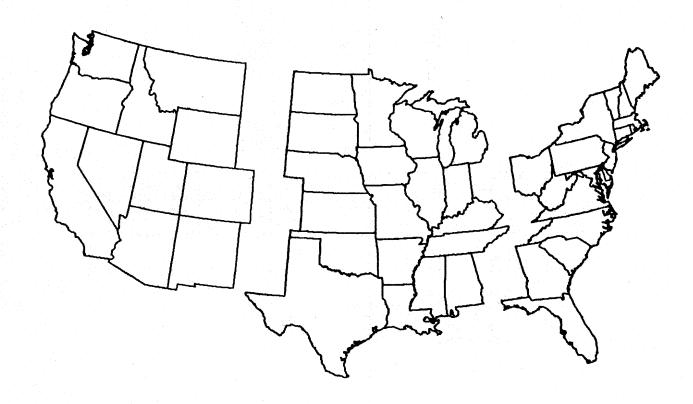


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## TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS NOVEMBER 1987

TRAVEL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IS UP BY 4.1 PERCENT FOR NOVEMBER 1987 AS COMPARED TO NOVEMBER 1986.



WESTERN

CENTRAL

**EASTERN** 

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - NOVEMBER 1987.

31.6 BILLION

66.8 BILLION

54.7 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+5.4

+3.9

+3.7

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 1986 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE. COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 19, 1988.

## TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - NOVEMBER 1987

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING NOVEMBER 1987 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 4.1 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO NOVEMBER 1986, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 153932 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 63789 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 90143 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.

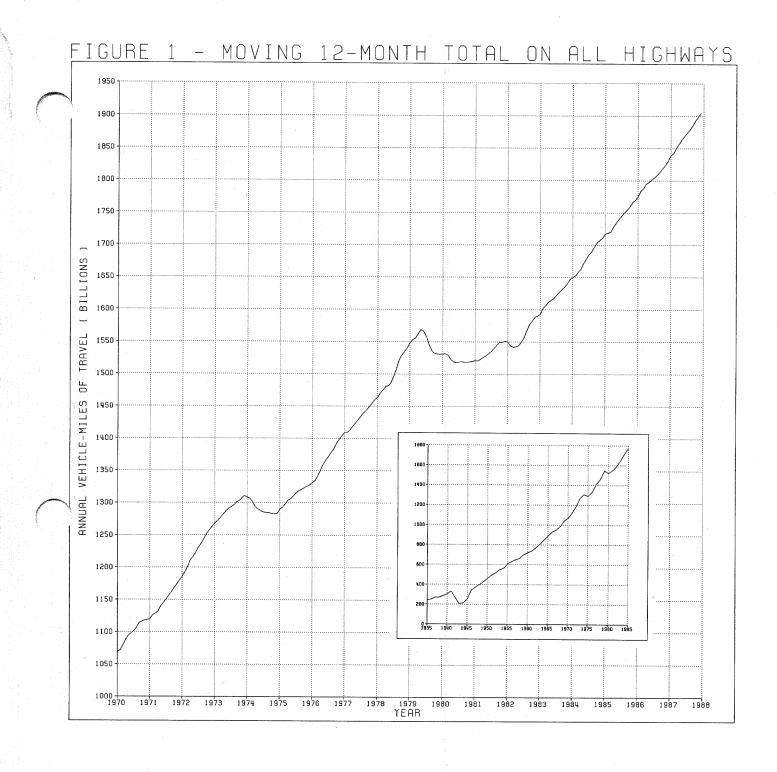
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|--|-----------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | ALL ROADS AND   | STREETS      |  |  |  |  |
| YEAR   | NOVEMBER        | YEAR TO DATE |  |  |  |  |
| 4070   | 00004           | 4000447      |  |  |  |  |
|  |                 |              |  |  |  |  |
|  |                 |              |  |  |  |  |
| 1972   | 1.7.7.1.1.1.1.1 |              |  |  |  |  |
| 1973   | 104381          | 1209432      |  |  |  |  |
| 1974   | 105079          | 1184562      |  |  |  |  |
| 1975   | 106990          | 1222130      |  |  |  |  |
| 1976   | 112996          | 1296133      |  |  |  |  |
| 1977   | 118486          | 1347152      |  |  |  |  |
| 1978   | 123690          | 1423617      |  |  |  |  |
| 1979   | 123381          | 1405906      |  |  |  |  |
| 1980   | 123420          | 1396058      |  |  |  |  |
| 1981   | 124804          | 1425849      |  |  |  |  |
| 1982   | 127061          | 1465342      |  |  |  |  |
| 1983   | 133700          | 1519330      |  |  |  |  |
| 1984   | 137272          | 1580673      |  |  |  |  |
| 1985   | 140872          | 1633178      |  |  |  |  |
| 1986   | 147813          | 1688613      |  |  |  |  |
| 1987   | 153932          | 1755376      |  |  |  |  |
|  |                 | 1 1          |  |  |  |  |

