Vehicle Inspections Stats and Facts



FACTS

1. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of work-related deaths in the United States. All workers are at risk of crashes, whether they drive light or heavy vehicles, or whether driving is a main or incidental job duty.
2. These crashes involved around four million cars and drivers and two million passengers.
3. Fatigue is a major cause of highway injuries
4. The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) reported that fatalities occurring with company vehicles were caused by fatigue, alcohol, drugs, and other medical issues.
5. Implementing safe driver programs at work keeps employees safe.
6. The number of large trucks registered and large-truck miles driven are increasing, as are overall large-truck crash rates based on miles driven.
7. Crash deaths of occupants of large trucks (above 10,000 pounds) are increasing.

STATS

- Traffic crashes are the number one cause of on the job deaths in America. 2 of every 5 people killed at work die in a workplace vehicle accident. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics more than 1,766 deaths a year result from occupational transportation incidents. That number is more than 38% of the 4,547 annual number of fatalities from occupational injuries.
- Every 12 minutes someone dies in a motor vehicle crash, every 10 seconds an injury occurs and every 5 seconds a crash occurs. Many of accidents happen during work.
- Deaths have decreased for the third consecutive year, 39,107 people died in motor-vehicle crashes in 2019. However, motor-vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of death for people for every single year of life from age 4 to 12 and from 14 to 22 and a leading killer in all age groups.
- In 2019, 277 million vehicles were registered and 39,107 people died on the road.
- In 2019, the number of deaths decreased 0.8% and the mileage death rate of 1.20 per 100 million vehicle miles was down 1.6% from the 2018 rate of 1.22.
- Medically consulted injuries in motor-vehicle incidents totaled 4.5 million

in 2019, and total motor-vehicle injury costs were estimated at $463.0 billion. Costs include wage and productivity losses, medical expenses, administrative expenses, motor-vehicle property damage, and employer costs.
- Miles traveled increased 0.7%, the number of registered vehicles went up 1.5%, and the population grew 0.3%. As a result, the mileage death rate decreased 1.6%, the vehicle death rate decreased 0.7%, and the population death rate was down 0.8% from 2018 to 2019.