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## Introduction

## Coverage

This report presents the results from the 1998 Transportation Annual Survey. This annual sample survey represents all employer firms with one or more establishments that are primarily engaged in providing commercial motor freight transportation or public warehousing services. This includes firms furnishing local or long-distance trucking or transfer services, and those firms engaged in the storage of farm products, furniture or other household goods, or commercial goods of any nature.

This survey excludes private motor carriers that operate as auxiliary establishments to nontransportation companies, as well as independent owner-operators with no paid employees. As a result, the dollar volume estimates and estimates of year-to-year percentage change presented in this report should not be interpreted as representing measurements of total trucking industry activity.

Statistics in this report are summarized by kind-ofbusiness classification based on the 1987 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

Appendix A provides estimated measures of sampling variability (coefficients of variation) for the dollar volume estimates and estimates of year-to-year ratios presented in the report. An explanation of the survey coverage, sampling, and estimation methodology appears in Appendix $B$. Appendix C provides a description of each kind of business included in this report. Copies of the 1998 report forms are provided in Appendix D.

## Changes From the 1997 Publication

We have deleted some tables that appeared in the 1997 Transportation Annual Survey publication. These tables
contained detailed information corresponding to data items that no longer appear on our survey questionnaires.

## Dollar Values

All dollar values presented in this report are expressed in current dollars, that is, the estimates are not adjusted to a constant dollar series. Consequently, when comparing data to prior years, users also should consider price level changes.

## Unpublished Estimates

Estimates for some kinds of business not separately shown in this report are produced as a by-product of the published statistics. These additional data are not published because of their high sampling variability, poor response quality, or other factors that result in their failure to meet Census Bureau standards for publication. The Bureau of the Census, upon written request, will release such figures for individual use.

Note that some unpublished figures can be derived from this report by subtracting published data from their respective totals. However, such figures are subject to the limitations described above. These unpublished estimates are for internal use only.

## Census Disclosure Rules

In accordance with Federal law governing Census reports, no data are published that would disclose the operation of an individual firm.

## NOTICE OF FUTURE CHANGES:

This will be the final year the Census Bureau publishes data for this survey using the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. Beginning with the 1999 survey year, we will publish data using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). NAICS was developed jointly by the United States, Canada, and Mexico to provide new comparability in statistics about business activity across North America.
The following URL contains detailed information about NAICS and provides a comparison of the SIC and NAICS systems:
http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html

# Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Services 

## Summary of Data for Trucking and Courier Services

Total operating revenue in 1998 for the for-hire trucking and courier services industry (excluding air courier services) was estimated at $\$ 197.5$ billion, up 7.8 percent from 1997. Long-distance trucking, which accounted for 61 percent of all motor carrier revenue, was up 5.2 percent from 1997. Local trucking revenue rose 12.8 percent from 1997 to approximately $\$ 67.0$ billion in 1998 . Truckload shipments accounted for approximately 63 percent of motor carrier revenue in 1998 and increased 7.4 percent from 1997.

Approximately 50 percent of motor carrier revenue came from transporting manufactured products, such as furniture, hardware, glass products, textiles and apparel, and the delivery of small packages.

Total operating expenses were estimated at $\$ 179.9$ billion in 1998, up 5.2 percent from 1997.

Total operating revenue for long-distance trucking, SIC 4213 , rose 5.3 percent from 1997 to approximately $\$ 109.4$ billion in 1998. Total operating expenses were estimated at $\$ 101.6$ billion in 1998 and were up 3.1 percent over 1997.

## Summary of Data for Public Warehousing Services

Total operating revenue for public warehousing services (SIC 422) increased 12.4 percent from 1997 to $\$ 14.3$ billion.

More than 61 percent of all public warehousing services revenue (SIC 422) was from general warehousing and storage (SIC 4225). Revenue from refrigerated warehousing and storage (SIC 4222) was $\$ 2.4$ billion in 1998. It accounted for nearly 17 percent of the warehousing industry's total operating revenue in 1998. Total operating revenue in 1998 for farm product warehousing and storage (SIC 4221) represented approximately 5 percent of the warehousing industry's total operating revenue.

Table 1. Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Services (SIC 42)—Summary Statistics, by Kind of Business: 1989 Through 1998

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| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

[^0]Table 1. Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Services (SIC 42)—Summary Statistics, by Kind of Business: 1989 Through 1998-Continued


NA Not available.
${ }^{1}$ Includes terminal and joint terminal maintenance facilities for motor carrier transportation (SIC 4231) not shown separately.
${ }^{2}$ Excludes private motor carriers that operate as auxiliary establishments to nontransportation companies and independent owner-operators with no paid employees.

