Note

The following summary Table, produced daily, 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.



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

Tuesday 3rd November 2020

Traffic Counter	Traffic Volume (Cars Only)	Comparison with same day 2019	Comparison with same day last week	Comparison with same day pre-Level 3
M50 J6-J7 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road)	17,891	-34%	+12%	-9%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,646	-54%	+22%	-35%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	14,077	-26%	+16%	-10%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	6,962	-26%	+10%	-18%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	3,432	-30%	+19%	-9%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	6,613	-37%	+24%	-9%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	12,992	-33%	+15%	-9%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,701	-34%	+23%	-10%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	9,888	-33%	+31%	-13%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	13,315	-28%	+30%	-8%
N2 (20024) north of Monaghan	537	-26%	+10%	-13%
N3 (20036) north of Belturbet	367	-34%	+9%	-22%
N13 (1131) east of Derry	885	-37%	+37%	-10%
N15 (1151) south of Lifford	489	-29%	+28%	-8%
N16 (1161) east of Manorhamilton	270	-23%	+18%	-10%

Introductory Remarks

- From Tuesday 21st April, an upward trend in car traffic volumes became apparent. In response, daily traffic figures were provided by TII from 29th April in order to more closely monitor traffic trends. Traffic figures were measured from 7am to 10am so as to provide an early indicator each day.
- ➤ Weekly heavy goods vehicle traffic had remained largely stable and accordingly the daily figures provided were for cars only.
- ➤ The changes recorded 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.
- ➤ With the introduction of countrywide Level 3 restrictions from midnight on Friday 9th October, TII has again reverted to providing a daily update.
- From Friday 16th October, following the introduction of Level 4 restrictions in the border counties of Cavan, Monaghan and Donegal, counters close to the border on the N2, N3, N13, N15 and N16 have been added.
- ➤ Since Thursday 22nd October, Level 5 restrictions have been in place countrywide.

Daily Data for Tuesday 3rd November

- ➤ Following the end of the mid-term school break and the return to classes yesterday, today's car traffic figures show a significant increase in volumes as compared with Tuesday of last week.
- ➤ Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between -23% and -54% 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 shows an increase today of 22% as compared with Tuesday 27th October and a decrease of -35% since the start of the Level 3 restrictions on 5th October.
- ➤ In the case of the non-motorway border counter sites, traffic volumes today show an increase of between 9% and 37% as compared with Tuesday of last week and a decrease of between -8% and -22% since 5th October. It should be noted that traffic volumes at the N2, N3, N14, N15 and N16 counters are lower than at the motorway traffic counters and are likely to display wider fluctuations in traffic figures than other traffic counters.
- ➤ Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin this morning show a marked increase as compared with Tuesday of last week. Car traffic is up 31% on the M11 at Bra,y, -16% on the M1 at Swords to Airport, 15% on the N7 at Citywest and 10% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth. Comparisons with the same day prior to the start of the Level 3 restrictions on 5th October are as follows: down -9% on the N7 at Citywest, -10% on the M1 at Swords to Airport, -13% on the M11 at Bray and -18% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth.
- ➤ The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a 12% decrease as compared with Tuesday 27th October. This reflects the general increase in peak time car traffic volumes on the radial approaches to the city this week.
- In the case of the regional cities there is a significant increase in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Tuesday 27th October, in response of the return of schools. The traffic volume changes are as follows: N40 Cork 30%, M7 Limerick 24%, M9 Waterford 23% and N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 19%. Comparisons with the same day prior to the start of the Level 3 restrictions on 5th October are as follows: N40 Cork -8%, N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway -9%, M7 Limerick -9% and M9 Waterford -10%.