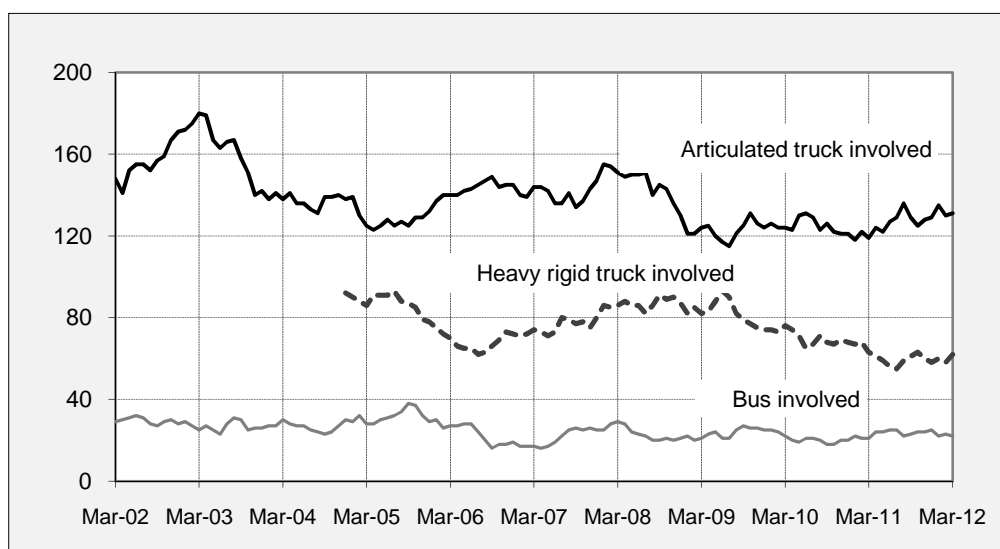




Fatal crashes involving heavy vehicles, Australia — moving annual total

(Each point shows the number of fatal crashes during the preceding 12 months)



Key features

- During the 12 months to the end of March 2012, 238 people died from 208 fatal crashes involving heavy trucks or buses. These included:
 - 148 deaths from 131 crashes involving articulated trucks,
 - 75 deaths from 62 crashes involving heavy rigid trucks,
 - 22 deaths from 22 crashes involving buses^b.
- Fatal crashes involving articulated trucks:
 - increased by 10.1 per cent compared with the corresponding period one year earlier,
 - increased by an average of 1.2 per cent per year over the three years to March 2012.
- Fatal crashes involving heavy rigid trucks:
 - decreased by 1.6 per cent compared with the corresponding period one year earlier,
 - decreased by an average of 9.8 per cent per year over the three years to March 2012.

^b Figures sum to more than the total because some crashes involved more than one type of heavy vehicle.