Note: Detail may not add to total due to rounding. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes. Appendix A, Table A-1 provides estimated measures of sampling variability (coefficients of variation).
Table 2. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Operating Revenue and Expenses for All Carriers, by Kind of Business: 1989 Through 1998 Millions of dollars.]

| Item | Trucking and courier services, except by air (SIC 421) |  |  |  |  | Local trucking without storage (SIC 4212) |  |  |  |  | Trucking, except local (SIC 4213) |  |  |  |  | Local trucking with storage (SIC 4214) |  |  |  |  | Courier services, except by air (SIC 4215) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total . | 197,490 | 183,153 | 172,743 | 161,806 | 155,713 | 55,553 | 49,972 | 46,589 | 43,830 | 40,903 | 109,351 | 103,847 | 97,586 | 91,675 | 89,369 | 6,144 | 5,860 | 5,502 | 5,154 | 4,757 | 26,442 | 23,474 | 23,066 | 21,147 | 20,684 |
| Motor carrier | 187,451 | 173,884 | 163,786 | 153,881 | 148,002 | 52,885 | 47,865 | 44,268 | 41,750 | 38,644 | 104,841 | 99,250 | 93,308 | 88,008 | 85,748 | 3,783 | 3,667 | 3,575 | 3,337 | 3,192 | 25,941 | 23,102 | 22,635 | 20,786 | 20,418 |
| Local trucking | 66,968 | 59,354 | 52,301 | 48,731 | 43,592 | 41,899 | 37,473 | 33,308 | 31,193 | 27,496 | 17,566 | 15,092 | 12,958 | 12,197 | 11,501 | 2,474 | 2,346 | 2,205 | 2,144 | 2,023 | 5,030 | 4,443 | 3,830 | 3,197 | 2,572 |
| Long-distance trucking | 120,483 | 114,530 | 111,485 | 105,150 | 104,410 | 10,987 | 10,392 | 10,960 | 10,557 | 11,148 | 87,276 | 84,158 | 80,350 | 75,811 | 74,247 | 1,309 | 1,321 | 1,370 | 1,193 | 1,169 | 20,911 | 18,659 | 18,805 | 17,589 | 17,846 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 179,908 | 170,998 | 162,825 | 151,628 | 145,216 | 47,478 | 43,871 | 41,325 | 38,695 | 36,455 | 101,584 | 98,570 | 94,390 | 88,061 | 84,682 | 5,638 | 5,439 | 5,121 | 4,817 | 4,543 | 25,207 | 23,118 | 21,989 | 20,055 | 19,536 |

See footnotes at end of table.
NA Not available.

| Item | Trucking and courier services, except by air (SIC 421) |  |  |  |  | Local trucking without storage (SIC 4212) |  |  |  |  | Trucking, except local (SIC 4213) |  |  |  |  | Local trucking with storage (SIC 4214) |  |  |  |  | Courier services, except by air (SIC 4215) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 142,547 | 135,437 | 126,772 | 127,314 | 116,937 | 36,648 | 33,554 | 30,890 | 31,397 | (NA) | 81,317 | 78,358 | 73,982 | 74,465 | (NA) | 4,487 | 4,191 | 4,022 | 4,115 | (NA) | 20,095 | 19,334 | 17,878 | 17,337 | (NA) |
| Motor carrier | 135,000 | 127,049 | 117,732 | 117,122 | 107,645 | 34,229 | 30,450 | 27,322 | 27,336 | (NA) | 77,711 | 74,386 | 69,800 | 69,701 | (NA) | 3,137 | 3,030 | 2,845 | 2,866 | (NA) | 19,923 | 19,183 | 17,765 | 17,219 | (NA) |
| Local trucking | 36,649 | 31,120 | 27,281 | 28,017 | 25,560 | 22,815 | 19,318 | 17,150 | 17,258 | (NA) | 9,818 | 8,244 | 7,047 | 7,758 | (NA) | 1,893 | 1,787 | 1,543 | 1,536 | (NA) | 2,123 | 1,771 | 1,541 | 1,465 | (NA) |
| Long-distance trucking | 98,351 | 95,929 | 90,451 | 89,105 | 82,085 | 11,414 | 11,132 | 10,172 | 10,078 | (NA) | 67,893 | 66,142 | 62,753 | 61,943 | (NA) | 1,244 | 1,243 | 1,302 | 1,330 | (NA) | 17,800 | 17,412 | 16,224 | 15,754 | (NA) |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 133,857 | 127,687 | 118,855 | 118,968 | 110,669 | 33,388 | 31,047 | 27,887 | 28,049 | (NA) | 77,568 | 75,061 | 70,828 | 70,965 | (NA) | 4,247 | 3,930 | 3,838 | 3,885 | (NA) | 18,654 | 17,649 | 16,302 | 16,069 | (NA) |



Table 3. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Operating Revenue and Expenses, by Type of Carrier: 1989 Through 1998

