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Connecticut TRUCKING FAST FACTS

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TRANSPORTING THE ESSENTIALS

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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.

The trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven. In 2016:

- Trucks accounted for just 17% of the total highway transportation fuel consumed.
- Trucks consumed $100 billion fewer gallons of fuel than passenger vehicles in the U.S.

Through advancements in engine technology and fuel refinements:

- New diesel truck engines produce 98% fewer particulate matter (PM) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions than a similar engine manufactured prior to 1990.
- Sulfur emissions from diesel engines have also been reduced by 97% since 1999.

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As of April 2018, a typical five-axle tractor-semitrailer combination paid:

- $8,610 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 Connecticut.

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Amount the trucking industry in Connecticut paid approximately in federal and state roadway taxes (2016).

$281 million

21,531 Miles of public roads in Connecticut (2016).

1.7 billion Miles driven by trucks on public roads

31.6 billion Miles driven by all motorists on public roads

Updated December 2018 with most recent data available.