

## 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.

			
<b>Transport Infrastructure Ireland</b>			
<b>National Road Car Traffic Report</b>			
<b>Morning Period (7am – 10am)</b>			
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020</b>			
<b>Traffic Counter</b>	<b>Traffic Volume (Cars Only)</b>	<b>Comparison with same day 2019</b>	<b>Comparison with same day last week</b>
M50 J6-J7 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road)	17,728	-35%	+1%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	2,413	-31%	+5%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	13,562	-25%	+1%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	7,587	-23%	-1%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	3,129	-30%	-1%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	5,699	-30%	+2%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	13,196	-27%	+3%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,654	-28%	+3%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	9,635	-28%	+3%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	11,607	-28%	+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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

- Car traffic volume growth today as compared with Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July is generally consistent with the low levels of growth experienced last week and to-date this week across the sample counters.
- Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 23% and 35% 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 5% as compared with Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July. This reverses the drop in car traffic volumes that has occurred to-date this week.
- Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin show an increase this morning as compared with Thursday of last week of between 1% and 4%. Car traffic is up 3% on the N7 at Citywest, 3% on the M11 at Bray, 1% on the M1 at Swords to Airport and -1% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth.
- The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a 1% increase as compared with Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July. This is consistent with the low 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 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July is as follows: M9 Waterford 3%, N40 Cork 2%, M7 Limerick 2% and N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway -1%. The low growth levels this morning continue the trend of the past week.