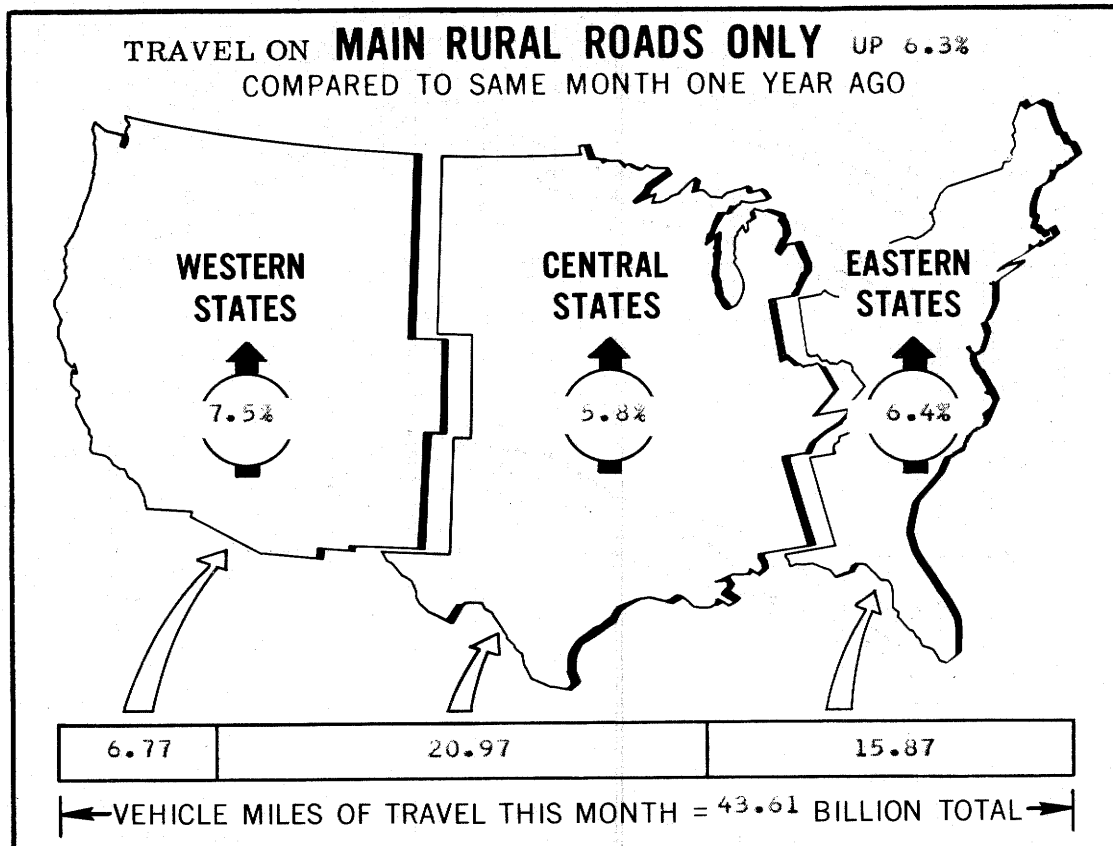


TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

OCTOBER 1972 \downarrow

TRAVEL ON **ALL ROADS AND STREETS** UP 4.4%
COMPARED TO SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO



