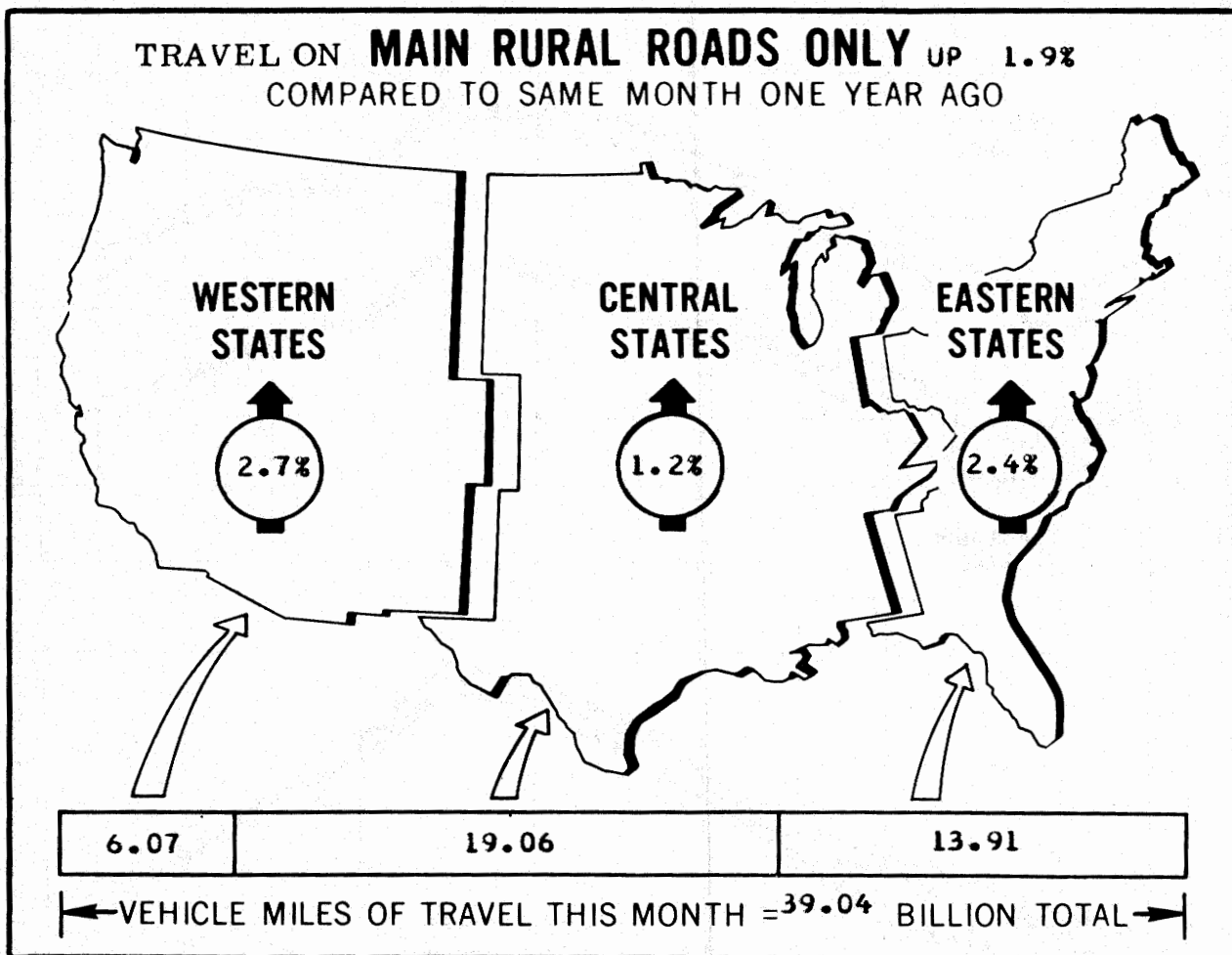


TRAFFIC VOLUME TRENDS

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

SEPTEMBER 1975 \downarrow

TRAVEL ON **ALL ROADS AND STREETS** UP 2.1%
COMPARED TO SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO



^{1/} ALL DATA FOR THIS MONTH ARE PRELIMINARY, REVISED VALUES FOR PREVIOUS MONTH ARE SHOWN IN TABLES 1 and 2.

