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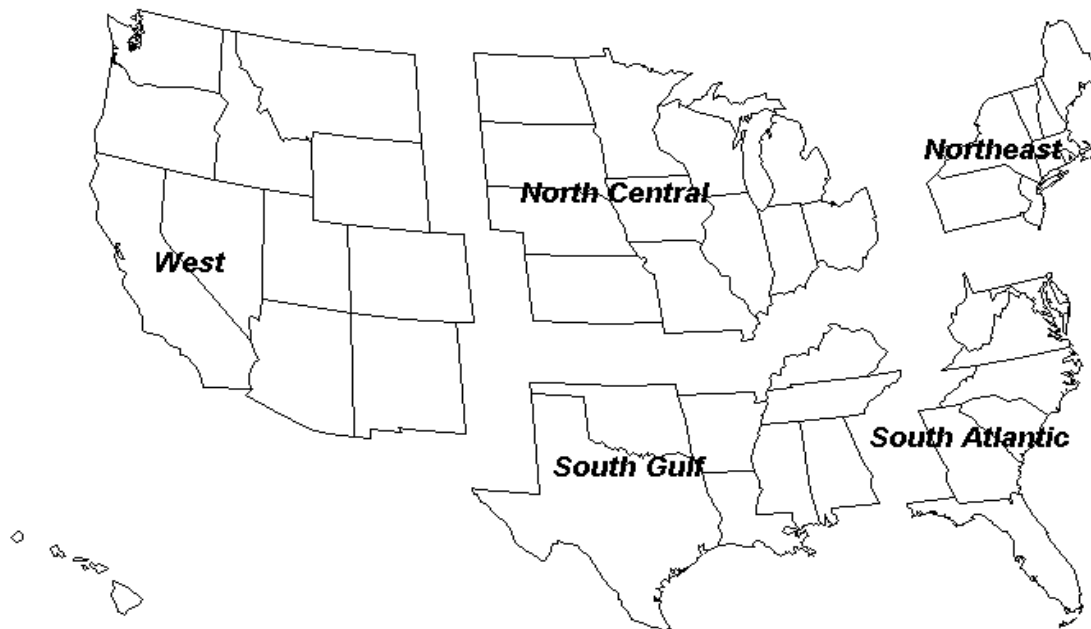
Federal Highway Administration

TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

January 2003



Travel on all roads and streets changed by +0.8 percent for January 2003 as compared to January 2002.



Estimated Vehicle-Miles of Travel by Region - January 2003 - (in Billions)

West	North Central	South Gulf	Northeast	South Atlantic
45.9	49.9	42.2	32.4	45.0

Change in Traffic as compared to the same month last year.

+3.6%	-0.9%	+0.3%	+0.0%	+1.0%
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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 2001 Table VM-2 as a base

Complied with data on hand as of April 21, 2003.

Traffic Volume Trends - January 2003

Based on preliminary reports from the State Highway Agencies, travel during January 2003 on all roads and streets in the nation changed by +0.8 percent as compared to January 2002 resulting in estimated travel for the month at 215.5 billion vehicle-miles. This total includes 82.8 billion vehicle-miles on rural roads and 132.8 billion vehicle-miles on urban roads and streets.

Travel for the current month as well 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	January	Year to Date
1970	80,173	80,173
1971	85,336	85,336
1972	92,465	92,465
1973	96,664	96,664
1974	95,030	95,030
1975	98,342	98,342
1976	102,460	102,460
1977	102,445	102,445
1978	109,838	109,838
1979	114,354	114,354
1980	116,462	116,462
1981	116,049	116,049
1982	109,757	109,757
1983	119,436	119,436
1984	122,529	122,529
1985	124,122	124,122
1986	132,998	132,998
1987	139,918	139,918
1988	148,879	148,879
1989	159,750	159,750
1990	163,600	163,600
1991	157,889	157,889
1992	167,652	167,652
1993	171,680	171,680
1994	169,314	169,314
1995	193,838	193,838
1996	183,465	183,465
1997	190,126	190,126
1998	196,870	196,870
1999	193,581	193,581
2000	203,582	203,582
2001	209,258	209,258
2002	213,747	213,747
2003	215,472	215,472

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.

