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Driver Tips for Fourth of July Weekend 2011: US 2, I-90, I-5



■ Peak Independence Day Routes. Find the best time to travel on I-5, I-90 Snoqualmie Pass, US 2, and I-5 near the U.S. Canadian border.

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State highways across Washington will see typical heavy holiday weekend traffic. Longer-than typical wait times at [ferry docks](#) and Canadian border crossings are also expected most of the holiday weekend.

WSDOT crews work hard to ensure that travelers reach their destination safely and advise drivers to plan ahead to save time and frustration. Travel times are significantly lighter Wednesday and Thursday morning and on Tuesday.

Current traffic incidents or adverse weather can result in traffic congestion outside the hours shown.

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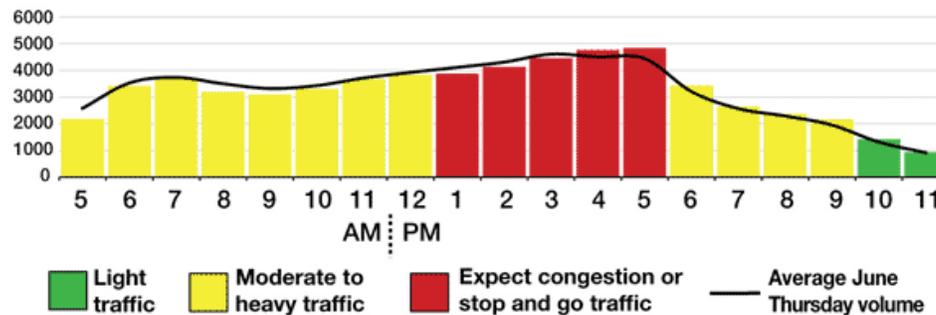
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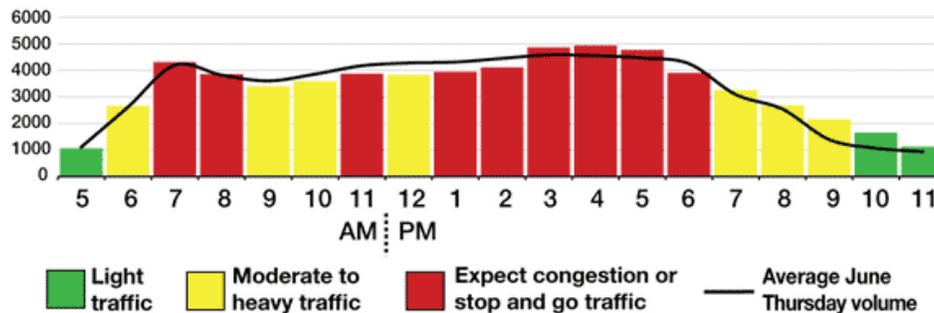
The black line running from left to right show typical summer traffic. This gives drivers more information on how the Independence Day 2011 holiday weekend travel may relate to a typical summer weekend.

Check the graphs below to find the best times to travel on I-5 north of Olympia through Tacoma.

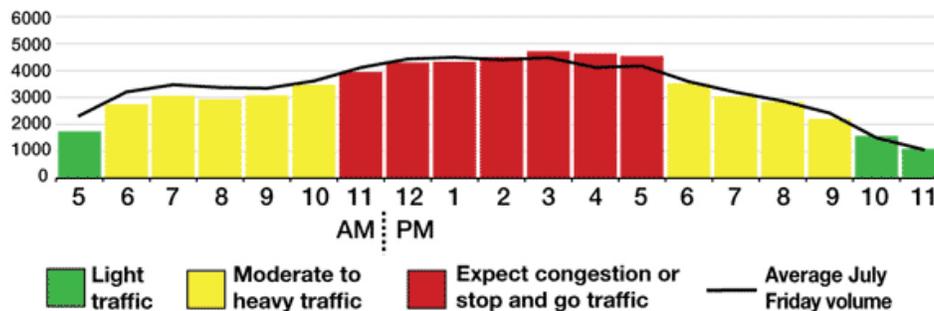
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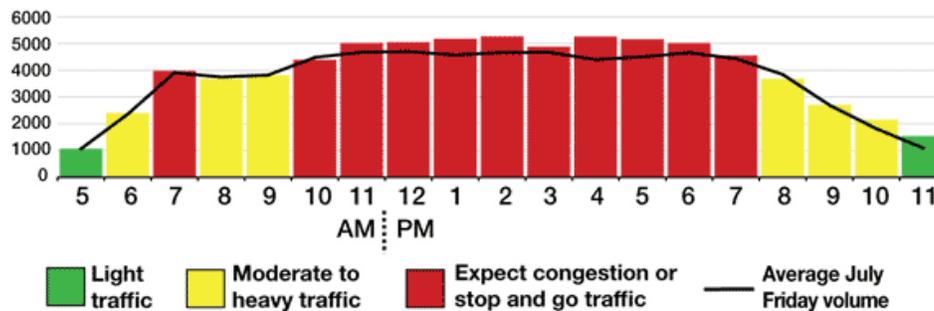
I-5 Southbound Thursday, June 30 Typical Traffic Volume Tacoma to Olympia



