

COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION FACTS

1. 70% of all freight tonnage is delivered by a truck.
2. The trucking industry collects \$650 Billion a year in revenue and represents about 5% of U.S. Gross Domestic Product.
3. One out of every 13 people working the private sector in the United States is employed in a trucking related job. This represents about 8% of the private sector jobs.
4. Commercial trucks represent 11% of all registered vehicles and about 97% of all motor carriers have fewer than 20 trucks.
5. There are 3.5 million commercial drivers in the U.S. with an average income of \$60,000.
6. The demand for commercial drivers is growing due to the aging workforce and a decline in the primary demographic group that comprises the bulk of the driver pool.
7. The Long-haul trucking sector is currently short 20,000 drivers and could soar to as much as 110,000 drivers by 2014.
8. Truck tonnage from primary freight shipments in the United States will increase almost 30% by 2018 to about 14 billion tons, up from nearly 11 billion tons in 2006. Total truck revenue, by comparison, derived from primary freight shipments will increase more than 72% by the year 2018.
9. To accommodate the higher demand, the number of Class 8 trucks in use will increase by more than 20%, putting an additional 600,000 trucks on the road.
10. 70% of all Motor Carriers on file operate 6 or fewer trucks and 80% operate 20 or fewer.