

Americans Driving at Record Pace

(Washington, D.C.)—The American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA) says that if Congress needs another reason for enacting a robust, multi-year highway and transit investment bill, a new report from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) provides one—vehicle miles travelled (VMT) in the U.S. continue to climb and are on pace for a record-setting year.

The FHWA's monthly "Traffic Volume Trends" report, released this week, says over the past 12 months Americans have driven a record 3.07 *trillion* miles. VMT was up 3.9 percent in April, compared to April 2014, according to FHWA.

The report shows VMT has increased 36 percent since 1993, when the federal motor fuels excise rate was last adjusted.

