


## 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>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 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)	12,133	-52%	+5%
M1 North of J20 (South of Border at Jonesboro)	1,265	-60%	+4%
M1 J2-J3 (Dublin Airport to Swords)	9,628	-45%	+4%
M4 J6-J7 (Between Celbridge and Maynooth)	5,211	-43%	+4%
N6 Bóthar na dTreabh, Galway	2,346	-47%	+13%
M7 J29-J30 Limerick SRR (Ballysimon to Rosbrien)	3,951	-51%	+6%
N7 J3-J4 (Citywest)	9,015	-46%	+6%
M9 J11-J12 (Mullinavat to Waterford)	1,011	-51%	+9%
M11 J5-J6 (Between Bray North and Bray Central)	6,067	-52%	+8%
N40 Cork SRR (Kinsale Road to Douglas)	8,774	-47%	+12%

### **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 22<sup>nd</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 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

- The increase in car traffic volumes today as compared with Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May continues the trend of increased traffic growth that has been apparent in recent weeks but is reduced as compared with last week’s growth levels.
- Overall, car traffic today is typically down by between 43% and 60% of the volumes of one year ago, across the sampled traffic counters.
- Traffic just south of the Northern Ireland Border on the N1 at Jonesboro is up 4% as compared with Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. This is significantly lower than the rate of growth experienced last week and generally lower than growth rates earlier in the current week.
- Car traffic volumes on the radial routes into Dublin show an increase this morning as compared with Friday of last week of between 4% and 8%. Car traffic is up 8% on the M11 at Bray, 6% on the N7 at Citywest, 4% on the M4 at Celbridge-Maynooth and 4% on the M1 at Swords to Airport. These figures are somewhat lower than the growth figures experienced earlier in the week.
- The M50 (N3 Navan Road to N4 Galway Road) shows a 5% increase as compared with Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. This is significantly less than the rate of car traffic growth on the M50 experienced last week and is also lower than growth rates earlier this week.
- In the case of the regional cities the increase in car traffic volumes this morning as compared with Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May are as follows: N6 Bóthar na dTreabh Galway 13%, N40 Cork 12%, and M9 Waterford 9% and M7 Limerick 6%. These traffic growth levels continue the growth trend evident in recent weeks.

As a general conclusion, this morning’s increase in car traffic on the radial approaches to Dublin is lower than earlier in the week. Car traffic growth at the regional cities is generally somewhat higher than earlier in the week.