TRUCKING IN MISSISSIPPI

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TRANSPORTATION BY THE NUMBERS  (Jan 2015)

MILES OF PUBLIC ROAD  75,181
Roads with acceptable pavement ride quality based on International Roughness Index, 2012

Mississippi  71.9%
United States  81.3%

MAJOR AIRPORTS
11
Includes Federal Aviation Administration Part-139 public use airports.

BRIDGES  17,061
Bridges classified as functionally obsolete, 2012

Mississippi  80%
United States  139%

Bridges classified as structurally deficient, 2012

Mississippi  14.2%
United States  11.0%
MISSISSIPPI

MAJOR WATER PORTS
7 Biloxi, Greenville, Gulfport, Natchez, Pascagoula, Rossdale, Vicksburg

MILES OF FREIGHT RAILROAD
2,452 United States 138,542

MILES OF WATERWAY
870 United States 25,482

MILES OF PAVED ROADWAY
75,181 United States 2,319,535
It takes trucking NINE DAYS to move as many loads as moved via rail intermodal in all of 2013.

Trucks user fees account for 43% of all payments to the Highway Trust Fund.

Trucks account for just 14.2% of all miles traveled.

Total U.S. Freight Tonnage Will Grow 23.5% by 2025.

Since 2003, trucks have only gotten cleaner.

88% Drop in Sulfur Dioxide Emissions
48% Drop in NOx
32% Drop in Particulate Matter

Source: American Trucking Trends 2014
Source: Forecast 2014
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› **Employment and Wages** The trucking industry keeps Mississippi working. In 2012, the trucking industry in Mississippi provided 69,420 jobs, or one of 12 in the state. With wages well above other industries, the trucking industry paid more than $2.7 billion to Mississippians. Trucking’s average annual wage of $39,134 is nearly double the state’s per capita income of $20,521.
**When Trucks Stop!**

**Timeline:**

1-2 Days: Fuel supplies will run out and planes will be grounded—trucks deliver 80% of fuel to the nation's airports.

3 Days: Significant food shortages will occur, especially perishables. Uncollected waste will cause serious health impacts. Banks will run out of cash and regular bank functions will cease.

7-10 Days: Oxygen supplies will be depleted, as will some pharmaceuticals. Radiopharmaceuticals for cancer treatments will become unusable within hours.

2-4 Weeks: Supplies of clean drinking water will run dry—trucks deliver chlorine to purify water every 7-14 days.

**A Few Hours:** Just in time manufacturing will stop.
CURRENT ISSUES IN MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING

- Infrastructure
  - Maintenance
  - Expansion
  - Funding
Senator Willie Simmons, Chairman of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee was quoted in the Clarion Ledger on May 8th as saying "MDOT has 1,054 bridges that are posted or closed," Simmons said. "Based on testimonies during our hearings, it was estimated that MDOT needs $2 billion to replace bridges annually and $4 billion to repair roads annually."
The legislation approved the Mississippi Department of Transportation's appropriation for Fiscal Year 2015, which began July 1, at $927 million, an increase of $23 million over the current year.
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• Driver Availability
  o Current Shortage - 30,000 Drivers
  o Forecasted Shortage - 240,000 Drivers by 2022
THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION

Multimodal Cooperation
Thank You!

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