

WELCOME!



**(NOTICE: Portions of the UMA Town Hall are recorded.
It is available afterwards on the www.uma.org Member's Section of the website.
"Overdrive" is not recorded.**

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Today's Agenda

AGENDA

1—Welcome & Intros, Motorcoach Minute

2—Legislative & Regulatory Report

- Ken Presley, Becky Weber

3—Charter Industry Employment Data

- Scott Michael

4. UMA's Competitive Edge

- Ken Presley

5—Overdrive

- Time to visit with friends: *Tips, Trends & Tons of Inspiration*



LEGISLATION UPDATE



A grey granite headstone with a white plaque is centered in a cemetery. The headstone has a curved top and sits on a wide, low base. The plaque contains text about COVID relief legislation. The background shows green grass, trees, and a blue sky with light clouds.

R.I.P.

COVID RELIEF

S. 4008 - Small Business COVID Relief Act
H.R. 3807- Relief for Restaurants and
Other Hard Hit Small Business
Act



**H.R. 7477 - CERTS Tax
Exemption Act**

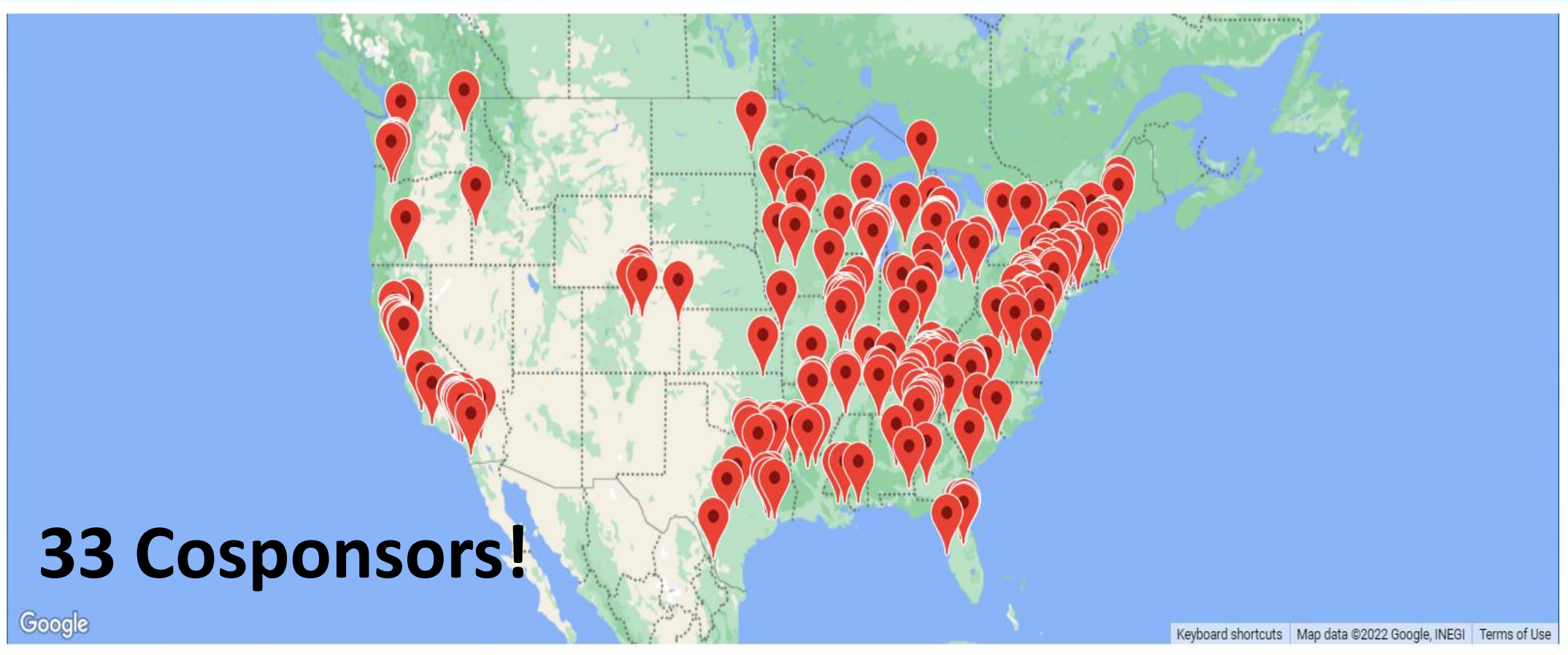
**H.R. 7517 - Guaranteeing
Overtime for Truckers Act**



