Hazardous Materials (HM) - Overview

The mission of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) is to improve truck and bus safety on our nation's highways. In addition, FMCSA seeks to reduce HM security risks that could potentially harm the public and environment.

Developing programs to accomplish these goals is the responsibility of the FMCSA Hazardous Materials Program.

For information regarding FMCSA's HM goals, regulations, permits, training, security, etc.; please visit FMCSA's HM site at: http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safety-security/hazmat/hm-theme.htm

Summary of HM Activity

HM Activity by Type (National)	FY 2012	
	Total	OOS Rate
Registration		
Number of Hazardous Material Carriers	75,346	n/a
Number of Hazardous Material Shippers	16,940	n/a
Number of Hazardous Material Carrier/Shipper	12,235	n/a
Number of Cargo Tank Registrants	1,622	n/a
Reviews		
Total Reviews	3,888	n/a
Total Security Contact Reviews	667	n/a
Roadside Inspections		
Driver Inspections*	201,061	2.29%
Vehicle Inspections**	180,005	13.51%
Hazmat Inspections***	204,310	3.75%

* Driver Inspections were computed based on inspections level I, II, III, and VI.

** Vehicle Inspections were computed based on inspections level I, II, V, and VI.

*** Hazmat Inspections were computed based on inspections level I, II, III, IV, V, and VI when HM is present.

Data Source: FMCSA Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS) data snapshot as of 2/22/2013.
The data presented above are accurate as of this date, but are subject to update as new or additional information may be reported to MCMIS following the snapshot date.