

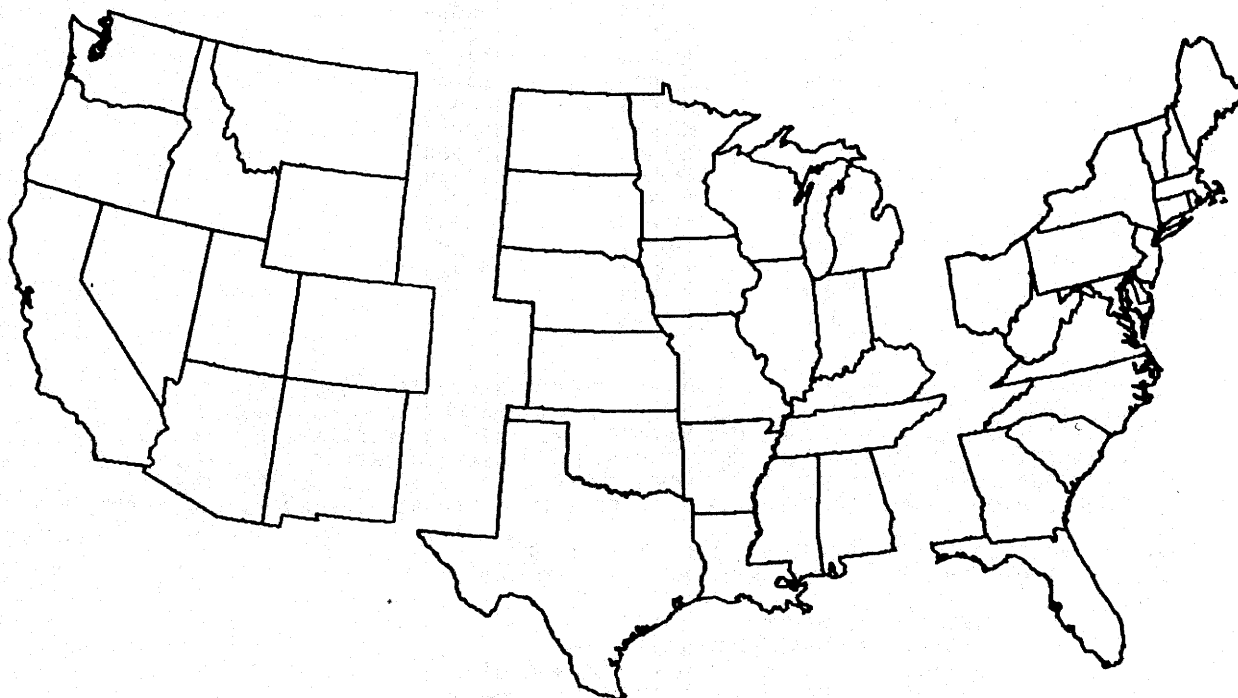


U.S. Department
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**Federal Highway
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TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

APRIL 1989

**TRAVEL ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IS UP BY 2.8 PERCENT
FOR APRIL 1989 AS COMPARED TO APRIL 1988.**



WESTERN

CENTRAL

EASTERN

ESTIMATED VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL BY REGION - APRIL 1989.

36.5 BILLION

71.4 BILLION

60.7 BILLION

PERCENT CHANGE IN TRAFFIC COMPARED TO SAME MONTH LAST YEAR

+4.4

+2.6

+2.1

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 1987 TABLE VM-2 AS A BASE.

COMPILED WITH DATA ON HAND AS OF JUNE 15, 1989.

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS - APRIL 1989

BASED ON PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AGENCIES, TRAVEL DURING APRIL 1989 ON ALL ROADS AND STREETS IN THE NATION INCREASED BY 2.8 PERCENT AS COMPARED TO APRIL 1988, RESULTING IN ESTIMATED TRAVEL FOR THE MONTH AT 169492 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES. THIS TOTAL INCLUDES 68614 MILLION VEHICLE-MILES ON RURAL ROADS AND 100878 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	APRIL	YEAR TO DATE
1970	89956	337794
1971	98106	356534
1972	103238	386901
1973	108120	404841
1974	104579	386771
1975	107133	402848
1976	117014	432286
1977	121513	446334
1978	122741	464632
1979	129539	484949
1980	125698	474677
1981	128465	482077
1982	129845	475296
1983	132741	496819
1984	141327	518646
1985	147635	535548
1986	150277	557984
1987	159801	593288
1988	164832	613751
1989	169492	636111

