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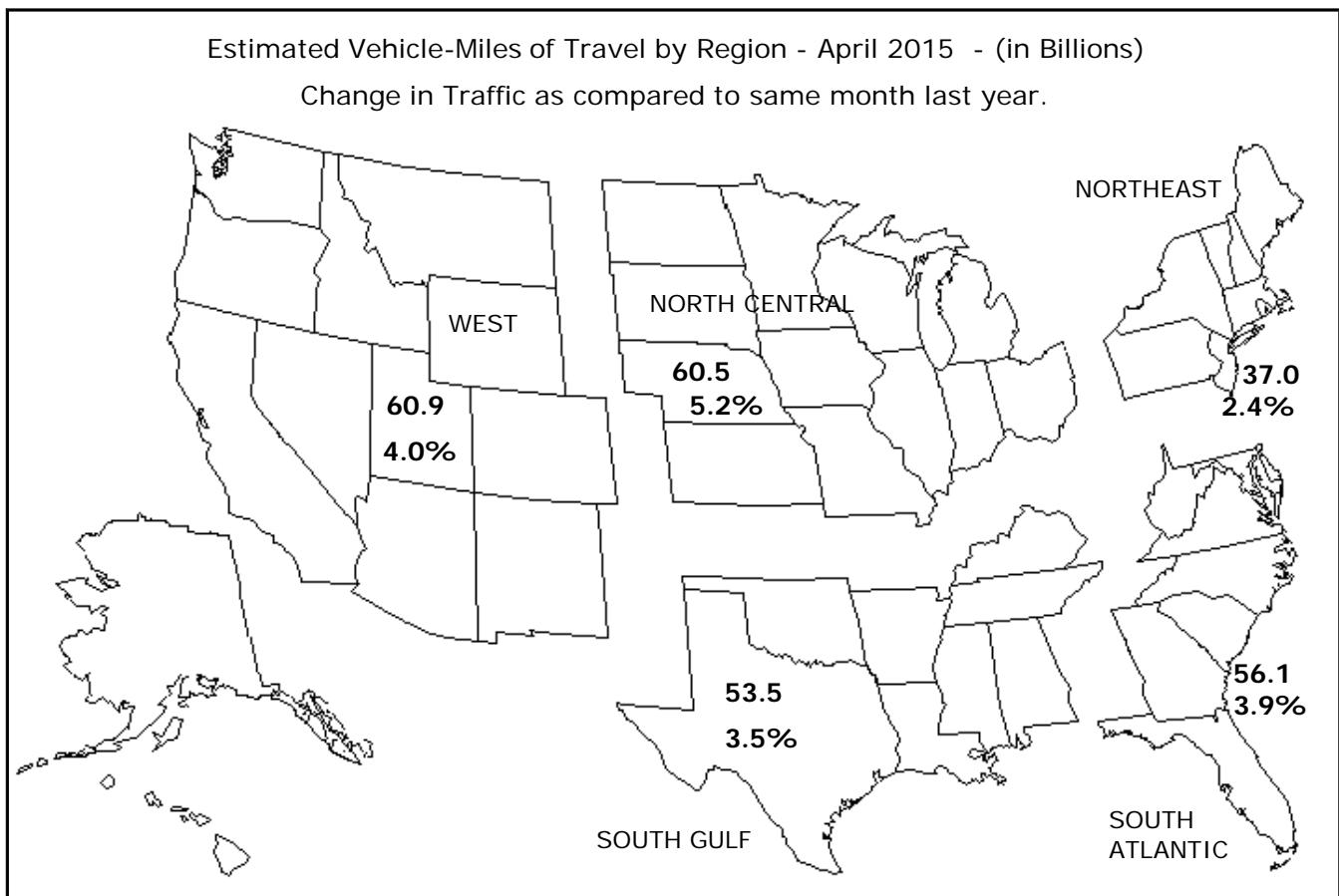
TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

April 2015

Travel on all roads and streets changed by **+3.9%** (+10.2 billion vehicle miles) for April 2015 as compared with April 2014. Travel for the month is estimated to be 267.9 billion vehicle miles.