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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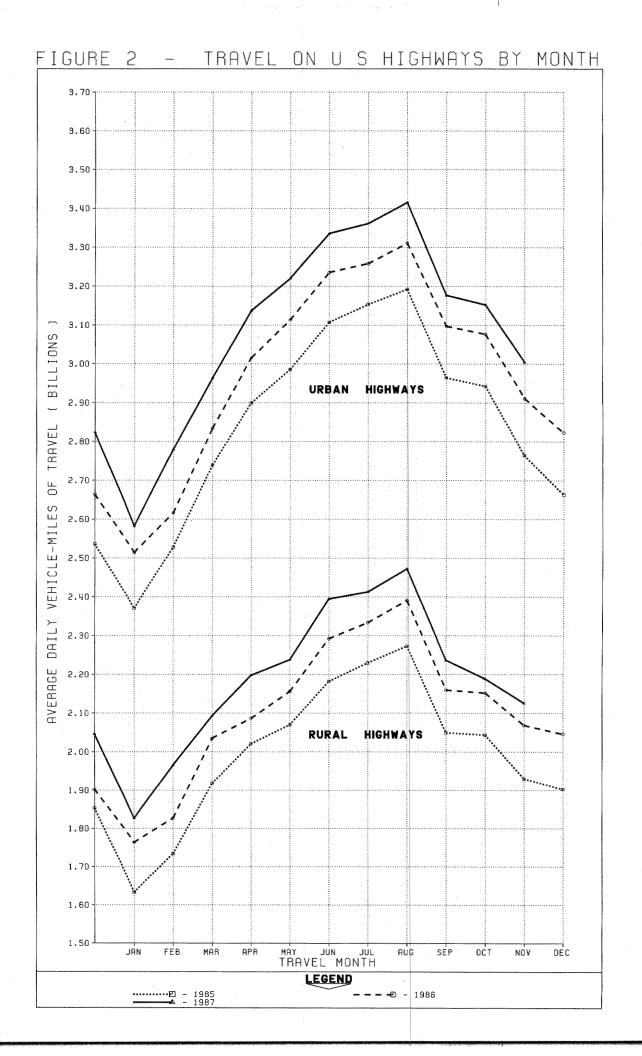


