

Ambulance Transport Safety Summit

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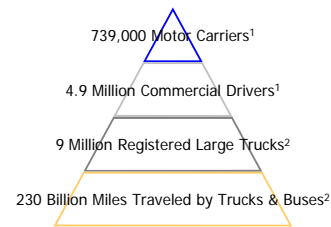
Our world ...

- Trucking is a 12 B ton, \$10 T industry¹
 - 71 % of freight (by weight) moves by truck
 - 73 % of freight (by value) moves by truck
- Passenger transportation is a \$5.6 B industry²
 - More than 750 million passenger trips annually³
 - Nearly two-thirds of passengers are students or seniors (55 years or more)³

1. BTS CFS 2007
2. ABA, 2008
3. ABA, 2008



More about our world ...



1. MCMIS as of 8/28/2009 active interstate carriers and intrastate hazmat carriers, drivers and power units
2. FHWA, 2007 Large Truck Registrations and Vehicle Miles of Travel (VMT)



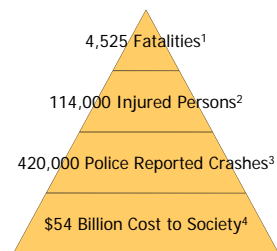
Motor Carrier Population

Fleet Size, Power Units	Number of Motor Carriers	Percent
1 - 6	607,326	82.13
7 - 19	58,421	7.90
20 - 100	22,871	3.09
101 - 999	3,908	0.53
1,000 - 99,999	272	0.04
Unspecified	46,633	6.31
Total	739,431	100.00

MCMIS as of 08/28/2009



Our Safety Challenge ...



1. NHTSA, FARS 2008
2. NHTSA, GES 2008
3. NHTSA, FARS & GES 2008
4. FMCSA calculation 09/08/2009



FMCSA Responsibilities

- U.S. Department of Transportation agency responsible for heavy truck and bus safety
- Enforces the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, and Federal Hazardous Materials Regulations for highway transportation



Responsibilities (Cont.)

- Operating Authority – For-hire motor carriers of passengers and property
- Authority for Brokers and Freight Forwarders
- Commercial Driver's License (CDL) & Drug and Alcohol Testing Rules (Interstate, Intrastate, Federal and State employees, private-sector employees)



Responsibilities (Cont.)

- Financial Responsibility
- Driver Qualifications & Disqualifications (Physical Qualifications/Medical Exams)
- Driving of Vehicles
- Vehicle Parts and Accessories
- Hours of Service for Drivers
- Vehicle Inspection, Repair and Maintenance



FMCSRs - General Applicability

- Vehicles designed or used to transport 16 or more passengers (including the driver)
- Vehicles designed or used to transport between 9 to 15 passengers, for compensation, traveling more than 75 miles
- Vehicles with GVWR, GCWR, GVW, GCW of 10,001 pounds (4,536 kg) or more
- Vehicles transporting HM if placards must be displayed



“Commercial Motor Vehicle”

- GVWR, GCWR, GVW, or GCW of 4,536 kg (10,001 lbs) or greater
- Designed or used to transport more than 8 passengers (including driver) for compensation
- ... Or more than 15 passengers (including driver), not for compensation
- Used to transport hazardous material in quantities requiring placarding [regardless of GVWR]



FMCSRs: *Exceptions*

- (f) **Exceptions. Unless otherwise specifically provided, the rules in this subchapter do not apply to—**
- Transportation performed by the Federal government, a State, or any political subdivision of a State ...
 - The transportation of human corpses or sick and injured persons;
 - The operation of fire trucks and rescue vehicles while involved in emergency and related operations;

[and, there are others ...]



Thank you very much!

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Questions??

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