

**TRUCKING DRIVES THE ECONOMY**

# West Virginia

## TRUCKING FAST FACTS

**CAREERS**

**37,940**  
Trucking industry jobs in West Virginia (2019)



**1 in 15** jobs in the state



**COMPETITIVE WAGES**



Total trucking industry wages paid in West Virginia in 2019 exceeded **\$1.7 billion**, with an average annual trucking industry salary of **\$45,224**.



Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held **11,840** jobs with an average annual salary of **\$43,170**.

*(U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018)*

**SMALL BUSINESS EMPHASIS**

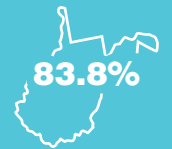
**5,410**  
Trucking companies located in West Virginia. Primarily small, locally owned businesses, these companies are served by a wide range of supporting businesses. (2020)

**TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS**

Percent of manufactured tonnage transported by trucks in West Virginia. **That's 82,390 tons per day.** (2017)



Percent of West Virginia communities that depend **exclusively on trucks** to move their goods.



**SAFETY MATTERS**

**SAFETY FIRST**

West Virginia Trucking Association members put safety first through:

- ✓ Improved driver training
- ✓ Investment in advanced safety technologies
- ✓ Active participation in industry safety initiatives at the local, state and national levels



**COMMITMENT TO SHARING THE ROAD**

The **Share the Road** program sends a team of professional truck drivers to communities around the country to teach car drivers about truck blind spots, stopping distances and how to merge safely around large trucks, all designed to reduce the number of car-truck crashes.

**CONTINUALLY IMPROVING**

**2018 U.S. fatal crash rate** per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT):

**1.45**

Between **1975 and 2018**, the U.S. large truck fatal crash rate has dropped

**68.3%**



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#### THE INDUSTRY

The trucking industry in West Virginia paid approximately

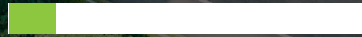
**\$366 million**

in federal and state roadway taxes. (2019)

The industry paid **49%** of all taxes owed by West Virginia motorists ...



... despite trucks representing only **13%** of vehicle miles traveled in the state.



#### INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES

As of January 2021, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid:

**\$8,947** ← state highway user fees and taxes &

**\$8,906** ← federal highway user fees and taxes

These taxes were over and above the typical taxes paid by businesses in West Virginia.

#### ROADWAY USE

**38,877**

Miles of public roads in West Virginia (2019)

Miles driven on public roads:

All Motorists: **19.1 billion**

Trucks: **2.4 billion**

### DELIVERING A CLEANER TOMORROW

#### EMISSIONS

- ✓ **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.

#### PARTNERSHIPS

Through the **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) SmartWay Transport Partnership**, the trucking industry is working with government and businesses to quantify greenhouse gas emissions and take steps to reduce them.



#### FUEL CONSUMPTION

The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2019:

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