TABLE 1 ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES \*\*\*

|                |       |       |          |           |            | HTNOM      |           |           |          | 77.5  |       |      |
|----------------|-------|-------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-------|-------|------|
| SYSTEM         | JAN   | FEB   | MAR      | APR       | MAY        | JUNE       | JULY      | AUG       | SEPT     | ОСТ   | NOV   | DEC  |
|                |       |       | 1986 IND | IVIDUAL M | ONTHLY VE  | HICLE-MIL  | ES OF TRA | VEL IN BI | LLIONS*  |       |       |      |
| RURAL ARTERIAL | 30.2  | 28.3  | 36.6     | 35.7      | 39.4       | 40.9       | 44.3      | 45.0      | 37.8     | 38.7  | 36.4  | 36.4 |
| OTHER RURAL    | 22.8  | 21.2  | 25.1     | 25.0      | 26.1       | 25.9       | 26.6      | 27.1      | 25.4     | 26.2  | 24.2  | 24.  |
| URBAN          | 80.0  | 74.0  | 89.5     | 89.5      | 95.0       | 95.6       | 100.3     | 101.9     | 92.2     | 94.6  | 87.2  | 88.3 |
| ALL SYSTEMS    | 133.0 | 123.5 | 151.2    | 150.3     | 160.5      | 162.4      | 171.1     | 174.0     | 155.5    | 159.4 | 147.8 | 149. |
| RURAL ARTERIAL | 31.3  | 30.6  | 37.5     |           |            |            |           |           |          |       |       |      |
|                | -     |       |          |           | ·          |            | F         | ľ         | <b>I</b> |       |       |      |
|                |       |       |          | 37.9      | 40.9       | 42.8       | 46.1      | 46.7      | 40.6     | 40.8  | 38.6  |      |
| OTHER RURAL    | 23.4  | 22.6  | 25.9     | 26.1      | 27.0       | 26.8       | 27.1      | 27.8      | 26.5     | 27.1  | 25.2  |      |
| URBAN          | 82.2  | 78.8  | 93.4     | 93.1      | 98.3       | 98.2       | 103.6     | 105.2     | 95.3     | 97.7  | 90.1  |      |
| ALL SYSTEMS    | 136.9 | 132.1 | 156.8    | 157.1     | 166.2      | 167.7      | 176.8     | 179.7     | 162.4    | 165.6 | 153.9 |      |
|                |       |       | PERCENT  | CHANGE I  | N INDIVIDU | JAL MONTHI | Y TRAVEL  | 1987 VS.  | 1986     | :     |       |      |
| RURAL ARTERIAL | 3.5   | 8.3   | 2.7      | 6.0       | 4.0        | 4.5        | 4.2       | 3.8       | 7.4      | 5.4   | 6.2   |      |
| OTHER RURAL    | 2.7   | 6.4   | 3.0      | 4.2       | 3.5        | 3.5        | 2.0       | 2.8       | 4.2      | 3.7   | 4.0   |      |
| URBAN          | 2.8   | 6.6   | 4.3      | 4.1       | 3.5        | 2.7        | 3.3       | 3.2       | 3.4      | 3.3   | 3.3   | 14   |
| ALL SYSTEMS    | 2.9   | 6.9   | 3.7      | 4.6       | 3.6        | 3.3        | 3.3       | 3.3       | 4.5      | 3.9   | 4.1   |      |

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TABLE 2. ESTIMATED CUMULATIVE MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES \*\*\*

|   |       |       |           |                                       |            | <u> </u>                              |   |            |   |        |        |                                       |
|---|-------|-------|-----------|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------|---|--------|--------|---------------------------------------|
|   |       |       |           |                                       | , ,        | MONTH                                 |   |            | -                                       |        |        |                                       |
| SYSTEM  | JAN   | FEB   | MAR       | APR                                   | MAY        | JUNE                                  | JULY                                    | AUG        | SEPT                                    | ОСТ    | NOV    | DEC                                   |
|   |       |       | 1986 CUMI | JLATIVE MO                            | ONTHLY VEH | HICLE-MILE                            | ES OF TRAY                              | VEL IN BII | _LIONS*                                 | :      |        |                                       |
| RURAL ARTERIAL  | 30.2  | 58.5  | 95.1      | 130.8                                 | 170.2      | 211.1                                 | 255.4                                   | 300.4      | 338.2                                   | 376.8  | 413.2  | 449.6                                 |
| OTHER RURAL   | 22.8  | 44.1  | 69.1      | 94.2                                  | 120.2      | 146.1                                 | 172.7                                   | 199.8      | 225.2                                   | 251.3  | 275.5  | 300.5                                 |
| URBAN   | 80.0  | 154.0 | 243.5     | 333.0                                 | 428.0      | 523.6                                 | 623.9                                   | 725.8      | 818.0                                   | 912.6  | 999.9  | 1088.2                                |
| ALL SYSTEMS   | 133.0 | 256.5 | 407.7     | 558.0                                 | 718.4      | 880.8                                 | 1051.9                                  | 1225.9     | 1381.4                                  | 1540.8 | 1688.6 | 1838.2                                |
|   |       |       |           | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | . :        | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |   |            |   | ·      |        | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| 1987 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS** |       |       |           |                                       |            |                                       |   |            |   |        |        |                                       |
| RURAL ARTERIAL  | 31.3  | 61.9  | 99.4      | 137.3                                 | 178.3      | 221.0                                 | 267.2                                   | 313.9      | 354.5                                   | 395.3  | 433.9  |                                       |
| OTHER RURAL   | 23.4  | 46.0  | 71.9      | 98.0                                  | 125.0      | 151.8                                 | 178.9                                   | 206.7      | 233.2                                   | 260.3  | 285.5  |                                       |
| URBAN   | 82.2  | 161.1 | 254.5     | 347.6                                 | 446.0      | 544 . 1                               | 647.7                                   | 752.9      | 848.2                                   | 945.9  | 1036.1 |                                       |
| ALL SYSTEMS   | 136.9 | 269.0 | 425.8     | 583.0                                 | 749.2      | 916.9                                 | 1093.7                                  | 1273.4     | 1435.9                                  | 1601.4 | 1755.4 |                                       |
|   |       |       |           |                                       |            |                                       | *************************************** |            | *************************************** |        |        |                                       |
|   |       |       | PERCENT   | CHANGE IN                             | N CUMULATI | VE MONTHL                             | Y TRAVEL                                | 1987 VS.   | 1986                                    |        |        |                                       |
| RURAL ARTERIAL  | 3.5   | 5.8   | 4.6       | 5.0                                   | 4.8        | 4.7                                   | 4.6                                     | 4.5        | 4.8                                     | 4.9    | 5.0    |                                       |
| OTHER RURAL   | 2.7   | 4.5   | 4.0       | 4.0                                   | 3.9        | 3.8                                   | 3.6                                     | 3.5        | 3.5                                     | 3.6    | 3.6    | n                                     |
| URBAN   | 2.8   | 4.6   | 4.5       | 4.4                                   | 4.2        | 3.9                                   | 3.8                                     | 3.7        | 3.7                                     | 3.6    | 3.6    | *.                                    |
| ALL SYSTEMS   | 2.9   | 4.9   | 4.4       | 4.5                                   | 4.3        | 4.1                                   | 4.0                                     | , 3.9      | 3.9                                     | 3.9    | 4.0    | 191                                   |