H.R. 7477 - CERTS Tax Exemption Act

266 advocates

378 messages sent



Advocates

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H.R. 7477 - CERTS Tax Exemption Act

206 advocates

281 messages sent

Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-18]*

Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]*

Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]*

Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]

Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]

Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]

Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]

Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]

Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]

Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]

Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]

Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]

Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]

Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]

Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]

Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]

Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]

Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]

Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]

Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]

Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]

Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]

Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]

Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]

Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]

Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]

Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]

Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]

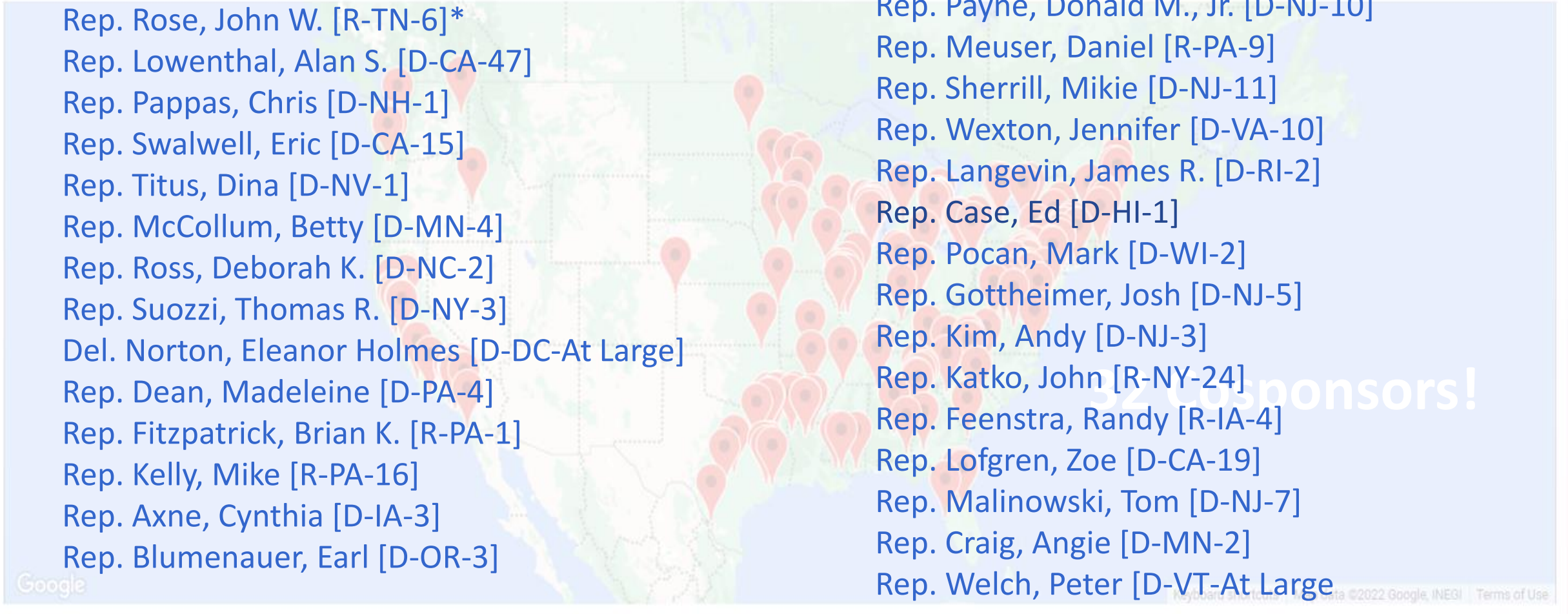
Rep. Feenstra, Randy [R-IA-4]

Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]

Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]

Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]

Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]



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Advocates

Jess, Aaron, David, Tamara, Savannah, Rick, Mert, Emily, John, Nancy, David, Carole, Steven, Rigo, Progeorlan, Ricardo, Evan, Robert, Marc, MO



Ask your U.S. House Representative to support a bill that exempts CERTS relief funds from taxation - H.R.7477, CERTS Tax Exemption Act.

