

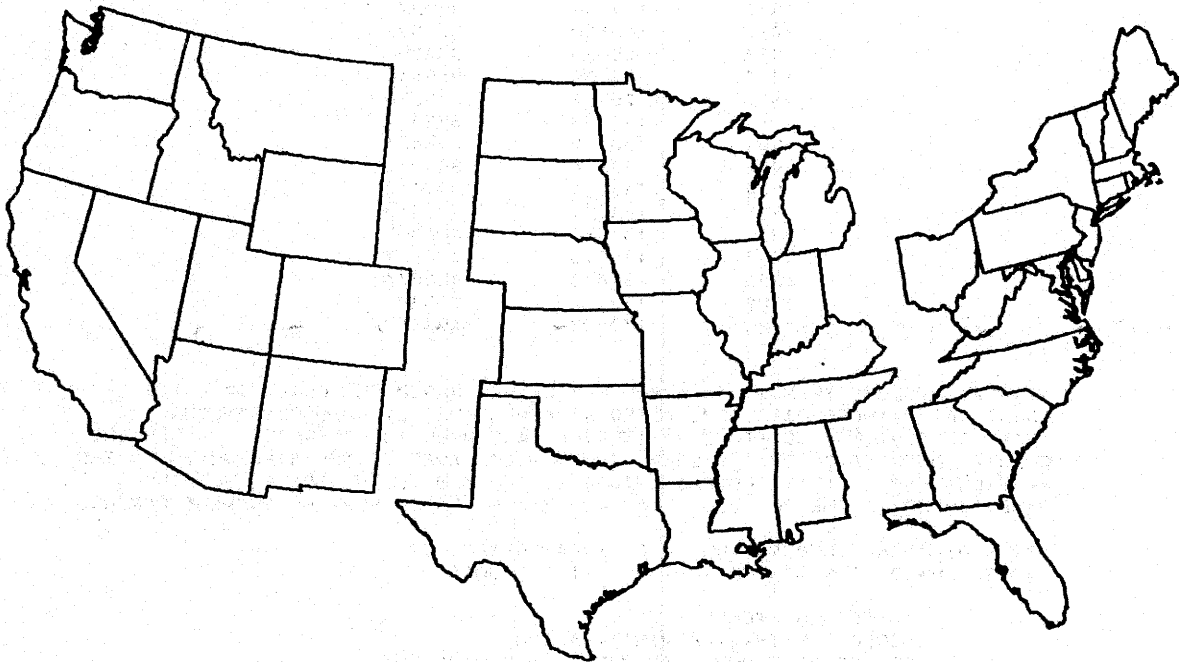


U.S. Department
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TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

MARCH 1990

**TRAVEL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IS UP BY 3.1 PERCENT
FOR MARCH 1990 AS COMPARED TO MARCH 1989.**



WESTERN

CENTRAL

EASTERN

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - FEBRUARY 1990.

39.7 BILLION

74.6 BILLION

62.9 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+5.3

+2.5

+2.6

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 1988 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE.

COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OF MAY 14, 1990.

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - MARCH 1990

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING MARCH 1990 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 3.1 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO MARCH 1989, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 178203 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 70421 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 107781 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	MARCH	YEAR TO DATE
1970	90223	247838
1971	92974	258428
1972	102926	283663
1973	107490	296721
1974	100736	282192
1975	106070	295715
1976	114284	315272
1977	119960	324821
1978	125035	341891
1979	131406	355410
1980	125179	348979
1981	127798	353612
1982	128182	345451
1983	132814	364078
1984	137307	377319
1985	144424	387913
1986	151183	407707
1987	157573	433487
1988	167870	458514
1989	172812	475143
1990	178203	491588

