



U.S. Department
of Transportation

Motor Carrier Safety Progress Report

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

(as of December 31, 2020)

MCMIS SAFETY OUTCOMES*		CY 2018*		CY 2019*		CY 2020* (Jan. 1, 2020–Sept. 30, 2020)		
CRASHES								
• Large Trucks and Buses		184,072		181,607		110,693		
Large Trucks		166,856		164,410		103,811		
Buses		17,861		17,845		7,138		
FATALITIES								
• Large Trucks and Buses		5,254		5,064		3,394		
Large Trucks		4,984		4,808		3,260		
Buses		312		284		149		
INJURIES								
• Large Trucks and Buses		98,659		97,780		55,097		
Large Trucks		81,343		81,065		48,787		
Buses		18,628		17,922		6,647		

*States are expected to report crash data to FMCSA within 90 days of the crash. Data are considered preliminary for 22 months to allow for changes.

Note: Individual subtotals may not add to totals due to the potential for double counting (e.g., crashes involving both a truck and bus).

PROGRAM OUTPUTS	FY 2019			FY 2020			FY 2021 (Oct. 01, 2020 - Dec. 31, 2020)		
	Federal	State	Total	Federal	State	Total	Federal	State	Total
	• Warning Letters	26,379		22,686			6,083		
CARRIER INVESTIGATIONS *									
• Total Investigations Performed	7,611	5,486	13,097	7,345	4,717	12,062	1,524	991	2,515
Hazardous Material (HM) Investigations	596	758	1,354	341	505	846	64	88	152
Household Goods Investigations	131	8	139	82	10	92	6	0	6
Passenger Carrier Investigations	869	260	1,129	401	212	613	4	24	28
Motorcoach Investigations	764	152	916	315	105	420	0	11	11
VIOLATIONS CITED DURING INVESTIGATIONS									
• Total Number of Acute/Critical Violations	6,308	5,273	11,581	4,714	3,954	8,668	898	757	1,655
• Average Number of Acute/Critical Violations per Investigation	0.83	0.96	0.88	0.64	0.84	0.72	0.59	0.76	0.66
• Total Number of Non-Acute/Non-Critical Violations	39,896	28,416	68,312	32,261	20,867	53,128	6,944	4,489	11,433
• Average Number of Non-Acute/Non-Critical Violations per Investigation	5.24	5.18	5.22	4.39	4.42	4.40	4.56	4.53	4.55
INVESTIGATION FOLLOW-ON ACTIONS									
• Notice of Claims (NOC) *	3,188	455	3,643	2,207	342	2,549	410	77	487
Percent Investigations with NOC Issued	41.9%	8.3%	27.8%	30.0%	7.3%	21.1%	26.9%	7.8%	19.4%
• Unsat/Unfit Out-of-Service (OOS) Orders	573			310			64		
Percent Investigations Resulting in Unsat/Unfit OOS Orders	4.4%			2.6%			2.5%		
• 90-Day No-Pay OOS Orders	1,185			799			132		
• Carrier Imminent Hazard OOS Orders	0			0			1		
• Conditional Ratings	2,614			1,663			332		
NEW ENTRANT SAFETY AUDITS									
• Total New Entrant Safety Audits (Percent Completed on Time)	39,492	(89.7%)		40,714	(88.7%)		9,261	(85.7%)	
• New Entrant Pass Rate	88.2%			91.7%			92.5%		
• New Entrant OOS Orders (Refusal of Audit/No Contact, Expedited Actions, Failure of Safety Audit)	14,362			15,753			3,424		
ROADSIDE INSPECTIONS									
Total Truck and Bus Inspections	3,472,428			2,719,292			659,988		
• Trucks	100,695	3,252,739	3,353,434	43,914	2,589,039	2,632,953	353	641,017	641,370
HM Trucks	6,364	199,616	205,980	2,823	150,847	153,670	75	40,470	40,545
• Buses	11,808	107,186	118,994	5,324	81,015	86,339	1	18,617	18,618
Motorcoaches	9,486	17,949	27,435	4,494	9,829	14,323	0	1,996	1,996
DRIVER/VEHICLE INSPECTIONS/OOS RATES									
	Driver	Vehicle	Driver	Vehicle	Driver	Vehicle	Driver	Vehicle	
• Total Number of Truck Inspections	3,309,597	2,288,681	2,582,460	1,777,469	631,560	435,157			
• Total Number of Bus Inspections	49,550	99,466	23,653	78,075	4,341	17,812			
• Truck OOS Rate	5.0%	21.3%	5.2%	21.4%	5.4%	21.2%			
• Bus OOS Rate	4.8%	6.5%	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%	3.5%			

*Due to the National COVID emergency, FMCSA and partners increased the use of offsite investigations and began implementing focused onsite investigations remotely.

**Includes both closed and open enforcements; excludes enforcement as a result of an inspection. Source: All data from Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS), as of January 29, 2021.