

The 1990 household survey reports the highest average annual miles per vehicle and the 2009 survey reports the lowest. The low average in 2009 is evidence that the vehicle-miles are growing at a slower rate than the number of vehicles. These data show that younger vehicles are typically driven more miles than older vehicles.

Table 8.9
Average Annual Miles per Household Vehicle by Vehicle Age

Vehicle age (years)	1983 self-reported	1990 self-reported	1995 self-reported	2001 self-reported	2009 self-reported
Under 1	8,200	19,600	15,900	15,500	12,800
1	15,200	16,800	16,800	14,300	13,800
2	16,800	16,600	15,500	14,000	13,500
3	14,500	14,700	14,400	13,100	12,500
4	13,000	13,600	14,100	12,500	11,800
5	12,100	12,900	13,500	12,000	11,700
6	11,300	13,200	13,200	11,800	11,300
7	10,000	12,400	12,800	11,600	11,000
8	9,800	12,600	12,200	10,900	10,300
9	9,000	11,500	12,200	10,800	9,900
10 and older	7,300	9,200	8,900	7,400	7,300
All household vehicles	10,400	12,500	12,200	11,100	10,100

Sources:

Nationwide Personal Transportation Study—1983: D. Klinger and J. Richard Kuzmyak, COMSIS Corporation, *Personal Travel in the United States, Volume 1: 1983–84 Nationwide Personal Travel Study*, prepared for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC, August 1986, Table 4-22, p.4-21. 1990: Generated from the 1990 Nationwide Personal Transportation Study Public Use Tape, March 1992. 1995, 2001 and 2009: Generated from the Internet site: nhts.ornl.gov. 2009 data are preliminary. (Additional resources: www.fhwa.dot.gov, www.eia.doe.gov)

Note: Data include all household vehicles, and have been rounded to the nearest hundred.

