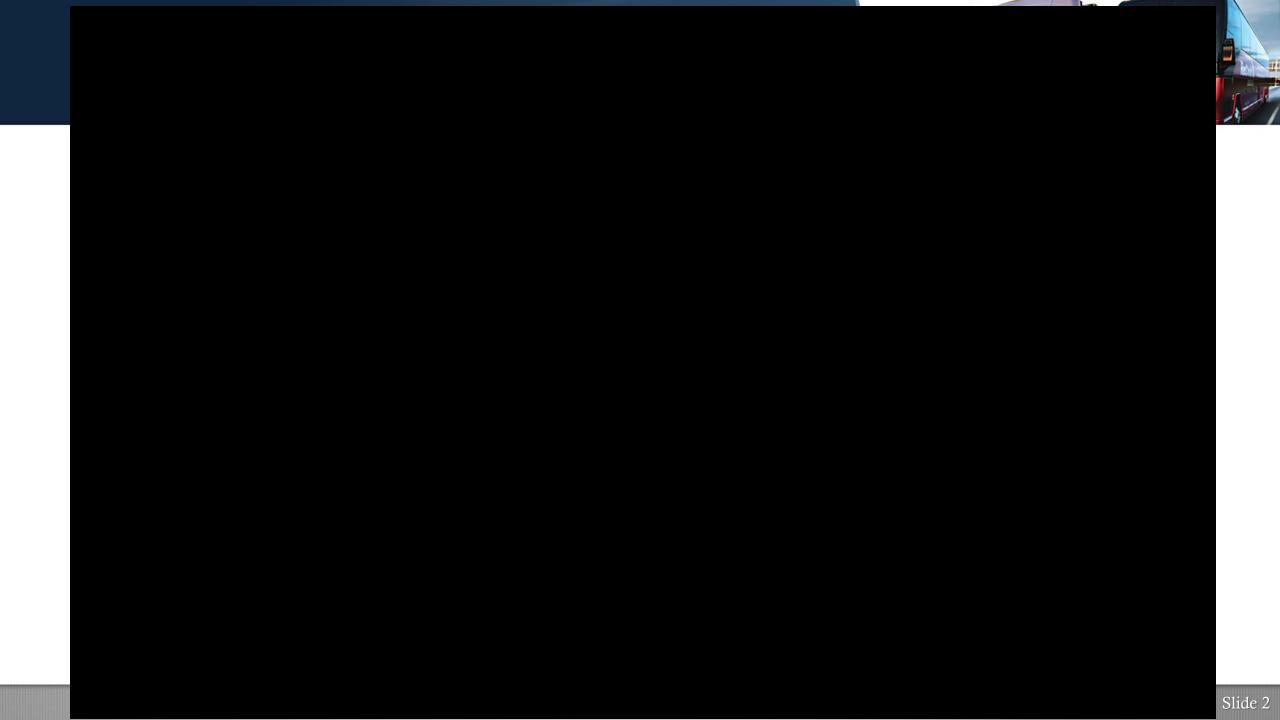


# Consequences of Truck and Bus Crashes









How many people think a CMV Driver should have to wear a seatbelt???

 $\diamond$  For -? Why?

♦ Against –? Why?



#### In-Cab Video – No seatbelt



#### Cell Phones

Should a CMV driver be allowed to talk on a phone at all while driving?

Should a CMV driver be allowed to use the phone for things other than mapping? (Social media, TV, apps ext..)

## **Caught on Camera**



#### In the News

Dump Truck driver distracted by cell phone drove off overpass, crashing onto lanes below

- Fine: \$2,750

- Commercial driver killed after distraction from phone causes teen to lose control of vehicle
  - Charges: Pending
- Driver checking text messages crashes into 10 vehicles; kills three and injures 15
  - Awards: \$24.7 million