<sup>\*</sup> THESE ARE PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES WHICH WILL BE REVISED TO AGREE WITH FINAL ESTIMATES OF 1987 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

\*\* TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1987 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.

\*\*\* SYSTEM ENTRIES MAY NOT ADD TO TOTAL "ALL SYSTEMS" DUE TO ROUNDING.

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TABLE 3 -SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

|                             | PRELIMIN                    | NARY DATA FOR NO | VEMBER               | REVISED DATA FOR OCTOBER |                      |     |  |  |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----|--|--|
|                             | VEHICLE-MILES<br>(MILLIONS) |                  | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE | VEHICL<br>(MILL          | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE |     |  |  |
|                             | 1987                        | 1986             |                      | 1987                     | 1986                 |     |  |  |
| CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:  |                             |                  |                      |                          | I                    |     |  |  |
| RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS        | 38,615                      | 36,376           | 6.2                  | 40,755                   | 38,659               | 5.4 |  |  |
| OTHER RURAL ROADS           | 25,174                      | 24,199           | 4.0                  | 27,105                   | 26,150               | 3.7 |  |  |
| ALL RURAL ROADS             | 63,789                      | 60,575           | 5.3                  | 67,860                   | 64,809               | 4.7 |  |  |
| CITY STREETS                | 90,143                      | 87,239           | 3.3                  | 97,733                   | 94,625               | 3.3 |  |  |
| ALL ROADS AND STREETS       | 153,932                     | 147,813          | 4.1                  | 165,592                  | 159,434              | 3.9 |  |  |
| 8 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL ): |                             |                  |                      |                          |                      |     |  |  |
| EASTERN REGION              | 12,705                      | 12, 192          | 4.2                  | 13,679                   | 13,063               | 4.7 |  |  |
| CENTRAL REGION              | 18,828                      | 17,542           | 7.3                  | 19,740                   | 18,611               | 6.1 |  |  |
| WESTERN REGION              | 6,890                       | 6,462            | 6.6                  | 7,134                    | 6,793                | 5.0 |  |  |
| TOTAL                       | 38,423                      | 36,196           | 6.2                  | 40,553                   | 38.467               | 5.4 |  |  |

