

Michigan

TRUCKING FAST FACTS



TRUCKING DRIVES THE ECONOMY



CAREERS

260,750

Trucking industry jobs in Michigan

1 in 15
jobs in
the state

SMALL BUSINESS EMPHASIS

70,190

Trucking companies located in Michigan

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

COMPETITIVE WAGES

In 2024, trucking industry wages paid in Michigan averaged **\$60,104**, and exceeded **\$15.7 billion** in total.

Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held **59,910** jobs in Michigan in 2024. The national average annual salary of an over-the-road truck driver is **\$75,144**.

TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS



% of manufactured tonnage transported by trucks in Michigan.

That's 355,530 tons per day



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



SAFETY MATTERS

SAFETY FIRST

Michigan Trucking Association members put safety first through:

- ✓ Improved driver training
- ✓ Investment in advanced safety technologies
- ✓ Active participation in industry safety initiatives

ATRI research shows the success of their efforts. Members of State Trucking Associations are involved in fewer crashes and receive fewer violations at roadside inspections than their industry peers. **Crashes per 100 Million Miles by STA Membership Status:**

CURRENT MEMBERS	95.10 ★
FORMER MEMBERS	121.21
NEVER MEMBERS	146.33

CONTINUALLY IMPROVING

2023 U.S. fatal crash rate:

USA: 1.48 • Michigan: 1.46

per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)

Between 1975 and 2023, the U.S. large truck fatal crash rate has dropped **67.6%**



DELIVERING A CLEANER TOMORROW

EMISSIONS



of Michigan commercial trucks 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.



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THE INDUSTRY

The trucking industry in Michigan paid approximately

\$956 million

in federal and state roadway taxes

The industry paid **26%** of all taxes owed by Michigan motorists ...

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



INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES

As of January 2026, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid highway user fees and taxes of ...

STATE

\$10,104

FEDERAL

\$11,351

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

ROADWAY USE

122,039

Miles of public roads in Michigan

Miles driven on public roads:

All Motorists: **98.3 billion**

Trucks: **6.3 billion**



Traffic congestion in Michigan cost the trucking industry **\$800 million** in 2024.

EDUCATING OUR POLICY-MAKERS



TOP 10

ISSUES FACING MICHIGAN'S TRUCKING INDUSTRY

- 1 Economy
- 2 Driver Shortage
- 3 Lawsuit Abuse Reform
- 4 Artificial Intelligence in Trucking
- 5 Insurance Cost / Availability
- 6 Driver Distraction
- 7 Driver Training Standards
- 8 Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA)
- 9 Cargo Theft
- 10 Diesel Emissions Regulations

