

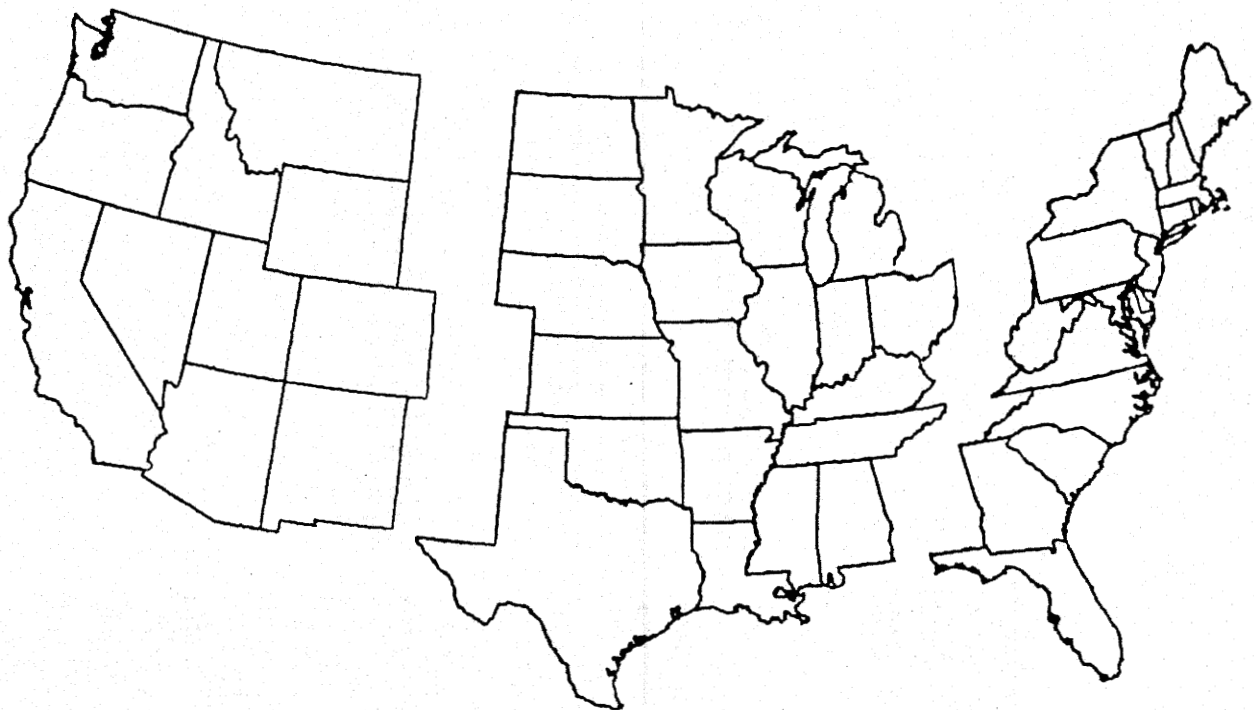


U.S. Department
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**Federal Highway
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TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

AUGUST 1992

**TRAVEL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS WAS UP BY 1.6 PERCENT.
FOR AUGUST 1992 AS COMPARED TO AUGUST 1991**



WESTERN

CENTRAL

EASTERN

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - AUGUST 1992.

44.3 BILLION

87.1 BILLION

70.3 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+1.2

+2.4

+0.9

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 1990 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE.

COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OCTOBER 13, 1992.

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - AUGUST 1992

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING AUGUST 1992 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 1.6 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO AUGUST 1991, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 202772 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 86447 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 116325 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	AUGUST	YEAR TO DATE
1970	106969	749162
1971	112642	790730
1972	119913	849618
1973	124426	881630
1974	124070	857786
1975	126103	888491
1976	131913	942496
1977	136337	977075
1978	149461	1035612
1979	139942	1023330
1980	138666	1012541
1981	143464	1036644
1982	153300	1063190
1983	157649	1101648
1984	164920	1149717
1985	169437	1187295
1986	173977	1225904
1987	177378	1282051
1988	184503	1351281
1989	194172	1409866
1990	197057	1446266
1991	199646	1450134
1992	202772	1494106

