



Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance

Improving commercial motor vehicle safety and enforcement

Truck Parking

CVSA supports investments that address the nation's commercial motor vehicle parking shortage.

The availability of adequate parking facilities, strategically placed throughout the U.S., is a critical commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety issue. According to the American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI), the nation's supply of safe CMV parking falls well below the industry's needs and is regularly identified as a top issue among the industry.¹ Additionally, ATRI estimates that there is one parking space nationally for every 11 truck drivers.² As part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's 2019 update to the report "Jason's Law Commercial Motor Vehicle Parking Survey and Comparative Assessment," 98% of drivers identified issues in finding a safe place to park.³ Parking facilities need to be available to drivers who are fatigued, as well as those who are trying to comply with hours-of-service requirements. According to the American Trucking Associations, 70% of drivers have been forced to violate hours-of-service rules to find safe parking.⁴ Without adequate parking facilities, drivers are faced with either driving over the allowable time and/or while fatigued, or parking in an unsafe location. ***CVSA supports investments that address the nation's commercial motor vehicle parking shortage.***

¹ The American Transportation Research Institute. Critical Issues in The Trucking Industry – 2024. October 2024.

<https://truckingresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/ATRI-Top-Industry-Issues-2024.pdf>

² The American Transportation Research Institute. "ATRI Research Focuses on Truck Parking at Public Rest Areas." Accessed April 16, 2025. <https://truckingresearch.org/2025/04/atri-research-focuses-on-truck-parking-at-public-rest-areas/>.

³ The Federal Highway Administration. Jason's Law Commercial Motor Vehicle Parking Survey and Comparative Assessment. December 1, 2020.

https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/Freight/infrastructure/truck_parking/coalition/2020/mtg/jasons_law_results.pdf

⁴ American Trucking Associations. "Truck Parking." Accessed March 12, 2025. <https://www.trucking.org/parking>.