#### **Cell Phone Use**

60% Talked handheld

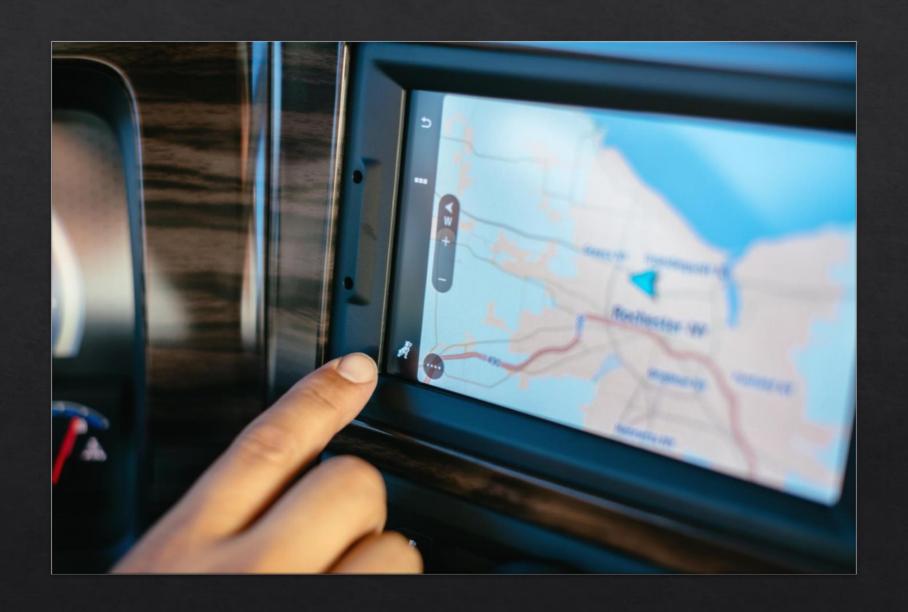
39% Sent a text



#### No Second Chances



## **Other Distractions**





#### In-Cab Video - Texting





## **CMV Enforcement**



## **Distracted Driving**

Distraction is second most common driver-related factor in fatal collisions for large truck drivers

## Large Truck & Bus Fatal Crashes

From 2009 to 2019, fatal crashes increased by

47%





#### North Carolina

CMV-Involved Crash Statistics

2019

**13,490** Crashes

3,488 Injuries

137
Fatalities

2020\*

**12,630** Crashes

3,263
Injuries

159 Fatalities

## **Dispatching Devices**

## Crashes or near crashes



Nearly 10x more likely when a driver is using a dispatching device

## **Distracting Task and Risk**



Writing
nearly 9x
crash risk

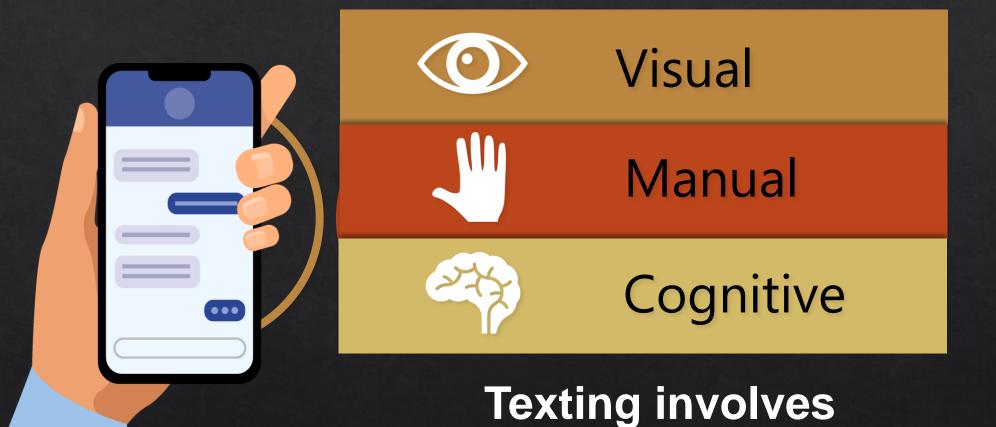


Map reading

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crash risk

## **Three Types of Distraction**



all three!

## **Cognitive Distraction**

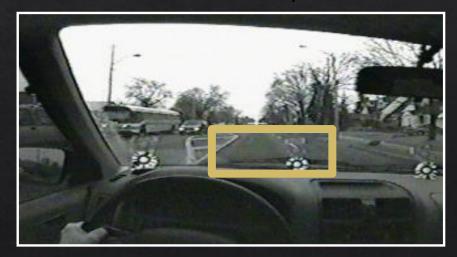
- Your brain cannot perform two thinking tasks at same time
- It switches quickly between tasks

Attention to driving becomes secondary to phone conversation

#### **Tunnel Vision**



Driver not on cell phone



Driver talking hands-free

Drivers talking on cell phones look at, but fail to see, up to 50 percent of their surroundings

#### **Inattention Blindness**

While driving and using a cell phone have you ever missed...