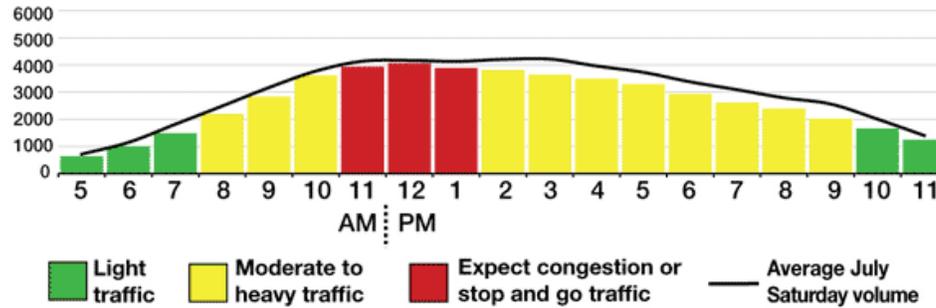
I-5 Northbound Friday, July 1 Typical Traffic Volume Olympia to Tacoma



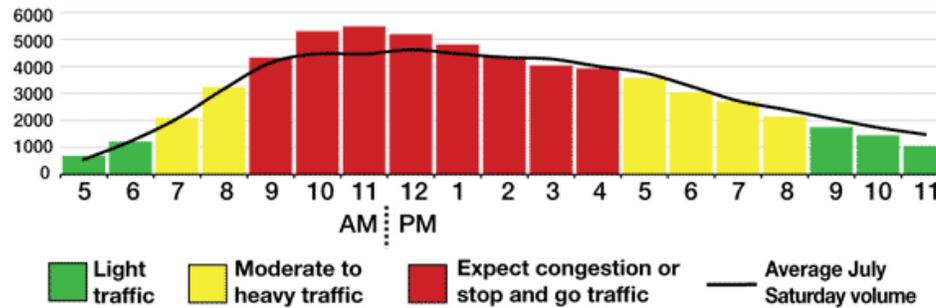
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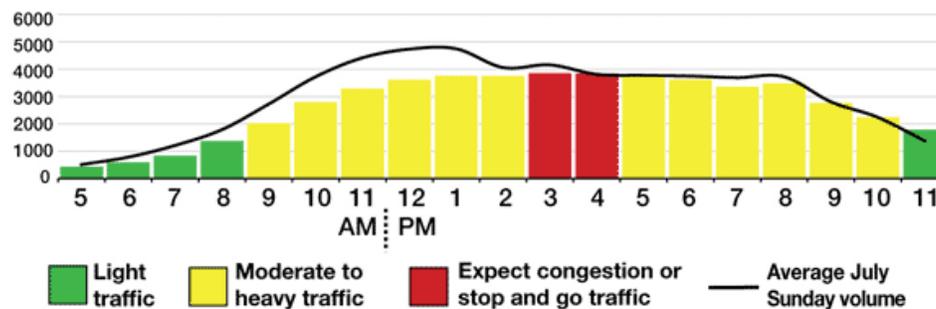
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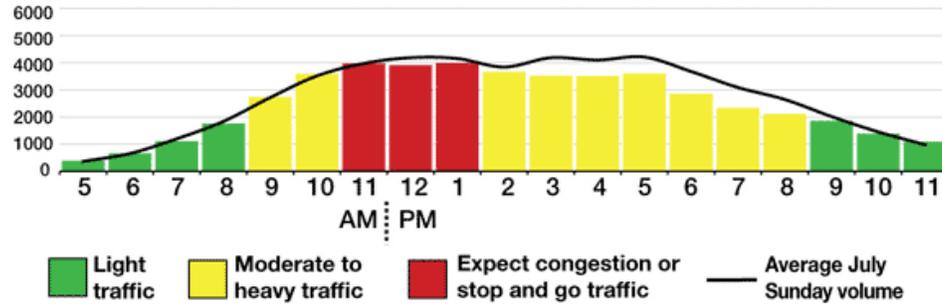
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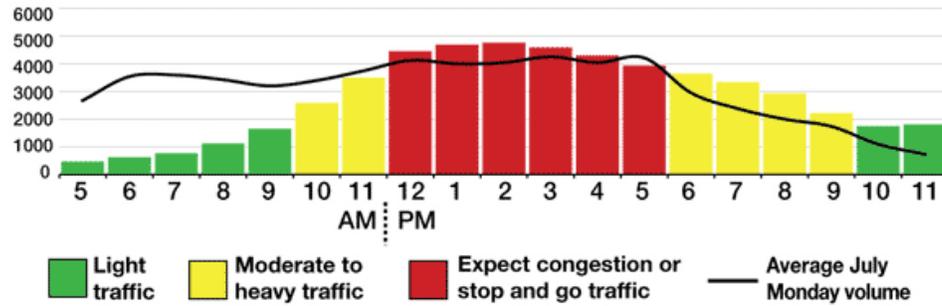
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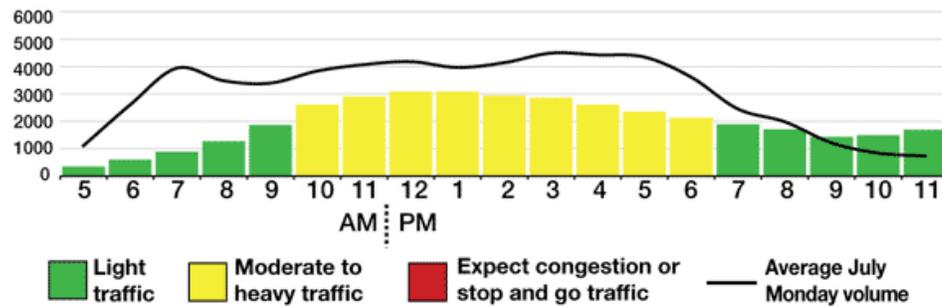