"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

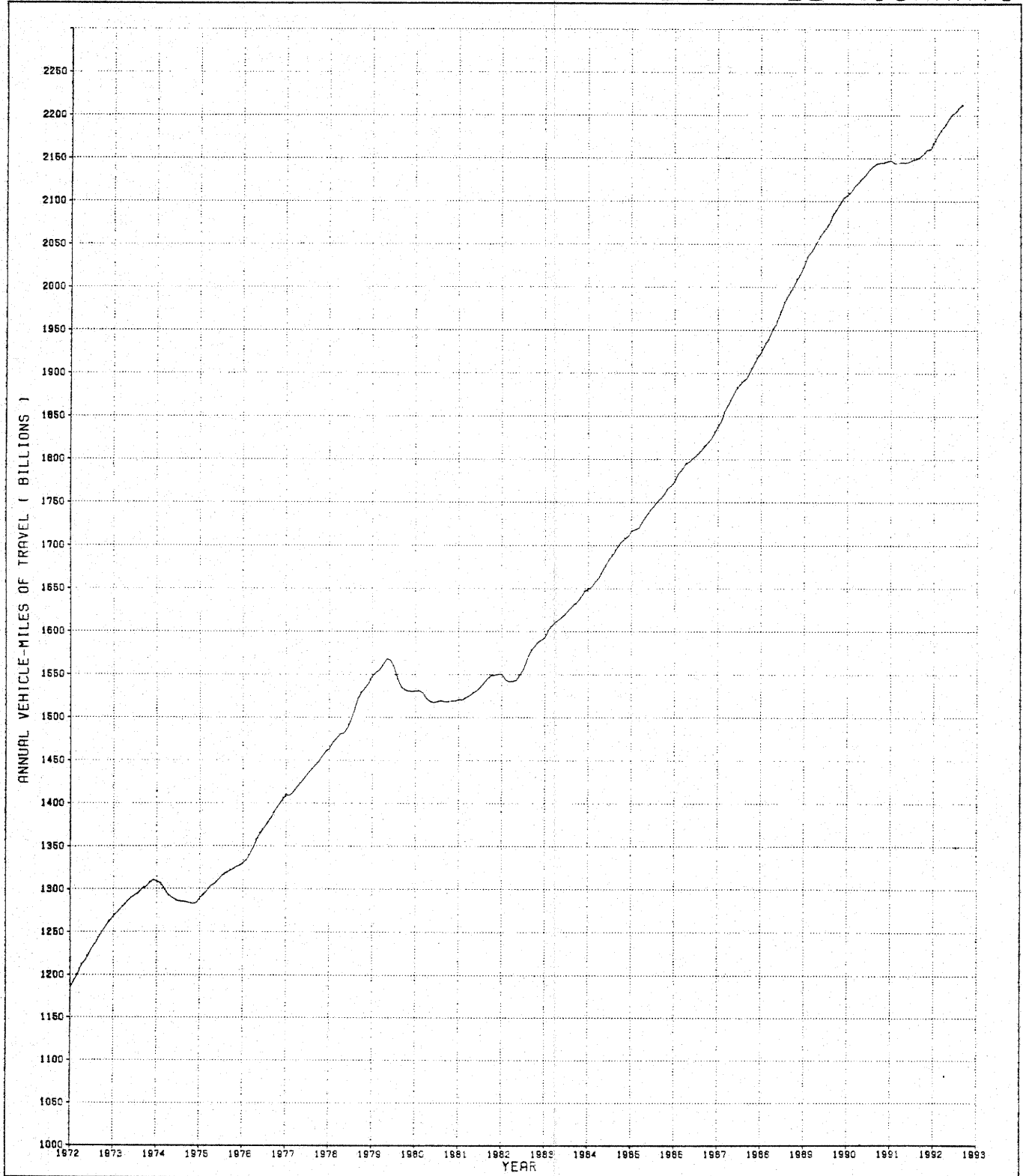


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH

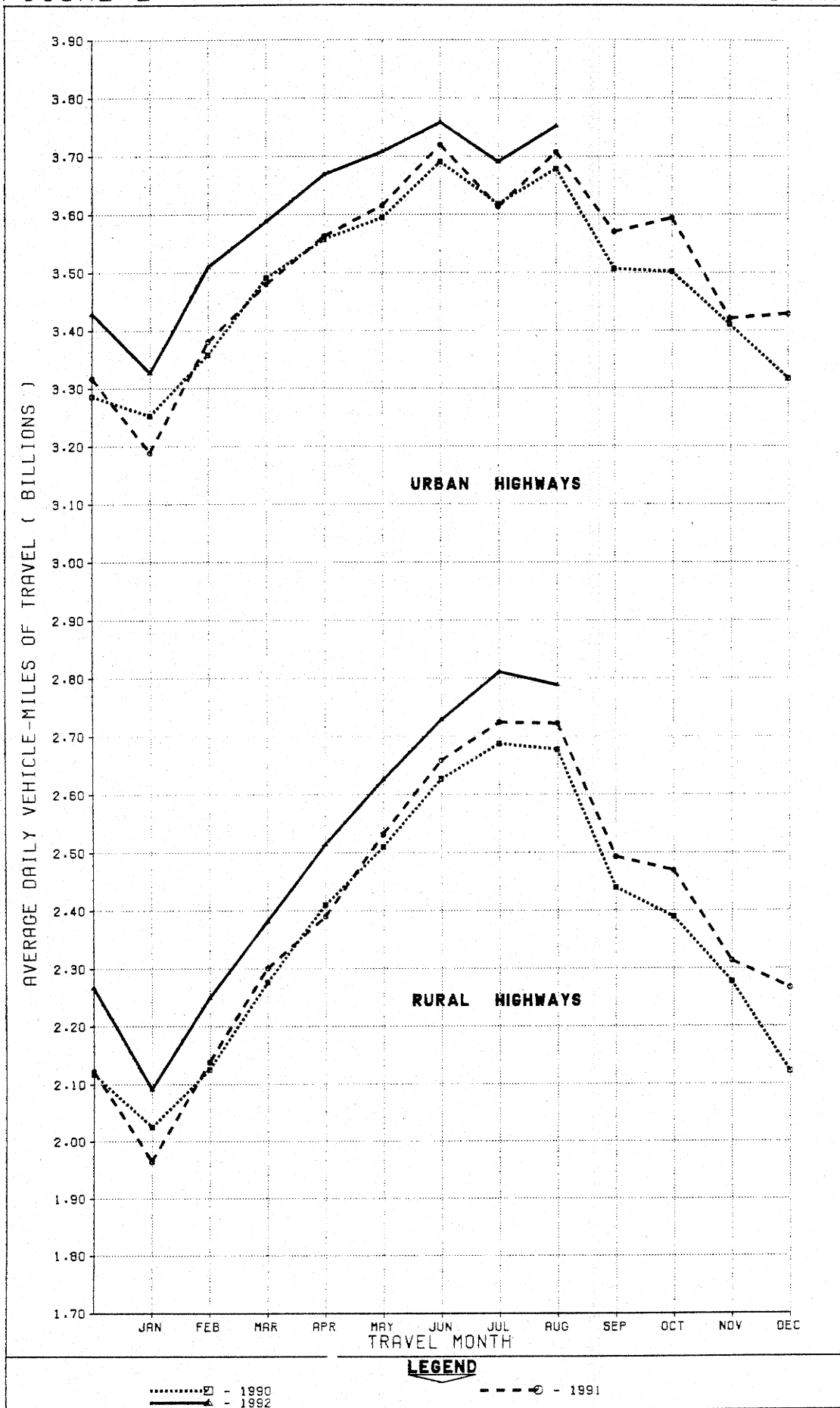


TABLE 1.

ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES *

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1991 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.7	36.1	43.6	43.4	47.4	48.7	52.2	52.8	45.7	46.5	42.4	43.5
OTHER RURAL	24.2	23.8	27.8	28.2	31.1	31.0	32.2	31.6	29.1	30.1	27.0	26.8
URBAN	98.9	94.7	107.9	106.9	112.1	111.6	112.0	115.3	107.1	111.4	102.6	106.3
ALL SYSTEMS	159.7	154.6	179.2	178.6	190.6	191.4	196.5	199.6	181.9	188.0	172.0	176.6
1992 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	39.3	38.1	44.9	46.0	49.1	50.0	53.8	53.8				
OTHER RURAL	25.5	24.8	28.9	29.4	32.3	31.8	33.3	32.6				
URBAN	103.1	98.3	110.3	110.1	115.0	112.8	114.4	116.3				
ALL SYSTEMS	168.0	161.2	184.1	185.5	196.3	194.6	201.6	202.8				
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1992 VS. 1991												
RURAL ARTERIAL	6.9	5.5	3.2	5.9	3.6	2.7	3.0	2.1				
OTHER RURAL	5.8	4.6	4.1	4.0	3.8	2.5	3.4	3.0				
URBAN	4.3	3.8	2.3	3.0	2.6	1.0	2.1	0.9				
ALL SYSTEMS	5.1	4.3	2.8	3.9	3.0	1.7	2.6	1.6				

