

Medium-Duty Vehicles

Road User Fee Task Force

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Considerations for Medium-Duty Fleet Study

- Travel Patterns
- Revenue Collection via registration and fuel tax
- DMV Classification
- Safety Compliance
- Licensing Requirements
- Best Practices from other States

Draft Problem Statement

The nature of freight delivering is evolving in the State of Oregon and beyond. The VMT of medium-duty vehicles is rising at a rate much faster than that of heavy-duty vehicles as medium-duty vehicles are becoming increasingly responsible for e-commerce deliveries and other commercial tasks. ODOT considers medium-duty vehicles to be vehicles weighing between 8,000 and 26,000 pounds, not intended for passenger use, and engaging in commercial activities. ODOT currently does not have enough information to ensure that these medium-duty vehicles are paying their appropriate share for their use of the road or if they are complying with safety regulations intended for drivers of commercial vehicles. This study will identify the current regulatory and revenue-collection structure pertaining to these vehicles and highlight information gaps, internal processes, authority limitations, safety risks, and equitable-revenue disparities. The study will also identify best practices in other jurisdictions for regulation of medium-duty fleet, including taxation and licensure requirements for vehicle operators. This will inform internal procedural actions and necessary policymaking to address those deficiencies.