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Miles Peter drove yesterday = 177 miles

Miles he drove today = 338 miles

Miles driven in all = (177 + 338) miles.

Secondly, let's round each number to the nearest hundred, then add to find the estimate ;

177 \longrightarrow 200

338 \longrightarrow 300

Finally, we use the rounded numbers to find the solution ;

$$300 + 200 = 500$$



So, Peter drove about 500 miles in all. Or an estimate of 500 miles in all.

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Let's first of all write down the given information.

Number of marbles Larry has collected = 69, 200 marbles

Number of marbles John has collected = 78, 920 marbles

Number of marbers John has collected than Larry =

$$78\ 920 - 69\ 200$$

Now, let's round each number to the nearest ten-thousand, then subtract to find the estimate ;

78 920 \longrightarrow 80, 000

69, 200 \longrightarrow 70, 000

$$80\ 000 - 70\ 000 = 10\ 000$$



So, John has collected about 10,000 marbles more than Larry.