


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 12th June 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)	14,071	-45%	+8%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,540	-50%	+6%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	11,173	-37%	+8%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	5,896	-37%	+7%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,539	-44%	+7%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	4,652	-45%	+12%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	10,337	-38%	+10%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,152	-42%	+9%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	7,035	-45%	+9%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	9,601	-42%	+8%

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.
- Heavy goods vehicle traffic did not experience the same initial level of reduction in volumes as car traffic and has experience a slow and gradual growth since April. In order to better focus on the impacts of the reopening of the economy on car traffic, 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 12th June

- The increase in car traffic volumes today as compared with Friday 5th June is generally similar to yesterday’s figures. There is less variation in traffic growth today between counters than on some of the earlier days during the week.
- Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 37% and 50% 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 6% today as compared with Friday 5th June. The overall reduction in car traffic at this counter is now closer to the typical level of car traffic reduction across the other sample traffic counters.
- Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin show an increase this morning as compared with Friday of last week of between 5% and 10%. Car traffic is up 10% on the N7 at Citywest, 9% on the M11 at Bray, 8% on the M1 at Swords to Airport and 7% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth. These growth levels are similar to those recorded yesterday and show less variability across the sample traffic counters than earlier in the week.
- The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows an 8% increase as compared with Friday 5th June. This is consistent with the growth rates recorded today on the radial approach routes.
- In the case of the regional cities the increase in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Friday 5th June is as follows: M7 Limerick 12%, M9 Waterford 9%, N40 Cork 8%, and N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 7%. These figures are in overall terms somewhat higher than the growth rates experienced earlier in the week and show less variation in growth rates between the regional cities.

As a general conclusion, this morning’s increase in car traffic across the sample traffic counters is broadly consistent with traffic growth to-date this week.