










# 2006 Michigan Traffic Crash FACT SHEET

## Heavy Truck/Bus

Heavy truck/bus crashes differ from other vehicle crashes in a number of ways. When compared to the overall crash picture, heavy truck/bus crashes involve:

-  More turning, backing, and changing lanes
-  More collisions with bridge/pier abutments, parked motor vehicles, jackknife, cargo loss/shift, and other non-collisions
-  Fewer single vehicle crashes but more sideswipes
-  Fewer drivers indicated to be speeding, failing to yield, reckless driving, disregarding traffic control, and unable to stop in assured clear distance, but more drivers indicated to be making backing, lane use, and turning errors
-  More on-road crashes
-  More daytime crashes, but fewer late afternoon, evening, and night time crashes
-  More weekday crashes

CRASH TYPE	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Injury Crashes	
	Number of Heavy Trucks	% of Total	Number of Heavy Trucks	% of Fatal	Number of Heavy Trucks	% of Injury
Single Vehicle	2,029	15.0	23	18.1	260	10.4
Head On	202	1.5	30	23.6	85	3.4
Head On - Left Turn	159	1.2	1	0.8	60	2.4
Angle	2,215	16.3	28	22.0	618	24.8
Rear End	3,006	22.2	23	18.1	834	33.4
Rear End - Left Turn	113	0.8	0	0.0	34	1.4
Rear End - Right Turn	134	1.0	1	0.8	16	0.6
Sideswipe - Same Direction	3,562	26.3	10	7.9	300	12.0
Sideswipe - Opposite Direction	756	5.6	5	3.9	103	4.1
Other	1,327	9.8	6	4.7	175	7.0
Unknown	63	0.5	0	0.0	9	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,566</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,494</b>	<b>100.0</b>

-  Heavy truck/buses were involved in 4.3 percent of all traffic crashes in Michigan in 2006.
-  There were 13,566 heavy truck/bus-involved **crashes** in which 130 people were killed and 3,325 injured.