\downarrow ALL DATA FOR THIS MONTH ARE PRELIMINARY, REVISED VALUES FOR PREVIOUS MONTH ARE SHOWN IN TABLES 1 AND 2

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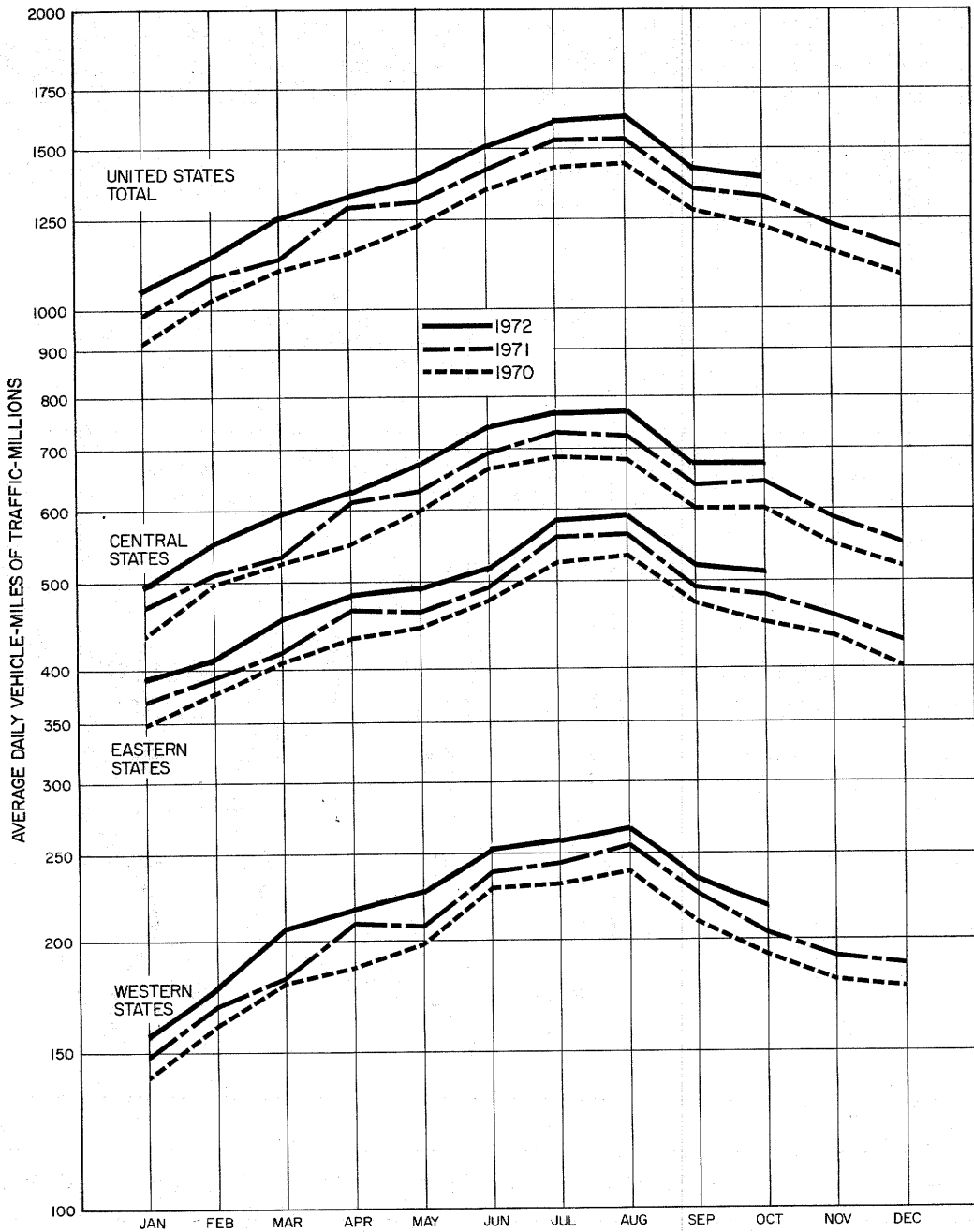


