

Quick Facts

Illinois Crash Information 2012

Large Trucks*

The size and weight of large commercial trucks compared to passenger cars make motor vehicle crashes involving trucks a particular concern for passenger safety.

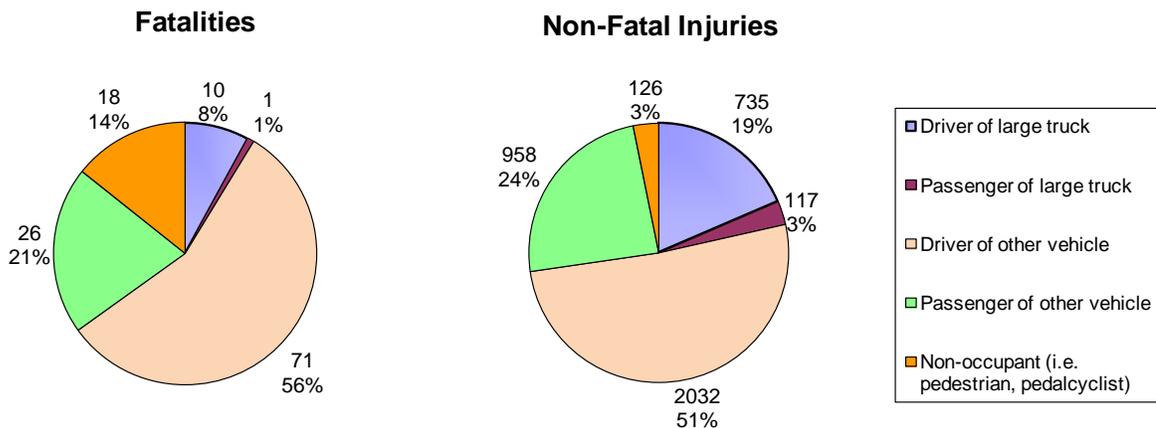
	All Crashes	Crashes Involving One or More Large Trucks
Crashes:	274,291	16,638
Fatal Crashes:	886	110
Injury Crashes:	60,284	2,783
Total People Involved:	649,023 ^a	37,438 ^a
Total Fatalities:	956 ^a	126 ^a
Total Non-Fatal Injuries:	83,810 ^a	3,968 ^a

^a Totals include occupants and non-occupants; e.g. 649,023 total people = 640,402 occupants + 8,621 non-occupants

Just 16,638 (6.1%) of all 274,921 crashes that occurred in Illinois in 2012 involved large trucks, yet these crashes accounted for 126 (13.2%) of all 956 traffic fatalities.

Population Affected

The majority of the fatalities (97 of 126, or 77.0%) and non-fatal injuries (2,990 of 3,968, or 75.4%) that occurred in crashes involving large trucks were among occupants—drivers and passengers—of the other vehicle(s) involved in these crashes, not among occupants of the large trucks themselves.



* Large trucks are defined as single-unit trucks and truck tractors with or without trailing units

Note: Data as of March 28, 2014; with 274,291 crash records, 511,337 vehicle records and 649,023 person records.

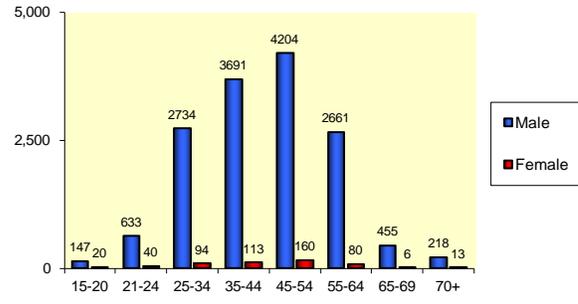
The law regarding the reporting threshold for Property Damage Only crashes was amended effective January 1, 2009, resulting in decreased reporting of crashes in this specific category. It did not affect the reporting of injury or fatal crashes. For details of the reporting amendment, see also <http://app.idph.state.il.us/emsrpt/crash.asp>.

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Driver Demographics

- 14,971 (96.5%) of all 15,506 drivers of large trucks involved in crashes in Illinois in 2012 were male[†]
- 10,998 (72.0%) of all 15,272 drivers of large trucks were aged 25 to 54[‡]

Drivers of Large Trucks Involved in Crashes, by Age and Sex

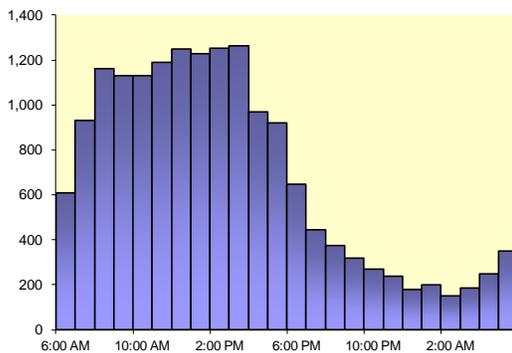


Where driver age and sex was known

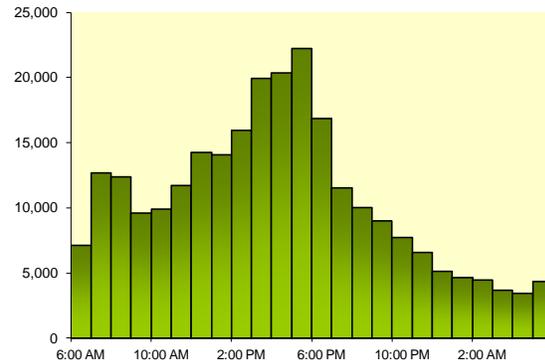
Lighting Conditions and Time of Day

- 12,879 (78.0%) of all 16,517 crashes involving large trucks took place in daylight[§]
- 14,124 (85.8%) of all 16,466 crashes involving large trucks took place in clear weather[§]
- Crashes involving large trucks were more likely to take place between 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM than other crashes:

Crashes Involving Large Trucks By Time of Day



Crashes in Which No Large Truck Was Involved By Time of Day



Road Use and Geographic Facts

- 12,793 (76.9%) of all 16,638 crashes involving large trucks took place on roads or highways that were classified as "urban" use
- 8,926 (53.6%) of all 16,638 crashes involving large trucks took place in Cook County
 - In comparison, Cook County accounts for just 30.1% of the annual vehicle miles traveled in Illinois^{**}

	Crashes Involving One or More Large Trucks	Crashes Involving No Large Truck
	n (%)	n (%)
Chicago	5,260 (31.6%)	72,155 (28.0%)
Suburban Cook County	3,666 (22.0%)	50,425 (19.6%)
Chicago Collar Counties	3,036 (18.2%)	52,441 (20.4%)
Rest of State - Urban	2,125 (12.8%)	43,120 (16.7%)
Rest of State - Rural	2,551 (15.3%)	39,512 (15.3%)

Note: Counties were stratified according to criteria defined by the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System for the Illinois Department of Public Health

URL: <http://app.idph.state.il.us/brfss/default.asp>

[†] Where driver sex was known

[‡] Where driver age was known

[§] Where conditions were known

^{**} Source: Illinois Travel Statistics 2012, Illinois Department of Transportation