"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

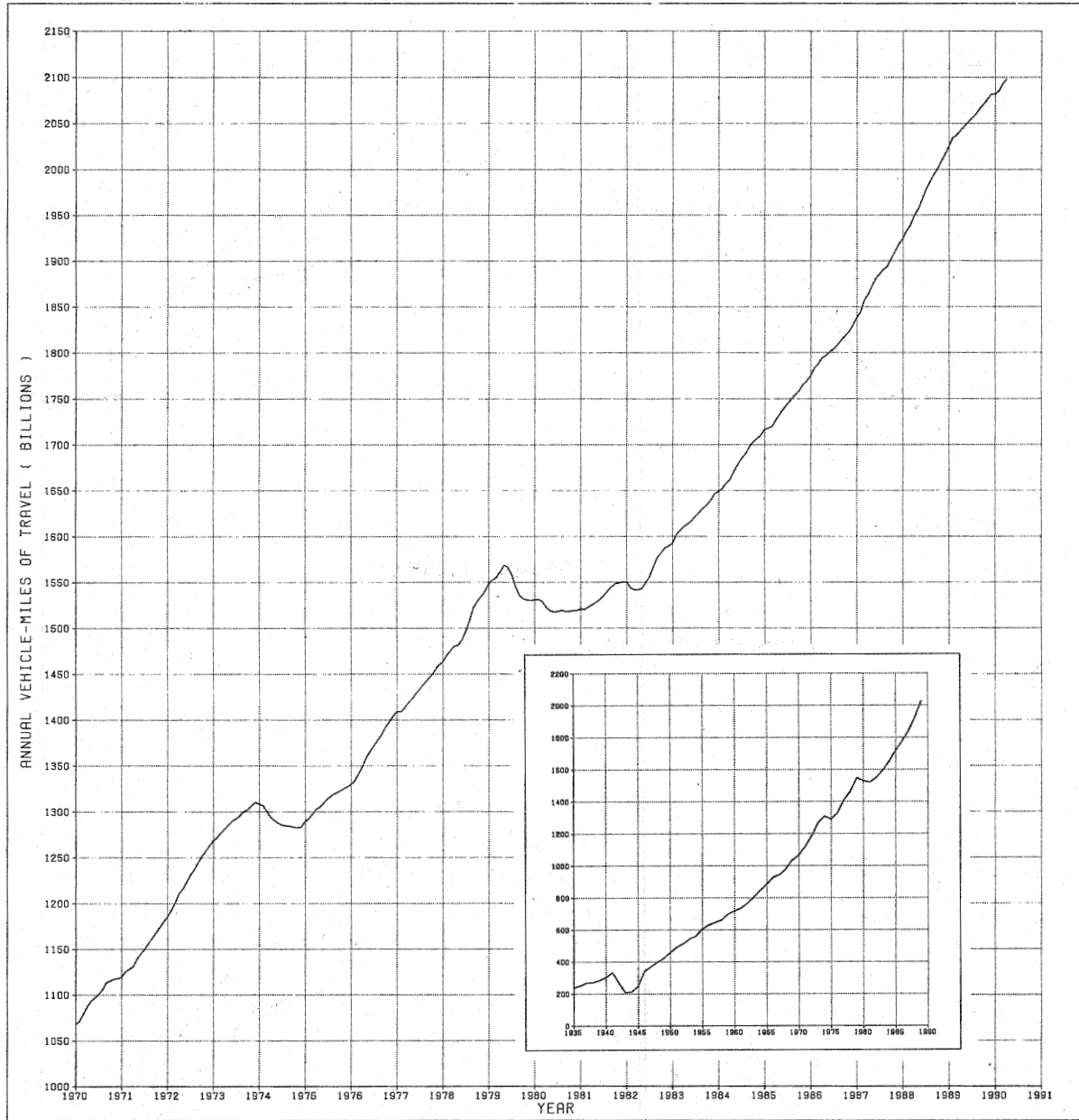


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH

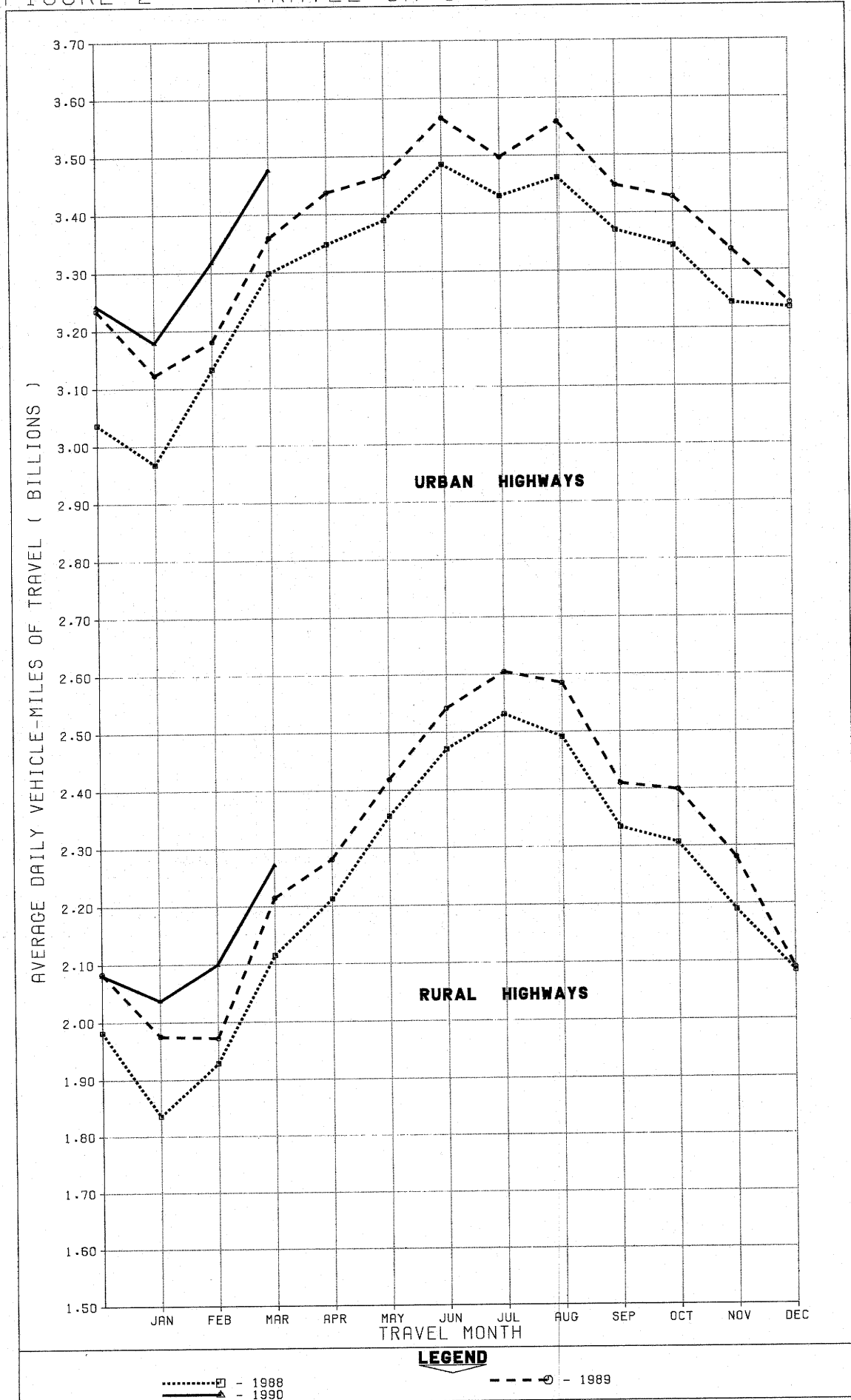


TABLE 1.

ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES *

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1989 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	37.0	33.4	42.4	41.3	44.8	46.0	49.2	49.5	43.7	44.7	41.7	39.6
OTHER RURAL	24.2	21.8	26.3	27.1	30.2	30.3	31.6	30.7	28.6	29.7	26.7	24.9
URBAN	96.8	89.1	104.2	103.1	107.4	107.0	108.4	110.3	103.4	106.3	100.1	100.5
ALL SYSTEMS	158.0	144.3	172.8	171.6	182.4	183.2	189.2	190.4	175.7	180.6	168.5	165.0
1990 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	38.4	35.8	43.5									
OTHER RURAL	24.8	23.0	27.0									
URBAN	98.5	92.9	107.8									
ALL SYSTEMS	161.7	151.7	178.2									
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1990 VS. 1989												
RURAL ARTERIAL	3.6	7.1	2.6									
OTHER RURAL	2.4	5.5	2.6									
URBAN	1.8	4.3	3.5									
ALL SYSTEMS	2.3	5.1	3.1									