ARTICULATED TRUCKS – FATAL CRASHES

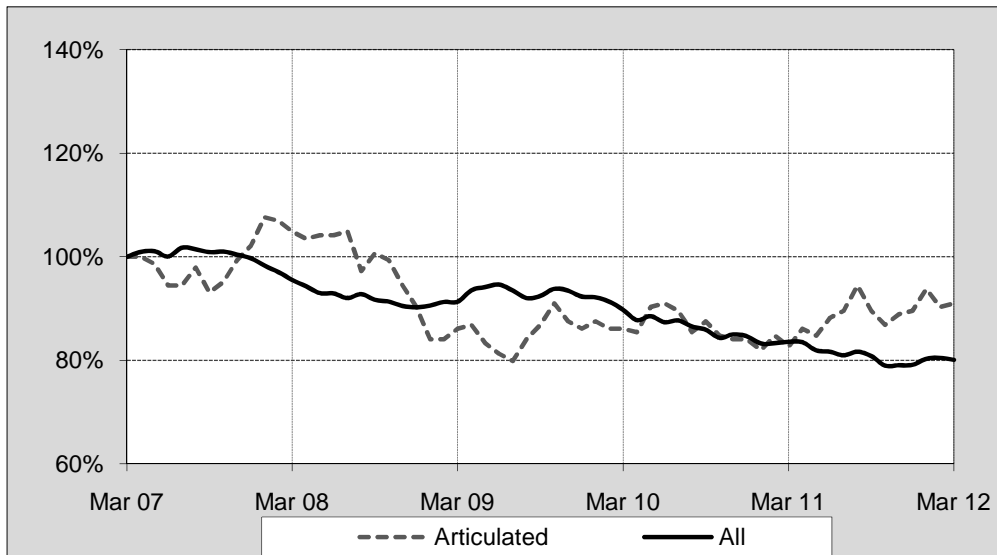
Fatal crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	57	26	34	9	12	5	2	0	145
2007	53	30	38	6	14	4	2	0	147
2008	47	22	35	9	8	6	3	0	130
2009	33	17	38	9	13	10	2	2	124
2010	41	31	25	7	12	3	1	1	121
2011	46	21	32	12	14	2	2	0	129
Quarters									
2010									
March	16	9	5	3	0	0	0	0	33
June	9	8	7	0	3	2	0	0	29
September	8	9	5	2	4	0	1	1	30
December	8	5	8	2	5	1	0	0	29
2011									
March	9	6	9	5	2	0	0	0	31
June	8	6	9	5	7	2	0	0	37
September	18	5	4	1	4	0	0	0	32
December	11	4	10	1	1	0	2	0	29
2012									
March	11	3	9	5	3	2	0	0	33
12 Months ended									
March 2011	34	28	29	9	14	3	1	1	119
March 2012	48	18	32	12	15	4	2	0	131
% change	41.2	-35.7	10.3	33.3	7.1	33.3	100.0	0.0	10.1
Average annual % change over 3 years^a									
<i>12 mths end Mar 2009</i>									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	1.2	1.3	2.4	5.6	18.4	-29.1	-17.4	-	1.2

^a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Index of fatal crashes involving articulated trucks in Australia – five years ended March 2012

Each point shows the number of fatal crashes in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the corresponding number of fatal crashes in the 12 months to the end of March 2007.



ARTICULATED TRUCKS - DEATHS

Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	69	31	37	10	14	7	2	0	170
2007	59	48	41	7	20	5	2	0	182
2008	53	23	46	10	10	6	3	0	151
2009	47	20	40	11	15	11	2	2	148
2010	51	36	29	7	13	3	1	1	141
2011	50	23	39	13	16	2	2	0	145
Quarters									
2010									
March	19	9	6	3	0	0	0	0	37
June	11	10	9	0	3	2	0	0	35
September	10	10	5	2	5	0	1	1	34
December	11	7	9	2	5	1	0	0	35
2011									
March	9	6	12	5	3	0	0	0	35
June	9	7	13	6	8	2	0	0	45
September	20	5	4	1	4	0	0	0	34
December	12	5	10	1	1	0	2	0	31
2012									
March	15	4	9	5	3	2	0	0	38
12 Months ended									
March 2011	41	33	35	9	16	3	1	1	139
March 2012	56	21	36	13	16	4	2	0	148
% change	36.6	-36.4	2.9	44.4	0.0	33.3	100.0	-100.0	6.5
Average annual % change over 3 years^a									
12 mths end Mar 2009									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	1.8	5.1	1.2	1.4	13.4	-30.2	-17.4	-	1.2

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory and road user – 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers ^b	36	10	25	6	7	4	1	0	89
Passengers ^b	11	5	9	2	1	0	0	0	28
Pedestrians	6	4	1	2	6	0	1	0	20
Motor cyclists ^c	3	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	8
Cyclists	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
All road users ^d	56	21	36	13	16	4	2	0	148

b Includes drivers/passengers of light and heavy vehicles

c Includes pillion passengers

d Includes road users not separately specified

Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory and crash type – 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	7	4	1	2	6	0	1	0	21
Single vehicle crashes	6	3	10	0	0	0	0	0	19
Multiple vehicle crashes	43	14	25	11	10	4	1	0	108
All crash types	56	21	36	13	16	4	2	0	148

