### 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)

# Wednesday 8th December 2021

Traffic Counter	Traffic Volume (Cars	same day 2019	Comparison with same day 2020	same day last
	Only)			week
M50 J6-J7 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road)	20,212	-23%	+4%	-8%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	2,798	-23%	+15%	-5%
M1 J1-J2 (M50 to Dublin Airport)	16,918	-24%	-1%	-12%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	8,242	-12%	-1%	-10%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,840	-40%	-24%	-17%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	6,087	-41%	-18%	-27%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	13,927	-26%	-7%	-9%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,592	-33%	-15%	-19%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	9,703	-31%	-14%	-20%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	11,503	-36%	-23%	-24%
N2 (20024) north of Monaghan	648	-14%	+2%	-3%
N3 (20036) north of Belturbet	421	-28%	+4%	-14%
N13 (1131) west of Derry	-	-	-	-
N15 (1151) south of Lifford	487	-32%	-9%	-24%
N16 (1161) east of Manorhamilton	211	-49%	-27%	-30%

## **Introductory Remarks**

- > 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 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.
- ➤ Level 3 restriction came into effect on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

# Daily Data for Wednesday 8th December 2021

- ➤ This morning's traffic numbers were impacted due to Storm Barra, therefore, the traffic numbers and comparisons should be read as a singular event and not as a meaningful pattern or trend.
- ➤ Overall, this morning's traffic volumes show a substantial decrease as compared to those one week previous, Wednesday 1st December 2021, and as compared to traffic volumes to the same day in 2020.
- ➤ Car traffic just south of the Northern Ireland Border on the N1 at Jonesboro shows a -5% change as compared with Wednesday 1st December and a +15% change as compared to the same day in 2020.
- ➤ In the case of the non-motorway border counter sites, traffic volumes today show changes of between -30% and -3% as compared with Wednesday 1st December. The changes in car traffic volumes since the same day in 2020 ranges from -27% on the N16 east of Manorhamilton to +4% on the N3 north of Belturbet. It should be noted that traffic volumes at the N2, N3, N13, 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. Data and comparisons for the N13 west of Derry have been excluded from today's report due to a fault in the traffic counter.
- ➤ Traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin, comparisons with Wednesday 1st December are as follows: -12% on the M1 at M50 to Airport, -9% on the N7 at Citywest, -20% on the M11 at Bray and -10% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth. Comparisons with the same day in 2020 are as follows: -1% on the M1 at M50 to Airport, -14% on the M11 at Bray, -1% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth, and -7% on the N7 at Citywest.
- ➤ The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a -8% change as compared with Wednesday 1st December and a +4% change as compared with the same day in 2020.
- ➤ In the case of the regional cities the changes in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Wednesday 1st December are as follows: N6 Galway -17%, N40 Cork -24%, M9 Waterford -19%, and M7 Limerick -27%. Comparisons with the same day 2020 are as follows: N6 Galway -24%, N40 Cork -23%, M9 Waterford -15% and M7 Limerick -18%.