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## TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

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## SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN MAY (PRELIMINARY) AND APRIL (REVISED)

	Pre	liminary data May 1954	for	Revised data for April 1954		
	Vehicle-miles (millions)		Percent-	Vehicle-miles (millions)		Percent-
	1953 (revised)	1954	age change	1953 (revised)	1954	age change
Class of road:						THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE
Main rural roads	18,449	18,708	+1.4	16,884	17,270	+2.3
Local rural roads	6,724	7,338	+9.1	6,146	6,608	+7.5
All rural roads	25, 173	26,046	+3.5	23,030	23,878	+3.7
City streets			+2.7			+4.8
All roads and streets		*********	+3.1			+4.1
By region (rural only):	1/4					
Eastern regions	/8,538	9,099	+6.6	7,898	8, 192	+3.7
Central regions	12,484	12,547	+0.5	11,364	11,543	+1.6
Western regions	4, 151	4,400	+6.0	3,768	4,143	+10.0

## Table I. -- MAY 1954 MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL (PRELIMINARY)

Summary of Automatic Traffic Recorder Data

State	Number of stations	Percentage change from May 1953	State	Number of stations	Percentage change from May 1953
Al abama	9	+2.8	Nebraska	15	+4.
Arizona	8	+1.3	Nevada	19	+4.
Arkansas	19	- 2.7	New Hampshire		• • • • • • • • • • • • •
California			New Jersey		
Colorado			New Mexico	26	-0.
Connecticut	22	+2.5	New York		
Delaware			North Carolina	38	+1.
Florida	24	+9.3	North Dakota	18	+0.
Georgia	22	+4.2	Ohio		
Idaho		***********	Oklahoma	18	+1.
	5	-2.4	Oregon	19	+4.
Indiana	21	+2.5	Pennsylvania	52	+2.
lowa			Rhode Island		
Kansas			South Carolina	10	- 1.
Kentucky			South Dakota	30	+3.
Louisiana		**********	Tennessee	27	+1.
Maine	- 11	-2.2	Texas	107	+2.
Maryland	23	+3.7	Utah	**********	***********
Massachusetts	8	+8.0	Vermont	6	+8.
Michigan			Virginia <sup>1</sup>	*********	+2.
Minnesota	26	- 2.2	Washington	11	+6.
Mississippi	29	+0.8	West Virginia	30	- 1,
Missouri	25	+2.5	Wisconsin	11	-7.
Montana	20	+7.8	Wyoming		

<sup>1</sup> Percentage calculated from trend in vehicle-miles furnished by State.

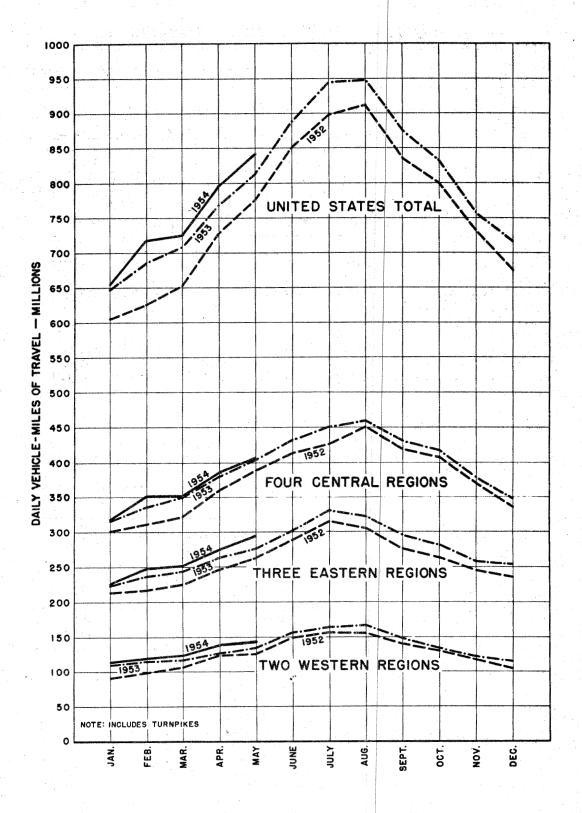


FIGURE I - TRAVEL ON ALL RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

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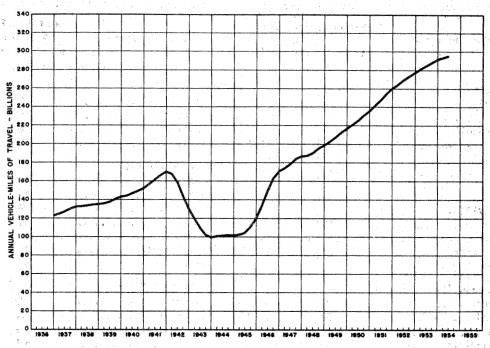


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON ALL RURAL ROADS BY 12-MONTH PERIODS ENDING EACH MONTH, IN VEHICLE-MILES

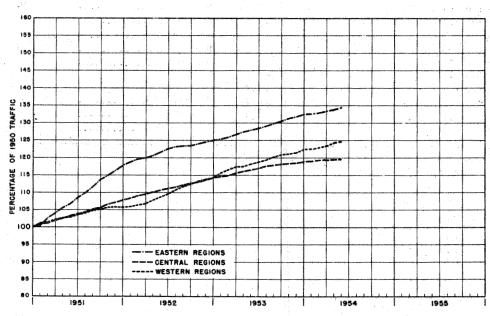


FIGURE 3 - TRAVEL ON ALL RURAL ROADS BY 12-MONTH PERIODS ENDING EACH MONTH, AS A PERCENTAGE OF TRAFFIC IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 1950

Table 2.—APRIL 1954 MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL (REVISED)
Summary of Automatic Traffic Recorder Data

Region and state	Number of stations	Percentage change from April 1953	Region and state	Number of stations	Percentage change from April 1953
			EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:		erioria de la propieta de la compansión de La compansión de la compa
EW ENGLAND:	22	+4.6	Alabama	8	+4.3
Connecticut	11	- 2.4	Kentucky	15	- 4.6
Maine	8	+8.5	Mississippi	28	+4.6
Massachusetts	15	+5.8	Tennessee	26	+3.8
New Hampshire	3	+2.8			
Rhode Island	14	+5.1	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:		
Vermont	14	79.1	lowa	33	+7.0
			Kansas	62	+1.6
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:			Minnesota	26	+2.9
New Jersey	10	+7.2	Missouri	132	+4.
New York			Nebraska <sup>1</sup>		+5.
Pennsylvania	53	+2.7	North Dakota	18	-0.
Pennsy i vania			South Dakota	27	+ 12.
SOUTH ATLANTIC (North):			WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:		
Delaware	7	+5.9	Arkansas	25	■ 1 5 5 50.
Maryland	23	+3.5	Louisiana	42	
Virginia <sup>1</sup>		+2.1	Oklahoma		
West Virginia	32	19 - PA 149 TAU	Texas	107	+0.
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and the state of			MOUNTAIN:	١ ,	- 5
SOUTH ATLANTIC (South):			Arizona	22	4
Florida	21	1	Colorado	24	1
Georgia		7 1		1	
North Carolina		!	Montana		
South Carolina	10	-1.3	Nevada		+0
			New Mexico 1		
			Utah		-1
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:			Wyoming	.	'
		- 1.5	11		
Indiana		1	11		+ 12
Michigan					
Ohio			II was a second second		- 1
Wisconsin	.   1	- 6.4	washing ton		

<sup>1</sup> Percentage calculated from trend in vehicle-miles furnished by State.