HEAVY RIGID TRUCKS - FATAL CRASHES

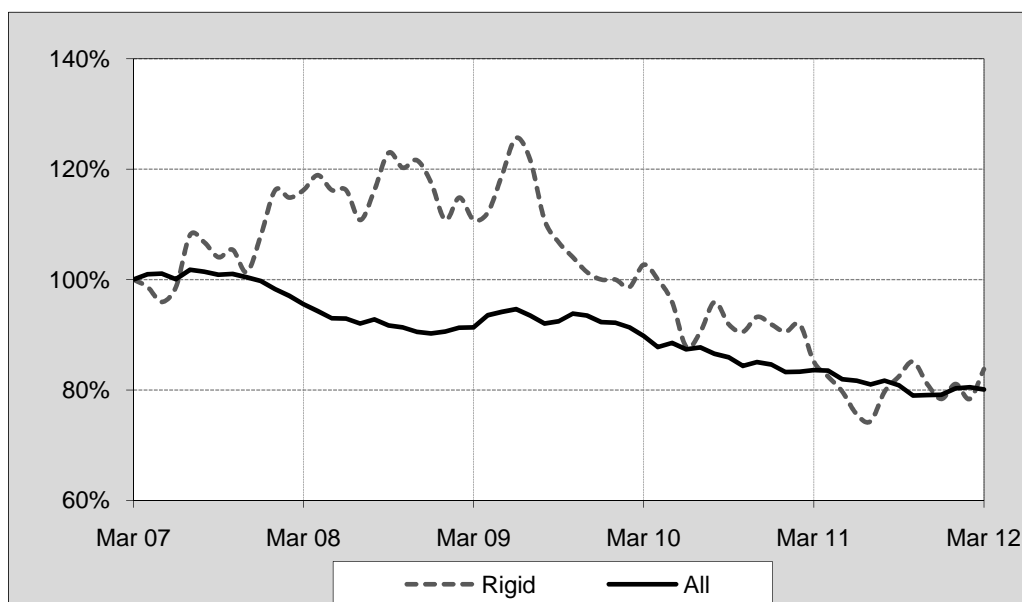
Fatal crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	24	15	15	5	8	3	1	1	72
2007	28	24	10	5	10	1	1	1	80
2008	12	24	21	9	17	2	2	0	87
2009	23	18	13	2	16	1	1	0	74
2010	20	19	12	2	10	4	0	1	68
2011	15	14	12	6	7	2	2	0	58
Quarters									
2010									
March	8	5	1	1	2	1	0	1	19
June	5	2	4	0	7	0	0	0	18
September	5	6	4	0	1	1	0	0	17
December	2	6	3	1	0	2	0	0	14
2011									
March	5	3	0	1	3	2	0	0	14
June	2	2	3	2	2	0	0	0	11
September	3	6	7	3	1	0	2	0	22
December	5	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	11
2012									
March	5	4	4	1	4	0	0	0	18
12 Months ended									
March 2011	17	17	11	2	11	5	0	0	63
March 2012	15	15	16	6	8	0	2	0	62
% change	-11.8	-11.8	45.5	200.0	-27.3	-100.0	-	-	-1.6
Average annual % change over 3 years^a									
12 mths end Mar 2009									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	-0.7	-11.4	-3.5	-4.5	-24.7	-	-	-	-9.8

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Index of fatal crashes involving heavy rigid trucks in Australia — five years ended March 2012

Each point shows the number of fatal crashes in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the corresponding number of fatal crashes in the 12 months to the end of March 2007.



HEAVY RIGID TRUCKS - DEATHS

Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	30	15	16	5	9	3	1	1	80
2007	29	26	11	5	10	1	2	1	85
2008	12	25	24	10	18	2	2	0	93
2009	24	19	13	2	18	1	1	0	78
2010	24	24	15	2	12	5	0	1	83
2011	17	20	13	6	8	2	4	0	70
Quarters									
2010									
March	8	6	1	1	2	2	0	1	21
June	8	6	7	0	8	0	0	0	29
September	6	6	4	0	2	1	0	0	19
December	2	6	3	1	0	2	0	0	14
2011									
March	5	3	0	1	3	2	0	0	14
June	2	2	4	2	3	0	0	0	13
September	4	6	7	3	1	0	4	0	25
December	6	9	2	0	1	0	0	0	18
2012									
March	6	4	4	1	4	0	0	0	19
12 Months ended									
March 2011	21	21	14	2	13	5	0	0	76
March 2012	18	21	17	6	9	0	4	0	75
% change	-14.3	0.0	21.4	200.0	-30.8	-100.0	-	0.0	-1.3
Average annual % change over 3 years^a									
12 mths end Mar 2009									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	6.8	-1.7	-2.4	-8.3	-22.9	-	-	-	-5.0