| Item | Millions of dollars |  |  |  |  | Percent change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | $\begin{gathered} 1998 / \\ 1997 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1997 / \\ 1996 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1996 / \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1995 / \\ 1994 \end{gathered}$ | 1994/1993 |
| ALL CARRIERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 197,490 | 183,153 | 172,743 | 161,806 | 155,713 | 7.8 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 3.9 | 9.2 |
| Motor carrier | 187,451 | 173,884 | 163,786 | 153,881 | 148,002 | 7.8 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 9.6 |
| Local trucking | 66,968 | 59,354 | 52,301 | 48,731 | 43,592 | 12.8 | 13.5 | 7.3 | 11.8 | 18.9 |
| Long-distance trucking | 120,483 | 114,530 | 111,485 | 105,150 | 104,410 | 5.2 | 2.7 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 6.2 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 179,908 | 170,998 | 162,825 | 151,628 | 145,216 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 7.4 | 4.4 | 8.5 |
| SPECIALTY CARRIERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 58,417 | 55,411 | 52,464 | 49,139 | 45,034 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 6.8 | 9.1 | 12.3 |
| Motor carrier | 53,321 | 50,706 | 47,883 | 44,969 | 41,078 | 5.2 | 5.9 | 6.5 | 9.5 | 13.5 |
| Local trucking | 33,919 | 31,624 | 29,045 | 27,181 | 23,420 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 6.9 | 16.1 | 20.9 |
| Long-distance trucking | 19,402 | 19,082 | 18,838 | 17,788 | 17,658 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 5.0 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 51,896 | 49,560 | 47,685 | 44,556 | 41,052 | 4.7 | 3.9 | 7.0 | 8.5 | 10.5 |
| GENERAL CARRIERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 139,073 | 127,742 | 120,279 | 112,667 | 110,679 | 8.9 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 1.8 | 8.1 |
| Motor carrier | 134,130 | 123,178 | 115,903 | 108,912 | 106,924 | 8.9 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 1.9 | 8.2 |
| Local trucking | 33,049 | 27,730 | 23,256 | 21,550 | 20,172 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 16.7 |
| Long-distance trucking | 101,081 | 95,448 | 92,647 | 87,362 | 86,752 | 5.9 | 3.0 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 6.4 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 128,012 | 121,438 | 115,140 | 107,072 | 104,164 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 7.5 | 2.8 | 7.7 |

[^1]Table 3. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Operating Revenue and Expenses, by Type of Carrier: 1989 Through 1998-Continued

| Item | Millions of dollars |  |  |  |  | Percent change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989 | 1993/1992 | 1992/1991 | 1991/1990 | 1990/1989 |
| ALL CARRIERS Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 142,547 | 135,437 | 126,772 | 127,314 | 116,937 | 5.2 | 6.8 | -0.4 | 8.9 |
| Motor carrier | 135,000 | 127,049 | 117,732 | 117,122 | 107,645 | 6.3 | 7.9 | 0.5 | 8.8 |
| Local trucking | 36,649 | 31,120 | 27,281 | 28,017 | 25,560 | 17.8 | 14.1 | -2.6 | 9.6 |
| Long-distance trucking | 98,351 | 95,929 | 90,451 | 89,105 | 82,085 | 2.5 | 6.1 | 1.5 | 8.6 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 133,857 | 127,687 | 118,855 | 118,968 | 110,669 | 4.8 | 7.4 | -0.1 | 7.5 |
| SPECIALTY CARRIERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 40,116 | 36,729 | 34,884 | 35,877 | 34,069 | 9.2 | 5.3 | -2.8 | 5.3 |
| Motor carrier | 36,184 | 32,690 | 30,604 | 31,042 | 29,557 | 10.7 | 6.8 | -1.4 | 5.0 |
| Local trucking | 19,367 | 16,366 | 14,668 | 14,783 | 13,599 | 18.3 | 11.6 | -0.8 | 8.7 |
| Long-distance trucking | 16,817 | 16,324 | 15,936 | 16,259 | 15,958 | 3.0 | 2.4 | -2.0 | 1.9 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total . | 37,140 | 34,101 | 32,072 | 32,576 | 30,896 | 8.9 | 6.3 | -1.5 | 5.4 |
| GENERAL CARRIERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 102,431 | 98,708 | 91,888 | 91,437 | 82,868 | 3.8 | 7.4 | 0.5 | 10.3 |
| Motor carrier | 98,816 | 94,359 | 87,128 | 86,080 | 78,088 | 4.7 | 8.3 | 1.2 | 10.2 |
| Local trucking | 17,282 | 14,754 | 12,613 | 13,234 | 11,961 | 17.1 | 17.0 | -4.7 | 10.6 |
| Long-distance trucking | 81,534 | 79,605 | 74,515 | 72,846 | 66,127 | 2.4 | 6.8 | 2.3 | 10.2 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 96,717 | 93,586 | 86,783 | 86,392 | 79,773 | 3.3 | 7.8 | 0.5 | 8.3 |

Note: Excludes private motor carriers that operate as auxiliary establishments to nontransportation companies and independent owner-operators with no paid employees. Detail may not add to total due to rounding. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes. Appendix A, Table A-3 provides estimated measures of sampling variability (coefficients of variation).

Table 4. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)-Estimated Motor Carrier Revenue, by Size of Shipments, Commodities Handled, and Origin and Destination of Shipments: 1989 Through 1998