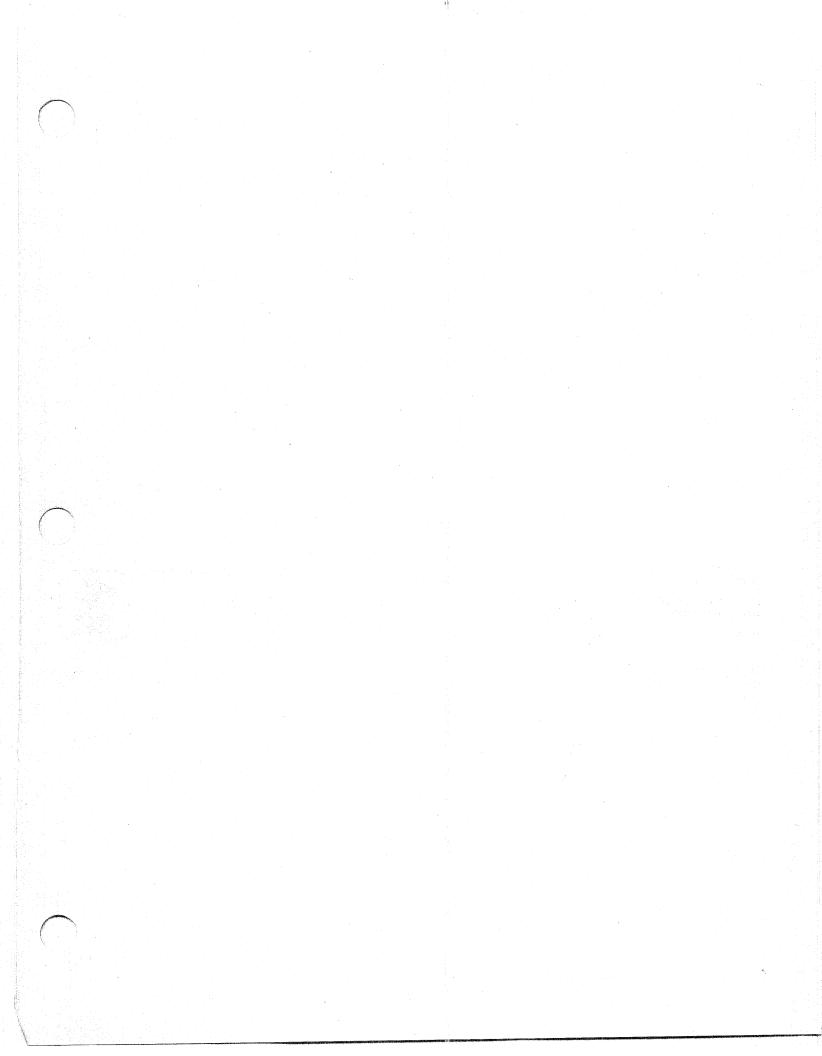
TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

