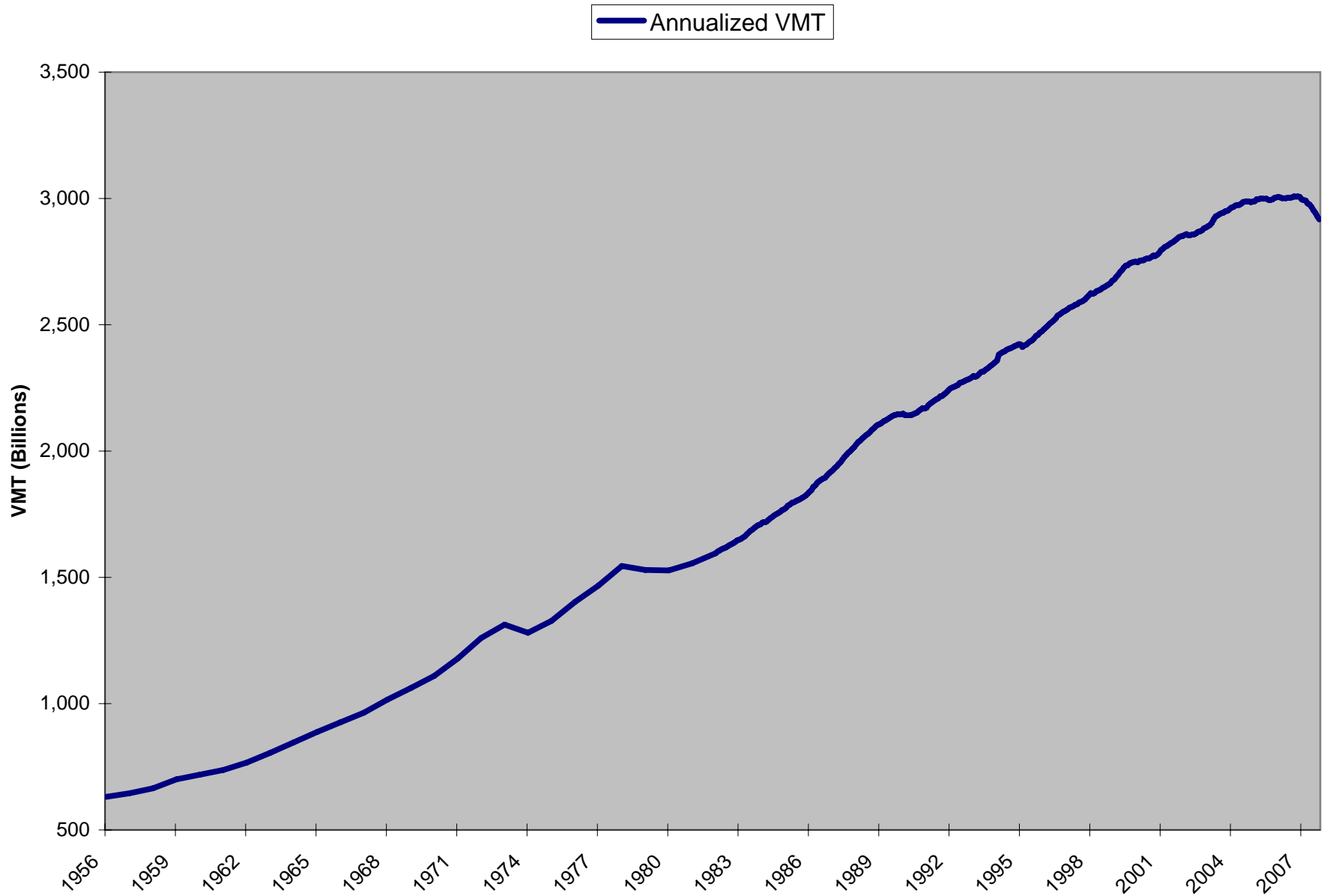


**Figure 1a. U.S. Vehicle Miles Traveled, Annualized, December 1956-September 2008**



Source: 1956–1982: Highway Statistics, Table VM-201; 1983–September, 2008: Traffic Volume Trends