The seasonally adjusted vehicle miles traveled for April 2015 is 262.4 billion miles, a 3.7% (9.5 billion vehicle miles) increase over April 2014. It also represents a 1.1% change (2.9 billion vehicle miles) compared with March 2015.

Cumulative Travel for 2015 changed by **+3.9%** (+36.9 billion vehicle miles). The Cumulative estimate for the year is 987.8 billion vehicle miles of travel.



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 Highway Statistics 2013 Table VM-2 as a base.

Compiled with data on hand as of June 10, 2015.

Some historical data were revised based on HPMS and amended TTV data as of December 2013.

For information on total licensed drivers in the U.S. visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/policy/ohpi/hss/hsspubs.htm>.

Select the year of interest then Section III (Driver Licensing).

For information on total registered motor vehicles in the U.S., visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/policy/ohpi/hss/hsspubs.htm>

Select the year of interest and Section II (Motor Vehicles).

Seasonally adjusted vehicle miles traveled removes seasonal changes allowing month-to-month, year-to-year trend comparisons.

Based on preliminary reports from the State Highway Agencies, travel during April 2015 on all roads and streets in the nation changed by **+3.9%** (+10.2 billion vehicle miles) resulting in estimated travel for the month at **267.9**** billion vehicle-miles.

This total includes **84.1** billion vehicle-miles on rural roads and **183.8** billion vehicle-miles on urban roads and streets.

Cumulative Travel changed by **+3.9%** (+36.9 billion vehicle miles).

The larger changes to rural and urban travel are primarily because of the expansion in urban boundaries reflected in the 2000 census. Travel estimates for 2004 and beyond will also reflect this adjustment.

Travel for the current month, the cumulative yearly total, as well as the moving 12-month total on all roads and streets is shown below. Similar totals for each year since 1990 are also included.

Travel in Millions of Vehicle Miles

All Roads and Streets

Year	April	Year to Date	Moving 12-Month
1990	179,033	674,963	2,126,210
1991	179,538	669,854	2,142,392
1992	186,069	697,702	2,200,062
1993	188,737	711,130	2,260,579
1994	195,407	727,355	2,312,930
1995	198,213	764,330	2,394,562
1996	205,253	769,452	2,427,897
1997	211,290	797,319	2,510,068
1998	217,921	816,180	2,579,234
1999	220,996	826,825	2,636,008
2000	227,698	862,891	2,715,525
2001	232,513	875,662	2,759,697
2002	237,226	896,748	2,816,697
2003	239,415	898,305	2,857,067
2004	250,968	938,530	2,930,447
2005	250,860	948,085	2,974,344
2006	250,665	961,342	3,002,687
2007	252,734	965,494	3,018,523
2008	252,699	960,669	3,026,299
2009	251,481	941,785	2,957,644
2010	254,014	937,017	2,951,995
2011	249,309	935,990	2,965,935
2012	249,567	948,900	2,958,725
2013	252,116	947,525	2,968,058
2014	257,717	950,903	2,991,402
2015	267,893	987,787	3,074,742

Traffic Volume Trends is a monthly report based on hourly traffic count data. These data, collected at approximately 4,000 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 month of the previous year to obtain an estimate of travel for the current month. Because of the limited sample sizes, caution should be used with these estimates. The Highway Performance Monitoring System provides more accurate information on an annual basis.