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Table 1 - Estimated Individual Monthly Motor Vehicle Travel In The United States

System	Month											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2002 Individual Monthly Vehicle-Miles of Travel In Billions *												
Rural Interstate	20.3	19.7	23.3	22.9	25.2	25.3	27.2	27.1	22.9	23.9	22.4	23.6
Rural Other Arterial	31.5	30.8	35.4	35.8	39.0	39.0	41.2	40.9	36.2	37.6	34.5	34.4
Other Rural	30.2	28.9	33.3	33.8	36.7	36.3	38.0	37.6	34.1	35.5	32.2	31.6
Urban Interstate	31.5	30.2	33.9	34.1	36.0	35.6	35.6	36.3	33.5	35.1	33.5	34.0
Urban Other Arterial	71.9	69.3	77.5	77.1	80.6	79.0	80.4	81.7	74.4	79.9	76.0	76.5
Other Urban	<u>28.3</u>	<u>27.5</u>	<u>30.6</u>	<u>31.0</u>	<u>32.3</u>	<u>31.4</u>	<u>31.9</u>	<u>32.4</u>	<u>29.9</u>	<u>31.3</u>	<u>29.7</u>	<u>31.2</u>
All Systems	213.7	206.4	234.0	234.8	249.9	246.5	254.3	256.0	231.1	243.2	228.4	231.3
2003 Individual Monthly Vehicle-Miles of Travel In Billions *												
Rural Interstate	20.8											
Rural Other Arterial	32.0											
Other Rural	30.0											
Urban Interstate	32.1											
Urban Other Arterial	72.2											
Other Urban	<u>28.5</u>											
All Systems	215.5											
Percent Change In Individual Monthly Travel 2002 vs. 2003												
Rural Interstate	2.6											
Rural Other Arterial	1.6											
Other Rural	-0.7											
Urban Interstate	1.6											
Urban Other Arterial	0.3											
Other Urban	<u>0.6</u>											
All Systems	0.8											

Table 2 - Estimated Cumulative Monthly Motor Vehicle Travel In The United States

System	Month											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2002 Cumulative Monthly Vehicle-Miles of Travel In Billions *												
Rural Interstate	20.3	39.9	63.3	86.2	111.4	136.6	163.9	191.0	213.9	237.8	260.2	283.8
Rural Other Arterial	31.5	62.3	97.7	133.5	172.5	211.4	252.6	293.5	329.7	367.3	401.8	436.3
Other Rural	30.2	59.2	92.5	126.3	163.0	199.3	237.4	275.0	309.1	344.6	376.8	408.5
Urban Interstate	31.5	61.8	95.7	129.8	165.8	201.4	237.0	273.4	306.9	342.0	375.5	409.5
Urban Other Arterial	71.9	141.2	218.7	295.8	376.4	455.4	535.8	617.4	691.8	771.7	847.7	924.2
Other Urban	<u>28.3</u>	<u>55.8</u>	<u>86.3</u>	<u>117.4</u>	<u>149.7</u>	<u>181.1</u>	<u>213.0</u>	<u>245.4</u>	<u>275.3</u>	<u>306.6</u>	<u>336.3</u>	<u>367.5</u>
All Systems	213.7	420.2	654.2	889.0	1138.9	1385.3	1639.7	1895.7	2126.9	2370.1	2598.4	2829.8
2003 Cumulative Monthly Vehicle-Miles of Travel In Billions *												
Rural Interstate	20.8											
Rural Other Arterial	32.0											
Other Rural	30.0											
Urban Interstate	32.1											
Urban Other Arterial	72.2											
Other Urban	<u>28.5</u>											
All Systems	215.5											
Percent Change In Cumulative Monthly Travel 2002 vs. 2003												
Rural Interstate	2.6											
Rural Other Arterial	1.6											
Other Rural	-0.7											
Urban Interstate	1.6											
Urban Other Arterial	0.3											
Other Urban	<u>0.6</u>											
All Systems	0.8											

* System entries may not add to give "All Systems" total due to rounding.