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
1991 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.7	72.9	116.4	159.9	207.2	256.0	308.2	360.9	406.6	453.1	495.5	538.9
OTHER RURAL	24.2	47.9	75.7	103.9	135.1	166.1	198.3	230.0	259.1	289.2	316.2	343.0
URBAN	98.9	193.5	301.4	408.3	520.4	632.0	744.0	859.2	966.3	1077.7	1180.4	1286.7
ALL SYSTEMS	159.7	314.3	493.5	672.1	862.7	1054.0	1250.5	1450.1	1632.0	1820.0	1992.0	2168.6
1992 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	39.3	77.4	122.3	168.3	217.4	267.5	321.3	375.1				
OTHER RURAL	25.5	50.4	79.3	108.7	141.0	172.8	206.2	238.8				
URBAN	103.1	201.4	311.7	421.8	536.7	649.5	763.9	880.2				
ALL SYSTEMS	168.0	329.2	513.4	698.8	895.2	1089.8	1291.3	1494.1				
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1992 VS. 1991												
RURAL ARTERIAL	6.9	6.2	5.1	5.3	4.9	4.5	4.2	3.9				
OTHER RURAL	5.8	5.2	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.0	3.9	3.8				
URBAN	4.3	4.1	3.4	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.4				
ALL SYSTEMS	5.1	4.7	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.0				

* 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 1991 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.
 *** TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1992 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.
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TABLE 3.-SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

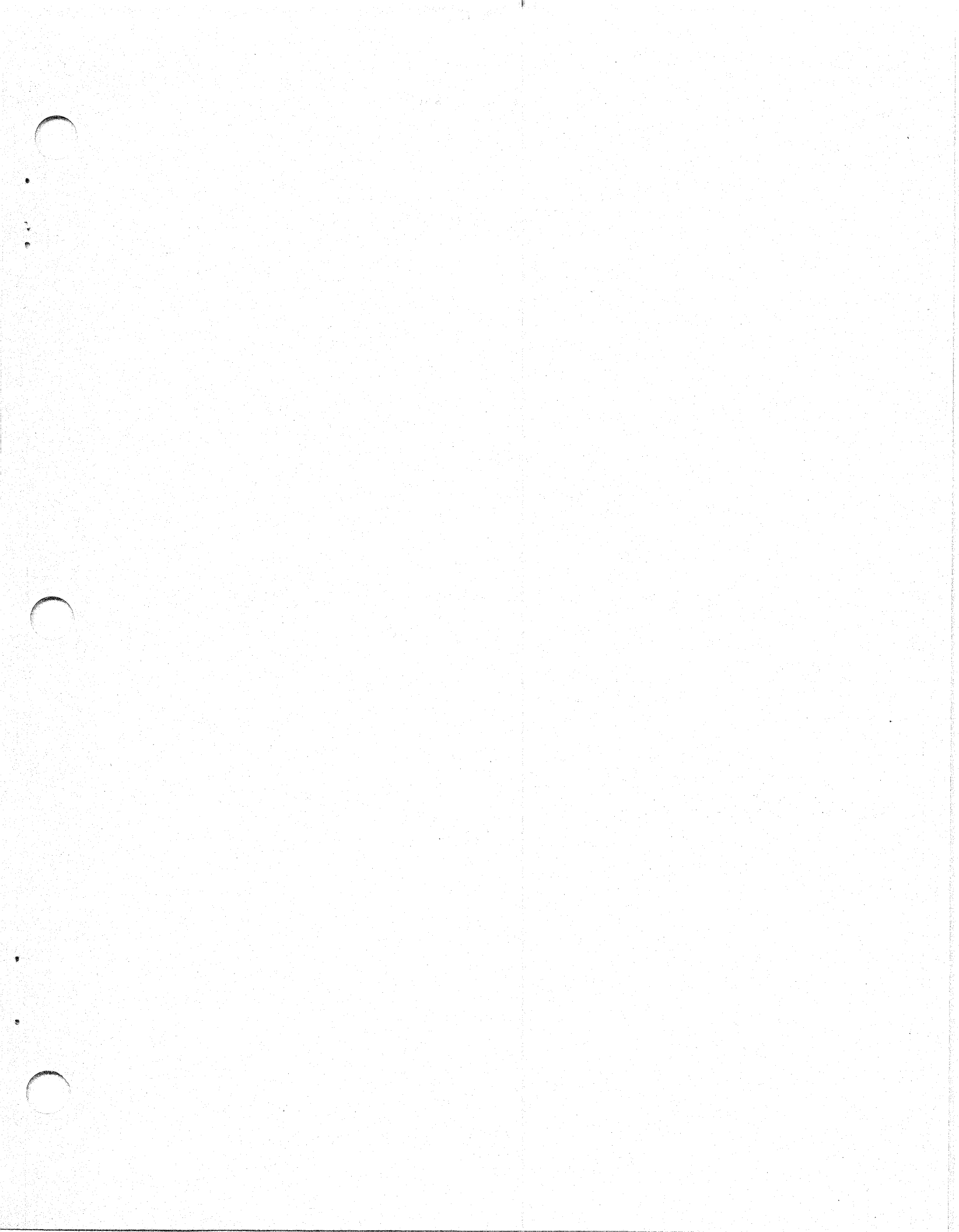
	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR AUGUST			REVISED DATA FOR JULY		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1992	1991		1992	1991	
CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:						
RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS.....	53,848	52,750	2.1	53,820	52,228	3.0
OTHER RURAL ROADS.....	32,598	31,644	3.0	33,327	32,219	3.4
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	86,447	84,394	2.4	87,147	84,447	3.2
CITY STREETS.....	116,325	115,252	0.9	114,411	112,017	2.1
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	202,772	199,646	1.6	201,558	196,464	2.6
48 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL):						
EASTERN REGION.....	17,749	17,384	2.1	17,895	17,321	3.3
CENTRAL REGION.....	25,624	24,981	2.6	25,584	24,815	3.1
WESTERN REGION.....	10,223	10,127	0.9	10,088	9,828	2.6
TOTAL.....	53,596	52,492	2.1	53,567	51,984	3.1

TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	AUGUST (PRELIMINARY)		JULY (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	AUGUST (PRELIMINARY)		JULY (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.....	8	4.3	8	6.8	ALABAMA.....	45	1.7	46	5.1
MAINE.....	14	1.7	14	1.6	KENTUCKY.....	15	3.9	17	3.7
MASSACHUSETTS.....	-	-	-	-	MISSISSIPPI.....	18	1.0	18	2.1
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	46	1.4	-	-	TENNESSEE.....	14	2.7	15	3.0
RHODE ISLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	-	-	26	2.2	IOWA.....	43	3.7	43	1.3
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	54	1.1	51	3.5
NEW JERSEY.....	-	-	-	-	MINNESOTA.....	-	-	-	-
NEW YORK.....	16	1.6	12	0.9	MISSOURI.....	46	3.2	43	4.2
PENNSYLVANIA.....	24	0.7	26	-0.8	NEBRASKA.....	25	2.5	25	3.7
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	28	2.4	24	3.1
DELAWARE.....	-	-	-	-	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	24	5.5	25	5.9
MARYLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	ARKANSAS.....	-	-	-	-
WEST VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	27	1.4	27	3.6
FLORIDA.....	-	-	-	-	TEXAS.....	89	2.4	88	3.8
GEORGIA.....	-	-	-	-	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	5	2.9	7	4.9	ARIZONA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	21	2.6	-	-	COLORADO.....	33	1.2	33	5.0
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	44	4.0	50	4.7
ILLINOIS.....	21	5.1	18	11.4	MONTANA.....	39	3.5	39	5.8
INDIANA.....	-	-	-	-	NEVADA.....	16	-0.5	16	1.9
MICHIGAN.....	58	1.6	52	1.5	NEW MEXICO.....	-	0.6	-	1.4
OHIO.....	16	1.8	14	3.4	UTAH.....	-	-	-	-
WISCONSIN.....	-	-	-	-	WYOMING.....	34	1.1	34	2.2
ALASKA.....	19	0.7	-	-	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	3	-5.0	3	-5.9	CALIFORNIA.....	-	0.7	-	1.9
					OREGON.....	66	-0.4	69	1.3
					WASHINGTON.....	-	-	-	-

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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