



Use Caution at Every Turn

With truck driving comes risk and the responsibility to drive safely.

A Big Problem¹



475,000
large truck or bus crashes in 2016 alone



104,500
resulted in injury



4,079
were fatal



percentage of people who died who were in the other car, such as a passenger car



percentage of people who died in a fatal accident were in the other vehicle such as a passenger car²

An Expensive Problem³

\$75,000
average cost of a truck accident

\$470,000
average cost of a truck accident involving injuries

\$11 million
average cost per accident involving fatalities

A Preventable Problem



of truck accidents occurred when the CMV driver was following the vehicle ahead of it too closely.⁴ Make sure your drivers keep a safe distance, so they have plenty of room to stop.



4 seconds
recommended following distance for trucks going faster than 40 mph⁵



average stopping distance in ideal conditions for a loaded tractor-trailer going 55 mph⁵



of large truck accidents were caused at least partly by speeding.⁴

Enforce speeding policies so drivers are held accountable.

Encourage slowing down even more in poor road conditions.



of crashes involved some form of driver inattention in the 3 seconds right before the incident.⁵

Make sure drivers know how quickly distractions can become deadly.

Institute and enforce no cell phone policies.

Use commercial devices that won't work when the truck is moving.

Violations per year involving large trucks and buses¹



9,741
following too close



49,032
failure to obey traffic control device



30,743
speeding 11-14 mph over speed limit



28,770
lane restriction violation



66,930
speeding 6-10 mph over speed limit

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