

TRUCKING DRIVES THE ECONOMY

CAREERS

18,560 Trucking industry jobs in Rhode Island (2016)



That's 1 in 22 jobs in the state

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SMALL BUSINESS EMPHASIS



Trucking companies located in Rhode Island (2017). Primarily small, locally owned businesses, these companies are served by a wide range of supporting businesses.

TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS 87.7% of Rhode Island communities depend exclusively on trucks to move their goods.



Percent of total manufactured tonnage transported by trucks in the state. **That's 16,764 tons per day.** (2012)

COMPETITIVE WAGES

- Total trucking industry wages paid in Rhode Island in 2016 exceeded \$1.0 billion, with an average annual trucking industry salary of \$52,176.
- Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held **3,180** jobs with an average annual salary of **\$45,290** (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2016).

SAFETY MATTERS

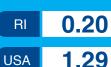
SAFETY FIRST

Rhode Island 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

CONTINUALLY IMPROVING

2015 fatal crash rate per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT):



The amount by which the U.S. large truck fatal crash rate has dropped between 1975 and 2015.

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 accidents.









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THE INDUSTRY

\$57 million

Amount the trucking industry in Rhode Island paid approximately in federal and state roadway taxes (2016). The industry paid **25%** of all taxes owed by Rhode Island motorists ...

... despite trucks representing only **6%** of vehicle miles traveled in the state.

INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES

As of January 2017, a typical five-axle tractorsemitrailer combination paid:

\$6,336 state highway user

fees and taxes

\$8,906 federal highway user fees and taxes

17%

These taxes were over and above the typical taxes paid by businesses in Rhode Island.



ROADWAY USE

6,046

Miles of public roads in Rhode Island (2015).

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Miles driven by all motorists on public roads

OTRUCKS DELIVER A CLEANER TOMORROW

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.

FUEL CONSUMPTION

The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2016:

- Trucks accounted for just **17%** of the total highway transportation fuel consumed.
- Trucks consumed **100 billion** fewer gallons of fuel than passenger vehicles in the U.S.

PARTNERSHIPS

Miles driven by

trucks on public

roads



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.