| Item | Millions of dollars |  |  |  |  | Percent change |  |  |  |  | Percent of total motor carrier revenue |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | $\begin{gathered} 1998 / \\ 1997 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1997 / \\ 1996 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996 / \\ 1995 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1995 / \\ & 1994 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1994 / \\ 1993 \end{gathered}$ | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 |
| Total Motor Carrier Revenue | 187,451 | 173,884 | 163,786 | 153,881 | 148,002 | 7.8 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 9.6 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Size of Shipments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less-than-truckload | 68,466 | 63,124 | 59,921 | 56,659 | 54,417 | 8.5 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 36.5 | 36.3 | 36.6 | 36.8 | 36.8 |
| Truckload | 118,985 | 110,760 | 103,865 | 97,222 | 93,585 | 7.4 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 3.9 | 12.2 | 63.5 | 63.7 | 63.4 | 63.2 | 63.2 |
| Commodities Handled |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agricultural and food products | 23,132 | 23,972 | 22,546 | 21,668 | 20,937 | -3.5 | 6.3 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 7.3 | 12.3 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 14.1 | 14.1 |
| Mining products, unrefined. | 4,123 | 3,977 | 3,513 | 3,116 | 2,668 | 3.7 | 13.2 | 12.7 | 16.8 | 16.4 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 |
| Building materials | 14,045 | 12,516 | 11,051 | 10,495 | 10,195 | 12.2 | 13.3 | 5.3 | 2.9 | 12.7 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.9 |
| Forestry, wood, and paper products | 10,910 | 9,718 | 9,064 | 8,653 | 9,150 | 12.3 | 7.2 | 4.7 | -5.4 | 7.4 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 6.2 |
| Chemicals and allied products | 7,548 | 6,826 | 6,431 | 6,131 | 6,232 | 10.6 | 6.1 | 4.9 | -1.6 | 0.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.2 |
| Petroleum and petroleum products | 4,272 | 4,007 | 4,029 | 3,765 | 3,980 | 6.6 | -0.5 | 7.0 | -5.4 | 7.5 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.7 |
| Metals and metal products | 15,452 | 14,646 | 13,927 | 13,112 | 12,648 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 6.2 | 3.7 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.5 |
| Household goods . . . | 13,637 | 12,852 | 11,426 | 10,893 | 9,737 | 6.1 | 12.5 | 4.9 | 11.9 | 13.4 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.6 |
| Other manufactured products . | 28,407 | 28,759 | 27,191 | 25,234 | 23,997 | -1.2 | 5.8 | 7.8 | 5.2 | 21.8 | 15.2 | 16.5 | 16.6 | 16.4 | 16.2 |
| Other goods | 65,926 | 56,611 | 54,608 | 50,814 | 48,458 | 16.5 | 3.7 | 7.5 | 4.9 | 6.3 | 35.2 | 32.6 | 33.3 | 33.0 | 32.7 |
| Origin and Destination of Shipments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. to U.S. | 183,661 | 170,420 | 160,603 | 151,118 | 145,489 | 7.8 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 3.9 | (NA) | 98.0 | 98.0 | 98.1 | 98.2 | 98.3 |
| U.S. to Canada | 1,454 | 1,454 | 1,303 | 1,155 | 1,025 | - | 11.6 | 12.8 | 12.7 | (NA) | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Canada to U.S. | 671 | 669 | 661 | 617 | 588 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 7.1 | 4.9 | (NA) | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Other | 1,665 | 1,341 | 1,219 | 900 | 900 | 24.0 | 10.0 | 23.1 | 10.0 | (NA) | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |

[^2]Table 4. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Motor Carrier Revenue, by Size of Shipments, Commodities Handled, and Origin and Destination of Shipments: 1989 Through 1998—Continued


NA Not available. - Represents zero. S Data do not meet publication standards because of high sampling variability or poor response quality. Some unpublished estimates can be derived from this table by subtracting published data from their respective totals. However, the figures obtained by such subtraction are subject to these same limitations. These unpublished data are for internal use only.

Note: Excludes private motor carriers that operate as auxiliary establishments to nontransportation companies and independent owner-operators with no paid employees. Detail may not add to total due to rounding. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes. Appendix A, Table A-4 provides estimated measures of sampling variability (coefficients of variation).

Table 5. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Inventories of Revenue Generating Equipment, by Type of Carrier, as of December 31: 1989 Through 1998

| Equipment | All carriers |  |  | Specialty carriers |  |  | General carriers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased |
| Trucks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 395 | 349 | (S) | 150 | 136 | (S) | 245 | 213 | 32 |
| 1997 | 346 | 301 | (S) | 134 | 119 | (S) | 212 | 182 | 30 |
| 1996 | 332 | 298 | (S) | 130 | 116 | (S) | 202 | 182 | 20 |
| 1995 | 311 | 280 | (S) | 121 | 109 | (S) | 190 | 171 | 19 |
| 1994 | 297 | 267 | (S) | 126 | 112 | (S) | 171 | 155 | 16 |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998/1997 | 14.2 | 15.9 | (S) | 11.9 | 14.3 | (S) | 15.6 | 17.0 | 6.7 |
| 1997/1996 | 4.2 | 1.0 | (S) | 3.1 | 2.6 | (S) | 5.0 | - | 50.0 |
| 1996/1995 | 6.8 | 6.4 | (S) | 7.4 | 6.4 | (S) | 6.3 | 6.4 | 5.3 |
| 1995/1994 | 4.7 | 4.9 | (S) | -4.0 | -2.7 | (S) | 11.1 | 10.3 | 18.8 |
| 1994/1993 | 12.5 | 14.6 | (S) | 4.1 | 10.9 | (S) | 19.6 | 17.4 | 45.5 |
| Truck-tractors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 872 | 711 | 161 | 192 | 158 | 34 | 680 | 553 | 127 |
| 1997 | 784 | 641 | 143 | 178 | 149 | 29 | 606 | 492 | 114 |
| 1996 | 755 | 620 | 135 | 175 | 150 | 25 | 580 | 470 | 110 |
| 1995 | 736 | 596 | 140 | 165 | 144 | 21 | 571 | 452 | 119 |
| 1994 | 667 | 537 | 130 | 141 | 119 | 22 | 526 | 418 | 108 |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998/1997 | 11.2 | 10.9 | 12.6 | 7.9 | 6.0 | 17.2 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 11.4 |
| 1997/1996 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 5.9 | 1.7 | -0.7 | 16.0 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 3.6 |
| 1996/1995 | 2.6 | 4.0 | -3.6 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 19.0 | 1.6 | 4.0 | -7.6 |
| 1995/1994 | 10.3 | 11.0 | 7.7 | 17.0 | 21.0 | -4.5 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 10.2 |
| 1994/1993 | 8.3 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 8.2 | -4.3 | 8.9 | 9.7 | 5.9 |
| Trailers (Full and semi) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 1,802 | 1,544 | 258 | 290 | 249 | 41 | 1,512 | 1,295 | 217 |
| 1997 | 1,621 | 1,381 | 240 | 265 | 228 | 37 | 1,356 | 1,153 | 203 |
| 1996 | 1,568 | 1,334 | 234 | 256 | 223 | 33 | 1,312 | 1,111 | 201 |
| 1995 | 1,507 | 1,272 | 235 | 241 | 213 | 28 | 1,266 | 1,059 | 207 |
| 1994 | 1,408 | 1,199 | 209 | 224 | 196 | 28 | 1,184 | 1,003 | 181 |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998/1997 | 11.2 | 11.8 | 7.5 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 10.8 | 11.5 | 12.3 | 6.9 |
| 1997/1996 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 2.6 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 12.1 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 1.0 |
| 1996/1995 | 4.0 | 4.9 | -0.4 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 17.9 | 3.6 | 4.9 | -2.9 |
| 1995/1994 | 7.0 | 6.1 | 12.4 | 7.6 | 8.7 | - | 6.9 | 5.6 | 14.4 |
| 1994/1993 .......... | 7.1 | 8.5 | -0.5 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 3.7 | 6.8 | 8.3 | -1.1 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Inventories of Revenue Generating Equipment, by Type of Carrier, as of December 31: 1989 Through 1998—Continued