NOTE: ALL VEHICLE MILES OF TRAVEL HAVE BEEN COMPUTED WITH 1973 VM-2 DATA AS A BASE.

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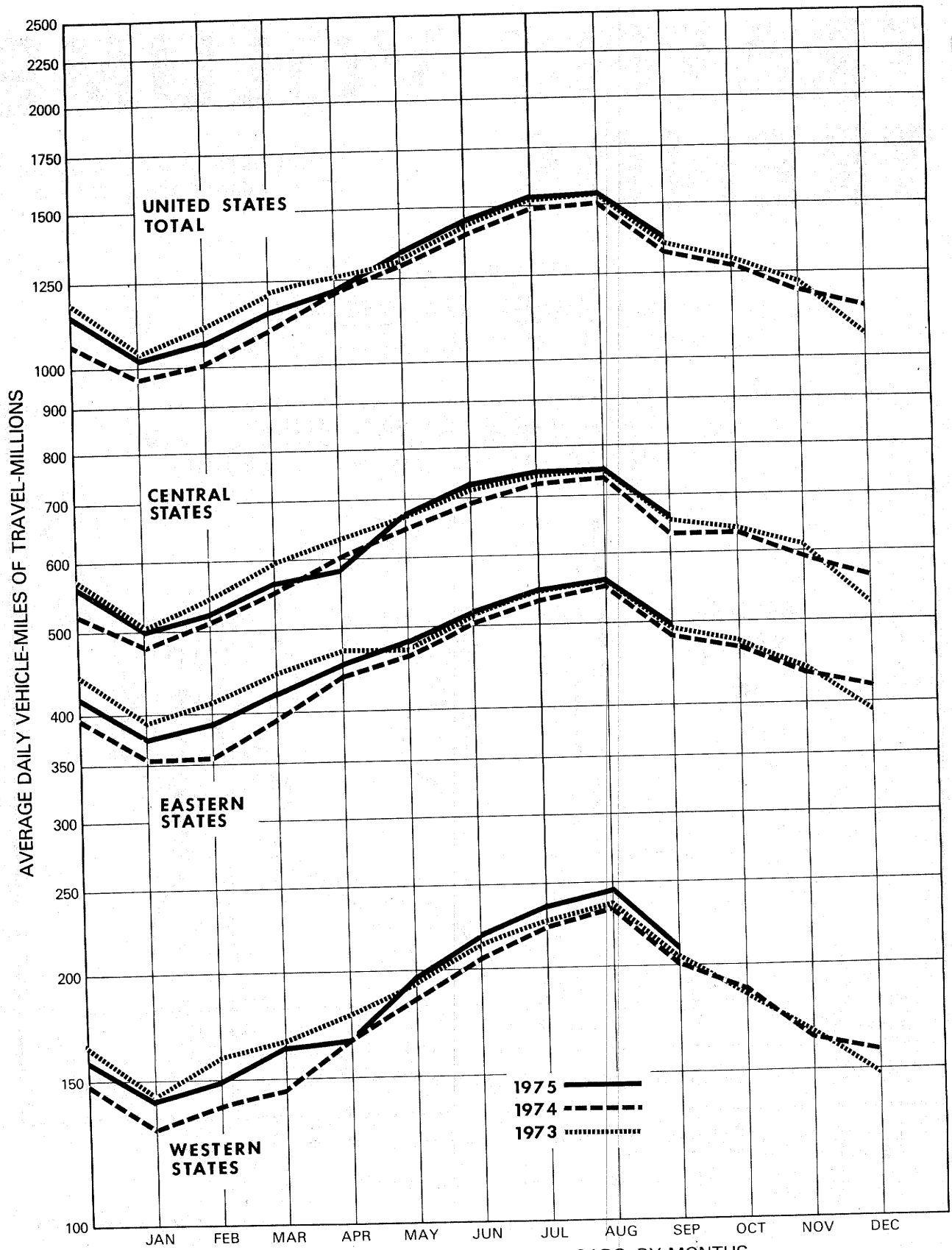