Table 3 - Changes On Rural Arterial Roads By Region and State

Region and State	January				December			
	Number of Stations	Vehicle-Miles (Millions)		Percent Change	Number of Stations	Vehicle-Miles (Millions)		Percent Change
		2003 (Preliminary)	2002			2002 (Revised)	2001	
Northeast								
Connecticut	7	349	348	0.4	21	366	367	-0.3
Maine	-	454	452	0.5	-	479	470	1.8
Massachusetts	8	459	454	1.0	2	492	482	2.0
New Hampshire	44	347	341	1.6	47	368	360	2.1
New Jersey	14	620	636	-2.5	16	658	649	1.5
New York	-	1,314	1,320	-0.5	-	1,526	1,527	-0.1
Pennsylvania	62	1,939	1,944	-0.3	62	2,234	2,264	-1.3
Rhode Island	8	35	34	1.0	8	63	62	0.8
Vermont	23	<u>228</u>	<u>232</u>	-2.0	20	<u>240</u>	<u>238</u>	1.1
		5,743	5,762	-0.3		6,426	6,419	0.1
South Atlantic								
Delaware	-	139	141	-1.0	-	140	144	-2.2
Dist Of Columbia	-	0	0	0.0	-	0	0	0.0
Florida	175	2,717	2,661	2.1	134	2,813	2,730	3.0
Georgia	6	2,385	2,291	4.1	-	2,312	2,267	2.0
Maryland	-	800	799	0.1	-	894	904	-1.1
North Carolina	-	1,994	1,917	4.0	46	2,123	2,101	1.1
South Carolina	-	1,554	1,504	3.3	27	1,629	1,605	1.5
Virginia	146	1,719	1,679	2.4	147	1,886	1,884	0.1
West Virginia	14	<u>575</u>	<u>603</u>	-4.6	13	<u>697</u>	<u>724</u>	-3.7
		11,884	11,595	2.5		12,494	12,356	1.1
North Central								
Illinois	10	1,363	1,334	2.2	19	1,557	1,551	0.4
Indiana	19	1,578	1,585	-0.5	24	1,680	1,589	5.8
Iowa	138	942	929	1.4	138	1,075	1,026	4.8
Kansas	153	771	756	2.0	144	863	849	1.7
Michigan	150	1,732	1,729	0.1	153	1,846	1,795	2.9
Minnesota	24	1,299	1,271	2.2	22	1,465	1,387	5.6
Missouri	65	1,395	1,388	0.5	-	1,584	1,554	2.0
Nebraska	48	617	608	1.6	49	686	653	5.2
North Dakota	50	244	242	0.9	53	265	256	3.2
Ohio	79	1,684	1,727	-2.5	77	1,923	1,887	1.9
South Dakota	44	344	346	-0.4	43	365	350	4.1
Wisconsin	130	<u>1,541</u>	<u>1,512</u>	1.9	130	<u>1,672</u>	<u>1,592</u>	5.0
		13,509	13,427	0.6		14,981	14,488	3.4
South Gulf								
Alabama	87	1,269	1,253	1.3	82	1,332	1,296	2.7
Arkansas	-	896	882	1.6	-	1,064	1,023	4.0
Kentucky	55	1,048	1,045	0.3	56	1,193	1,168	2.2
Louisiana	-	880	858	2.6	-	943	916	2.9
Mississippi	26	1,127	1,093	3.1	28	1,179	1,133	4.0
Oklahoma	-	939	921	2.0	-	943	917	2.8
Tennessee	-	1,649	1,612	2.3	-	1,707	1,676	1.9
Texas	-	<u>4,066</u>	<u>3,995</u>	1.8	140	<u>4,180</u>	<u>4,067</u>	2.8
		11,874	11,659	1.8		12,541	12,195	2.8
West								
Alaska	55	85	82	4.1	50	86	80	7.3
Arizona	26	1,125	1,050	7.2	24	1,216	1,092	11.4
California	51	3,232	3,096	4.4	54	4,608	4,481	2.8
Colorado	-	948	924	2.5	51	977	963	1.4
Hawaii	7	122	117	4.9	3	141	135	4.6
Idaho	-	351	335	4.8	-	382	362	5.5
Montana	120	384	376	2.0	120	410	394	4.2
Nevada	48	300	286	5.2	48	333	321	3.9
New Mexico	-	782	728	7.4	68	787	761	3.5
Oregon	129	835	786	6.2	137	909	857	6.0
Utah	91	480	460	4.4	91	513	479	7.1
Washington	-	809	762	6.2	-	855	807	6.0
Wyoming	-	<u>315</u>	<u>308</u>	2.2	-	<u>328</u>	<u>314</u>	4.3
		9,769	9,309	4.9		11,546	11,046	4.5
TOTALS	2,112	52,779	51,751	2.0	2,347	57,988	56,505	2.6

Note: Where Number of Stations are shown as dashes, the values for Vehicle-Miles and Percent Change are derived from the estimated VMT based on data from surrounding States or the Nationwide average VMT.