| Equipment | All carriers |  |  | Specialty carriers |  |  | General carriers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased |
| Trucks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993 | 264 | 233 | (S) | 121 | 101 | (S) | 143 | 132 | 11 |
| 1992 | 246 | 211 | (S) | 112 | 89 | (S) | 134 | 122 | (S) |
| 1991 | 235 | 197 | 38 | 103 | 79 | 24 | 132 | 118 | 14 |
| 1990 | 230 | 193 | 37 | 103 | 78 | 25 | 127 | 115 | 12 |
| 1989 | 228 | 197 | 31 | 101 | 81 | (S) | 127 | 116 | (S) |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993/1992 | 7.3 | 10.4 | (S) | 8.0 | 13.5 | (S) | 6.7 | 8.2 | -8.3 |
| 1992/1991 | 4.7 | 7.1 | (S) | 8.7 | 12.7 | (S) | 1.5 | 3.4 | -14.3 |
| 1991/1990 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.7 |  | 1.3 | -4.0 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 16.7 |
| 1990/1989 | 0.9 | -2.0 | 19.4 | 2.0 | -3.7 | (S) |  | -0.9 | (S) |
| Truck-tractors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993 | 616 | 491 | 125 | 133 | 110 | 23 | 483 | 381 | 102 |
| 1992 | 575 | 453 | 122 | 110 | 85 | 25 | 465 | 368 | 97 |
| 1991 | 538 | 430 | 108 | 110 | 86 | 24 | 428 | 344 | 84 |
| 1990 | 539 | 432 | 107 | 113 | 88 | 25 | 426 | 344 | 82 |
| 1989 | 533 | 422 | 111 | 116 | 90 | (S) | 417 | 332 | 85 |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993/1992 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 2.5 | 20.9 | 29.4 | -8.0 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 5.2 |
| 1992/1991 | 6.9 | 5.3 | 13.0 |  | -1.2 | 4.2 | 8.6 | 7.0 | 15.5 |
| 1991/1990 | -0.2 | -0.5 | 0.9 | -2.7 | -2.3 | -4.0 | 0.5 |  | 2.4 |
| 1990/1989 | 1.1 | 2.4 | -3.6 | -2.6 | -2.2 | (S) | 2.2 | 3.6 | -3.5 |
| Trailers (Full and semi) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993 | 1,315 | 1,105 | 210 | 206 | 179 | 27 | 1,109 | 926 | 183 |
| 1992 | 1,276 | 1,055 | 221 | 202 | 175 | 27 | 1,074 | 880 | 194 |
| 1991 | 1,227 | 1,018 | 209 | 210 | 182 | 28 | 1,017 | 836 | 181 |
| 1990 | 1,215 | 1,022 | 193 | 219 | 193 | 26 | 996 | 829 | 167 |
| 1989 | 1,178 | 988 | 190 | 216 | 187 | (S) | 962 | 801 | 161 |
| Percent change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1993/1992 | 3.1 | 4.7 | -5.0 | 2.0 | 2.3 | - | 3.3 | 5.2 | -5.7 |
| 1992/1991 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 5.7 | -3.8 | -3.8 | -3.6 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 7.2 |
| 1991/1990 | 1.0 | -0.4 | 8.3 | -4.1 | -5.7 | 7.7 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 8.4 |
| 1990/1989 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 3.2 | (S) | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 |

S Data do not meet publication standards because of high sampling variability or poor response quality. Some unpublished estimates can be derived from this table by subtracting published data from their respective totals. However, the figures obtained by such subtraction are subject to these same limitations. These unpublished data are for internal use only. - Represents zero.