"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

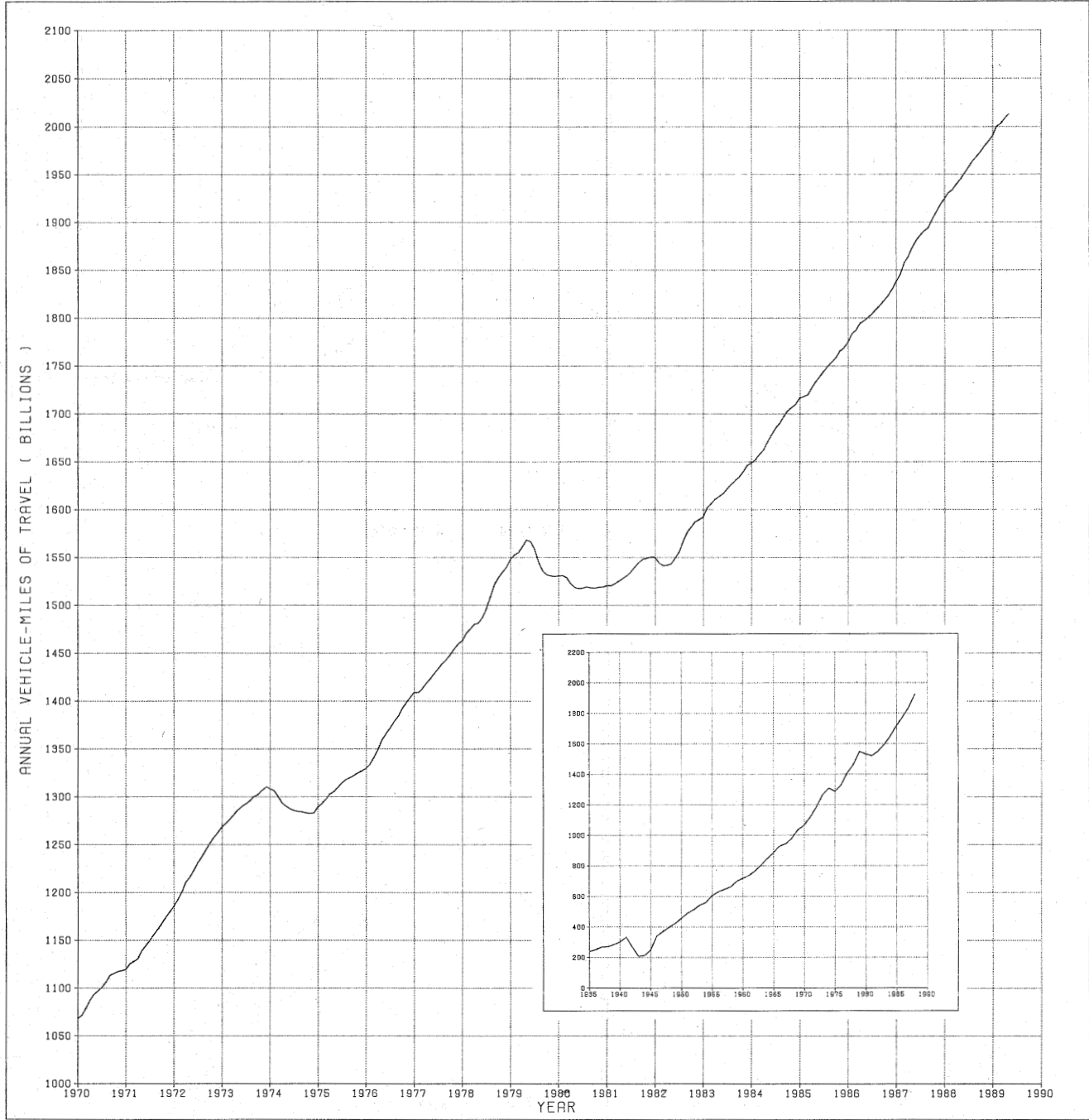
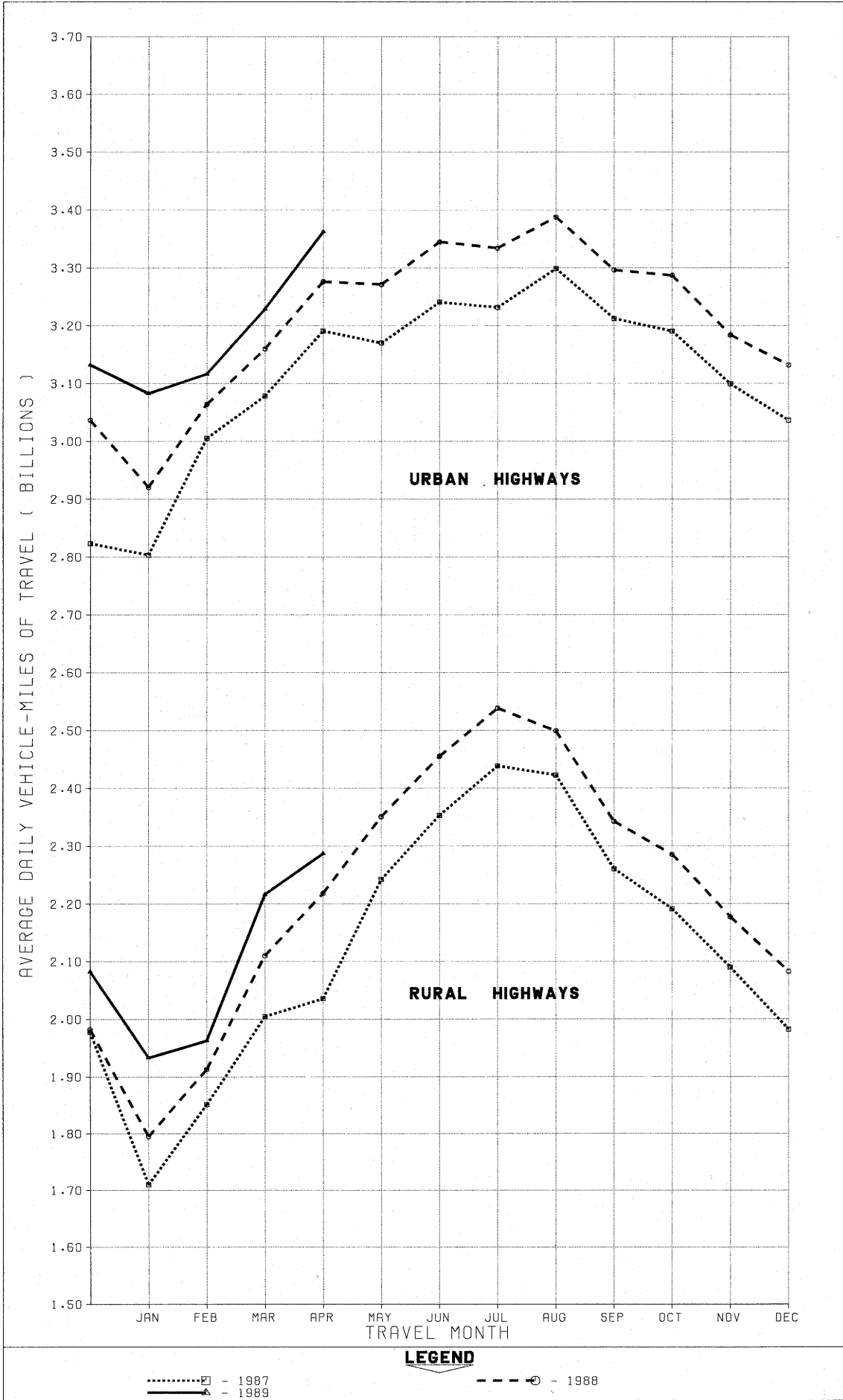


