

Gasoline Consumption in U.S.—

Alaska's Consumption Up 50 % than National Average

Gasoline consumption in Alaska increased last year at more than twice the national average, according to the Alaska

Oil and Gas Association.

William W. Hopkins, association manager, noted Alaska consumption for both highway and non-highway use in 1972 was up 14.1 per cent over that of 1971.

Nationally the increase was 6.5 per cent. The rate of increase was higher for Alaska than for any other state.

Figures compiled by the American Petroleum Institute show Alaska consumed 122.7 million gallons of gasoline in

1972, compared to 107.4 gallons in 1971.

Despite increased use, Alaska ranks 50th among the states in gasoline use. Hawaii, the next smallest user, consumes more than twice as much as Alaska.