Note: Excludes private motor carriers that operate as auxiliary establishments to nontransportation companies and independent owner-operators with no paid employees. Detail may not add to total due to rounding. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes. Appendix A, Table A-5 provides estimated measures of sampling variability (coefficients of variation).

## Appendix A. Measures of Sampling Variability

## RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

An estimate based on a sample survey potentially contains two types of errors - sampling and nonsampling. Sampling error occurs because characteristics differ among sampling units and because only a subset of the entire population is measured in a sample survey. Nonsampling error encompasses all other factors that contribute to the total error of a sample survey estimate. The accuracy of a survey result may be affected by these two types of errors.

Sampling and nonsampling errors are often measured by the quantities, bias and variance. The bias of an estimator of an unknown population value is the difference, averaged over all possible samples of the same size and design, between the estimator and the unknown population value. Any systematic error, or inaccuracy that affects all samples of a specified design in a similar way, may bias the resulting estimates. Variance is the squared difference, averaged over all possible samples of the same size and design, between an estimator and its average value.

Descriptions of sampling and nonsampling errors for the Transportation Annual Survey are provided in the following sections.

## Sampling Error

Because the estimates are based on a sample, exact agreement with the results that would be obtained from a complete enumeration of firms on the sampling frame using the same enumeration procedures is not expected. However, because each firm on the sampling frame has a known probability of being selected into the sample, it is possible to estimate the sampling variability of the survey estimates.

The particular sample used in this survey is one of a large number of samples of the same size that could have been selected using the same design. If all possible samples had been surveyed, under the same conditions, an estimate of an unknown population value could have been obtained from each sample. These samples give rise to a distribution of estimates for the unknown population value. A statistical measure of the variability among these estimates is the standard error, which can be approximated from any one sample. The standard error is defined as the square root of the variance. The coefficient of variation (or relative standard error) of an estimate is the standard error of the estimate divided by the estimate. Note that measures of sampling variability, such as the standard error or coefficient of variation, are estimated
from the sample and are also subject to sampling variability. (Technically, we should refer to the estimated standard error or the estimated coefficient of variation of an estimator. However, for the sake of brevity we have omitted this detail.) It is important to note that the standard error and coefficient of variation only measure sampling variability. They do not capture any systematic biases in the estimates. Estimated coefficients of variation for dollar volume estimates and estimated ratios are shown in Tables A-1 through A-5. (All coefficients of variation are expressed as percents.)

The estimate from a particular sample and the approximate standard error associated with the estimate can be used to construct a confidence interval. A confidence interval is a range about a given estimator that has a specified probability of containing the estimator's corresponding, unknown population value. Associated with each interval is a percentage of confidence, which is interpreted as follows. If, for each possible sample, an estimate of an unknown population value and its approximate standard error were obtained, then:

1. For approximately 90 percent of the possible samples, the interval from 1.65 standard errors below to 1.65 standard errors above the estimate would include the unknown population value.
2. For approximately 95 percent of the possible samples, the interval from two standard errors below to two standard errors above the estimate would include the unknown population value.

## Nonsampling Error

Nonsampling error encompasses all other factors that contribute to the total error of a sample survey estimate and may also occur in censuses. It is often helpful to think of nonsampling error as arising from deficiencies or mistakes in the survey process. In the Transportation Annual Survey, nonsampling error can be attributed to many sources: (1) inability to obtain information about all cases in the sample, (2) response errors, (3) differences in the interpretation of the questions, (4) mistakes in coding or keying the data obtained, and (5) other errors of collection, response, coverage, and processing. Although no direct measurement of the potential biases due to nonsampling error has been obtained, precautionary steps were taken in all phases of the collection, processing, and tabulation of the data in an effort to minimize their influence.

A potentially large source of bias in the estimates is due to imputing data for nonrespondents and for data which fail edit.

For all kinds of business combined, imputed revenue amounts to about 15 percent of the national revenue estimate.

Table A-1. Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Services (SIC 42)—Estimated Coefficients of Variation for Summary Statistics, by Kind of Business: 1997 and 1998

| Item | Motor freight transportation and warehousing services (SIC 42) | Trucking and <br> courier services, except by air (SIC 421) | Local trucking without storage (SIC 4212) | Trucking, except local (SIC 4213) | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Local } \\ \text { trucking } \\ \text { with } \\ \text { storage } \\ \text { (SIC } \\ 4214) \end{array}$ | Courier services, except by air (SIC 4215) | Public warehousing and storage (SIC 422) | Farm product warehousing storage (SIC | Refriger- ated <br> warehousing and storage 4222) | General warehousing and storage (SIC 4225) | Special ware- housing and starage (SIC 4226 ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dollar volume |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 5.8 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 5.1 | 7.6 | 4.4 | 5.9 |
| 1997 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 6.3 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 3.9 | 5.6 |
| Year-to-year ratio 1998/1997 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 2.0 |
| Total Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dollar volume |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | (NA) | 2.0 | 4.8 | 2.0 | 6.1 | 6.7 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 1997 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 5.1 | 1.9 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 5.9 | 7.0 | 4.6 | 7.3 |
| Year-to-year ratio 1998/1997 | (NA) | 0.8 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 1.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |

NA Not available.
Note: Estimated coefficients of variation have not been computed for estimates prior to 1997 but approximate those previously published.

