K @-@ 140 is a state highway in Ellsworth and Saline Counties in the U.S. state of Kansas . The highway travels 33 @.@ 224 miles ( 53 @.@ 469 km ) through mostly rural land between the cities of Ellsworth and Salina . In addition to connecting Ellsworth and Salina , K @-@ 140 travels through the communities of Carneiro , Brookville , and Bavaria . The highway has junctions with Kansas state highways K @-@ 14 , K @-@ 156 , K @-@ 111 , and K @-@ 141 , as well as Interstate 135 . The route was originally established as U.S. Route 40 and was redesignated K @-@ 140 after US @-@ 40 was made concurrent with Interstate 70 . K @-@ 140 is not a part of the United States National Highway System , and the entire route is paved with composite pavement . The western part of the highway is less traveled than the eastern part , with annual average daily traffic between 590 and 940 west of Brookville and between 700 and 1200 east of Brookville .

## = = Route description = =

K @-@ 140 begins at a junction with K @-@ 14 north of Ellsworth . It heads 0 @.@ 495 miles ( 0 @.@ 797 km ) due east from here to meet K @-@ 156 . It then travels a farther 3 @.@ 519 miles ( 5 @.@ 663 km ) through mostly rural land to a junction with K @-@ 111 north of Kanopolis . After the junction with K @-@ 111 , K @-@ 140 continues through rural areas before it goes through the small unincorporated community of Carneiro . Just after passing through Carneiro K @-@ 140 turns more northerly , again passing through mostly rural areas . It then serves as the northern terminus of K @-@ 141 before continuing eastward into Saline County . K @-@ 140 travels a total of 16 @.@ 455 miles ( 26 @.@ 482 km ) in Ellsworth County .

Entering Saline County K @-@ 140 travels in a general east @-@ northeast direction through rural land for 3 @.@ 246 miles ( 5 @.@ 224 km ) until entering Brookville . After traveling one mile ( 1 @.@ 6 km ) through the city of Brookville , K @-@ 140 travels east then northeast to the unincorporated community of Bavaria . From there , the highway continues northeast through rural lands to its eastern terminus at Interstate 135 , with the road continuing east into the city of Salina as State Street . K @-@ 140 travels a total of 16 @.@ 769 miles ( 26 @.@ 987 km ) in Saline County . The total route length for K @-@ 140 is 33 @.@ 224 miles ( 53 @.@ 469 km ) .

The entire route is paved with composite pavement ( concrete which has been overlaid with asphaltic pavement ) . K @-@ 140 is not a part of the United States National Highway System . The route connects to the National Highway System at its junctions with K @-@ 156 and Interstate 135 . From the eastern city limits of Ellsworth to the end of the first 1 mile ( 1 @.@ 6 km ) of the route , K @-@ 140 has an annual average daily traffic of 781 . Between miles 1 and 5 ( kilometers 1 @.@ 6 and 8 @.@ 0 ) , the annual average daily traffic ranges from a low of 730 to a high of 745 . From mile 5 ( kilometer 8 @.@ 0 ) to mile 14 ( kilometer 23 ) the annual average daily traffic drops to between 590 and 650 . The amount of traffic then starts to rise as the highway crosses into Saline County , with annual average daily traffic ranging between 815 and 940 from mile 14 ( kilometer 23 ) to the western city limits of Brookville . From Brookville to mile 30 @.@ 445 ( kilometer 48 @.@ 996 ) the annual average daily traffic is higher , with a range between 1131 and 1200 . From there to the eastern terminus at Interstate 135 traffic levels vary widely , with annual average daily traffic ranging from 700 to 1193 .

## = = History = =

K @-@ 140 's route was established in 1925 as U.S. Route 40S . By 1936 , the route had become the primary route of US @-@ 40 , with the old US @-@ 40N becoming U.S. Route 24 . By 1969 , after the majority of Interstate 70 had been completed , US @-@ 40 was rerouted to be concurrent with the newly constructed highway , and the old route of US @-@ 40 between Ellsworth and Salina was resigned as K @-@ 140 . The routing of K @-@ 140 has remained unchanged since . The K @-@ 140 route has been a paved road since at least 1932 .

