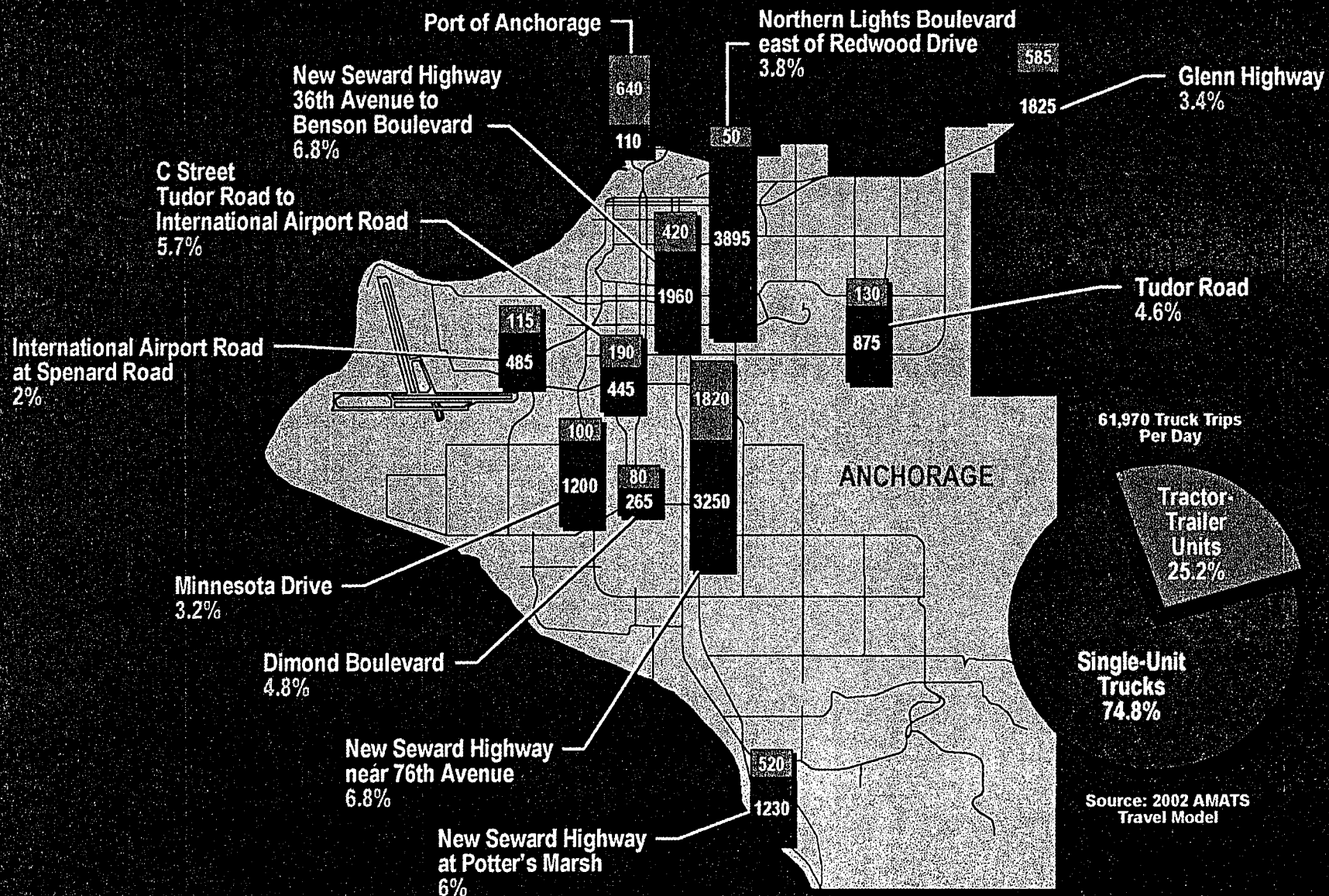


Freight Truck Distribution



The Alaska Trucking Association was founded in 1959 to serve the businesses that operate trucks in Alaska. ATA's members transport 85% of the shipments that travel on Alaska's highways each day. Our membership extends from Barrow to Ketchikan, ranges from the self employed owner-operators to the largest multi-modal transporters and everything in-between. The ATA represents over 200 companies and 17,000 Alaska employees.

Commerce

- Every day in Alaska trucks move more than 20,000 tons of Alaskan's supplies that range from Apples to X-Ray Machines.
- 94% of Alaska's population is directly dependent on trucking to supply their every day needs.
- In 2003 Alaska Trucks moved more than 12 million tons of freight.
- In Alaska the US Department of Transportation projects that annual freight movement will nearly double by 2020 to 21 million tons moved by truck.
- There are more than 98,000 commercial trucks that operate in Alaska they range in size from 18 wheelers to smaller delivery trucks.

Employment

- The trucking industry in Alaska is one of the largest private employers in the state employing more than 29,000 drivers and support employees.
- Alaska Truckers earned \$688 million in 2000 with an average salary of \$36,924
- Alaska is home to 5,535 for-hire and private trucking businesses.

User Fees

- Only 1 in 12 vehicles on Alaska's roadways is a truck, yet trucks pay 45% of all federal and state user fees.
- In 2001 an average operator of a typical five axel tractor-semi trailer paid \$6,920 in state and federal highway taxes \$1,344 will be paid directly to the state of Alaska.
- Alaska Trucks Operators collectively pay \$42 million in State and Federal Taxes.

Infrastructure

- Alaska has the 4th smallest National Highway System with only 2054 miles.
- Alaska Trucks put 281 Million Miles in during 2002, this represents only 6% of all the miles traveled in Alaska

Safety and Environment

- While Inspection of Trucks has increased by 385% from 1998-2003 the percentage of trucks put Out-of-Service is a mere 2%.
- In June 2006 Alaska Trucks will be burning the cleanest diesel ever produced. This fuel sulfur content will drop from 500ppm to 15ppm, to keep Alaska's environment pristine.

Technology

- Alaska's truckers are working with the Alaska Department of Transportation to utilize "Weight in Motion" technology to expedite commerce.
- Alaska trucking companies are now able to utilize GPS technology to provide better service to their customers.
- The Alaska trucking industry looks to advance the use of Intelligent Transportation Systems through Alaska DOT.

Alaska Trucking Association

Mission Statement

It is the mission of ATA to "serve the united interests of the trucking industry and enhance the trucking industry image, efficiency, productivity and competitiveness; promote highway safety and environmental responsibility; provide educational programs; and work for a healthy business environment." The deep seated, root interests of the Alaska Trucking Association include maintaining existing roads, new road construction and the elimination of blanket seasonal weight restrictions.

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