



Rhode Island

TRUCKING FAST FACTS

TRUCKING DRIVES THE ECONOMY



CAREERS

18,520 Trucking industry jobs in Rhode Island **1 in 22 jobs** in the state



SMALL BUSINESS EMPHASIS

3,990 Trucking companies located in Rhode Island

Primarily small, locally owned businesses, these companies are served by a wide range of supporting businesses.



COMPETITIVE WAGES

Total trucking industry wages paid in Rhode Island in 2021 exceeded **\$1.1 billion**, with an average annual trucking industry salary of **\$56,864**.

Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held **3,130** jobs in Rhode Island in 2021. The national average annual salary of an over-the-road truck driver is **\$69,387**.



TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS

98.4% of manufactured tonnage transported by trucks in Rhode Island.
38,330 tons per day

87.7% of communities in the state depend exclusively on trucks to move their goods.

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

2020 U.S. fatal crash rate per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT):

Rhode Island	1.47
USA	1.47

Between 1975 and 2020, the U.S. large truck fatal crash rate has dropped

67.9%



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.



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THE INDUSTRY

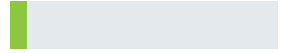
The trucking industry in Rhode Island paid approximately

> **\$56 million** in federal and state roadway taxes

The industry paid **26%** 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 2023, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid highway user fees and taxes of ...

STATE → **\$6,656**
FEDERAL → **\$10,556**

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



ROADWAY USE

6,025 Miles of public roads in Rhode Island

Miles driven on public roads:

All Motorists: **6.9 billion**

Trucks: **487 million**

DELIVERING A CLEANER TOMORROW



EMISSIONS

48% of Rhode Island commercial trucks are now powered by the newest-generation, near-zero emissions diesel technology.

Medium- and heavy-duty trucks contribute just **26%** of all transportation-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the U.S. and represent only **7%** of total U.S. GHG emissions.



FUEL CONSUMPTION

The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2020:

- ✓ Combination trucks accounted for just **18%** of the total highway transportation fuel consumed.
- ✓ Combination trucks consumed nearly **112 billion** fewer gallons of fuel than passenger vehicles in the U.S.



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.



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The following data sources were utilized for the Rhode Island Fast Facts: United States Bureau of Labor Statistics (2021); Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration: Analysis & Information (2022); American Trucking Associations Driver Compensation Study (2022); Commodity Flow Survey Public Use Microdataset (2017); Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration: Large Truck and Bus Crash Facts (2020); Federal Highway Administration: Highway, Statistics Series (2020); Diesel Technology Forum Clean Diesel Powers in Your State (2021); Environmental Protection Agency Fast Facts on Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emissions (2020).