FIGURE 1 - TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS, BY MONTHS

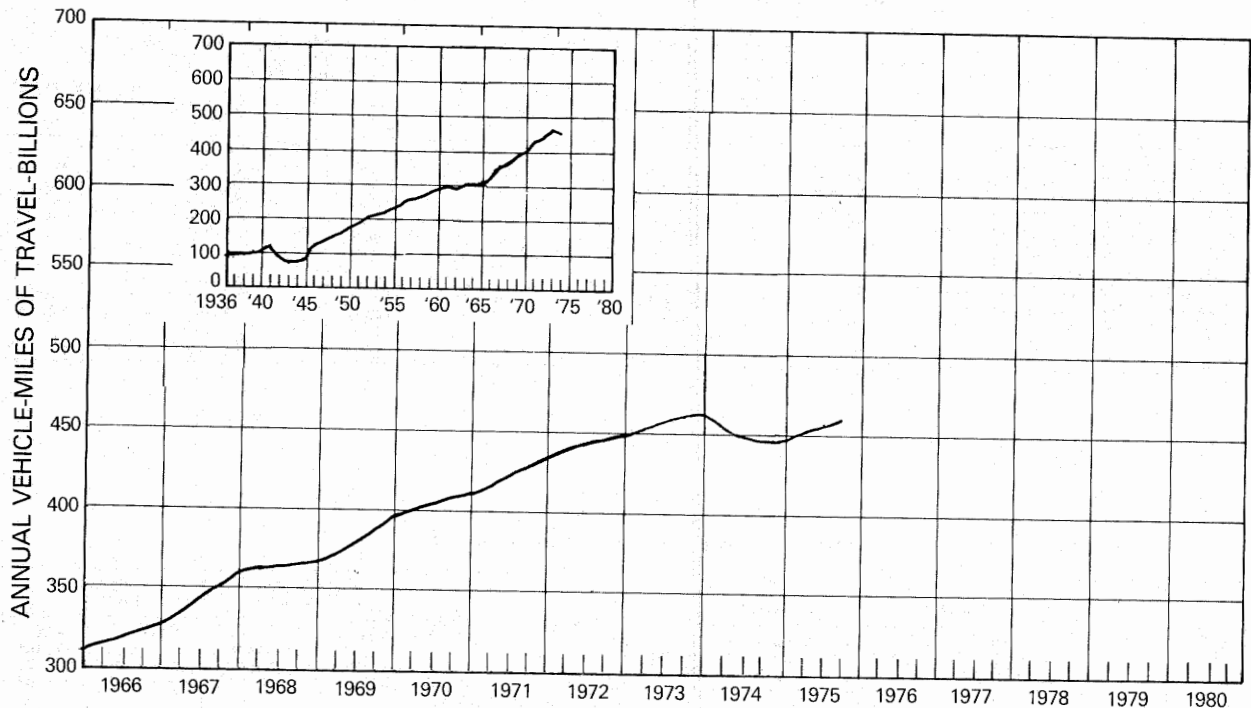


FIGURE 2 - ANNUAL TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS FOR 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING IN MONTH SHOWN