I-5 Southbound Sunday, July 3 Typical Traffic Volume Tacoma to Olympia



I-5 Northbound Monday, July 4 Typical Traffic Volume Olympia to Tacoma



I-5 Southbound Monday, July 4 Typical Traffic Volume Tacoma to Olympia





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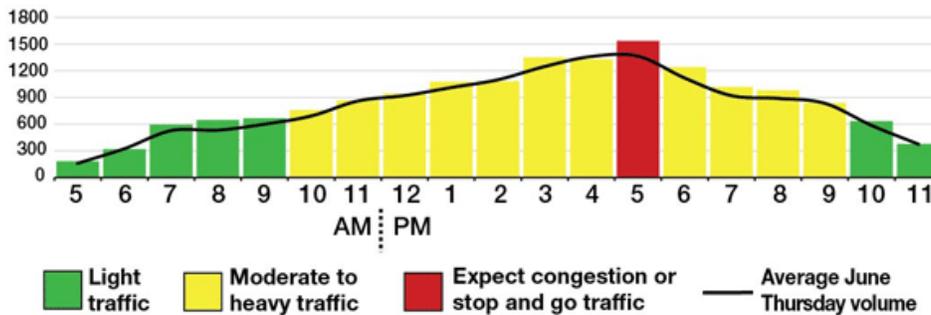
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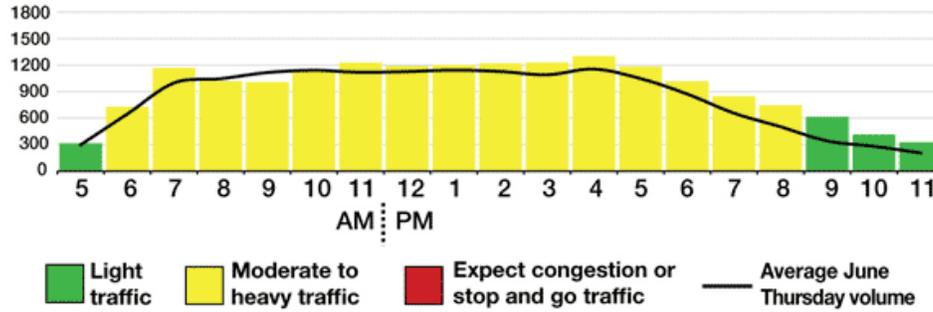
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Check the graphs below to find the best times to travel on I-5 near the U.S./Canada border.