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by road user – 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers ^b	7	8	11	4	5	0	2	0	37
Passengers ^b	6	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	14
Pedestrians	4	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	13
Motor cyclists ^c	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
Cyclists	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
All road users ^d	18	21	17	6	9	0	4	0	75

b Includes drivers/passengers of light vehicles

c Includes pillion passengers

d Includes road users not separately specified

Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by crash type – 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	4	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	13
Single vehicle crashes	4	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	9
Multiple vehicle crashes	10	18	15	5	2	0	3	0	53
All crash types	18	21	17	6	9	0	4	0	75

BUSES - FATAL CRASHES

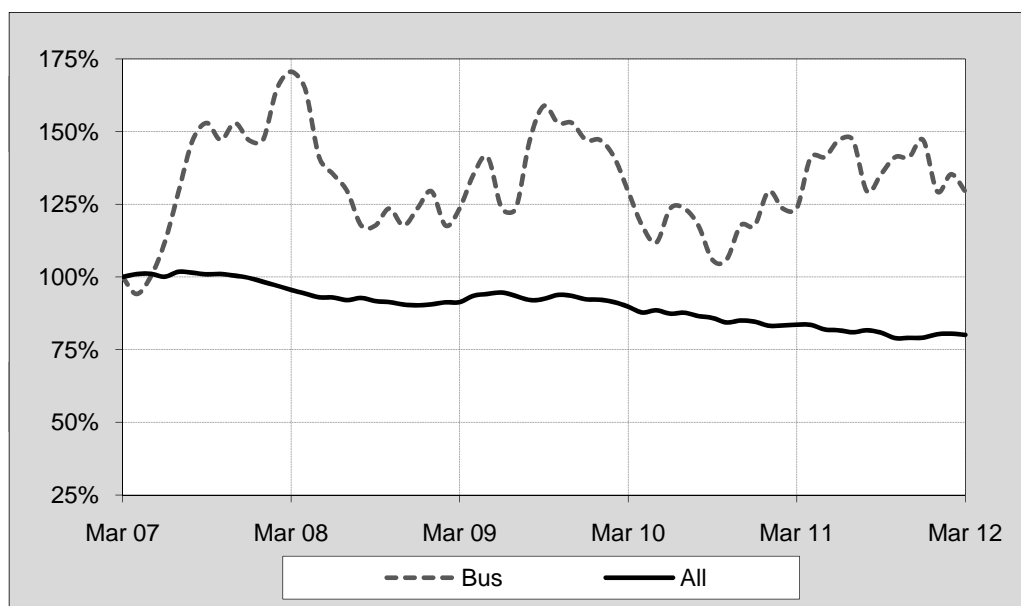
Fatal crashes involving buses by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
2007	5	2	6	1	1	1	1	0	17
2008	13	5	7	1	3	0	0	0	29
2009	3	4	9	3	2	0	0	0	21
2010	10	5	5	0	0	2	0	0	22
2011	9	2	5	3	0	0	1	1	21
Quarters									
2010									
March	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
June	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
September	3	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	8
December	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	5
2011									
March	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
June	1	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	7
September	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
December	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
2012									
March	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
12 Months ended									
March 2011	9	2	5	3	0	0	1	1	21
March 2012	10	4	6	0	2	0	0	0	22
% change	11.1	100.0	20.0	-100.0	-	-	-100.0	-100.0	4.8
Average annual % change over 3 years^a									
12 mths end Mar 2009									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	42.0	-8.8	-11.5	-	-	-	-	-	0.9