Table A-2. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Coefficients of Variation for Operating Revenue and Expenses for All Carriers, by Kind of Business: 1997 and 1998

| Item | All carriers (Dollar volume) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Trucking and courier services, except by air (SIC 421) |  | Local trucking without storage (SIC 4212) |  | Trucking, except local (SIC 4213) |  | Local trucking with storage (SIC 4214) |  | Courier services, except by air (SIC 4215) |  |
|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 1.8 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 5.6 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 6.6 | 6.3 |
| Motor carrier | 1.9 | 2.1 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 6.2 | 6.2 |
| Local trucking | 4.5 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 8.8 | 6.8 | 16.5 | 15.6 |
| Long-distance trucking | 2.5 | 2.3 | 11.7 | 12.7 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 11.6 | 14.9 | 7.7 | 7.4 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 2.0 | 1.9 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 6.2 |

Note: Estimated coefficients of variation have not been computed for estimates prior to 1997 but approximate those previously published.

Table A-3. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Coefficients of Variation for Operating Revenue and Expenses, by Type of Carrier: 1997 and 1998

| Item | Dollar volume |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Year-to-year ratio } \\ 1998 / 1997 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1997 |  |
| ALL CARRIERS |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |
| Total | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.8 |
| Motor carrier | 1.9 | 2.1 | 0.7 |
| Local trucking | 4.5 | 4.1 | 1.5 |
| Long-distance trucking | 2.5 | 2.3 | 0.9 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |
| Total | 2.0 | 1.9 | 0.8 |
| SPECIALTY CARRIERS |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |
| Total | 6.0 | 5.4 | 1.3 |
| Motor carrier | 6.1 | 5.6 | 1.3 |
| Local trucking | 7.0 | 6.7 | 1.5 |
| Long-distance trucking | 9.3 | 8.5 | 2.3 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |
| Total | 5.9 | 5.3 | 1.5 |
| GENERAL CARRIERS |  |  |  |
| Operating Revenue |  |  |  |
| Total | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.0 |
| Motor carrier | 2.0 | 2.2 | 0.9 |
| Local trucking | 4.5 | 6.4 | 3.6 |
| Long-distance trucking | 2.5 | 2.2 | 0.9 |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |
| Total | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.0 |

Note: Estimated coefficients of variation have not been computed for estimates prior to 1997 but approximate those previously published.

Table A-4. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Coefficients of Variation for Motor Carrier Revenue, by Size of Shipments, Commodities Handled, and Origin and Destination of Shipments: 1997 and 1998

| Item | Dollar volume |  | Year-to-yea ratio 1998/1997 | Percent of total motor carrier revenue |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1997 |  | 1998 | 1997 |
| Total Motor Carrier Revenue | 1.9 | 2.1 | 0.7 | (X) | (X) |
| Size of Shipments |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less-than-truckload | 2.1 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 2.4 |
| Truckload | 2.6 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| Commodities Handled |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agricultural and food products | 5.7 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 5.3 | 6.0 |
| Mining products, unrefined | 17.3 | 15.0 | 20.9 | 18.2 | 15.1 |
| Building materials | 5.9 | 7.9 | 7.5 | 5.8 | 7.9 |
| Forestry, wood, and paper products | 6.3 | 6.2 | 4.0 | 6.7 | 6.0 |
| Chemicals and allied products ...... | 6.7 | 8.6 | 3.8 | 6.8 | 8.3 |
| Petroleum and petroleum products | 12.1 | 14.3 | 6.8 | 13.7 | 14.6 |
| Metals and metal products | 6.2 | 5.1 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 4.9 |
| Household goods ....... | 6.1 | 7.3 | 3.3 | 5.8 | 7.3 |
| Other manufactured products | 4.7 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 5.3 | 4.1 |
| Other goods | 4.9 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 3.3 | 3.0 |
| Origin and Destination of Shipmen |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. to U.S. | 2.0 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| U.S. to Canada | 7.3 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 7.3 | 6.1 |
| Canada to U.S. | 12.4 | 10.9 | 5.2 | 12.7 | 10.8 |
| Other | 17.9 | 17.2 | 2.9 | 17.9 | 17.5 |

X Not applicable.
Note: Estimated coefficients of variation have not been computed for estimates prior to 1997 but approximate those previously published.

Table A-5. Trucking and Courier Services (SIC 421)—Estimated Coefficients of Variation for Inventories of Revenue Generating Equipment, by Type of Carrier, as of December 31: 1997 and 1998

| Equipment | All carriers |  |  | Specialty carriers |  |  | General carriers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased | Total | Owned | Leased |
| Trucks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 5.4 | 5.9 | (S) | 8.1 | 8.2 | (S) | 6.5 | 7.1 | 14.0 |
| 1997 | 4.8 | 4.9 | (S) | 6.8 | 6.3 | (S) | 6.9 | 7.2 | 17.7 |
| Year-to-year ratio 1998/1997 | 3.3 | 3.7 | (S) | 5.4 | 5.9 | (S) | 3.5 | 3.1 | 25.7 |
| Truck-tractors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 8.1 | 7.5 | 9.0 | 21.5 | 4.2 | 5.3 | 6.8 |
| 1997 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 9.4 | 6.9 | 7.4 | 20.3 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 9.3 |
| Year-to-year ratio 1998/1997 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 7.4 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 17.3 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 8.5 |
| Trailers (Full and semi) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 8.5 | 9.1 | 10.7 | 17.8 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 8.4 |
| 1997 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 7.9 | 8.5 | 9.7 | 17.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 8.5 |
| Year-to-year ratio 1998/1997 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 8.0 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 7.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 9.0 |

S Data do not meet publication standards because of high sampling variability or poor response quality.
Note: Estimated coefficients of variation have not been computed for estimates prior to 1997 but approximate those previously published.