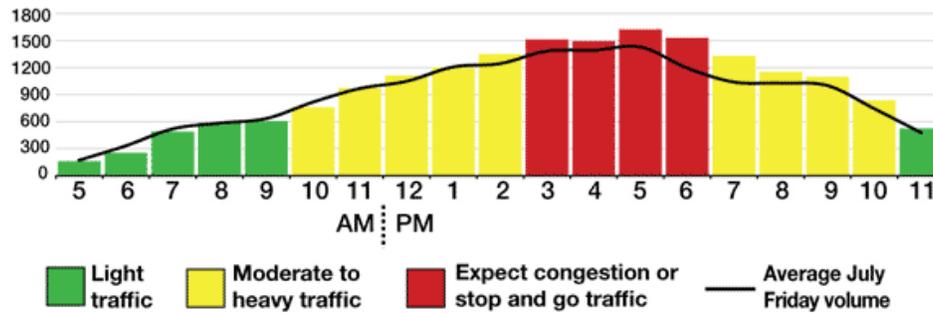
I-5 Northbound Thursday, June 30 Typical Traffic Volume Bellingham to Canadian Border



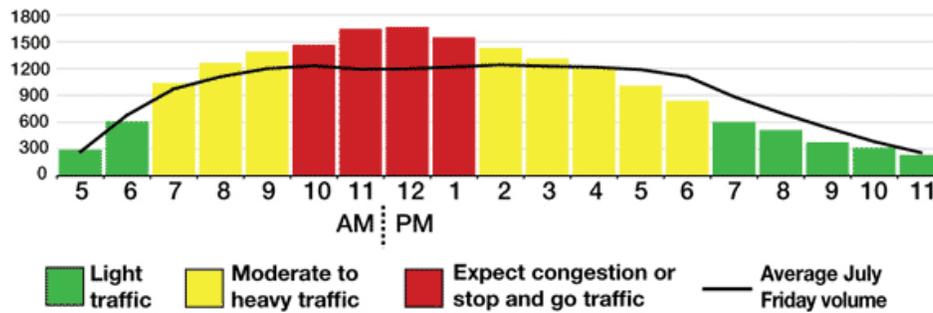
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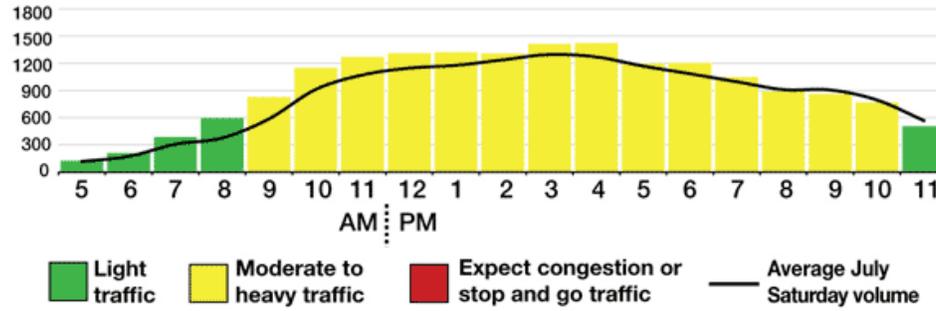
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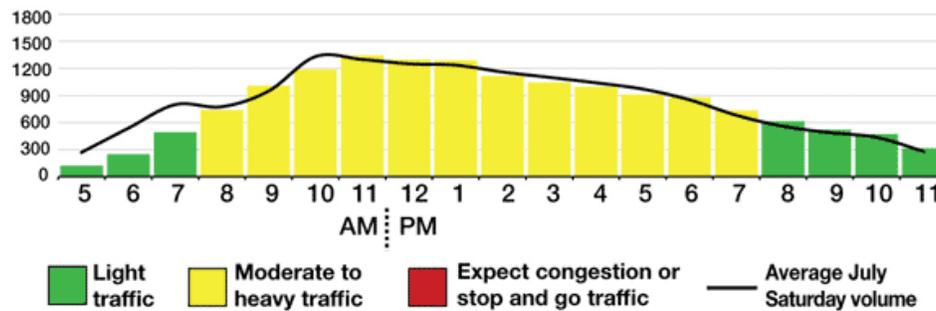
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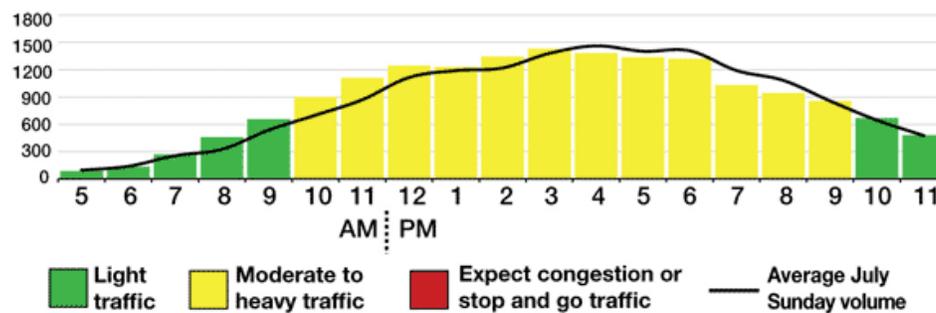
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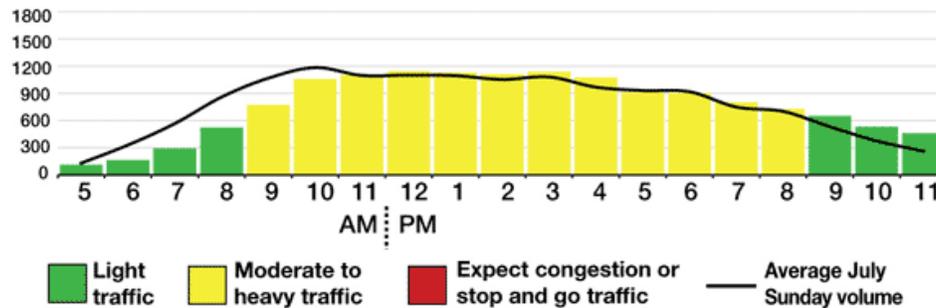