Traffic Volume Trends-Rural
Estimated Vehicle Miles (Millions) and Percent Change from Same Period Pervious Year
(Includes Preliminary Data for January 2003)

Year - 2002											
	<u>Rural Interstate</u>	%	<u>Rural Other Arterial</u>	%	<u>Other Rural</u>	%	<u>Total Rural</u>	%	<u>All Systems</u>	%	
Jan	20,251	4.2	Jan 31,501	2.5	Jan 30,217	2.5	Jan 81,969	2.9	Jan 213,747	2.1	
Feb	19,686	5.9	Feb 30,779	4.1	Feb 28,947	2.7	Feb 79,412	4.0	Feb 206,426	3.3	
Mar	<u>23,323</u>	5.1	Mar <u>35,406</u>	2.0	Mar <u>33,320</u>	0.3	Mar <u>92,049</u>	2.1	Mar <u>233,995</u>	1.1	
Q1	63,260	5.1	Q1 97,686	2.8	Q1 92,484	1.7	Q1 253,430	3.0	Q1 654,167	2.1	
Apr	22,917	1.0	Apr 35,828	2.0	Apr 33,805	0.7	Apr 92,550	1.2	Apr 234,809	1.5	
May	25,208	5.7	May 38,961	3.5	May 36,728	1.2	May 100,897	3.2	May 249,886	2.3	
Jun	<u>25,260</u>	4.5	Jun <u>38,957</u>	2.7	Jun <u>36,311</u>	1.1	Jun <u>100,528</u>	2.6	Jun <u>246,464</u>	1.6	
Q2	73,385	3.8	Q2 113,746	2.7	Q2 106,844	1.0	Q2 293,975	2.4	Q2 731,159	1.8	
1st Half	136,645	4.4	1st Half 211,432	2.8	1st Half 199,328	1.3	1st Half 547,405	2.6	1st Half 1,385,326	1.9	
Jul	27,232	4.4	Jul 41,179	2.2	Jul 38,024	2.0	Jul 106,435	2.7	Jul 254,345	2.2	
Aug	27,109	4.1	Aug 40,882	2.6	Aug 37,643	1.6	Aug 105,634	2.6	Aug 256,042	1.7	
Sep	<u>22,934</u>	2.2	Sep <u>36,217</u>	2.7	Sep <u>34,126</u>	1.9	Sep <u>93,277</u>	2.3	Sep <u>231,141</u>	2.9	
Q3	77,275	3.7	Q3 118,278	2.5	Q3 109,793	1.9	Q3 305,346	2.6	Q3 741,528	2.3	
3 Qs	213,920	4.1	3 Qs 329,710	2.7	3 Qs 309,121	1.5	3 Qs 852,751	2.6	3 Qs 2,126,854	2.1	
Oct	23,918	2.3	Oct 37,599	1.5	Oct 35,484	0.0	Oct 97,001	1.2	Oct 243,226	1.3	
Nov	22,408	-1.4	Nov 34,531	-0.5	Nov 32,243	-1.1	Nov 89,182	-0.9	Nov 228,368	-0.5	
Dec	<u>23,568</u>	4.9	Dec <u>34,420</u>	1.1	Dec <u>31,640</u>	0.2	Dec <u>89,628</u>	1.8	Dec <u>231,334</u>	1.4	
Q4	69,894	1.9	Q4 106,550	0.7	Q4 99,367	-0.3	Q4 275,811	0.7	Q4 702,928	0.8	
2nd Half	147,169	2.8	2nd Half 224,828	1.6	2nd Half 209,160	0.8	2nd Half 581,157	1.6	2nd Half 1,444,455	1.5	
Year	283,814	3.6	Year 436,260	2.2	Year 408,488	1.1	Year 1,128,562	2.1	Year 2,829,782	1.7	

