Professional truck drivers drove over 275 billion miles in 2013, more than double 25 years ago. Those miles accounted for 14.2% of all motor vehicle miles and 29.8% of all truck miles.

Most individual long-haul drivers average from 100,000 to 110,000 miles driving per year. Class 7 truck drivers will average nearly 52,000 miles behind the wheel.

The average daily run for an over-the-road driver is nearly 500 miles.

The trucking industry paid $37.3 billion in federal and state highway taxes in 2013, and represented 12.0 percent of vehicles on the road. The trucking industry paid $16.5 billion in federal highway-user taxes and $20.8 billion in state highway-user taxes in 2013.

The trucking industry consumed 52.7 billion gallons of diesel fuel and gasoline in 2013. Based on consumption and price, ATA reported that motor carriers spent $147.7 billion in 2013.

The federal fuel tax for diesel in 2014 is 24.4 cents per gallon; the average state tax for diesel fuel was 30.0 cents per gallon.

There are 3.46 million class 8 trucks on the road in the United States and 11.7 million commercial trailers were registered in 2012.

There are 3.4 million truck drivers in the United States. Total industry employment is 7.1 million or one out of every 16 people working in the United States.

There are 465,697 for-hire carriers and 725,179 private carriers in the United States; 97.3 percent of them have fewer than 20 trucks and 90.6 are operating six trucks or less.

In 2014, the trucking industry hauled 9.96 billion tons of freight, or 68.8 percent of total U.S. freight tonnage. Rail was the next busiest mode, moving 14.8 percent of the nation’s freight tonnage.

In 2014, the trucking industry was an astounding $700.4 billion industry, representing 80.3 percent of the nation’s freight bill.

More than 80 percent of U.S. communities depend solely on trucking for delivery of their goods and commodities.

A new truck produces one-tenth the fine particulate emissions and smog-forming NOx emissions as a similar truck manufactured just seven years ago.

Fine particulate emissions from on-road diesel trucks have been cut by more than half over the past decade.