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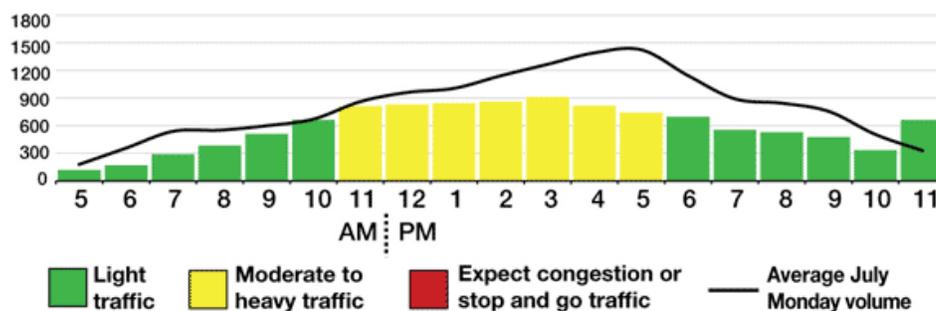
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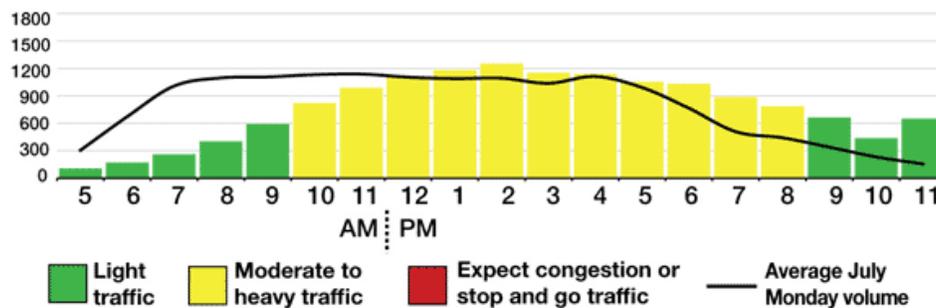
I-5 Southbound Sunday, July 3 Typical Traffic Volume Canadian Border to Bellingham



I-5 Northbound Monday, July 4 Typical Traffic Volume Bellingham to Canadian Border



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Check the graphs below to find the best times to travel on I-90 between North Bend and Cle Elum.