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Send an email to your officials with one click!

Title

Title

Your full name

Street address

Zip code

city and state not required

Phone number

Email address

Send Email

Enter your message

Rep. Panetta (D-CA), Rep. LaHood (R-IL), Rep. Sires (D-NJ), and Rep. Rose (R-TN) introduced H.R. 7477, the CERTS Tax Exemption Act.

When passed, this important legislation would provide relief to the motorcoach, school bus, and

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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) today issued a notice of intent to move forward with a rulemaking to require the use of speed limiters for commercial motor vehicles (CMVs).

The [notice of intent](#) (NOI) provides a series of questions to gather information and data to assist FMCSA in drafting a Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM) to follow up on a September 7, 2016, joint proposal issued by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and FMCSA. The SNPRM would propose requiring interstate motor carriers that currently operate CMVs with electronic engine control units (ECUs) to set a maximum speed to be determined through the rulemaking process. After reviewing the public comments to the notice of intent, the future SNPRM will present the proposed regulatory text, estimated costs, and safety benefits of using speed limiters.

The National Roadway Safety Strategy identified speed as a major factor in fatal crashes, and speed management as a primary tool to reduce serious injuries and fatalities. FMCSA envisions the rule as a commonsense approach to reducing crashes and saving lives as the agency continues to work with drivers and advocates for the CMV community towards a goal of zero lives lost on our nation's roadways.

FMCSA is moving forward with this rulemaking because of concerns about the number of CMV crashes and fatalities traveling at high speeds. In 2019 alone, there were nearly 900 fatal crashes in areas with posted speed limits over 70 miles per hour.

Public responses will be accepted for 30 days once the NOI is published in the Federal Register. The NOI includes instructions on submitting responses to the rulemaking docket, at [FMCSA-2022-0004](#).

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<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulations/docket-no-fmcsa-2022-0004-parts-and-accessories-necessary-safe-operations-speed>



**June 3, 2022
Deadline for
Comments**

State Inspection Programs for Passenger-Carrier Vehicles

A Proposed Rule by the [Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration](#) on 05/10/2022



This document has a comment period that ends in 28 days. (06/09/2022)

[SUBMIT A FORMAL COMMENT](#)

Comments must be received on or before June 9, 2022

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/05/10/2022-09657/state-inspection-programs-for-passenger-carrier-vehicles>

PUBLISHED DOCUMENT

AGENCY:
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION:
Request for comment on withdrawn advance notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY:
On November 15, 2021, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was enacted, directing FMCSA to solicit additional comment on the Agency's April 27, 2016 advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) concerning the potential establishment of requirements for States to implement annual inspection programs for commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) designed or used to transport passengers (passenger-carrying CMVs).

DOCUMENT DETAILS

Printed version:
[PDF](#)

Publication Date:
05/10/2022

Agencies:
[Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration](#)

Dates:
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Comments Close:
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Document Type:
Proposed Rule

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87 FR 27981



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 - much, much more.
- Pays operator 30% commission (a new profit center!)



Employment and Labor Cost

Impact on the Motorcoach Industry

May 2022

Scott Michael, UMA

Change in Employment May 2021



Charter Bus Industry Occupations	May 2021 Employment	2-year Change
Entire Charter Bus Industry	14890	-48.4%
Bus Drivers	7860	-54.2%
Passenger Drivers, Except Bus	930	-65.8%
Office and Admin Support	1710	-44.5%
Bus and Truck Mechanics	810	-48.1%
Cleaners of Vehicles	520	-60.0%
Dispatchers	320	-57.3%
Sales Representatives	260	-53.6%
General and Ops Managers	560	24.4%
Customer Service	50	-83.3%

