	140283	615579
1983	143619	640438
1984	151046	669692
1985	156726	692274
1986	160459	718443
1987	167776	761064
1988	174292	788043
1989	178427	815037

"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

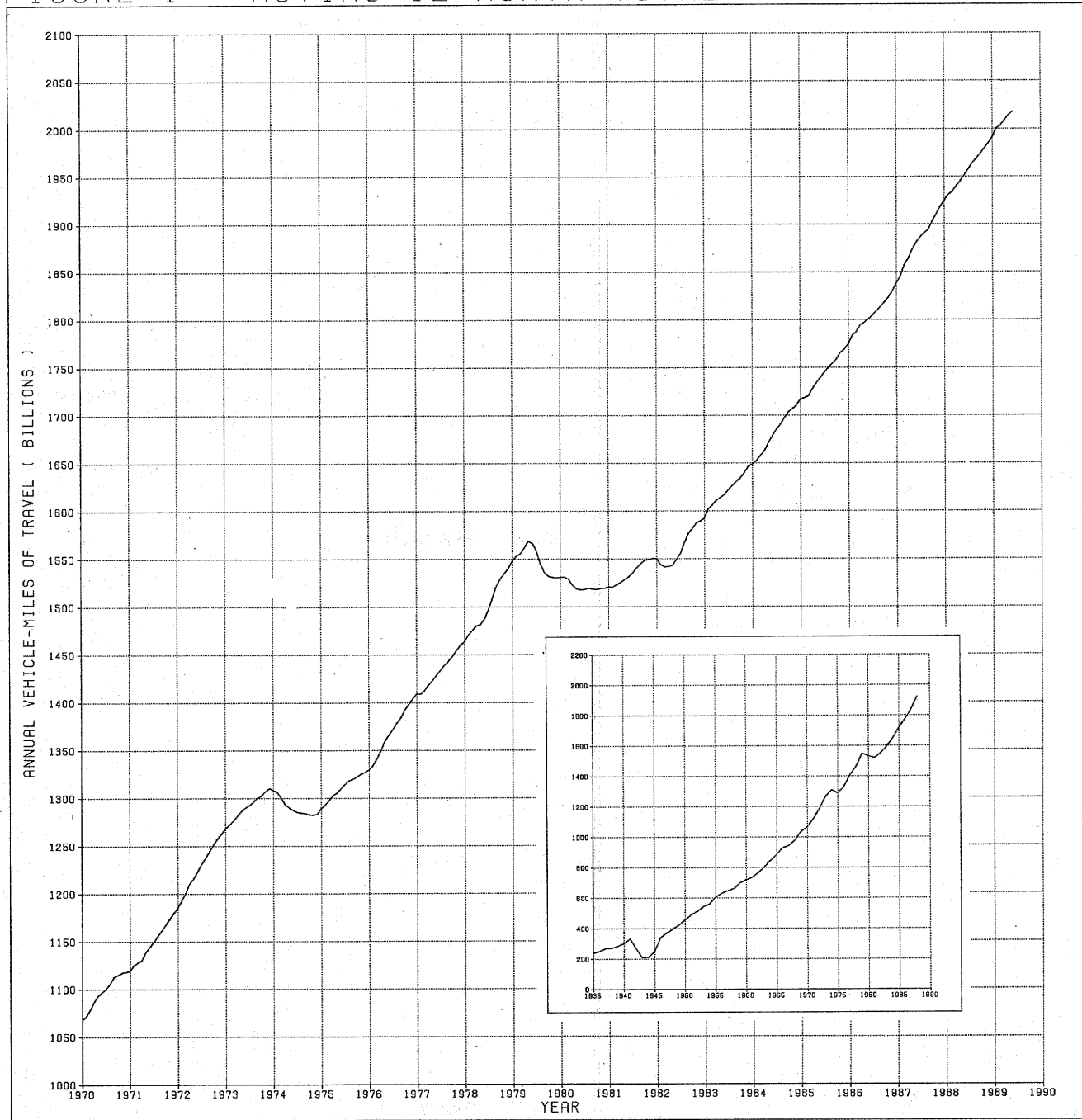
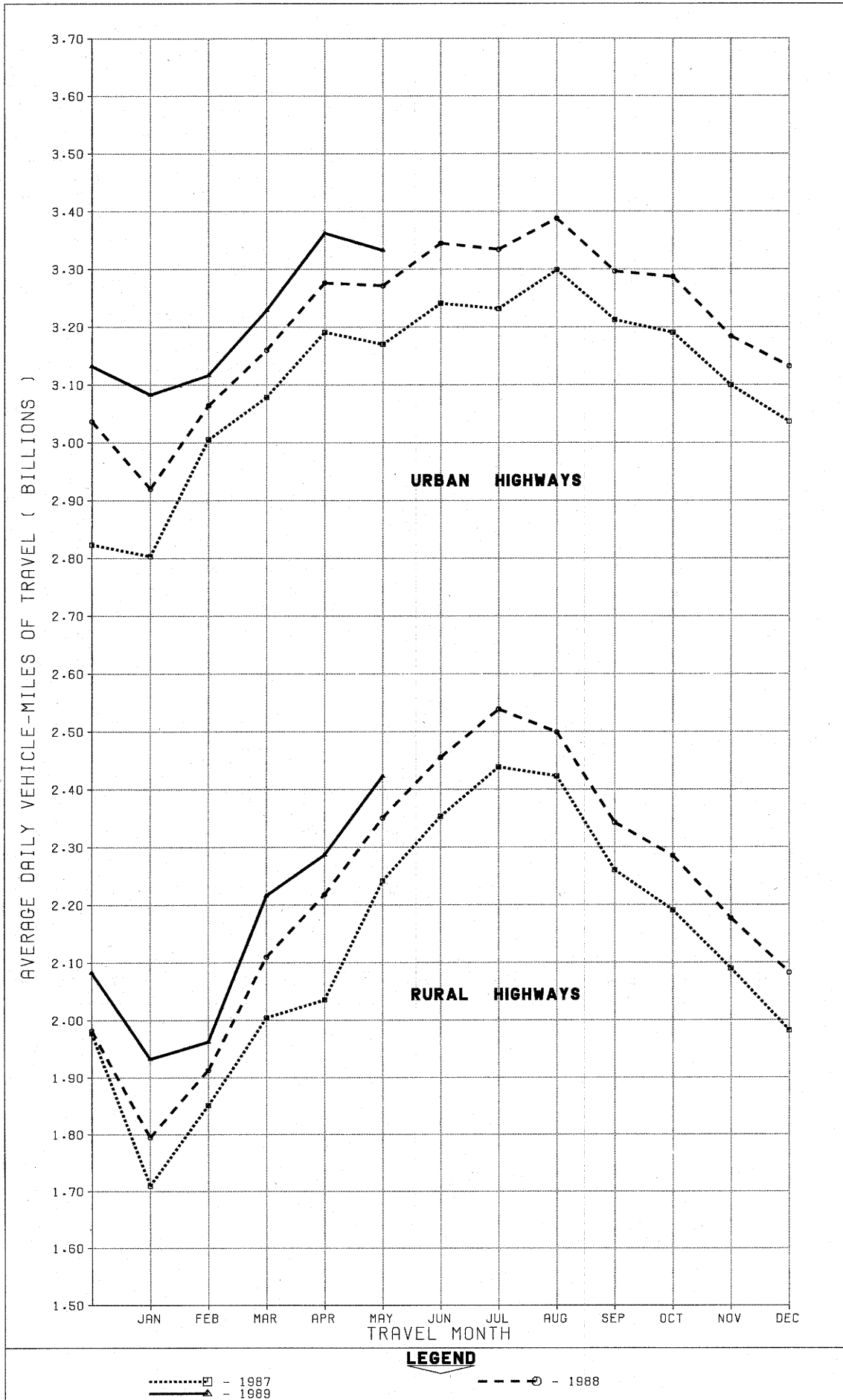


