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Road Map Travel Guide

New Mexico United States Highway #64

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MILE	KM	ITEM	SUMMARY	MILE	KM
0.0	0.0	Taos, New Mexico - Junction of US 64, NM 522, and NM 150	This intersection is known locally as 'The Old Blinking Light'. A blinking light used to control traffic here and all directions were given 'from the blinking light'. After the intersection was upgraded in the late 1990's a contest was held to rename the intersection. The winning entry was 'The Old Blinking Light'. A fine restaurant by that name is located just 1 mile east of here. -- For highway travel via U.S. # 64 - N.M. #150 - N.M. # 522 See Milebymile.com Road Map Highway Travel Guides, for driving directions.	250.5	403.1
3.9	6.3	Taos Regional Airport		246.6	396.8
7.7	12.4	Rio Grande Gorge, Bridge, and Historic Markers	The second highest bridge in the federal highway system, over 650 feet tall and dedicated in 1965. This is also the starting point for the Jack M. Campbell Highway which passes through some of the most spectacular scenery in the southwest.	242.8	390.7
8.0	12.9	Rest Area	Picnic tables, shelters, and rest rooms.	242.5	390.2
9.7	15.6	Earthships	These 'Earthships' are part of the 'Greater World Community'. They have been built from recycled materials and are completely self sustaining.	240.8	387.5
14.4	23.2	Old Stage Coach Road	This road served the miners who took the train to Taos Junction, west of here, and then the stage coach to the gold mines in what is now Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico.	236.1	379.9
26.1	42.0	Arroyo Aguaje Bridge	A historic pony truss bridge is preserved just south of here.	224.4	361.1
27.1	43.6	Tres Piedras, Junction US 285	Gas and Diner. Cash only.	223.4	359.5
27.3	43.9	Rio Arriba - Taos, New Mexico County line		223.2	359.2
27.7	44.6	Ranger Station, Carson National Forest, New Mexico		222.8	358.5
28.1	45.2	Carson National Forest Boundary		222.4	357.9
34.0	54.7	Junction Forest Rd. 42		216.5	348.4
38.7	62.3	Junction Forest Rds 712 and 421		211.8	340.8
41.7	67.1	Junction Forest Rd. 133		208.8	336.0
43.5	70.0	Junction Fortest Rd. 795		207.0	333.1
46.4	74.7	Junction Forest Rd. 91B and Hopewell Lake, New Mexico	Hopewell Lake has camping, picnicing, fishing, and rest rooms. The ruins of the old mining town of Hopewell might be seen to the west of the lake on the hillside.	204.1	328.5
47.9	77.1	Junction Forest Rd. 1893		202.6	326.0
52.1	83.8	Carson National Forest Boundary		198.4	319.3
54.6	87.9	Picnic Shelter		195.9	315.3
56.3	90.6	Brazos Cliffs Picnic Area and Historic Marker	A truly spectacular view of the Brazos Cliffs	194.2	312.5
75.3	121.2	Junction US 84	US 64 heads north here.	175.2	281.9
76.2	122.6	Junction NM 531, turn for El Vado Lake State Park	El Vado Lake State Park Campground. Camping; Developed Sites (80) Picnicking Electric Sites (19) RV Dump Station Restrooms Showers.	174.3	280.5
76.5	123.1	Gas, telephone		174.0	280.0
76.9	123.8	Historic Marker, Tierra Amarilla	Elevation 7,860 feet. Once an area known for beaver trapping, Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico became the focus in 1967 of a conflict between land rights activists and the National Guard.	173.6	279.4
77.7	125.0	'Historic Marker, Fort Lowell', Turn for El Vado State Park	At this junction of NM 112 Fort Lowell, New Mexico was in operation between 1866 and 1869 to defend the area from attacks by Native Americans whose land was being encroached upon by miners and settlers.	172.8	278.1

