



LARGE TRUCKS AND/OR BUSES INVOLVED IN CRASHES BY WEATHER CONDITION

The summary data in the table and graph 'Large Trucks and/or Buses Involved in Crashes by Weather Condition' report were taken from FARS and MCMIS. Information was tabulated using the total number of vehicles involved in crashes for the Nation and State for fatal and non-fatal crashes and presented by weather condition. FARS was used for fatal crashes and MCMIS was used for non-fatal crashes. Weather condition is the atmospheric condition at the time and at the location the crash occurred.

Definitions

Fatal crash - A crash where one or more persons dies within 30 days of the crash. The fatality does not have to occur at the scene of the crash. It includes any person involved in the crash, including pedestrians and bicyclists, as well as occupants of the passenger cars.

Non-fatal crash - A crash where one or more persons has non-fatal injuries requiring transportation by a vehicle for the purpose of obtaining immediate medical attention; or one or more of the vehicles were towed away from the scene due to "disabling damage". The towed vehicle need not be the truck or bus involved in the crash.

Categories

No Adverse Conditions

Rain - Water falling in drops condensed from vapor in the atmosphere.

Sleet, Hail - Frozen or partially frozen rain or precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps usually consisting of concentric layers of clear ice and compact snow.

Snow - White crystals of frozen water formed directly from the water vapor of the air at a temperature of less than 32 degrees Fahrenheit.

Fog - A vapor condensed to fine particles of water suspended in the lower atmosphere that differs from a cloud only in being near the ground.

Other - Indicates a weather condition other than the above mentioned response codes.

Unknown - All 'unknown' represent that the weather condition was unknown.

Missing - All 'missing' weather condition represent a blank data field in FARS or MCMIS.

CAUTION: Although efforts have been made to provide the most accurate and complete MCMIS Crash data possible, data quality can vary from state to state. Please use caution when interpreting MCMIS crash data.