- Turn or off ramp
- Stop sign or red light
- Brake lights in front of you
- Pedestrians or bicyclists
- Object in the road
- Arrived at destination with no recollection of trip

## You look, but you don't see

## Distraction Hangover

Mental distraction continues up to

25 seconds

after driver ends a call or text



## 4.6 Seconds



#### In a Matter of Seconds

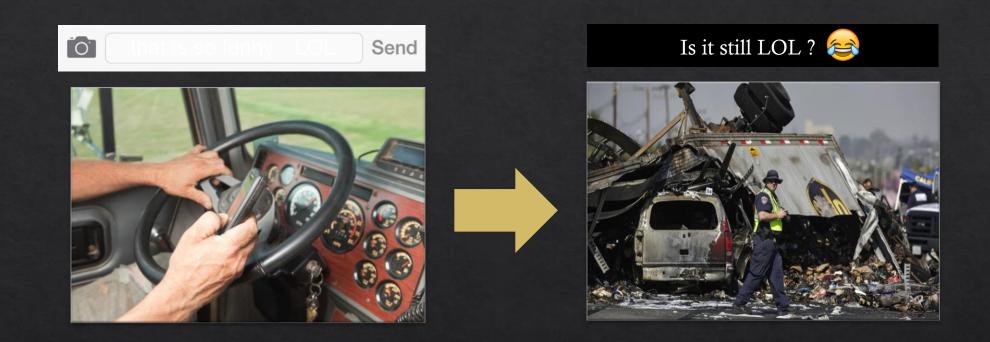


## Who Takes Longer to React?



## Drivers talking on cell phones have <u>longer</u> reaction times

## **Texting**



## Crash risk up to 23x

Voice-to-text is more distracting than typing texts by hand

#### TRUE!

Talking hands-free legal



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## **Multiple Offenses**

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## Consequences



## A Lifetime of Regret



## **Drowsy Driving Facts**

- Commercial drivers average
   less than 7 hours of sleep per night
- 55% reported driving while sleepy or falling asleep at the wheel
- Fatigued driving results:
  - 33% made serious driving errors
  - 8% caused a collision



## Lack of Sleep Mimics BAC



**Amount of Sleep in a 24-hour Period** 

### In the Blink of an Eye



# How do you feel about the Pre and Post Trip Inspections?

♦ How many people believe it is a waste of time?

♦ How many companies require the all fluids to checked along with the walk around?



### Vehicle defects can contribute to crashes



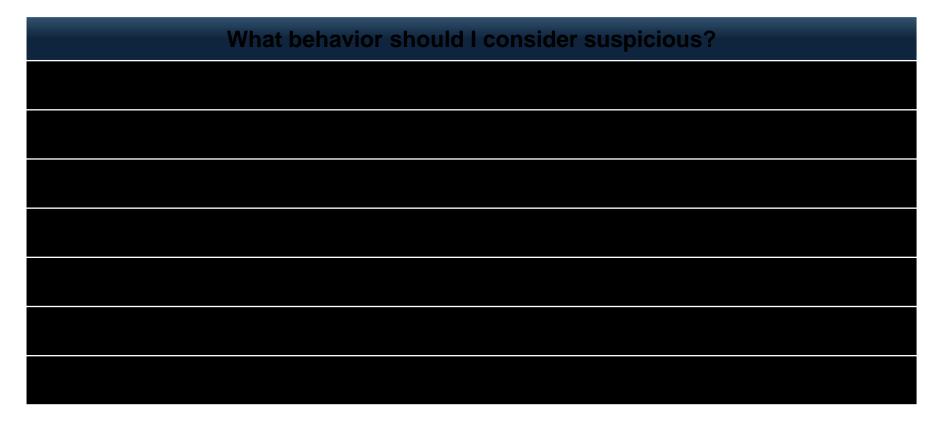
## By Critical Event (General Level and Specific Level), Crash Type and Involved Vehicle Type

Critical Event (General Level and Specific Level)	Single- Vehicle Crash			ultivehic	sh	Total								
	Truck		Truck		Other Vehicle		Total		Truck		Other Vehicle		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
This vehicle loss of control														
Blow out / flat tire, (specify blow out / flat, location / make)	294	2	344	8	930	12	1,274	11	638	3	930	12	1,568	5
Disabling vehicle failure (e.g., wheel fell off) Specify:	1,219	7	130	3	0	0	130	1	1,349	6	0	0	1,349	5
Non-disabling vehicle problem (e.g., hood flew up) Specify:	220	1	47	1	0	0	47	0	267	1	0	0	267	1