| DIVISION AND STATE                       | NOVEI<br>(PRELII |         |          | OBER<br>ISED) | DIVISION AND STATE  | NOVEI<br>(PRELII | MBER<br>MINARY) |          | OBER<br>ISED) |
|--|------------------|---------|----------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|---------------|
| DIVISION AND STATE                       | NUMBER           | PER-    | NUMBER   | PER-          | DIVISION AND STATE  | NUMBER           | PER-            | NUMBER   | PER-          |
| 1  | OF               | CENTAGE | OF       | CENTAGE       |                     | OF               | CENTAGE         | OF       | CENTAGE       |
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| V 30                                     | 314110143        | CHANGE  | STATIONS | CHANGE        |                     | STATIONS         | CHANGE          | STATIONS | CHANGE        |
| NEW ENGLAND:                             |                  |         |          |               | EAST SOUTH CENTRAL: |                  |                 |          |               |
| CONNECTICUT                              | 10               | 5.2     | 1 11     | 5.1           | ALABAMA             | 47               | 6.8             | 47       | 7.8           |
| MAINE                                    | -                |         | -        |               | KENTUCKY            | 27               | 9.0             | 28       | 7.9           |
| MASSACHUSETTS                            | _                | _       | l 9      | 1.7           | MISSISSIPPI         | 10               | 8.6             | 12       | 6.2           |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE                            | 49               | 7.3     | 52       | 6.1           | TENNESSEE           | 9                | 2.7             | 11       | 8.7           |
| RHODE ISLAND                             | -                | 7.5     | -        | 1             | TENNESSEE           | , ,              | 2.,             | · ''     | 1             |
| VERMONT                                  | 27               | 6.9     | 27       | 3.1           | WEST NORTH CENTRAL: |                  |                 | ĺ        |               |
| VERMONT                                  | 2.7              | 0.5     |          | 1             | IOWA                | 34               | 10.3            | 34       | 8.5           |
| MIDDLE ATLANTIC:                         |                  |         |          |               | KANSAS              | 54               | 5.1             | 57       | 5.8           |
| NEW JERSEY                               | 8                | 4.4     | 10       | 3.0           | MINNESOTA           | 36               | 8.7             | 34       | 4.7           |
| NEW YORK                                 |                  | 6.9     | 15       | 3.4           | MISSOURI            | 48               |                 |          | 8.3           |
|  | 14               | - 5.4   |          |               |                     |                  | 8.3             | 45       |               |
| PENNSYLVANIA                             | 14               | - 5.4   | . 12     | 2.0           | NEBRASKA            | 24               | 11.7            | 24       | 9.0           |
|  |                  |         |          |               | NORTH DAKOTA        | 28               | 10.8            | 29       | 3.4           |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC<br>(NORTH):               |                  |         |          |               | SOUTH DAKOTA        | 24               | 10.8            | 26       | 4.5           |
| DELAWARE                                 | 477              |         | 40       |               | WEST SOUTH CENTRAL: |                  |                 |          |               |
| MARYLAND                                 | 17<br>29         | 1.5     | 18<br>29 | 1.4           | ARKANSAS            | 40               | 7.0             | 4.4      |               |
|  | 29               |         | . 29     |               |                     | 13               | 7.9             | 14       | 7.2           |
| VIRGINIA                                 |                  | 4.6     | l ~.     | 5.0           | LOUISIANA           |                  |                 | I        |               |
| WEST VIRGINIA                            | 14               | - 2.9   | 11       | - 2.0         | OKLAHOMA            | 33               | 5.9             | 34       | 6.7           |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC                           |                  |         |          |               | TEXAS               |                  | -               | 81       | 2.6           |
| (SOUTH):                                 |                  |         | -        |               | MOUNTAIN:           |                  |                 |          |               |
|  |                  | _       |          |               |                     |                  |                 |          |               |
| FLORIDA                                  | _                | -       | -        |               | ARIZONA             | -                | -               | _        | _             |
| GEORGIA                                  | -                |         |          |               | COLORADO            | -                |                 | -        |               |
| NORTH CAROLINA                           | 22               | 7.1     | 21       | 7.0           | IDAHO               | -                |                 | 48       | 5.3           |
| SOUTH CAROLINA                           |                  | -       | -        |               | MONTANA             | -                | -               | 31       | 5.8           |
|  |                  |         | l        | 1             | NEVADA              | 12               | 3.7             | .12      | 8.0           |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL:                      |                  |         | 1        |               | NEW MEXICO          | 42               | 5.3             | 42       | 5.2           |
| ILLINOIS                                 |                  | -       | -        | -             | UTAH                | -                | -               | 45       | 1.1           |
| INDIANA                                  | 24               | 4.5     | 24       | 3.3           | WYOMING             | 36               | 12.6            | 38       | 8.3           |
| MICHIGAN                                 | -                | -       | -        | -             | 11                  |                  | 1               | 1        | }             |
| OHIO                                     | 15               | 6.0     | 15       | 7.1           | PACIFIC:            |                  |                 |          |               |
| WISCONSIN                                | 44               | 10.4    | 42       | 6.2           | CALIFORNIA          | _                | 5.7             | -        | 5.7           |
|  |                  |         | 1        | 3.            | OREGON              |                  |                 | -        | -             |
| ALASKA                                   |                  | -       |          |               | WASHINGTON          | 43               | 10.1            | 39       | 4.6           |
| HAWAII                                   | 3                | 6.1     | 3        | 5.5           | 11                  |                  | 1               | 1        | 1             |

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

<sup>2-</sup>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

<sup>3-</sup>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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