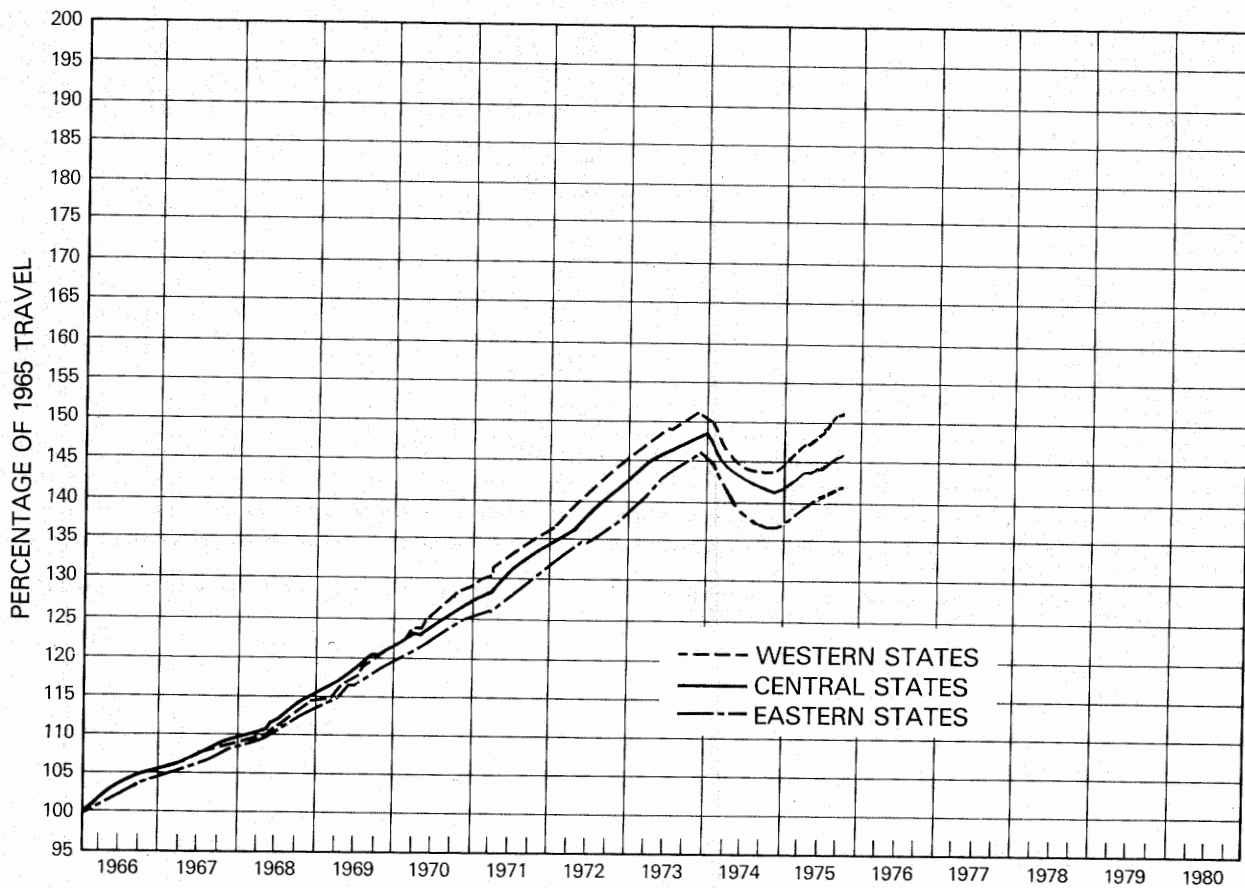


FIGURE 3 - ANNUAL TRAVEL ON MAIN RURAL ROADS AS PERCENTAGE OF YEAR 1965

TABLE 1.--SUMMARY BY ROAD CLASS AND BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