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Index of fatal crashes involving buses in Australia – five years ended March 2012

Each point shows the number of fatal crashes in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the corresponding number of fatal crashes in the 12 months to the end of March 2007



BUSES - DEATHS

Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Calendar Years									
2006	7	3	5	1	1	1	1	0	19
2007	11	4	7	1	2	0	0	0	25
2008	5	4	9	1	3	0	0	0	22
2009	9	9	10	2	0	1	0	0	31
2010	9	2	4	3	0	1	1	1	21
2011	11	5	8	0	2	0	0	0	26
Quarters									
2010									
March	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
June	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
September	3	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	8
December	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	5
2011									
March	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
June	1	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	7
September	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
December	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
2012									
March	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
12 Months ended									
March 2011	9	2	7	3	0	0	1	1	23
March 2012	10	4	6	0	2	0	0	0	22
% change	11.1	100.0	-14.3	-100.0	-	0.0	-100.0	-100.0	-4.3
Average annual % change over 3 years ^a									
12 mths end Mar 2009									
to 12 mths end Mar 2012	40.7	-12.9	-11.5	-	-	-	-	-	-0.6

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last three 12-month periods.

Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory by road user - 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers ^b	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	5
Passengers ^b	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Pedestrians	6	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
Motor cyclists ^c	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Cyclists	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
All road users ^d	10	4	6	0	2	0	0	0	22

b Includes drivers/passengers of light vehicles

c Includes pillion passengers

d Includes road users not separately specified

Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory by crash type - 12 months ended March 2012

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	6	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
Other single vehicle crashes	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
Multiple vehicle crashes	4	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	8
All crash types	10	4	6	0	2	0	0	0	22

APPENDIX

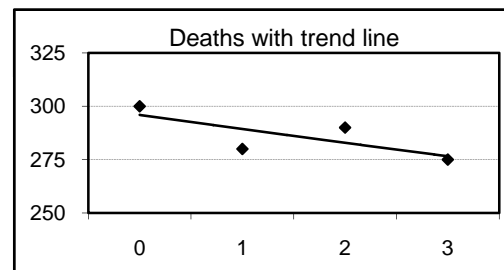
Glossary Note. The following definitions are general explanations only. The precise definitions vary across the organisations that provide the source data. These differences may result in minor inconsistencies between jurisdictions for some variables.

<i>Articulated truck</i>	A motor vehicle primarily for load carrying, consisting of a prime mover that has no significant load carrying area but with a turntable device which can be linked to one or more trailers.
<i>Bus</i>	A motor vehicle constructed for the carriage of passengers which has at least 10 seats, including the driver's seat.
<i>Crash</i>	Any apparently unpremeditated event reported to police, or other relevant authority, and resulting in death, injury or property damage attributable to the movement of a road vehicle on a public road.
<i>Death</i>	A person who dies within 30 days of a crash as a result of injuries received in that crash.
<i>Fatal crash</i>	A crash for which there is at least one death.
<i>Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM)</i>	Tare weight (i.e. unladen weight) of the motor vehicle plus its maximum carrying capacity excluding trailers.
<i>Heavy rigid truck</i>	A motor vehicle of GVM greater than 4.5 tonnes constructed with a load carrying area. Includes a rigid truck with a tow bar, draw bar or other non-articulated coupling on the rear of the vehicle.

Preliminary data Data for recent months are preliminary and subject to revision.

Estimation of three year trends In this bulletin, the figures for the 'Average annual per cent change over 3 years' are calculated by fitting an exponential trend line to the last four data points (years 0 to 3). The Excel function LOGEST performs the fit. The resulting trend line represents a constant annual percent change over the period. An example is given below:

Cell Ref.	A	B	C
	Year	Deaths	% change
1	0	300	
2	1	280	-7%
3	2	290	4%
4	3	275	-5%
Average annual change =			-2.2%



Average annual change = INDEX (LOGEST (B1:B4 , A1:A4) , 1) -1 = -2.2%

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- Department of Transport and Main Roads Queensland
- Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure, South Australia
- Western Australia Police
- Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, Tasmania
- Department of Lands and Planning, Northern Territory
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