M @-@ 36 is a state trunkline highway in the Lower Peninsula of the US state of Michigan that runs in a west ? east direction from Mason to Whitmore Lake . The trunkline connects US Highway 127 (US 127) south of Lansing and US 23 north of Ann Arbor . The highway connects several smaller communities in the rural areas along its route . M @-@ 36 also runs concurrently with two other roadways , sharing pavement with M @-@ 52 and County Road D @-@ 19 . According to traffic surveys in 2010 , between 650 and 15 @,@ 300 vehicles used the highway on average each day .

The current highway to bear the M @-@ 36 moniker is the second to do so . The first was signposted in 1919 north of Pontiac until it was partially replaced by the modern M @-@ 24 in 1926 . The M @-@ 36 designation was moved to the current roadway in 1930 . It has been changed a few times since the highway was completely paved in 1940 . The last change created the M @-@ 52 concurrency in 1969 .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 36 starts at an interchange with US 127 northwest of Mason . The highway follows Cedar Street southeast and southerly from exit 66 through commercial and residential areas to Ash Street near downtown . M @-@ 36 turns eastward along Ash Street through downtown . Outside of the city , Ash Street becomes Dansville Road 1 ? 2 mile (0 @ .@ 80 km) north of Mason Jewett Field , the local airport . The highway continues eastward through mixed fields and woodland . The trunkline follows Mason Street through the village of Dansville . Just south of White Oak Township Park in White Oak Township , M @-@ 36 turns south to run concurrently along M @-@ 52 through Millville . At Topping Road , M @-@ 36 turns east again north of Lowe Lake . Crossing into Livingston County where it becomes Plainfield Road , the highway then passes the Plainfield Cemetery through community of the same name and turns southeasterly toward Gregory .

North of town , M @-@ 36 turns south on Gregory Road . The highway continues as Main Street in the community to Carr Street ; the highway turns back eastward on Carr Street in Gregory . As the highway runs easterly , it skirts the northern edge of the Pinckney State Recreation Area and the southern edge of the Timber Trace Golf Club . As Main Street in Pinckney , M @-@ 36 passes through the center of town . At Howell Street , County Road D @-@ 19 merges in from the south . The two designations run concurrently along Main Street to Pearl Street , where D @-@ 19 turns northward . At the intersection with Dexter Street , M @-@ 36 intersects the western terminus of D @-@ 32 , the " Highway to Hell " . East of Pinckney , M @-@ 36 passes between Rush and Bass lakes in the Pettysville area . Immediately east of there , the highway passes through woods between Oneida and Zukey lakes in Lakeland . The trunkline passes to the south of Buck Lake and then meanders through Hamburg southeasterly . M @-@ 36 ends as 9 Mile Road at exit 54 on US 23 in Whitmore Lake .

M @-@ 36 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 2010 showed that the highest traffic levels along M @-@ 36 were the 15 @,@ 226 vehicles daily in Mason ; the lowest count was 657 vehicles per day east of the M @-@ 52 concurrency . No section of M @-@ 36 has been listed on the National Highway System , a network of roads important to the country 's economy , defense , and mobility .

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= = History = =
= = = Original designation = = =
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On July 1 , 1919 , M @-@ 36 was routed along what is now M @-@ 24 between Pontiac and Burnside . In November 1926 , this highway was redesignated as part of M @-@ 24 between Pontiac and Lapeer . In 1930 , the remainder was turned back to local control and removed from the state highway system .

= = = Current designation = = =

M @-@ 36 supplanted the former M @-@ 49 designation between Mason and Whitmore Lake in late 1930 ; segments of M @-@ 49 through Stockbridge not used in the new M @-@ 36 were given to M @-@ 92 or M @-@ 106 . The last segments were paved in late 1940 between Plainfield and the eastern terminus . When the Michigan State Highway Department completed a US 127 bypass around Mason in late 1946 or early 1947 , M @-@ 36 was extended westward over a section of highway previously used by US 127 to connect to the bypass ; that segment was designated Bus . US 127 / M @-@ 36 This concurrency was removed in 1962 when the Bus . US 127 designation was decommissioned . The M @-@ 52 concurrency was formed in 1969 when M @-@ 52 was extended northerly to Webberville .

= = Major intersections = =