Six Facts on the Trucking Industry



Learn six facts about the dangers of the trucking industry.

Odds of winning the lottery: 1 in 135,145,920 (multi-state, mega-millions jackpot) Lifetime odds of dying in a heavy transport truck crash: 1 in 8,469 (National Safety Council Odds of Dying)

- 1. Truckers are six times more likely to be killed on the job than other workers.
- 2. Twelve percent of all worker deaths in the United States occur in the trucking industry.
- 3. Heavy truck crashes accounted for 17 to 19 per cent of all motor vehicle deaths and five percent of all motor vehicle injuries in Canada in 2001.
- 4. One in 18 US truck drivers is injured or suffers illness as a result of the job.
- 5. The injury rate for the trucking injury is 30 percent higher than that of other US industries.
- 6. Half of all non-fatal truck injuries in the US involve strains and sprains, frequently linked to the unloading of goods by truck drivers.