By Critical Reason (General Level, and Specific Level)	Singl Vehic Cras	le	Multivehicle Crash						Total						
	Truck		Truck		Other Vehicle		Total		Truck		Other Vehicle		Total		
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Vehicle Related Factor															
Suspension failed	791	2	13	0	0	0	13	0	803	1	0	0	803	0	
Body, doors, hood failed	0	0	59	0	0	0	59	0	59	0	0	0	59	0	
Other vehicle failure (specify)	0	0	59	0	427	0	486	0	59	0	427	0	486	0	
Unknown vehicle failures	0	0	0	0	61	0	61	0	0	0	61	0	61	0	
Degraded braking capability	758	2	1,740	2	0	0	1,740	1	2,498	2	0	0	2,498	1	
Transmission/en gine failure	0	0	23	0	2	0	26	0	23	0	2	0	26	0	

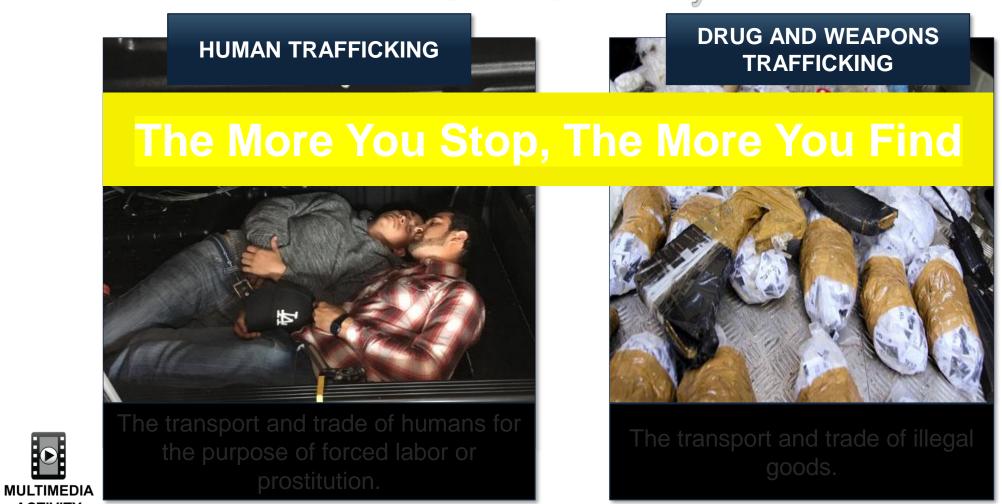


### Possible Indicators of Human Trafficking





### Criminal Activity



**ACTIVITY** 

- \* Rollovers: As you might guess, a rollover crash that involves an extra-large truck load can be devastating. These crashes often occur in places where a truck is forced to make a sharp turn, like on/off ramps and intersections. Oversize loads can cause rollovers if the workers who secure the load disregard weight restrictions or fail to distribute the weight evenly. Negligent driver behaviors like speeding can also contribute to a rollover wreck.
- ♦ **Blown tires:** Sometimes, oversize loads can get so heavy that a tire simply can't handle the pressure and explodes. This is much more likely to happen when a company illegally overloads a truck. Tire blowouts are extremely dangerous because they can lead to complete loss of control over a vehicle.
- \* Jackknife crashes: Sometimes, when a truck comes to a sudden stop, the trailer can continue moving forward and create a dangerous situation where the truck's cab and trailer fold together at a sharp angle. This type of incident is called jackknifing, and it usually results in a complete loss of control over the truck. Driver distraction and fatigue can play a role in jackknife crashes by creating situations where the driver has to slam on the brakes suddenly.

- (g) Tire loading restrictions (except on manufactured homes). No motor vehicle (except manufactured homes, which are governed by paragraph (h) of this section) shall be operated with tires that carry a weight greater than that marked on the sidewall of the tire or, in the absence of such a marking, a weight greater than that specified for the tires in any of the publications of any of the organizations listed in Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 119 (49 CFR 571.119, S5.1(b)) unless:
  - (1) The vehicle is being operated under the terms of a special permit issued by the State; and
  - (2) The vehicle is being operated at a reduced speed to compensate for the tire loading in excess of the manufacturer's rated capacity for the tire. In no case shall the speed exceed 80 km/hr (50 mph).

