## 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)

# Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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)	13,568	-47%	+8%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,571	-57%	+13%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	10,774	-40%	+6%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	6,071	-32%	+7%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,558	-44%	+9%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	4,385	-50%	+7%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	10,107	-40%	+5%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,191	-48%	+6%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	6,796	-47%	+8%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	9,515	-43%	+8%

## **Introductory Remarks**

- ➤ In the initial three weeks following the introduction of the March 27<sup>th</sup> 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 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

- ➤ The increase in car traffic volumes today as compared with Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May continues the trend of increased traffic growth that has been apparent in recent weeks and is broadly similar to last week's growth levels.
- ➤ Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 32% and 57% 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 13% as compared with Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. This is the highest rate of growth across the sample traffic counters, although conversely this remains the counter with the greatest reduction in traffic as compared with one year ago.
- ➤ Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin show an increase this morning as compared with Tuesday of last week of between 5% and 8%. Car traffic is up 8% on the M11 at Bray, 7% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth, 6% on the M1 at Swords to Airport and 5% on the N7 at Citywest. These figures are similar to the growth figures experienced last week.
- ➤ The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows an 8% increase as compared with Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. This is similar to last week's rate of car traffic growth on the M50 and is consistent with the growth rates recorded on the radial approach routes today.
- ➤ In the case of the regional cities the increase in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May are as follows: N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 9%, N40 Cork 8%, M7 Limerick 7% and M9 Waterford 6%. These traffic growth levels are similar to the growth levels experienced in the Dublin region today.

As a general conclusion, this morning's increase in car traffic across the sample traffic counters is broadly consistent with growth in car traffic last week. However growth figures are only a quarter to a third of the growth figures experienced throughout the week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> May.