I-90 Eastbound Thursday, June 30 Typical Traffic Volume North Bend to Cle Elum



I-90 - Cle Elum to North Bend (Westbound) Thursday, June 30

No backups or delays expected.

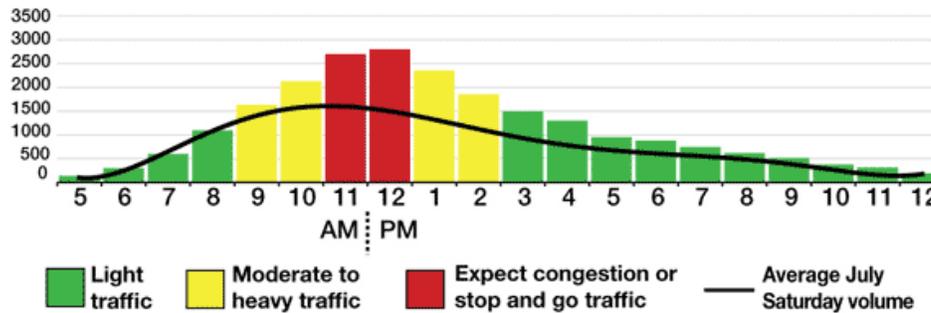
I-90 Eastbound Friday, July 1 Typical Traffic Volume North Bend to Cle Elum



I-90 - Cle Elum to North Bend (Westbound) Friday, July 1

No backups or delays expected.

I-90 Eastbound Saturday, July 2 Typical Traffic Volume North Bend to Cle Elum



I-90 - Cle Elum to North Bend (Westbound) Saturday, July 2

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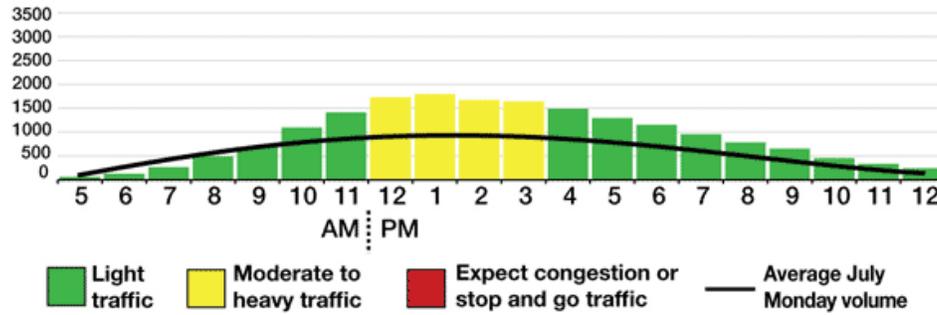
I-90 - North Bend to Cle Elum (Eastbound) Sunday, July 3

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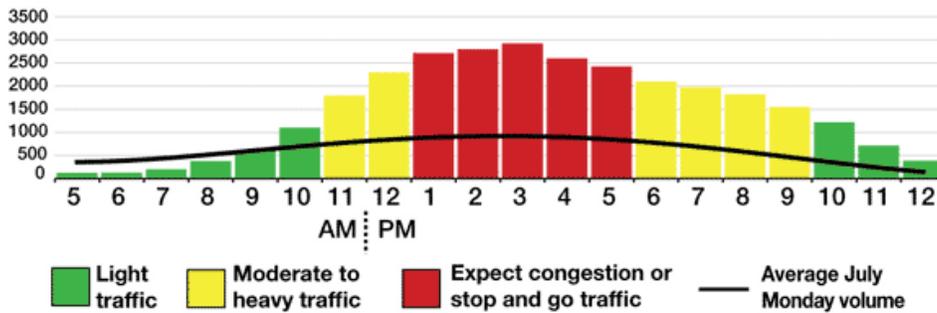
I-90 Westbound Sunday, July 3 Typical Traffic Volume Cle Elum to North Bend