Change in Hourly Wage May 2021



Charter Bus Industry Occupations	May 2021 Median hourly wage	Percent Change
Entire Charter Bus Industry	\$18.38	3.2%
Bus Drivers	\$18.06	2.4%
General and Ops Managers	\$39.69	1.8%
Cleaners of Vehicles	\$14.06	1.4%
Customer Service	\$18.13	1.2%
Sales Representatives	\$26.40	1.0%
Office and Admin Support	\$18.03	0.3%
Dispatchers	\$18.56	0.2%
Bus and Truck Mechanics	\$22.97	-0.6%

Charter Bus Industry Employment by Company Size March 2021



Company Size	Companies	March 2021 Employment	Average Weekly Wage
All sizes	1,278	14,877	\$701
Fewer than 5	725	772	677
5 to 9	164	1,119	629
10 to 19	189	2,628	590
20 to 49	133	3,988	607
50 to 99	50	3,188	728
100 to 249	15	2,066	898

Top Counties for Charter Bus Industry Employment August 2021



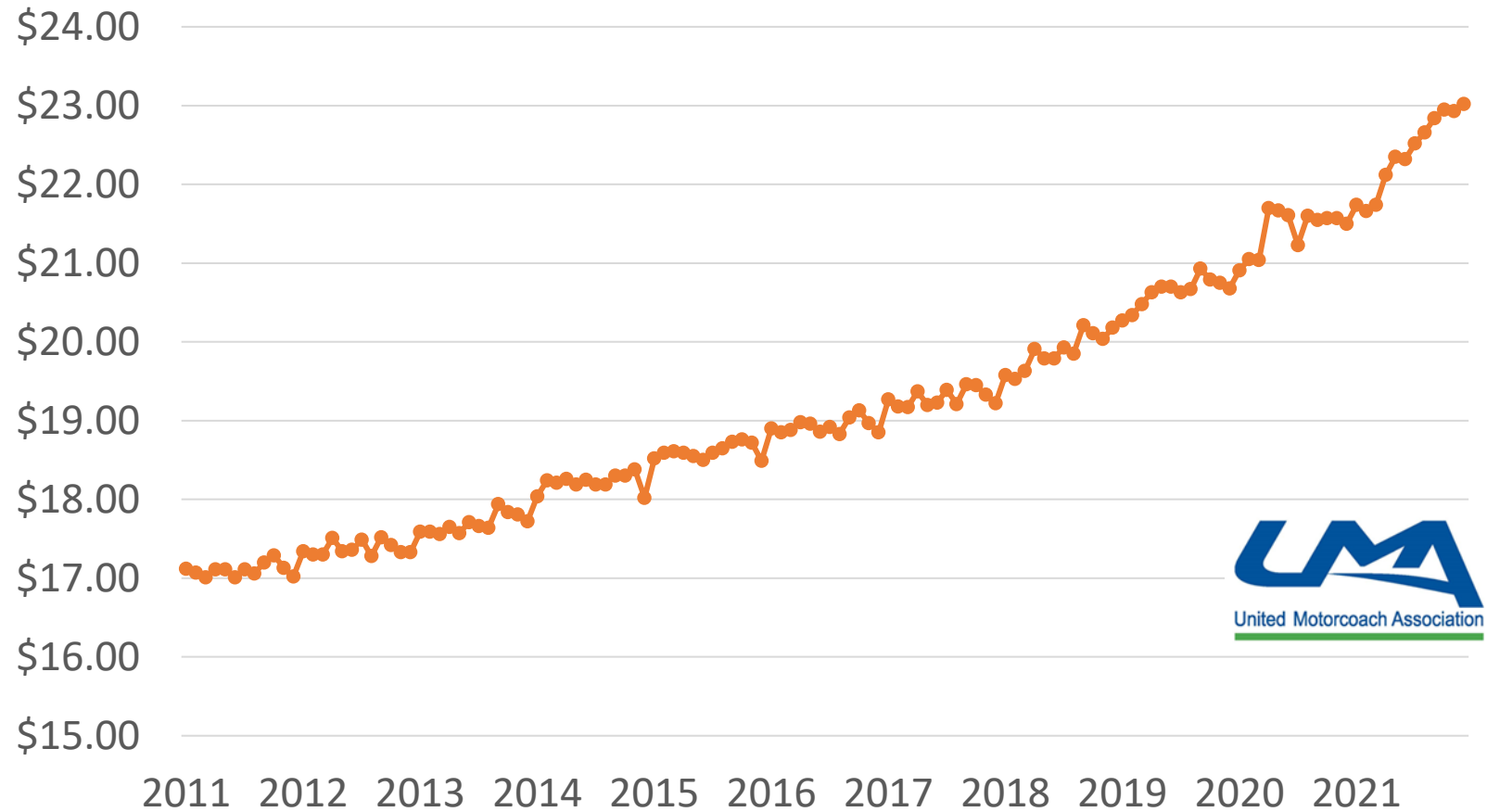
County	Companies	Employees
U.S. TOTAL	1,320	17,370
King County, Washington	12	892
Orange County, Florida	22	712
Davidson County, Tennessee	8	594
Clark County, Nevada	22	253
Hartford County, Connecticut	4	206
Norfolk County, Massachusetts	19	199
Salt Lake County, Utah	8	197
Maricopa County, Arizona	9	193
Orange County, California	11	182
Bergen County, New Jersey	9	175