	PRELIMINARY DATA FOR SEPTEMBER			REVISED DATA FOR AUGUST		
	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	VEHICLE-MILES (MILLIONS)		PERCENTAGE CHANGE
	1975	1974		1975	1974	
CLASS OF ROAD, ALL STATES:						
MAIN RURAL ROADS.....	39,248	38,519	1.9	47,445	46,349	2.4
LOCAL RURAL ROADS.....	11,604	11,448	1.4	13,119	12,916	1.6
ALL RURAL ROADS.....	50,852	49,967	1.8	60,564	59,266	2.2
CITY STREETS.....	59,812	58,401	2.4	63,907	63,636	0.4
ALL ROADS AND STREETS.....	110,664	108,367	2.1	124,471	122,901	1.3
48 STATES (MAIN RURAL ONLY):						
EASTERN REGION.....	13,912	13,588	2.4	16,746	16,398	2.1
CENTRAL REGION.....	19,054	18,820	1.2	22,900	22,531	1.6
WESTERN REGION.....	6,070	5,911	2.7	7,565	7,195	5.1
TOTAL.....	39,036	38,319	1.9	47,211	46,124	2.4

TABLE 2.--CHANGES ON MAIN RURAL ROADS BY STATES

DIVISION AND STATE	SEPTEMBER (PRELIMINARY)		AUGUST (REVISED)		DIVISION AND STATE	SEPTEMBER (PRELIMINARY)		AUGUST (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.....	17	0.1	16	1.1	ALABAMA.....	55	3.3	55	3.0
MAINE.....	-	-	21	3.2	KENTUCKY.....	-	-	-	-
MASSACHUSETTS.....	-	-	4	- 0.9	MISSISSIPPI.....	40	1.1	40	0.5
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	63	1.8	61	2.8	TENNESSEE.....	20	1.7	20	4.1
RHODE ISLAND.....	2	- 3.8	1	- 4.8	WEST NORTH CENTRAL:				
VERMONT.....	43	0.5	42	0.0	IOWA.....	32	2.8	31	4.3
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:					KANSAS.....	72	3.2	72	4.8
NEW JERSEY.....	17	5.2	17	3.2	MINNESOTA.....	37	3.5	35	1.0
NEW YORK.....	-	-	28	1.1	MISSOURI.....	62	2.0	53	3.1
PENNSYLVANIA.....	42	0.6	42	0.5	NEBRASKA.....	20	5.3	21	5.5
SOUTH ATLANTIC (NORTH):					NORTH DAKOTA.....	37	4.4	38	3.4
DELAWARE.....	14	1.4	15	2.6	SOUTH DAKOTA.....	32	2.6	32	4.4
MARYLAND.....	32	- 2.4	35	0.5	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:				
VIRGINIA.....	-	5.3	-	5.2	ARKANSAS.....	27	3.5	26	0.8
WEST VIRGINIA.....	27	3.8	27	5.3	LOUISIANA.....	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SOUTH):					OKLAHOMA.....	-	-	-	-
FLORIDA.....	-	-	-	-	TEXAS.....	117	7.1	118	5.7
GEORGIA.....	30	2.5	30	1.9	MOUNTAIN:				
NORTH CAROLINA.....	38	1.9	42	2.1	ARIZONA.....	16	6.5	21	6.3
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	9	6.0	9	4.3	COLORADO.....	-	-	39	6.0
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:					IDAHO.....	-	-	-	-
ILLINOIS.....	18	- 0.9	18	1.7	MONTANA.....	26	-	26	1.6
INDIANA.....	12	- 0.2	1	- 5.6	NEVADA.....	27	2.1	27	5.0
MICHIGAN.....	47	- 6.4	41	0.9	NEW MEXICO.....	32	3.6	32	5.5
OHIO.....	9	- 5.1	16	- 2.4	UTAH.....	39	4.0	40	6.0
WISCONSIN.....	-	-	40	2.5	WYOMING.....	38	3.9	37	8.4
ALASKA.....	14	10.1	13	11.7	PACIFIC:				
HAWAII.....	3	4.0	4	- 1.3	CALIFORNIA.....	15	1.7	13	6.5
					OREGON.....	77	2.2	78	1.4
					WASHINGTON.....	7	1.6	24	3.4

NOTE: 1--RURAL MILEAGE OF EACH MAJOR TOLL ROUTE IS CONSIDERED AS ONE OR MORE STATIONS, DEPENDING ON STATES' METHOD OF REPORTING.

