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Network length

2010 marks a significant watershed in the development of the Irish motorway network. Beginning in 1999 and continuing in subsequent years the government's National Development Plan (NDP) awarded a total of 8 tolled PPP projects in this period. These projects along with the authorities own ambitious programme which included significant upgrades to the M50 orbital route around Dublin, the introduction of free flow tolling on the M50 and the opening of the Dublin Port tunnel have provided Ireland with a comprehensive and modern motorway network. The final 3 PPP projects under the existing NDP were delivered in 2010 bringing the tolled network to 337km. The length of the national network is some 5,500km, this includes above but excludes non-national motorway lengths roads(regional and local road networks). The (NDP) was superseded by a government transport initiative labelled Transport 21 which was to be the next phase of road and transport initiatives. The current funding crisis and the change of government make it unclear as to whether any new projects will emerge for 2011.

Openings in 2011

There are no new openings planned for 2011 as the current roads program has been successfully delivered.

Investments

Investment in the roads network in 2010 was in excess of €1.1 billion. As stated there are no forecasts for 2011.

Financing

Financing comprises state funding, bank loans including the EIB and sponsors equity.

Traffic

In 2010 the GDP was -0.6% compared to -7.6% in 2009.

As we operate fixed point tolling we are unable to provide traffic growth or average km intensity by comparison to a stable network.

Tolls

As the consumer price index was negative 2010 tolls were held at the previous year's rates.

The average tariff per kilometre for light vehicles is €0.0164 per km and €0.049 per km for vehicles with 4 axles or more

Revenues

Toll revenue was up from €175 million in 2009 to €184 million in 2010.

Main ASECAP Key Figures

CountryIreland	2010
Network Length 337km	
2 x 2 lanes 313km	
2 x 3 lanes 3 km	
2 x 4 lanes 21 km	
No of km in construction	0 km
Forecasts of opening motorway section	0 km
Annual toll Revenue	€184 m
Permanent Staff	681
Average daily traffic (LV)	201,281
Average daily traffic (HV)	50,135
Average daily traffic (LV + HV)	251,415
Total Number of accidents	327
No. of personal injury accidents	37
No. of dead	02
Km travelled (10 ⁶ x km) (1)	2235 x 10 ⁶ km
No of toll plazas (2)	18
No of lanes	150
No of teletoll equipped lane s	148
No of teletoll subscribers	860,000
No of rest areas (with station services)	4
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No of restaurants	12
No of hotels	1

Footnotes

Estimated as toll are based on passage through a plaza location rather that on distance travelled between 2 plazas
 Including secondary/Ramp Plazas at some toll plazas along with M50 free flow