Highest Wages for Charter Bus Industry August 2021



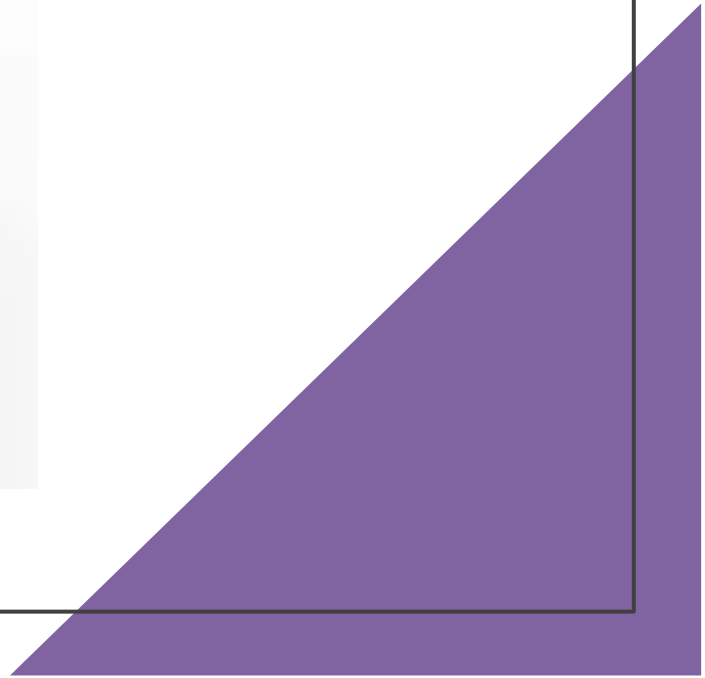
County	Employees	Average Weekly Wage
U.S. TOTAL	17,370	\$813
Hudson County, New Jersey	171	\$1,296
Davidson County, Tennessee	594	\$1,281
Santa Clara County, California	111	\$1,271
District of Columbia	18	\$1,267
Salt Lake County, Utah	197	\$1,230
Suffolk County, Massachusetts	115	\$1,171
Hillsborough County, Florida	15	\$1,170
Hartford County, Connecticut	206	\$1,161
Bergen County, New Jersey	175	\$1,142
Westchester County, New York	28	\$1,139

Wages for All Transportation Workers





COMPETITIVE EDGE





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Confirm/Close Trip

Receive funds

1

- Manages trip settings in one place

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- Allows operator to take control of payment dates and payment processing

3

- Gives both operator and group leader the ability to ease the trip process

4

- Operator can now offer convenient forms of payment including Apple Pay, ACH, Visa, MC, Discover, Amex.

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- Funds are deposited directly into operator's account 48-hours before departure. No waiting for "someone to drop off a check".

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An aerial photograph of a multi-lane highway bridge spanning across a body of water. The water is a vibrant teal color. The bridge has several lanes in each direction, with white lane markings. Several vehicles, including cars and trucks, are visible on the bridge. The sky is not visible, as the image is focused on the bridge and water.

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- Creates a professional image for operator.

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