Year - 2003											
	<u>Rural Interstate</u>	%	<u>Rural Other Arterial</u>	%	<u>Other Rural</u>	%	<u>Total Rural</u>	%	<u>All Systems</u>	%	
Jan	20,776	2.6	Jan 32,002	1.6	Jan 30,005	-0.7	Jan 82,783	1.0	Jan 215,471	0.8	
Feb	0	-	Feb 0	-	Feb 0	-	Feb 0	-	Feb 0	-	
Mar	<u>0</u>	-	Mar <u>0</u>	-	Mar <u>0</u>	-	Mar <u>0</u>	-	Mar <u>0</u>	-	
Q1	20,776	2.6	Q1 32,002	1.6	Q1 30,005	-0.7	Q1 82,783	1.0	Q1 215,471	0.8	
Apr	0	-	Apr 0	-	Apr 0	-	Apr 0	-	Apr 0	-	
May	0	-	May 0	-	May 0	-	May 0	-	May 0	-	
Jun	<u>0</u>	-	Jun <u>0</u>	-	Jun <u>0</u>	-	Jun <u>0</u>	-	Jun <u>0</u>	-	
Q2	0	-	Q2 0	-	Q2 0	-	Q2 0	-	Q2 0	-	
1st Half	20,776	2.6	1st Half 32,002	1.6	1st Half 30,005	-0.7	1st Half 82,783	1.0	1st Half 215,471	0.8	
Jul	0	-	Jul 0	-	Jul 0	-	Jul 0	-	Jul 0	-	
Aug	0	-	Aug 0	-	Aug 0	-	Aug 0	-	Aug 0	-	
Sep	<u>0</u>	-	Sep <u>0</u>	-	Sep <u>0</u>	-	Sep <u>0</u>	-	Sep <u>0</u>	-	
Q3	0	-	Q3 0	-	Q3 0	-	Q3 0	-	Q3 0	-	
3 Qs	20,776	2.6	3 Qs 32,002	1.6	3 Qs 30,005	-0.7	3 Qs 82,783	1.0	3 Qs 215,471	0.8	
Oct	0	-	Oct 0	-	Oct 0	-	Oct 0	-	Oct 0	-	
Nov	0	-	Nov 0	-	Nov 0	-	Nov 0	-	Nov 0	-	
Dec	<u>0</u>	-	Dec <u>0</u>	-	Dec <u>0</u>	-	Dec <u>0</u>	-	Dec <u>0</u>	-	
Q4	0	-	Q4 0	-	Q4 0	-	Q4 0	-	Q4 0	-	
2nd Half	0	-	2nd Half 0	-	2nd Half 0	-	2nd Half 0	-	2nd Half 0	-	
Year	20,776	2.6	Year 32,002	1.6	Year 30,005	-0.7	Year 82,783	1.0	Year 215,471	0.8	

Traffic Volume Trends - Urban
Estimated Vehicle Miles (Millions) and Percent Change from Same Period Pervious Year
(Includes Preliminary Data for January 2003)