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78.9	127.0	Junction NM 95, turn for Heron Lake State Park	Heron Lake State Park Campground. Camping; Developed Sites (250) Picnicking Electric Sites (54) RV Dump Station Restrooms Showers	171.6	276.2
79.5	127.9	Rio de los Brazos, New Mexico	Brazos river crossing	171.0	275.2
79.8	128.4	Junction of NM 334	The small Spanish village of Los Brazos, New Mexico hosts Tierra Wools Gallery and Educational Center. Here they recreate fine textiles in the Hispanic weaving tradition.	170.7	274.7
80.4	129.4	Junction of NM 512		170.1	273.7
83.1	133.7	Scenic Roadside Table		167.4	269.4
87.5	140.8	'Historic Markers, The Old Spanish Trail and Chama'	The Old Spanish Trail, which went from Santa Fe, NM to Los Angeles, CA in the mid 1800's crossed through this area. Chama was mainly populated in the early 1880's when the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad came through on its way to the mines of Colorado.	163.0	262.3
89.1	143.4	Rio Chama Crossing	A great river for overnight raft trips.	161.4	259.7
89.4	143.9	Chama, New Mexico Tourist Information Center	US 64 turns to the left here. This intersection has gas, food, phones, restrooms, and lodging. Continue straight ahead for one mile to go to the train station for the scenic Cumbres and Toltec Railroad.	161.1	259.3
98.2	158.0	'Historic Marker, Continental Divide'	Elevation 7,275 feet.	152.3	245.1
99.9	160.8	W A Humphries Wildlife Area	This elk hunting unit produces more elk each hunting season than any other similarly sized area in the US.	150.6	242.4
101.8	163.8	Routes Divide	Turn west to follow US 64, continue straight north on US 84 to go to Pagosa Springs, CO	148.7	239.3
113.6	182.8	Jicarilla Apache, New Mexico Homeland Boundary		136.9	220.3
114.0	183.5	'Historic Marker, Jicarilla Apache Nation'	The Jicarilla Apaches were moved to this land in 1887 from their ancestral lands which were hundreds of miles to the east.	136.5	219.7
114.9	184.9	Dulce, NM, Picnic Area and Historic Marker for The Jicarilla Apache Reservation Centennial Highway	This highway name commemorates a 200 mile journey that the Jicarillas took in 1987 to acknowledge their original homelands. Last gas till Bloomfield. Dulce is also the Headquarters for the Jicarilla Apache Nation.	135.6	218.2
114.9	184.9	Jicarilla Apache Cultural Center	US 64 turns to the left here.	135.6	218.2
119.3	192.0	Dulce Lake, New Mexico	A great spot to relax, although some folks do say that a vast underground extra terrestrial complex is located in this area.	131.2	211.1
125.8	202.4	Junction NM 537	Turn for Stone Lake or Cuba, NM. Stone Lake is a trophy trout lake.	124.7	200.7
132.5	213.2	Bald Eagles	Keep your eyes peeled for flocks of Bald Eagles in this area.	118.0	189.9
135.6	218.2	Jicarilla Apache Homeland Boundary		114.9	184.9
135.8	218.5	Carson National Forest Boundary		114.7	184.6
136.0	218.9	Junction Forest Road 310		114.5	184.3
143.7	231.3	Carson National Forest Boundary		106.8	171.9
144.5	232.5	Junction Forest Road 314		106.0	170.6
148.1	238.3	Junction NM 527	Turn left for Sims Mesa at Navajo Lake State Park Campground. Camping; Developed Sites (246) Picnicking, Electric Sites, RV Dump Station, Restrooms, Showers, Full Hookup	102.4	164.8
162.5	261.5	Junction NM 539	Turn for Navajo Dam.	88.0	141.6
163.5	263.1	San Juan, New Mexico County Line		87.0	140.0
174.6	281.0	Junction NM 511	Turn here for Navajo Lake State Park	75.9	122.1
176.2	283.6	San Juan River, New Mexico Crossing	With an estimated 20,000 trout per mile the San Juan has some of the best year round fly fishing in North America.	74.3	119.6
177.1	285.0	Blanco, NM		73.4	118.1
177.3	285.3	Junction NM 575		73.2	117.8
185.3	298.2	Ranger Station, Carson National Forest		65.2	104.9
186.0	299.3	White Trucks	The hundreds of white trucks that you see on this stretch of road are all out maintaining the large numbers of gas and oil wells in this region.	64.5	103.8

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186.3	299.8	Junction US 550	Turn here for Aztec Ruins National Monument. Aztec Ruins preserves structures and artifacts relating to both the Chaco and Mesa Verde cultures of the Ancestral Pueblo from the 1100's. It has also been designated as a World Heritage Site	64.2	103.3
186.5	300.1	Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce	Tourist Information Center, Gas, ATM, Food	64.0	103.0
186.6	300.3	Junction US 550 South	Turn for Cuba, NM.	63.9	102.8
188.1	302.7	Historic Marker, Bloomfield, NM	Bloomfield was established on the banks of the San Juan River in 1879 in an area that had been farmed for over 700 years by prior cultures.	62.4	100.4
189.1	304.3	Historic Marker, Salmon Ruins Archeological Research Center	Salmon Ruins were inhabited by the Ancestral Pueblo for over 150 years beginning about the year 1130.	61.4	98.8
196.6	316.4	Junction NM 516	Turn here for Durango, CO. Local attractions in and around Durango CO. - Mesa Verde National Park - Vallecito Lake and Historic Downtown - Durango Mountain Resort The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad.	53.9	86.7
198.0	318.6	Bypass Route	Bear right to go to downtown Farmington, NM. Turn left at Murray Street.	52.5	84.5
200.8	323.1	Intersection Broadway (US 64) and Main	Turn right for 4 Corners Regional Airport.	49.7	80.0
201.4	324.1	Junction NM 371		49.1	79.0
202.6	326.0	La Plata River, New Mexico Crossing	A very important river for irrigation.	47.9	77.1
203.7	327.8	First View of Ship Rock	Keep your eyes open for Navajo hogans. This is also a great area to obtain both new and antique Navajo rugs, pottery, and jewelry.	46.8	75.3
204.1	328.5	'Historic Marker, Farmington, NM'	This area was part of the Jicarilla Apache Reservation until 1876.	46.4	74.7
216.0	347.6	Waterflow, NM	Not much to do in Waterflow.	34.5	55.5
218.0	350.8	'Historic Marker, Hog Back'	This ridge defines the western edge of the San Juan Basin and its deposits of uranium, coal, oil, and gas.	32.5	52.3
218.3	351.3	Navajo Indian Reservation Boundary	The land of the Dine'!	32.2	51.8
228.7	368.0	Shiprock, NM and Junction with US 666	Gas, food, and the Tse Bit A I shopping center. Turn right to stay on US 64.	21.8	35.1
230.0	370.1	Shiprock	Great views of Shiprock.	20.5	33.0
247.0	397.5	'Historic Marker, Beclabito Dome'	The Uranium mining boom manifested itself south of here in the early 1950's	3.5	5.6
250.5	403.1	Arizona - New Mexico State Line	Welcome to Arizona!	0.0	0.0