2--WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS IS DASH AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IS SHOWN, THE STATES PREPARED TRAFFIC ESTIMATES, GENERALLY BASED ON EXTENSIVE TRAFFIC SAMPLING SURVEYS.

3--WHERE THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE FOR A STATE ARE DASHES, THE STATE REPORT HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT TIME OF PRINTING, OR NO COMPARABLE DATA WERE AVAILABLE.

TABLE 3.

ESTIMATED INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES ***

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1974 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS*												
MAIN RURAL	29.7	27.8	33.3	35.6	39.6	41.4	45.5	46.3	38.5	39.3	35.2	35.2
LOCAL RURAL	10.0	9.7	11.0	11.3	12.0	12.2	12.5	12.9	11.4	12.4	11.2	10.7
URBAN	52.5	47.3	55.2	56.5	59.8	59.3	62.2	63.6	58.4	60.5	56.6	58.2
ALL SYSTEMS	92.2	84.8	99.5	103.3	111.4	112.9	120.2	122.9	108.4	112.2	102.9	104.1
1975 INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
MAIN RURAL	31.6	29.8	35.9	36.3	41.5	43.5	47.4	47.4	39.2			
LOCAL RURAL	10.2	10.0	11.3	11.4	12.4	12.6	12.9	13.1	11.6			
URBAN	55.0	50.8	57.9	57.8	61.7	61.1	63.3	63.9	59.8			
ALL SYSTEMS	96.9	90.6	105.0	105.5	115.6	117.2	123.6	124.5	110.7			
PERCENT CHANGE IN INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY TRAVEL 1975 VS. 1974												
MAIN RURAL	6.5	7.4	7.7	2.0	4.8	4.9	4.1	2.4	1.9			
LOCAL RURAL	2.8	3.3	2.5	1.3	3.4	3.5	2.7	1.6	1.4			
URBAN	4.8	7.3	4.9	2.3	3.2	3.0	1.8	0.4	2.4			
ALL SYSTEMS	5.1	6.9	5.5	2.1	3.8	3.8	2.8	1.3	2.1			