I-90 Eastbound Monday, July 4 Typical Traffic Volume North Bend to Cle Elum



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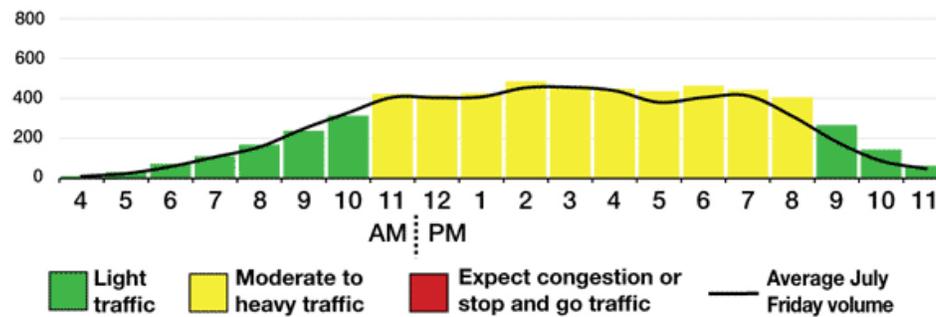
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Check the graphs below to find the best times to travel on US 2 between Everett and Leavenworth.

US 2 Eastbound Friday, July 1 Typical Traffic Volume Stevens Pass to Leavenworth



US 2 - Leavenworth to Stevens Pass (Westbound) Friday, July 1

No backups or delays expected.

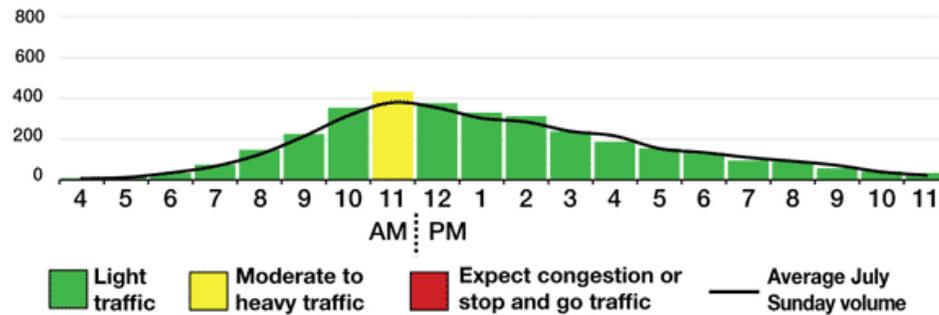
US 2 Eastbound Saturday, July 2 Typical Traffic Volume Stevens Pass to Leavenworth



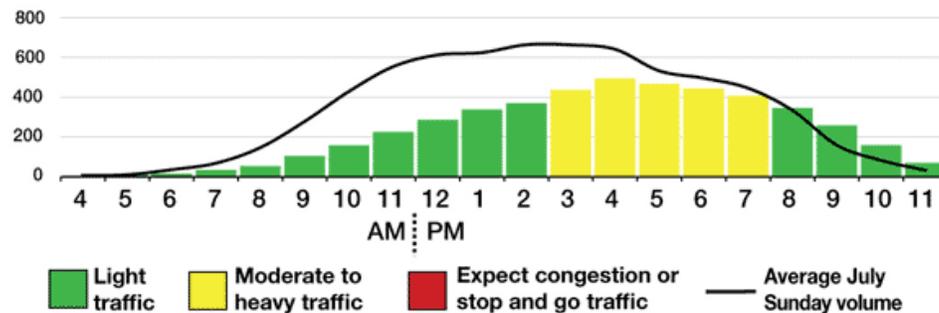
US 2 - Leavenworth to Stevens Pass (Westbound) Saturday, July 2

No backups or delays expected.

US 2 Eastbound Sunday, July 3 Typical Traffic Volume Stevens Pass to Leavenworth



US 2 Westbound Sunday, July 3 Typical Traffic Volume Leavenworth to Stevens Pass



US 2 - Stevens Pass to Leavenworth (Eastbound) Monday, July 4

No backups or delays expected.

US 2 Westbound Monday, July 4 Typical Traffic Volume Leavenworth to Stevens Pass