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH



□ - 1987
 △ - 1989
 ○ - 1988

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
1988 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	33.7	32.3	39.7	40.6	43.9	44.7	48.6	47.8	42.9	43.5	40.1	39.7
OTHER RURAL	21.9	21.3	25.7	26.0	29.0	29.0	30.1	29.7	27.4	27.4	25.2	24.9
URBAN	90.5	85.8	98.0	98.3	101.4	100.4	103.4	105.0	98.9	101.9	95.5	97.1
ALL SYSTEMS	146.2	139.4	163.4	164.8	174.3	174.0	182.1	182.5	169.2	172.7	160.8	161.6
1989 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.5	33.3	42.2	41.9								
OTHER RURAL	23.4	21.7	26.5	26.7								
URBAN	95.7	87.3	100.1	100.9								
ALL SYSTEMS	155.6	142.2	168.8	169.5								
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1989 VS. 1988												
RURAL ARTERIAL	8.2	3.0	6.1	3.4								
OTHER RURAL	6.9	2.0	3.4	2.7								
URBAN	5.7	1.7	2.2	2.6								
ALL SYSTEMS	6.4	2.0	3.3	2.8								

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
1988 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
RURAL ARTERIAL	33.7	66.0	105.8	146.3	190.2	234.9	283.5	331.3	374.2	417.6	457.8	497.4
OTHER RURAL	21.9	43.2	68.9	94.8	123.8	152.8	182.9	212.6	240.0	267.4	292.6	317.5
URBAN	90.5	176.3	274.3	372.6	474.0	574.4	677.7	782.7	881.6	983.5	1079.1	1176.2
ALL SYSTEMS	146.2	285.6	448.9	613.8	788.0	962.1	1144.1	1326.6	1495.8	1668.5	1829.4	1991.0
1989 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS***												
RURAL ARTERIAL	36.5	69.8	111.9	153.9								
OTHER RURAL	23.4	45.1	71.7	98.3								
URBAN	95.7	182.9	283.0	383.9								
ALL SYSTEMS	155.6	297.8	466.6	636.1								
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1989 VS. 1988												
RURAL ARTERIAL	8.2	5.7	5.8	5.1								
OTHER RURAL	6.9	4.5	4.1	3.7								
URBAN	5.7	3.7	3.2	3.0								
ALL SYSTEMS	6.4	4.3	3.9	3.6								

* 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 1988 ANNUAL TRAVEL PROVIDED BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

*** TO BE REVISED BASED ON 1989 FINAL TRAVEL ESTIMATES.

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

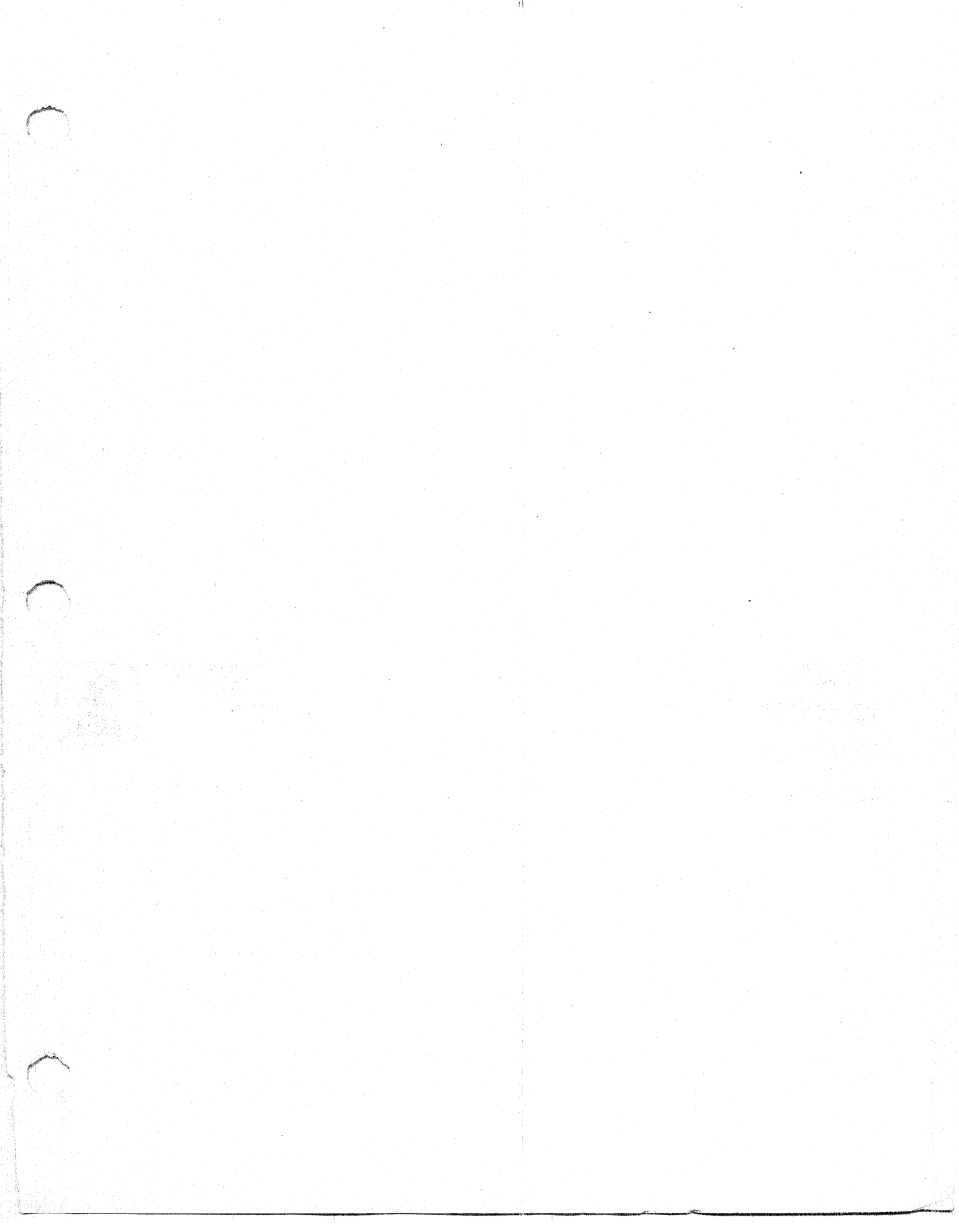
CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR APRIL			REVISED DATA FOR MARCH		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1989	1988		1989	1988	
RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS.....	41,948	40,582	3.4	42,170	39,740	6.1
OTHER RURAL ROADS.....	26,666	25,962	2.7	26,531	25,666	3.4
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	68,614	66,544	3.1	68,700	65,406	5.0
CITY STREETS.....	100,878	98,289	2.6	100,094	97,960	2.2
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	169,492	164,832	2.8	168,794	163,366	3.3
48 STATES (RURAL ARTERIAL):						
EASTERN REGION.....	14,467	14,015	3.2	14,577	13,578	7.4
CENTRAL REGION.....	19,787	19,185	3.1	19,877	18,836	5.5
WESTERN REGION.....	7,511	7,201	4.3	7,554	7,169	5.4
TOTAL.....	41,765	40,401	3.4	42,008	39,583	6.1