Year - 2002														
	<u>Urban Interstate</u>		<u>Urban Other Arterial</u>		<u>Other Urban</u>		<u>Total Urban</u>		<u>All Systems</u>					
		%		%		%		%		%				
Jan	31,536	2.7	Jan	71,918	1.2	Jan	28,324	1.7	Jan	131,778	1.7	Jan	213,747	2.1
Feb	30,241	3.2	Feb	69,311	2.6	Feb	27,462	2.8	Feb	127,014	2.8	Feb	206,426	3.3
Mar	<u>33,906</u>	1.6	Mar	<u>77,478</u>	-0.1	Mar	<u>30,562</u>	0.5	Mar	<u>141,946</u>	0.4	Mar	<u>233,995</u>	1.1
Q1	95,683	2.5	Q1	218,707	1.2	Q1	86,348	1.6	Q1	400,738	1.6	Q1	654,167	2.1
Apr	34,132	1.9	Apr	77,092	1.4	Apr	31,035	1.8	Apr	142,259	1.6	Apr	234,809	1.5
May	36,027	2.4	May	80,638	1.4	May	32,324	1.8	May	148,989	1.7	May	249,886	2.3
Jun	<u>35,563</u>	2.3	Jun	<u>78,990</u>	0.3	Jun	<u>31,384</u>	1.1	Jun	<u>145,937</u>	1.0	Jun	<u>246,464</u>	1.6
Q2	105,722	2.2	Q2	236,720	1.0	Q2	94,743	1.6	Q2	437,185	1.4	Q2	731,159	1.8
1st Half	201,405	2.3	1st Half	455,427	1.1	1st Half	181,091	1.6	1st Half	837,923	1.5	1st Half	1,385,326	1.9
Jul	35,631	2.0	Jul	80,352	1.9	Jul	31,925	1.7	Jul	147,908	1.9	Jul	254,345	2.2
Aug	36,335	2.5	Aug	81,657	0.4	Aug	32,416	1.2	Aug	150,408	1.1	Aug	256,042	1.7
Sep	<u>33,549</u>	4.6	Sep	<u>74,409</u>	3.0	Sep	<u>29,906</u>	2.9	Sep	<u>137,864</u>	3.4	Sep	<u>231,141</u>	2.9
Q3	105,515	3.0	Q3	236,418	1.7	Q3	94,247	1.9	Q3	436,180	2.1	Q3	741,528	2.3
3 Qs	306,920	2.6	3 Qs	691,845	1.3	3 Qs	275,338	1.7	3 Qs	1,274,103	1.7	3 Qs	2,126,854	2.1
Oct	35,071	2.5	Oct	79,889	1.3	Oct	31,267	0.8	Oct	146,227	1.5	Oct	243,226	1.3
Nov	33,486	0.5	Nov	75,997	-0.2	Nov	29,702	-0.9	Nov	139,185	-0.2	Nov	228,368	-0.5
Dec	<u>34,002</u>	2.9	Dec	<u>76,467</u>	0.7	Dec	<u>31,237</u>	0.7	Dec	<u>141,706</u>	1.2	Dec	<u>231,334</u>	1.4
Q4	102,559	1.9	Q4	232,353	0.6	Q4	92,206	0.2	Q4	427,118	0.8	Q4	702,928	0.8
2nd Half	208,074	2.5	2nd Half	468,771	1.2	2nd Half	186,453	1.1	2nd Half	863,298	1.5	2nd Half	1,444,455	1.5
Year	409,479	2.4	Year	924,198	1.1	Year	367,544	1.3	Year	1,701,221	1.5	Year	2,829,782	1.7

Year - 2003														
	<u>Urban Interstate</u>		<u>Urban Other Arterial</u>		<u>Other Urban</u>		<u>Total Urban</u>		<u>All Systems</u>					
		%		%		%		%		%				
Jan	32,051	1.6	Jan	72,151	0.3	Jan	28,486	0.6	Jan	132,688	0.7	Jan	215,471	0.8
Feb	0	-	Feb	0	-	Feb	0	-	Feb	0	-	Feb	0	-
Mar	<u>0</u>	-	Mar	<u>0</u>	-	Mar	<u>0</u>	-	Mar	<u>0</u>	-	Mar	<u>0</u>	-
Q1	32,051	1.6	Q1	72,151	0.3	Q1	28,486	0.6	Q1	132,688	0.7	Q1	215,471	0.8
Apr	0	-	Apr	0	-	Apr	0	-	Apr	0	-	Apr	0	-
May	0	-	May	0	-	May	0	-	May	0	-	May	0	-
Jun	<u>0</u>	-	Jun	<u>0</u>	-	Jun	<u>0</u>	-	Jun	<u>0</u>	-	Jun	<u>0</u>	-
Q2	0	-	Q2	0	-	Q2	0	-	Q2	0	-	Q2	0	-
1st Half	32,051	1.6	1st Half	72,151	0.3	1st Half	28,486	0.6	1st Half	132,688	0.7	1st Half	215,471	0.8
Jul	0	-	Jul	0	-	Jul	0	-	Jul	0	-	Jul	0	-
Aug	0	-	Aug	0	-	Aug	0	-	Aug	0	-	Aug	0	-
Sep	<u>0</u>	-	Sep	<u>0</u>	-	Sep	<u>0</u>	-	Sep	<u>0</u>	-	Sep	<u>0</u>	-
Q3	0	-	Q3	0	-	Q3	0	-	Q3	0	-	Q3	0	-
3 Qs	32,051	1.6	3 Qs	72,151	0.3	3 Qs	28,486	0.6	3 Qs	132,688	0.7	3 Qs	215,471	0.8
Oct	0	-	Oct	0	-	Oct	0	-	Oct	0	-	Oct	0	-
Nov	0	-	Nov	0	-	Nov	0	-	Nov	0	-	Nov	0	-
Dec	<u>0</u>	-	Dec	<u>0</u>	-	Dec	<u>0</u>	-	Dec	<u>0</u>	-	Dec	<u>0</u>	-
Q4	0	-	Q4	0	-	Q4	0	-	Q4	0	-	Q4	0	-
2nd Half	0	-	2nd Half	0	-	2nd Half	0	-	2nd Half	0	-	2nd Half	0	-
Year	32,051	1.6	Year	72,151	0.3	Year	28,486	0.6	Year	132,688	0.7	Year	215,471	0.8