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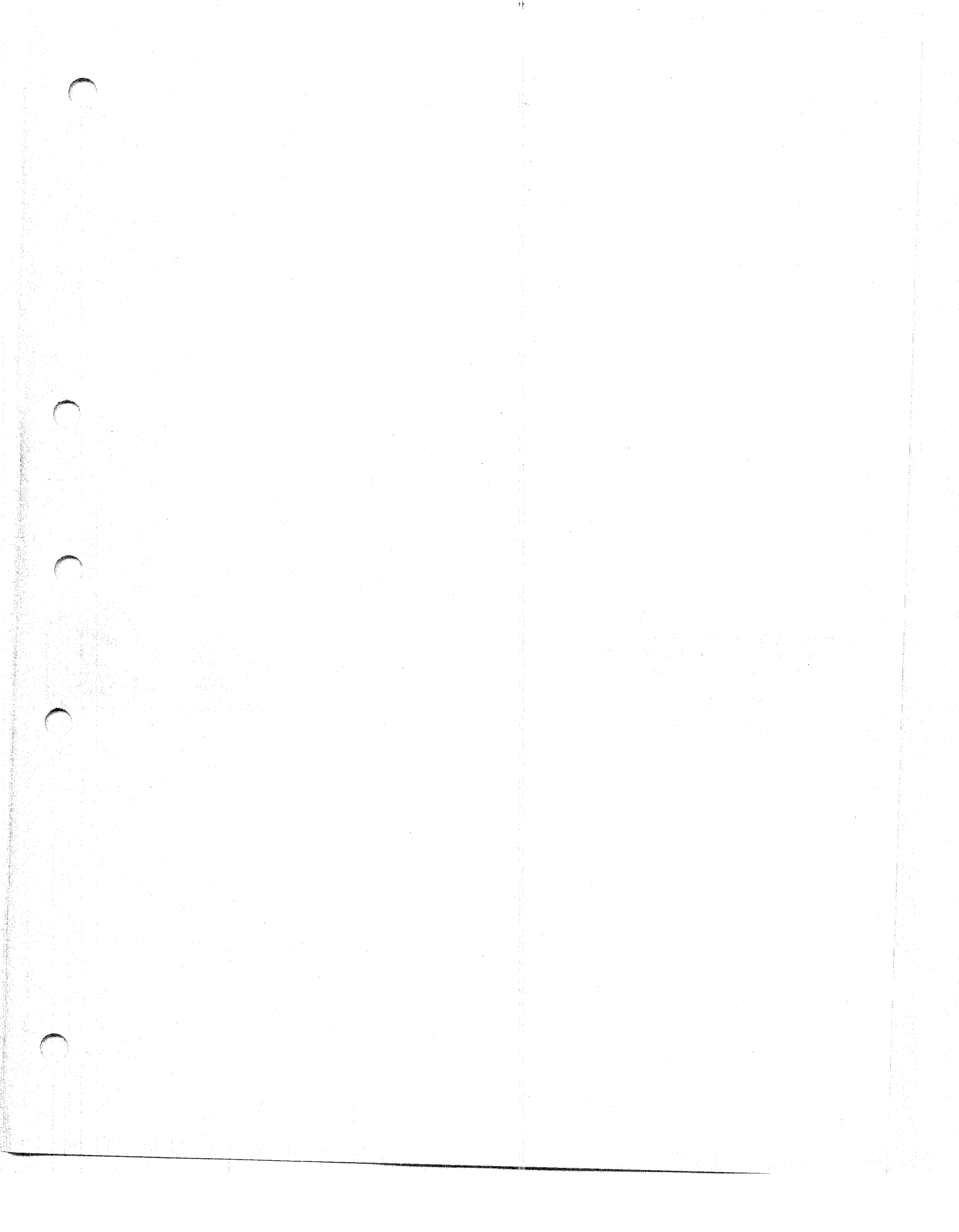
TABLE 4.
 ESTIMATED CUMULATIVE MONTHLY MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES ***

SYSTEM	MONTH											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1974 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS*												
MAIN RURAL	29.7	57.5	90.8	126.4	166.0	207.4	253.0	299.3	337.8	377.1	412.3	447.5
LOCAL RURAL	10.0	19.6	30.6	41.9	53.9	66.1	78.6	91.5	103.0	115.4	126.7	137.4
URBAN	52.5	99.8	155.0	211.4	271.2	330.6	392.8	456.4	514.8	575.3	631.9	690.1
ALL SYSTEMS	92.2	176.9	276.4	379.8	491.2	604.1	724.3	847.2	955.6	1067.8	1170.8	1274.9
1975 CUMULATIVE MONTHLY VEHICLE-MILES OF TRAVEL IN BILLIONS**												
MAIN RURAL	31.6	61.5	97.3	133.7	175.1	218.6	266.0	313.5	352.7			
LOCAL RURAL	10.2	20.2	31.5	42.9	55.3	68.0	80.8	93.9	105.5			
URBAN	55.0	105.8	163.7	221.5	283.2	344.3	407.6	471.5	531.3			
ALL SYSTEMS	96.9	187.5	292.5	398.0	513.7	630.9	754.4	878.9	989.5			
PERCENT CHANGE IN CUMULATIVE MONTHLY TRAVEL 1975 VS. 1974												
MAIN RURAL	6.5	6.9	7.2	5.7	5.5	5.4	5.2	4.7	4.4			
LOCAL RURAL	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.4	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.5			
URBAN	4.8	6.0	5.6	4.7	4.4	4.2	3.8	3.3	3.2			
ALL SYSTEMS	5.1	6.0	5.8	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.6			

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