

Maryland

State Highway Administration

Highway Indicators Statistical Report 2000



Maryland Quick Statistics:

Population 1960 – 3.1 million
Population 1990 – 4.8 million
Population 2000 – 5.3 million
Population 2020 – 6.1 million (est.)
Growth 1960-2000 – 71%

Source: US Census Bureau

Annual Vehicle Miles of Travel (Billions)

All Roads:
2000 – 50.3
1995 – 44.9
1990 – 40.5
1980 – 28.5

77% of the Maryland Population lives in an urban area, while the urban area comprises 17.5% of the total land area.

70% of the total statewide vehicle miles of travel occurs in Maryland's urban areas, and 50% of all highway lane miles are in an urban area.

One of six states honored by the American Planning Association as “exemplary models” for smart growth planning in a report called “Planning for the 21st Century” that profiles the six states and praises them for taking “exceptional action toward modernizing planning laws to address urban sprawl, open space protection, public transit and other community planning needs.”