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TRUCKING DRIVES THE ECONOMY

CAREERS

265,890

Trucking industry jobs in Georgia *(2018)*

That's **1 in 14** jobs in the state

SMALL BUSINESS EMPHASIS

32,000

Trucking companies located in Georgia *(2019)***.** Primarily small, locally owned businesses, these companies are served by a wide range of supporting businesses.

TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS

76.1%

of Georgia communities depend exclusively on trucks to move their goods.

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Percent of manufactured tonnage transported by trucks in the state. **That's 294,220 tons per day.** *(2012)*

COMPETITIVE WAGES

- Total trucking industry wages paid in Georgia in 2018 exceeded **$13.1 billion**, with an average annual trucking industry salary of **$49,102**.
- Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers held **62,500** jobs with an average annual salary of **$43,260** *(U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018).*

SAFETY MATTERS

SAFETY FIRST

Georgia Motor 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

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

1975	4.58
2017	1.42

69% The amount by which the U.S. large truck fatal crash rate has dropped between 1975 and 2017.

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

$1.1 billion

Amount the trucking industry in Georgia paid approximately in federal and state roadway taxes *(2018)*.

The industry paid **36%** of all taxes owed by Georgia motorists …

… despite trucks representing only **10%** of vehicle miles traveled in the state.

INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES

As of January 2020, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid:

$6,020 state highway user fees and taxes + **$8,906** federal highway user fees and taxes

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

ROADWAY USE

Miles of public roads in Georgia *(2018)*. **128,397**

Miles driven on public roads:

All Motorists: 131.5 billion

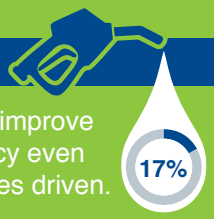
Trucks: 13.4 billion

TRUCKS DELIVER A CLEANER TOMORROW

EMISSIONS

- ☑ **43%** of U.S. commercial trucks are 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.

FUEL CONSUMPTION



The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2018:

- Combination trucks accounted for just **17%** of the total highway transportation fuel consumed.
- Combination trucks consumed nearly **100 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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