FIGURE 1 - MOVING 12-MONTH TOTAL ON ALL HIGHWAYS

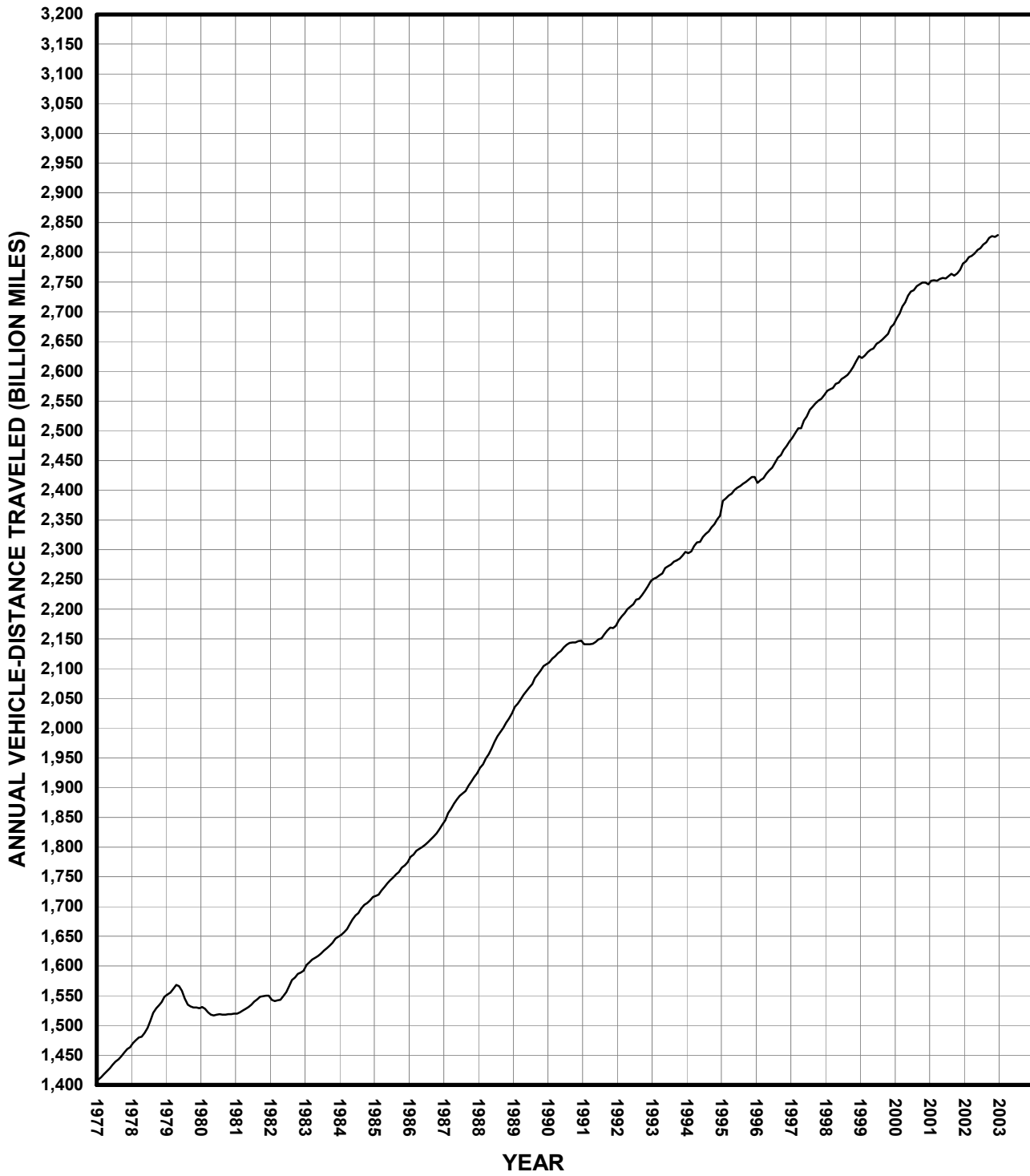
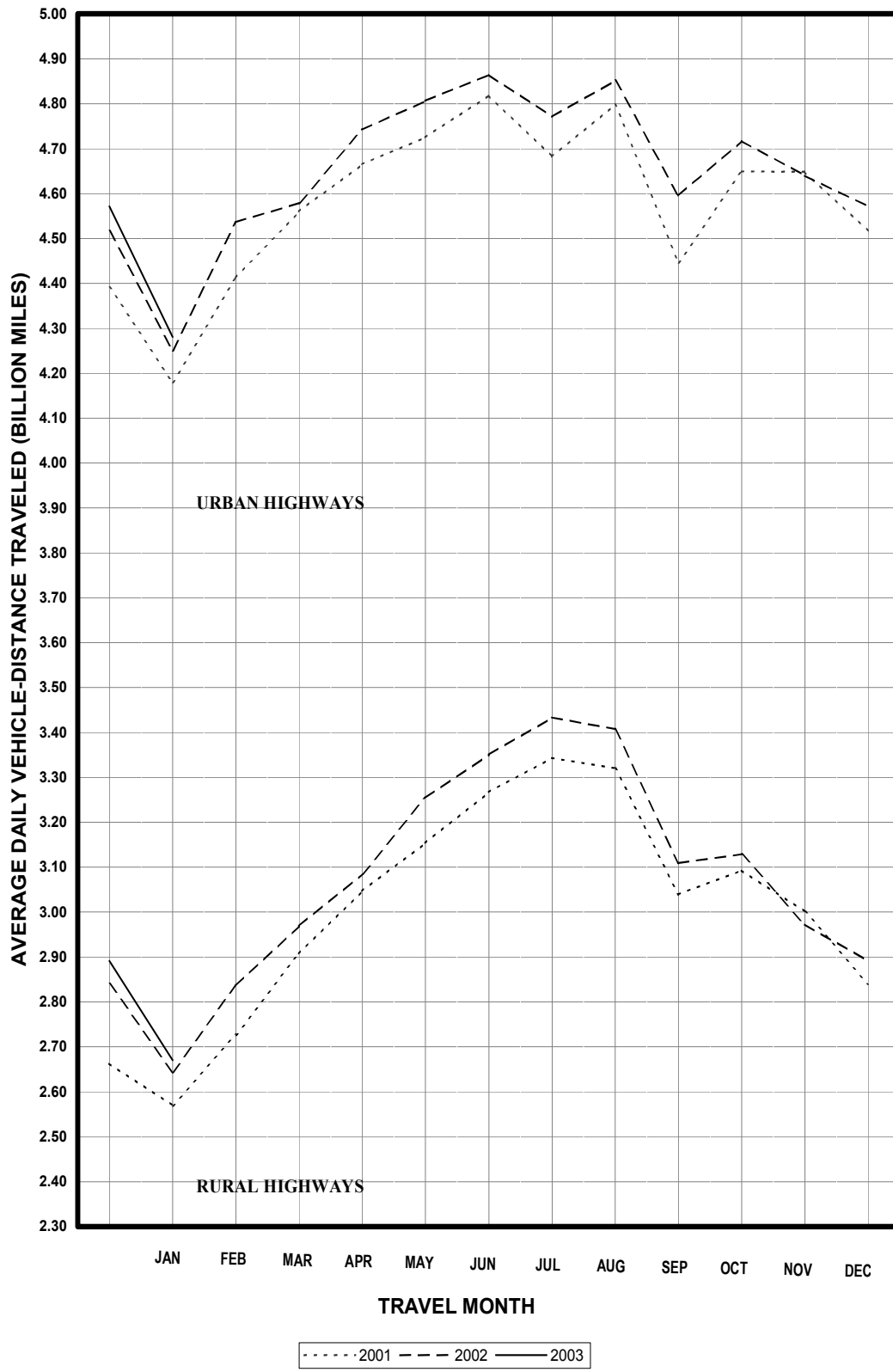


FIGURE 2 - TRAVEL ON U.S. HIGHWAYS BY MONTH



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