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
1989 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	37.0	70.5	112.8	154.2	199.0	245.0	294.2	343.6	387.3	432.0	473.7	513.3
OTHER RURAL	24.2	46.0	72.3	99.4	129.5	159.8	191.4	222.1	250.7	280.3	307.1	332.0
URBAN	96.8	185.9	290.0	393.1	500.6	607.6	716.0	826.3	929.7	1036.0	1136.1	1236.6
ALL SYSTEMS	158.0	302.3	475.1	646.7	829.1	1012.4	1201.5	1392.0	1567.7	1748.3	1916.8	2081.9
1990 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	38.4	74.2	117.6									
OTHER RURAL	24.8	47.8	74.7									
URBAN	98.5	191.4	299.2									
ALL SYSTEMS	161.7	313.4	491.6									
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1990 VS. 1989												
RURAL ARTERIAL	3.6	5.3	4.3									
OTHER RURAL	2.4	3.8	3.4									
URBAN	1.8	3.0	3.2									
ALL SYSTEMS	2.3	3.7	3.5									

* 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 1989 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

*** TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1990 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.

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

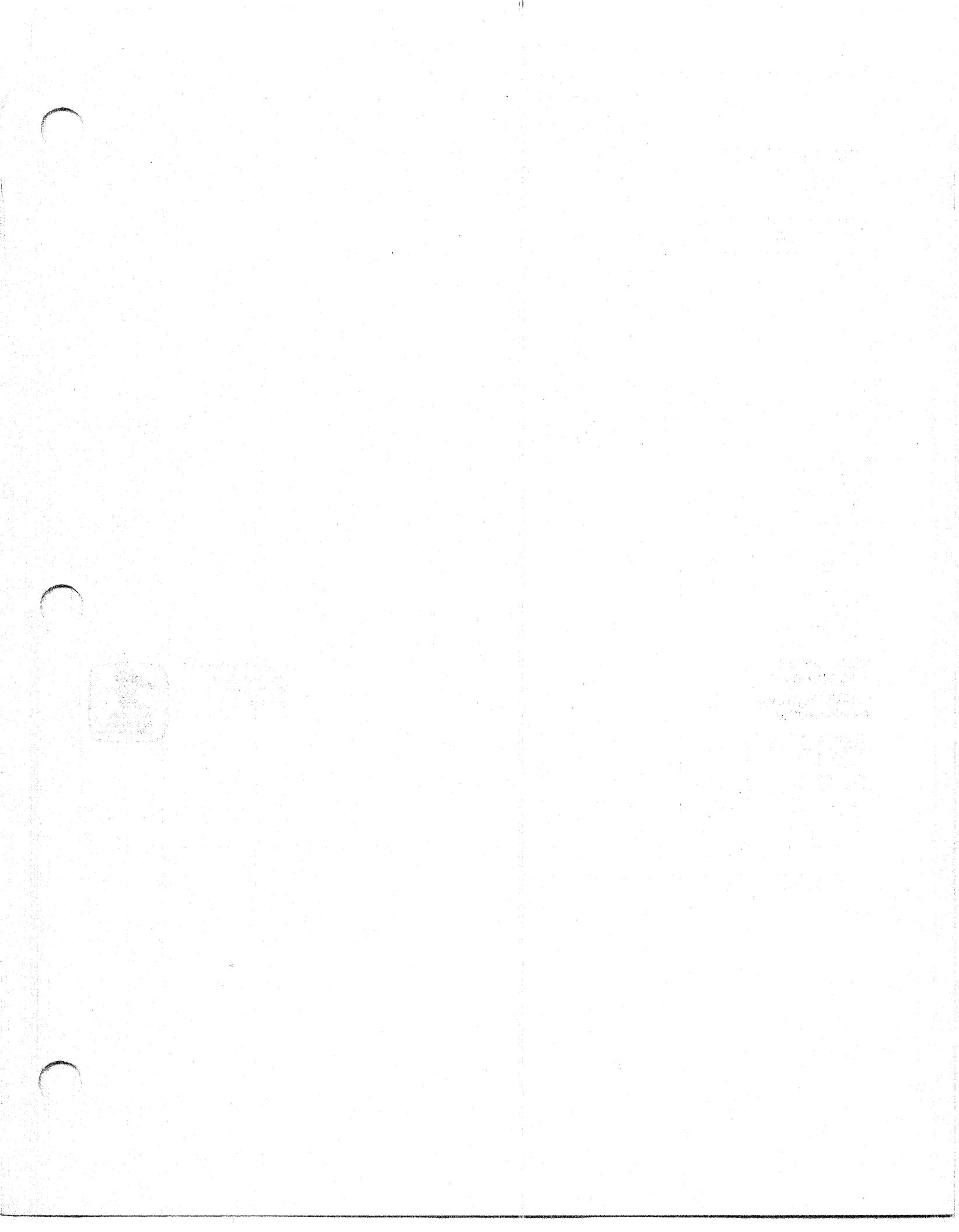
CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR MARCH			REVISED DATA FOR FEBRUARY		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1990	1989		1990	1989	
RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS.....	43,464	42,382	2.6	35,785	33,413	7.1
OTHER RURAL ROADS.....	26,958	26,280	2.6	23,008	21,813	5.5
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	70,421	68,662	2.6	58,793	55,226	6.5
CITY STREETS.....	107,781	104,150	3.5	92,899	89,063	4.3
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	178,203	172,812	3.1	151,693	144,289	5.1
48 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL):						
EASTERN REGION.....	14,797	14,564	1.6	12,272	11,560	6.2
CENTRAL REGION.....	20,310	19,902	2.0	16,973	15,761	7.7
WESTERN REGION.....	8,169	7,728	5.7	6,383	5,931	7.6
TOTAL.....	43,276	42,194	2.6	35,628	33,252	7.1

TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	MARCH (PRELIMINARY)		FEBRUARY (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	MARCH (PRELIMINARY)		FEBRUARY (REVISED)	
	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PERCENTAGE CHANGE		NUMBER OF STATIONS	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	NUMBER OF STATIONS	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
NEW ENGLAND:					EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
CONNECTICUT.....	-	-	-	-	ALABAMA.....	48	2.4	49	7.3
MAINE.....	-	-	-	-	KENTUCKY.....	-	-	-	-
MASSACHUSETTS.....	9	2.0	12	3.0	MISSISSIPPI.....	8	4.1	8	10.5
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	50	0.3	54	1.4	TENNESSEE.....	11	- 4.5	12	4.9
RHODE ISLAND.....	10	0.7	9	5.6	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	-	-	24	2.5	IOWA.....	62	3.3	62	7.6
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	60	1.7	61	6.9
NEW JERSEY.....	13	3.2	12	1.9	MINNESOTA.....	43	- 2.5	42	8.5
NEW YORK.....	16	- 1.0	17	0.8	MISSOURI.....	33	3.9	43	9.5
PENNSYLVANIA.....	-	-	34	7.0	NEBRASKA.....	17	3.0	26	9.1
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	-	-	12	12.2
DELAWARE.....	-	-	17	8.1	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	24	0.6	25	13.4
MARYLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	ARKANSAS.....	16	0.1	16	6.5
WEST VIRGINIA.....	-	-	7	9.9	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	29	- 1.8	28	11.4
FLORIDA.....	46	- 0.4	49	3.4	TEXAS.....	82	4.2	81	12.7
GEORGIA.....	-	-	-	-	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	-	-	17	13.6	ARIZONA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	20	2.4	18	10.2	COLORADO.....	29	- 0.1	14	9.6
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	-	-	53	11.1
ILLINOIS.....	-	-	-	-	MONTANA.....	-	-	36	11.3
INDIANA.....	26	3.5	26	5.2	NEVADA.....	18	1.3	9	15.1
MICHIGAN.....	-	-	-	-	NEW MEXICO.....	-	2.3	-	2.3
OHIO.....	15	2.7	17	4.5	UTAH.....	45	9.2	42	14.6
WISCONSIN.....	48	3.7	48	5.2	WYOMING.....	-	-	37	12.8
ALASKA.....	23	2.3	18	- 2.0	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	2	- 1.9	2	- 2.5	CALIFORNIA.....	-	5.9	-	5.3
					OREGON.....	-	-	-	-
					WASHINGTON.....	35	12.5	38	10.6

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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