FIGURE 1 - TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

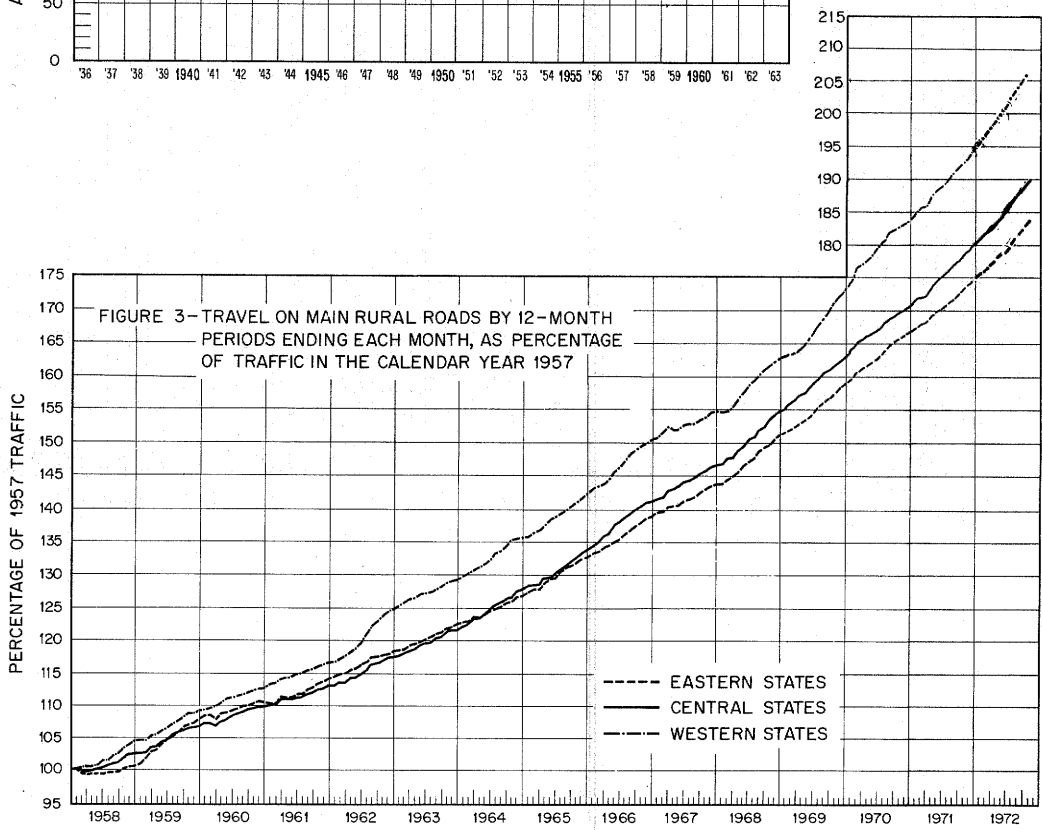
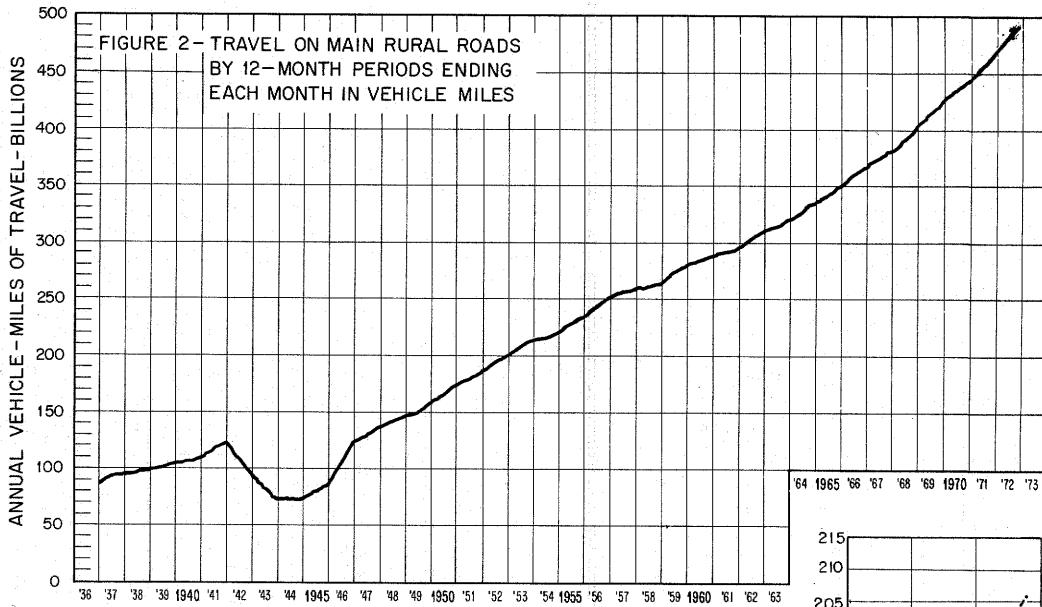


