 United States (ATA)

ATA American Trucking Trends 2019

- Trucks moved 11.49 billion tons of freight, 71.4% of all domestic freight tonnage;
- The industry generated $796.7 billion in annual revenue in 2018, 80.3% of the nation's freight bill;
- The industry moved 84% of all trade between the U.S. and Mexico, and 67% of Canada-U.S. trade;
- Roughly 7.7 million people were employed in jobs related to trucking activity, including 3.5 million drivers;
- Of those 3.5 million drivers, there were 1.8 million heavy and tractor-trailer drivers. Minorities account for 40.4% of all drivers and 6.6% of truck drivers are women.

 ATRI FAST FACTS for MAINE

EMPLOYMENT/WAGES/NEED

- 33,690 Trucking industry jobs in Maine (2019) – one out of every 16 in the state.
- 5,300 Trucking companies located in Maine (2020).
- 84.4% of Maine communities depend exclusively on trucks to move their goods.
- 98.7% of total manufactured tonnage is transported by trucks in ME. That's 52,650 tons per day. (2017)
- Total trucking industry wages paid in Maine in 2019 exceeded $1.6 billion, with an average annual trucking industry salary of $47,292.
    - Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held 9,290 jobs with an average annual salary of $41,870 (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018).

TAXES

- Maine trucking industry pays approximately $163 million in federal and state roadway taxes (2019).
    - The industry paid 33% of all taxes owed by Maine motorists …
    - Despite trucks representing only 10% of vehicle miles traveled in the state.
- As of January 2021, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid:
    - $8,906 federal highway user fees and taxes + $9,101 state highway user fees and taxes
    - These taxes were over and above the typical taxes paid by businesses in Maine.

ROADWAY USE

- There are 22,819 miles of public roads in Maine (2019).
    - 1.5 billion miles driven by trucks on public roads
    - 14.9 billion miles driven by all motorists on public roads

ENVIRONMENT

Improved Emissions: Through advancements in engine technology and fuel refinements:

- New diesel truck engines produce 98% fewer particulate matter (PM) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions than a similar engine manufactured prior to 1990.
- Sulfur emissions from diesel engines have also been reduced by 97% since 1999.
- 43% of U.S. commercial trucks are now powered by the newest-generation, near-zero emissions diesel technology.
- Medium- and heavy-duty trucks contribute just 23% of all transportation-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the U.S. and represent only 6% of total U.S. GHG emissions.

Fuel Consumption Improvements: The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2018:

- Combination trucks accounted for just 16% of the total highway transportation fuel consumed.
- Combination trucks consumed 100 billion fewer gallons of fuel than passenger vehicles in the U.S.