



# When Trucking Companies Are Liable for Truck Accident Injuries

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*Houston accident injury lawyers address liability questions for those who have been involved in a truck accident.*

HOUSTON, TX, USA, February 5, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Traffic accidents lead to thousands of injuries and fatalities in Texas every year, say the Houston accident injury lawyers of 1800 CAR WRECK.

## Traffic Deaths

"In 2010 Texas had 2,728 fatal car crashes, which resulted in 2,998 fatalities, 42% of which involved a drunk driver. The total traffic-related fatality rate for Texas was 11.87 fatalities per 100,000 people, which is 2.2% higher than the average for all Traffic Deaths by State in 2010."

For more information about traffic deaths in Texas, please visit <http://vehicle-fatalities.findthedata.org/l/44/Texas>.

Nationwide, the numbers are even more staggering, especially when it comes to accidents involving large trucks.

## Large Truck Crash Overview 2010

"In 2010, there were:

- 3,261 large truck fatal crashes...

Another 80,000 people were injured in crashes involving large trucks. Fourteen percent of those killed, and 25% of those injured, were occupants of large trucks."

For more information about large truck crashes please visit <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/facts-research/LTCO2010/2010LargeTruckCrashOverview.aspx>.

In reviewing the totals on the number of truck crashes that occur annually, what for many first comes to mind is the issue of [liability](#) for injuries caused. Who pays the costs of medical expenses and other damages when these types of wrecks occur? In many accidents involving 18-

wheelers, responsibility may fall into the hands of trucking companies due to negligence on their part. Trucking companies are required to adhere to certain standards of safety for the protection of their drivers and others on the road.

When a trucking company fails in this duty, the consequences can be disastrous. Allowing drivers with insufficient experience or without proper licensing to operate a commercial vehicle, influencing drivers to drive for extended periods without adequate rest, and cutting corners in vehicle maintenance are examples of negligence and misconduct that has led to a number of serious truck accident injuries. When trucking companies are liable for an accident, a truck accident attorney can help injured victims see that needed investigations are conducted and advocate for their legal right to compensation.

The Houston truck accident lawyers of 1800 CAR WRECK are [available](#) to help those who have been injured in a truck accident linked to the negligence of a trucking company seek just compensation for what they have endured. Individuals can contact the law firm of Eberstein & Witherite to request a free case evaluation today. The [1800 CAR WRECK Houston](#) helpline is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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