

Driver Safety Tip Sheet

Why CMV drivers should **BUCKLE UP EVERY TIME**

- ◆ In 2022 alone, more than 42,000 people died on U.S. roadways.
- ◆ In 2022, of large truck-related crashes, over 5,000 people died and more than 160,000 were injured.
- ◆ The three most frequent and persistent factors leading to a rise in fatal crash numbers are people in motor vehicles not wearing seat belts, driving while impaired from alcohol, and speeding.
- ◆ Nearly 14% of all CMV drivers do not wear a seat belt according to a survey conducted by FMCSA in 2016.

NHTSA: Overview of Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes in 2022

FMCSA: Safety Belt Usage by Commercial Motor Vehicle (SBUCMVD) 2016



How You Can Help

While many drivers know that wearing a seat belt is an important part of road safety, almost 14% of CMV drivers don't buckle up. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) campaign, *Buckle Up*, seeks to remind CMV drivers of the reasons why buckling up is so necessary.

Here are some campaign resources FMCSA developed to help key stakeholders spread the message:

- ◆ **Social media playbook** including posts and graphics that make it easy to share the campaign online.
- ◆ **Public service announcements (PSAs)** that can be used in paid media efforts or distributed digitally.

Drivers are at the heart of the CMV community, and FMCSA is dedicated to reminding drivers to wear a seat belt to stay safe on the road.



Scan or visit for campaign resources:
www.fmcsa.dot.gov/seatbelts