TABLE 4.-CHANGES ON RURAL ARTERIAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	APRIL (PRELIMINARY)		MARCH (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	APRIL (PRELIMINARY)		MARCH (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.....	-	-	11	4.3	ALABAMA.....	48	3.0	48	7.0
MAINE.....	-	-	-	-	KENTUCKY.....	-	-	28	6.2
MASSACHUSETTS.....	9	2.6	10	3.9	MISSISSIPPI.....	11	4.9	10	8.0
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	-	-	-	-	TENNESSEE.....	12	0.3	11	4.1
RHODE ISLAND.....	10	2.3	8	7.8	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	-	-	28	3.4	IOWA.....	54	5.1	54	4.4
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	63	2.8	62	4.4
NEW JERSEY.....	-	-	-	-	MINNESOTA.....	42	0.4	41	15.3
NEW YORK.....	-	-	17	4.0	MISSOURI.....	43	3.8	43	2.1
PENNSYLVANIA.....	-	-	34	5.3	NEBRASKA.....	26	5.4	26	6.3
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	32	- 3.9	-	-
DELAWARE.....	-	-	-	-	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	26	2.1	26	1.8
MARYLAND.....	-	-	-	-	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	-	-	-	ARKANSAS.....	14	3.5	13	8.2
WEST VIRGINIA.....	11	2.2	-	-	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	32	2.1	-	-
FLORIDA.....	36	5.2	35	11.4	TEXAS.....	-	-	82	1.6
GEORGIA.....	-	-	-	-	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	20	4.9	17	8.5	ARIZONA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	10	1.1	9	9.2	COLORADO.....	31	1.9	31	8.2
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	56	5.7	57	2.9
ILLINOIS.....	-	-	-	-	MONTANA.....	-	-	-	-
INDIANA.....	26	3.5	26	6.3	NEVADA.....	15	5.8	15	4.9
MICHIGAN.....	49	3.6	46	6.0	NEW MEXICO.....	-	3.5	-	-
OHIO.....	14	2.7	13	6.5	UTAH.....	-	-	-	-
WISCONSIN.....	48	5.3	48	5.8	WYOMING.....	39	3.5	-	-
ALASKA.....	16	0.4	20	- 3.1	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	-	-	2	7.3	CALIFORNIA.....	-	5.0	-	5.3
					OREGON.....	-	-	-	-
					WASHINGTON.....	-	-	36	2.0

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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