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 5th 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)	12,979	-49%	+7%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,459	-54%	+15%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	10,343	-42%	+7%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	5,527	-40%	+6%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,364	-48%	+1%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	4,153	-50%	+5%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	9,432	-44%	+5%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,061	-48%	+5%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	6,475	-49%	+7%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	8,918	-44%	+2%

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 5th June

- ➤ The increase in car traffic volumes today as compared with Friday 29th May is lower than the rate of increase in previous weeks and consistent with the slow-down in car traffic growth evident so far this week.
- ➤ Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 40% 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 is up 15% today as compared with Friday 29th May. This counter, which had experienced the greatest reduction in traffic of all the sample counters, is now experiencing the strongest re-bound in car traffic figures. The overall reduction in car traffic at this counter is now much 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 7%. Car traffic is up 7% on the M1 at Swords to Airport, 7% on the M11 at Bray, 6% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth and 5% on the N7 at Citywest. These growth figures are below the growth figures experienced last week, but somewhat higher than earlier in the current week.
- ➤ The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a 7% increase as compared with Friday 29th May. 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 29th May is as follows: M9 Waterford 5%, M7 Limerick 5%, N40 Cork 2% and N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 1%. These figures continue this week's pattern of lower growth rates as compared with recent weeks.

As a general conclusion, this morning's increase in car traffic across the sample traffic counters generally continues the week's trend of lower growth than has been experienced in previous weeks.