TABLE 1.-SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR OCTOBER			REVISED DATA FOR SEPTEMBER		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1972	1971		1972	1971	
MAIN RURAL ROADS.....	43,763	41,164	6.3	43,067	40,611	6.0
LOCAL RURAL ROADS.....	.....	.....	3.9	.....	.....	3.1
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	.....	.....	5.7	.....	.....	5.3
CITY STREETS.....	.....	.....	2.7	.....	.....	2.3
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	.....	.....	4.4	.....	.....	4.0
48 STATES (MAIN RURAL ONLY):						
EASTERN REGION.....	15,870	14,911	6.4	15,591	14,746	5.7
CENTRAL REGION.....	20,965	19,810	5.8	20,280	18,978	6.9
WESTERN REGION.....	6,774	6,300	7.5	7,022	6,723	4.4
TOTAL.....	43,609	41,021	6.3	42,893	40,447	6.0

TABLE 2.-CHANGES ON MAIN RURAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	OCTOBER (PRELIMINARY)		SEPTEMBER (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	OCTOBER (PRELIMINARY)		SEPTEMBER (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.....	17	5.6	17	4.9	ALABAMA.....	52	6.9	50	10.2
MAINE.....	-	-	22	3.0	KENTUCKY.....	37	1.6	37	4.6
MASSACHUSETTS.....	-	-	-	-	MISSISSIPPI.....	41	7.3	41	7.7
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	-	-	56	4.7	TENNESSEE.....	22	8.0	23	7.4
RHODE ISLAND.....	5	0.5	5	5.8	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	45	4.3	44	3.6	IDAHO.....	30	3.7	30	3.0
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	76	6.1	77	6.2
NEW JERSEY.....	14	3.9	17	2.1	MINNESOTA.....	34	7.4	33	8.3
NEW YORK.....	34	3.4	36	5.1	MISSOURI.....	10	2.6	7	5.9
PENNSYLVANIA.....	-	-	15	3.8	NEBRASKA.....	20	8.9	20	7.7
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	40	3.9	41	5.0
DELAWARE.....	12	4.8	12	3.6	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	31	4.5	32	4.1
MARYLAND.....	28	9.9	28	9.2	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	4.8	-	5.6	ARKANSAS.....	28	2.9	37	8.1
WEST VIRGINIA.....	-	-	26	8.1	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	37	7.7
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	-	-	-	-
FLORIDA.....	-	-	56	10.2	TEXAS.....	110	8.0	108	9.0
GEORGIA.....	34	9.5	34	5.5	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	42	7.4	42	6.6	ARIZONA.....	20	5.1	19	7.0
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	-	-	5	9.0	COLORADO.....	38	11.2	38	13.7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	-	-	62	9.7
ILLINOIS.....	19	4.6	19	4.4	MONTANA.....	26	4.8	27	7.5
INDIANA.....	26	2.9	24	4.8	NEVADA.....	32	10.0	33	5.4
MICHIGAN.....	-	-	37	8.2	NEW MEXICO.....	31	6.5	32	6.6
OHIO.....	16	9.8	17	7.5	UTAH.....	-	-	43	11.7
WISCONSIN.....	29	4.9	36	4.4	WYOMING.....	33	8.9	34	6.2
ALASKA.....	-	-	11	8.0	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	-	-	-	-	CALIFORNIA.....	17	7.5	16	0.3
					OREGON.....	-	-	62	5.8
					WASHINGTON.....	-	-	21	0.9

NOTE: 1-RURAL MILEAGE OF EACH MAJOR TOLL ROUTE IS CONSIDERED AS ONE OR MORE STATIONS, DEPENDING ON STATES' METHOD OF REPORTING.
 2-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS IS DASH AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IS SHOWN, THE STATES PREPARED TRAFFIC ESTIMATES, GENERALLY BASED ON EXTENSIVE TRAFFIC SAMPLING SURVEYS.
 3-WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE FOR A STATE ARE DASHES, THE STATE REPORT HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT TIME OF PRINTING. NO COMPARABLE DATA WERE AVAILABLE.