

= M @-@ 125 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 125 is a 19 1 ? 2 @-@ mile @-@ long (31 @.@ 4 km) state trunkline highway in the US state of Michigan . The highway is entirely within Monroe County with the southern terminus on the Ohio state border near Toledo and a northern terminus at US Highway 24 (US 24) in Frenchtown Township , 5 miles (8 @.@ 0 km) north of Monroe . M @-@ 125 runs through rural farmlands and connects a couple of smaller towns with Monroe . It has an unsigned connector highway that links the main highway with Interstate 75 (I @-@ 75) .

The highway is a section of the former Dixie Highway and US 25 in the state . It was first added to the state highway system in 1926 and given its current number in 1973 . Previously there were two other highways that carried the M @-@ 125 moniker . One in the 1930s ran through the Upper Peninsula near Thompson and a second from 1938 until the mid @-@ 1950s was located in Bay County . The current designation was created in 1973 when US 25 was decommissioned in Michigan . The section in downtown Monroe was named what is now a Pure Michigan Byway in 1995 .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 125 starts at the state line as the continuation of Detroit Avenue running northward from Toledo . Once across the state line , the roadway takes on the Dixie Highway name and passes a residential subdivision . The highway runs north @-@ northeasterly roughly parallel with , and between , both US 24 and I @-@ 75 through farm land in rural Monroe County . The trunkline passes through the community of Erie before intersecting with Conn . M @-@ 125 (Summit Street) north of town . That unsigned connector is a state highway that links M @-@ 125 with I @-@ 75 to the south . Continuing north , M @-@ 125 intersects Luna Pier Road , which to the west is the unsigned Conn . US 24 that offers a path to US 24 (Telegraph Road) .

The route of M @-@ 125 changes direction slightly as it passes through the community of LaSalle ; north of town it follows a more northeasterly course . The roadway passes through residential areas north of town as it approaches Monroe . South of the city , M @-@ 125 crosses the La Plaisance Creek and turns north @-@ northwesterly through South Monroe . North of Lake Monroe , the road name changes from Dixie Highway to Monroe Street . The highway is the main street of the downtown area as it crosses the River Raisin upstream from the River Raisin National Battlefield Park . M @-@ 125 exits town near The Mall of Monroe . About five miles (8 @.@ 0 km) north of Monroe , after running through farm land again , M @-@ 125 terminates at an intersection where Dixie Highway merges into US 24 (Telegraph Road) .

M @-@ 125 is maintained by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) like other state highways in Michigan . As a part of these maintenance responsibilities , the department tracks the volume of traffic that uses the roadways under its jurisdiction . These volumes are expressed using a metric called annual average daily traffic , which is a statistical calculation of the average daily number of vehicles on a segment of roadway . MDOT 's surveys in 2011 showed that the highest traffic levels along M @-@ 125 were the 21 @,@ 229 vehicles daily between Jones and Front streets in Monroe ; the lowest counts were the 2 @,@ 306 vehicles per day between Stearns and Erie roads near Erie . No section of M @-@ 125 has been listed on the National Highway System , a network of roads important to the country 's economy , defense , and mobility .

= = History = =

= = = Previous designations = = =

M @-@ 125 was first designated on a road in the Upper Peninsula from US 2 to north of Thompson in 1931 ; this roadway was later merged into M @-@ 149 in 1936 after a rerouting of US 2 through the area . Later in 1938 , the M @-@ 125 designation was used for a highway under construction

along Parish Road in Bay County running for three miles (4 @. @ 8 km) west of US 23 (now M @-@ 13) . The highway intersected US 23 between Kawkawlin and Linwood and ran westward to 7 Mile Road . It was completed as a gravel road in 1939 , and paved by 1945 . The second M @-@ 125 was transferred back to local control in late 1956 or early 1957 .

= = = Current designation = = =

The Dixie Highway was conceived in 1915 to connect Chicago to Miami and commemorate a half @-@ century since the end of the Civil War . On the suggestion of Governor Woodbridge Ferris , representatives from Michigan convinced the Dixie Highway Association to include Michigan in the proposed auto trail . Two divisions through the Lower Peninsula were included , the eastern one included a route between Detroit and Toledo via Monroe . This section of the Dixie Highway in Monroe County was first added to the state highway system in 1926 when US 25 was created . The highway was rerouted through downtown Monroe in the early 1930s ; instead of turning westward in downtown to connect to Telegraph Road , the highway instead continued northward to the current Dixie Highway ? Telegraph Road intersection . When the US 25 designation was decommissioned in the state in 1973 , the highway segment between the state line and the Monroe area was given the M @-@ 125 designation . The routing has remained unchanged since . In 1995 , the section through downtown Monroe was named what is now a Pure Michigan Byway .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Monroe County .