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH



LEGEND

- 1987
 - 1988
 - 1989

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
1988 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	33.7	32.3	39.7	40.6	43.9	44.7	48.6	47.8	42.9	43.5	40.1	39.7
OTHER RURAL	21.9	21.3	25.7	26.0	29.0	29.0	30.1	29.7	27.4	27.4	25.2	24.9
URBAN	90.5	85.8	98.0	98.3	101.4	100.4	103.4	105.0	98.9	101.9	95.5	97.1
ALL SYSTEMS	146.2	139.4	163.4	164.8	174.3	174.0	182.1	182.5	169.2	172.7	160.8	161.6
1989 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.5	33.3	42.2	42.0	45.5							
OTHER RURAL	23.4	21.7	26.5	26.7	29.6							
URBAN	95.7	87.3	100.1	101.3	103.3							
ALL SYSTEMS	155.6	142.2	168.8	170.0	178.4							
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1989 VS. 1988												
RURAL ARTERIAL	8.2	3.0	6.1	3.6	3.7							
OTHER RURAL	6.9	2.0	3.4	2.9	2.2							
URBAN	5.7	1.7	2.2	3.0	1.9							
ALL SYSTEMS	6.4	2.0	3.3	3.1	2.4							

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
1988 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	33.7	66.0	105.8	146.3	190.2	234.9	283.5	331.3	374.2	417.6	457.8	497.4
OTHER RURAL	21.9	43.2	68.9	94.8	123.8	152.8	182.9	212.6	240.0	267.4	292.6	317.5
URBAN	90.5	176.3	274.3	372.6	474.0	574.4	677.7	782.7	881.6	983.5	1079.1	1176.2
ALL SYSTEMS	146.2	285.6	448.9	613.8	788.0	962.1	1144.1	1326.6	1495.8	1668.5	1829.4	1991.0
1989 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.5	69.8	111.9	153.9	199.5							
OTHER RURAL	23.4	45.1	71.7	98.4	128.0							
URBAN	95.7	182.9	283.0	384.3	487.6							
ALL SYSTEMS	155.6	297.8	466.6	636.6	815.0							
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1989 VS. 1988												
RURAL ARTERIAL	8.2	5.7	5.8	5.2	4.8							
OTHER RURAL	6.9	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.4							
URBAN	5.7	3.7	3.2	3.1	2.9							
ALL SYSTEMS	6.4	4.3	3.9	3.7	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 1988 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

*** TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1989 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.

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

CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR MAY			REVISED DATA FOR APRIL		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1989	1988		1989	1988	
RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS.....	45,519	43,906	3.7	42,023	40,582	3.6
OTHER RURAL ROADS.....	29,594	28,967	2.2	26,704	25,962	2.9
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	75,113	72,873	3.1	68,727	66,544	3.3
CITY STREETS.....	103,314	101,419	1.9	101,264	98,289	3.0
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	178,427	174,292	2.4	169,991	164,832	3.1
48 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL):						
EASTERN REGION.....	15,212	14,675	3.7	14,567	14,015	3.9
CENTRAL REGION.....	21,813	21,134	3.2	19,758	19,185	3.0
WESTERN REGION.....	8,237	7,856	4.8	7,511	7,201	4.3
TOTAL.....	45,262	43,665	3.7	41,836	40,401	3.6

TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	MAY (PRELIMINARY)		APRIL (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	MAY (PRELIMINARY)		APRIL (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.....	48	4.3	48	3.0
MAINE.....	-	-	-	-	KENTUCKY.....	-	-	-	-
MASSACHUSETTS.....	6	0.7	11	3.0	MISSISSIPPI.....	11	3.6	11	4.9
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	-	-	-	-	TENNESSEE.....	11	3.0	12	0.3
RHODE ISLAND.....	6	9.6	10	2.3	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	-	-	28	2.4	IOWA.....	54	7.1	54	5.1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	62	2.3	63	2.8
NEW JERSEY.....	-	-	-	-	MINNESOTA.....	41	4.7	42	0.4
NEW YORK.....	-	-	19	4.6	MISSOURI.....	39	4.8	43	3.8
PENNSYLVANIA.....	-	-	34	3.2	NEBRASKA.....	24	6.3	26	5.4
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	32	2.8	32	-3.9
DELAWARE.....	-	-	19	8.8	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	23	1.2	26	2.1
MARYLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	ARKANSAS.....	14	3.6	14	3.5
WEST VIRGINIA.....	10	1.2	11	2.2	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	29	1.9	32	2.1
FLORIDA.....	31	9.2	36	5.2	TEXAS.....	82	0.7	75	1.7
GEORGIA.....	-	-	-	-	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	-	-	20	4.9	ARIZONA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	10	5.9	10	1.1	COLORADO.....	-	-	31	1.9
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	51	4.0	56	5.7
ILLINOIS.....	-	-	-	-	MONTANA.....	-	-	-	-
INDIANA.....	26	2.9	26	3.5	NEVADA.....	15	5.1	15	5.8
MICHIGAN.....	51	1.3	49	3.6	NEW MEXICO.....	-	3.6	-	3.5
OHIO.....	12	2.8	14	2.7	UTAH.....	-	-	-	-
WISCONSIN.....	48	4.2	48	5.3	WYOMING.....	37	5.3	39	3.5
ALASKA.....	-	-	16	0.4	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	2	6.9	1	6.4	CALIFORNIA.....	-	5.7	-	5.0
					OREGON.....	-	-	-	-
					WASHINGTON.....	43	5.3	-	-

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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