** System entries may not add to give "All Systems" total due to rounding for Page 2 to 8.

Figure - 1. Moving 12-Month Total on ALL Roads

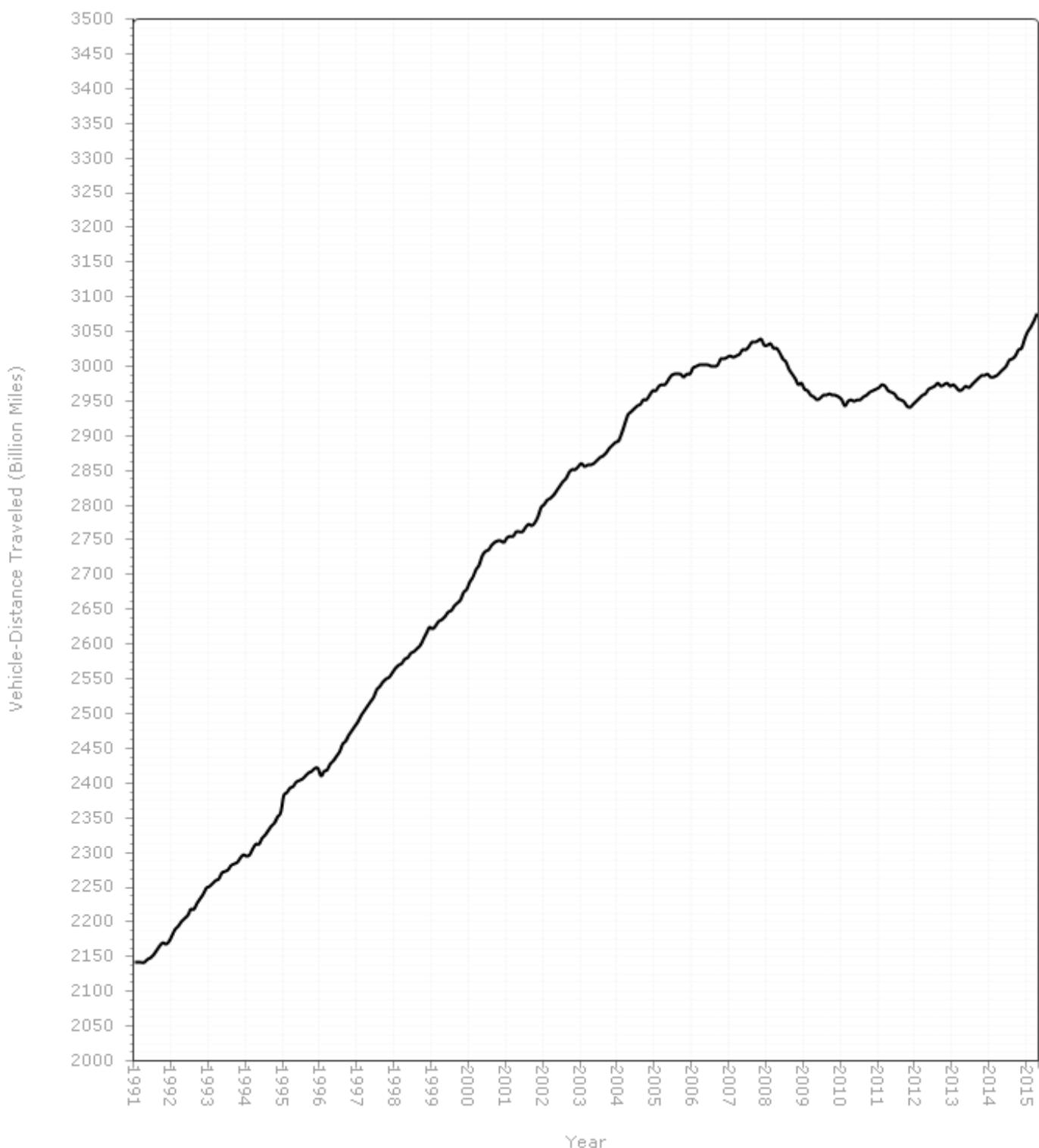
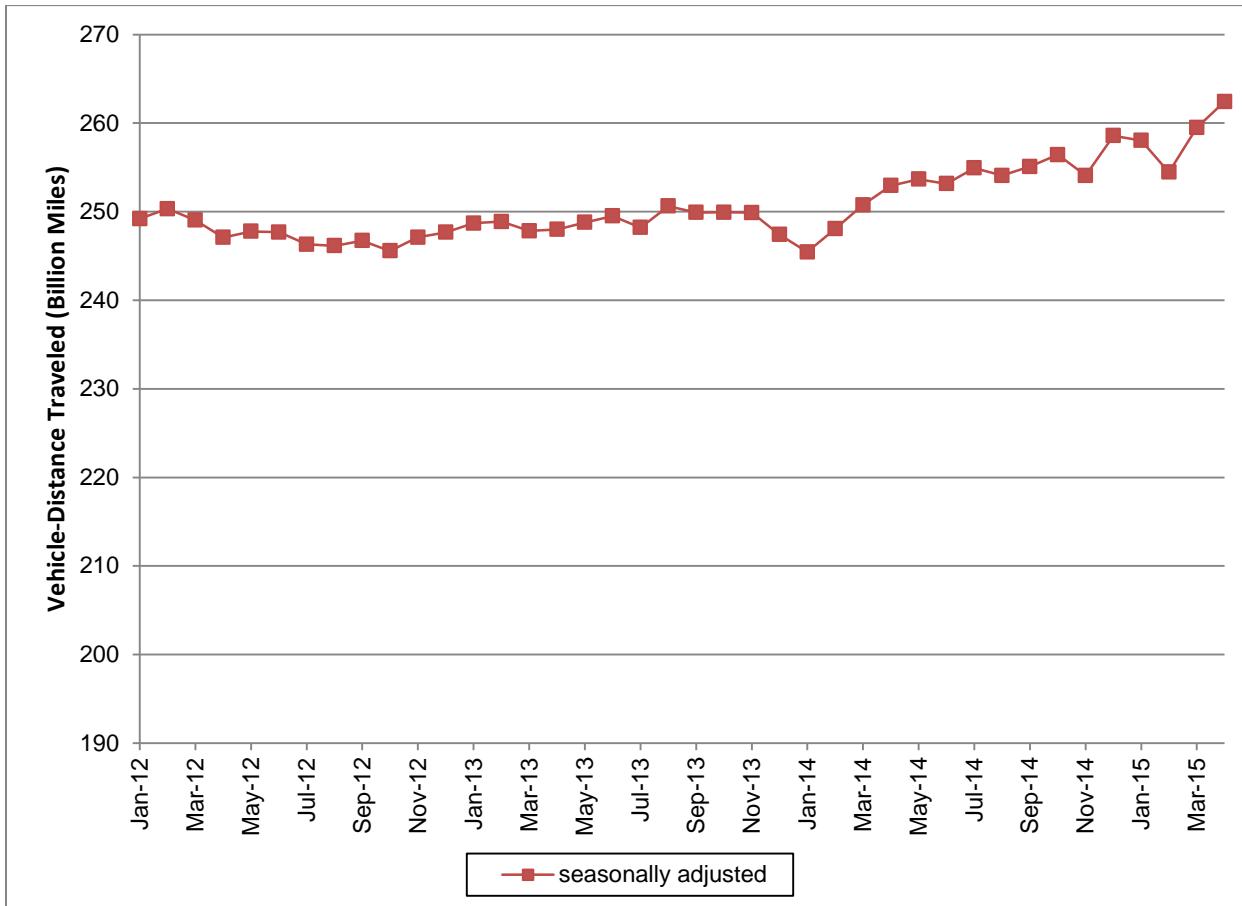


Figure - 2. Travel on U.S. Highways by Month

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Figure 3: Seasonally Adjusted Vehicle Miles Traveled by Month

Seasonally adjusted data are modeled by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, U.S. Department of Transportation. See <http://www.transtats.bts.gov/OSEA/SeasonalAdjustment/> for additional seasonally adjusted travel data and information.