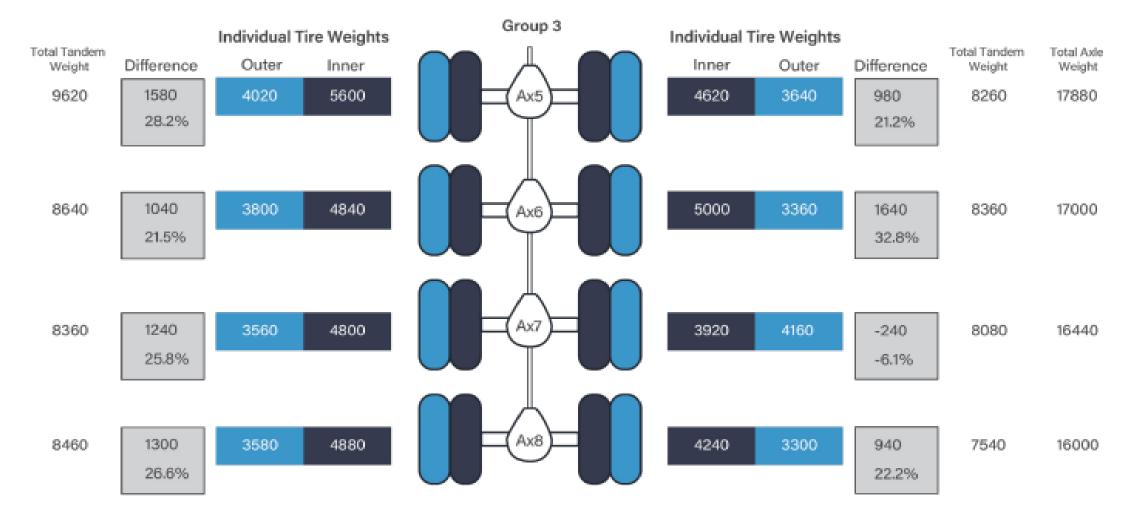
### Irregular drive tire conditions

- 1. Multiple Cuts/Chunking
- 2. Vehicle/Spin Damage
- 3. Brake Skid Damage
- 4. Stone Retention/Drilling
- 5. Heel/Toe Wear
- 6. Cupping/Scallop/Alternate Lug Wear

### Irregular trailer tire conditions

- 1. Depression Wear (Intermediate)
- 2. Diagonal Wear
- 3. Brake Skid Damage
- 4. Depression Wear (Shoulder)
- 5. Shoulder Step Wear
- 6. Cupping/Scallop Wear





Weight on Inner Tires are all significantly higher than outer tires except for Axle 7 right side. Due to under inflated inner tire the outside tire weight is higher. PSI on inside tire was noticably low but could not obtain a PSI reading.

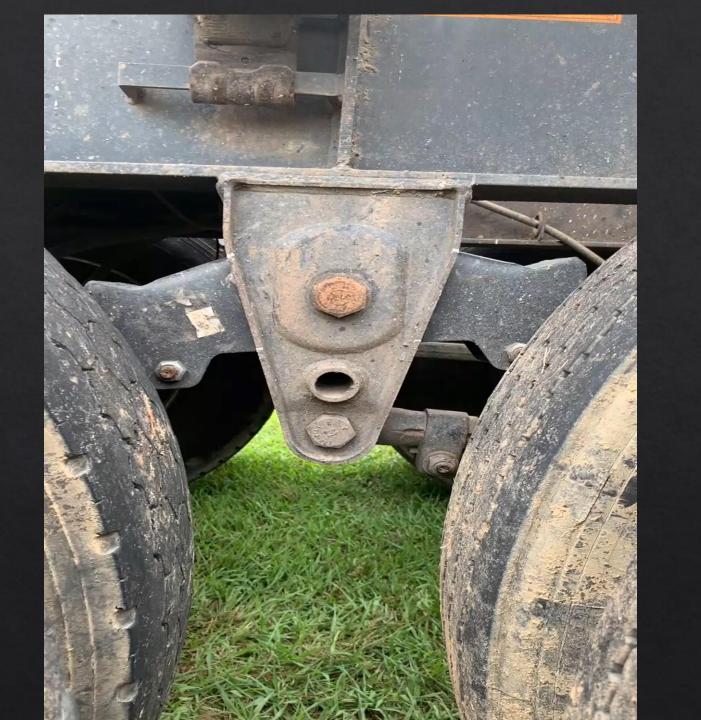




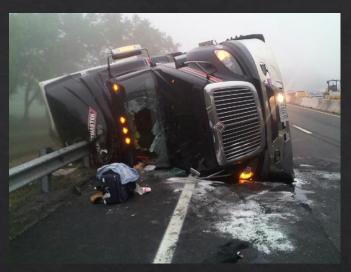








### Not Worth the Risk









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