Note

The following Table provides traffic trend information derived from a small sample set of traffic counters located on the national road network.

The information below covers the morning period from 7am until 10am. The trend for car traffic from this period of the day generally correlates closely with the overall daily trend in car traffic at each location.

This summary is produced daily.



Transport Infrastructure Ireland National Road Car Traffic Report Morning Period (7am – 10am)

Friday 3rd July 2020

Traffic Counter	Traffic Volume (Cars Only)	Comparison with same day 2019	Comparison with same day last week
M50 J6-J7 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road)	16,225	-34%	+3%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,971	-36%	+9%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	12,244	-27%	+2%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	6,772	-24%	+5%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,885	-35%	+8%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	5,243	-32%	+8%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	11,895	-26%	+5%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,381	-32%	+9%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	8,678	-31%	+6%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	10,734	-29%	+5%

Introductory Remarks

- ➤ In the initial three weeks following the introduction of the March 27th restrictions, traffic volumes were very consistent. Overall traffic volumes were typically down approximately 65-70% across the national road network.
- From Tuesday 21st April, an upward trend in car traffic volumes became apparent.
- ➤ In response, daily traffic figures are being provided in order to more closely monitor the trends. Traffic figures are measured from 7am to 10am so as to provide an early indicator each day.
- ➤ Weekly heavy goods vehicle traffic has remained largely stable and accordingly the daily figures provided are for cars only.
- ➤ The changes day-to-day are not cumulative they compare only the current day's figures versus the same day in the previous week and the same day last year.

Daily Data for Friday 3rd July

- ➤ Car traffic volume growth today as compared with Friday 26th June is lower than the growth rates experienced earlier in the week.
- ➤ Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 24% and 36% of the volumes of one year ago, across the sampled traffic counters.
- ➤ Car traffic just south of the Northern Ireland Border on the N1 at Jonesboro is up 9% today as compared with Friday 26th June. The overall reduction in car traffic at this counter is now 36%.
- ➤ Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin show an increase this morning as compared with Friday of last week of between 2% and 6%. Car traffic is up 6% on the M11 at Bray, 5% on the N7 at Citywest, 5% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth and 2% on the M1 at Swords to Airport. These growth figures are lower than the growth levels recorded yesterday and earlier in the week.
- ➤ The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a 3% increase as compared with Friday 26th June. This is lower than the average growth rates recorded today on the radial approach routes, but consistent with the M1 growth.
- ➤ In the case of the regional cities the increase in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Friday 26th June is as follows: M9 Waterford 9%, M7 Limerick 8%, N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 8% and N40 Cork 5%. These growth figures are similar to yesterday's growth rates for the regional cities and somewhat higher than the average level of growth experienced on the Dublin radial routes this morning.
- ➤ Overall this week, car traffic growth levels were higher in the earlier part of the week following the Phase 3 lifting of restrictions on Monday 29th January. Growth in car traffic as compared with the same day last week has generally reduced as the week progressed.