# Appendix B. Explanatory Material 

## DEFINITION OF TERMS <br> Firm

A firm is a business entity consisting of one or more domestic establishments/locations under common ownership or control.

## Operating Revenue

Billings for services rendered and any sales of merchandise during the survey year, even though payments may be received at a later date. Excludes income from interest, investments, gifts, loans, contributions or grants; the sale of securities, real estate, etc; sales taxes or other taxes collected from customers and remitted directly by the firm to a local, State, or Federal tax agency; revenue from the sale of merchandise and equipment from retail establishments; and revenue from a domestic parent organization, or from franchise locations owned by others and any franchise or license fees.

Motor carrier revenue. Billings for the transportation of freight by motor vehicles including the rental and leasing of vehicles with drivers.

Warehousing, storage, and handling revenue. Warehousing and storage revenue refers to billings for the storage of shipments in transit or permanent storage. Includes rental receipts from the operation of mini-warehouses and self-service storage facilities. Excludes revenue from subleasing of warehousing space to others. Warehouse handling revenue refers to amounts billed separately for labor, packing and crating, handling, loading and unloading, and other accessory services.

## Other operating revenue

Trucking firms. Includes sales from the operation of lunchrooms and restaurants; revenue from parking and storage of vehicles; revenue from snowplow work; revenue from other carriers for the use of terminal facilities operated by the firm including amounts billed separately for repair services; revenue from the short-term rental or extended-term leasing (with or without maintenance) of trailers, trucks, and truck-tractors, without drivers; fair sales value of merchandise marketed under capital, finance or full-payout leases; revenue from commissions for providing brokerage services, making payroll deductions, or collecting freight charges from other carriers. Excludes nonoperating revenue, such as income from investments, loans, the sale of securities, real estate, etc.

Warehousing firms. Includes revenue from compressing, bailing, etc., and the leasing of vehicles without drivers. Excludes the value of used equipment or vehicles sold, as well as revenue received from any equity or full-payout leasing arrangement (finance leasing); and nonoperating revenue, such as income from investments, loans, the sale of securities, real estate, etc.

## Operating Expenses

Costs incurred during the survey year, even though payment may be made at a later date. Excludes interest on loans and sales taxes and other taxes collected from customers and paid directly to a taxing authority.

## Classification of Carrier (Trucking Firms Only)

Specialty freight. Carriers limited to transporting articles which, because of their size, shape, weight, or other inherent characteristics, require special equipment for loading, unloading, or transporting. These commodities include:

- Household goods
- Heavy machinery
- Refrigerated products
- Agricultural commodities
- Motor vehicles
- Building materials
- Dangerous or hazardous materials
- Forest products

General freight. Carriers capable of handling a wide variety of commodities including all or some of those listed above.

## Classification of Distance Traveled (Trucking Firms Only)

Local trucking. Carriers primarily engaged in furnishing trucking or transfer services, with or without storage, within a city, town, or other local area including adjoining municipalities or suburban areas.

Long-distance trucking. Carriers primarily engaged in furnishing "over-the-road" trucking services either as a common carrier or under special or individual contract or agreement.

## Classification of Shipment Size (Trucking Firms Only)

Less-than-truckload. Shipments with an actual weight of less than 10,000 pounds.

Truckload. Shipments with an actual weight of 10,000 pounds or more.

## Classification of Commodities Handled (Trucking Firms Only)

Agricultural and food products. Includes live animals (cattle, horses, poultry, hogs, etc.), seafood, fresh farm products (grain, flowers, nursing stocks, raw milk, etc.), and processed food and tobacco products (canned goods, prepared meats, frozen foods, beverages, cigarettes, etc.).

Mining products, unrefined. Includes crude oil, coal and metal ores.

Building materials. Includes gravel, sand, concrete, flat glass, etc. Excludes cut lumber.

Forestry, wood, and paper products. Includes logs and forest products, lumber and fabricated wood products (except furniture), paper and paper products.

## Chemicals and allied products (except petroleum).

 Includes chemicals and drugs (fertilizers, pesticides, cosmetics, paints, etc.), plastics, and rubber products.Petroleum and petroleum products. Includes paving and roofing materials.

Metals and metal products. Includes primary metal products (pipes, ingots, billets, sheets, etc.), fabricated metal products, machinery, and transportation equipment, vehicles, and parts.

Household goods. Includes household and office furniture from homes, offices, etc.

Other manufactured products. Includes furniture and hardware (not involved in household moving), glass products, textiles and apparels (fibers, leather products, carpets, clothing, etc.), and miscellaneous manufactured products (photographic goods, watches, clocks, jewelry, toys, etc.).

Other. Includes scrap, garbage, trash, septic tank waste, industrial water, mixed cargo (including delivery of small packages), etc.

## Classification of Shipments by Origin and Destination (Trucking Firms Only)

U.S. to U.S. Includes shipments that originated from and were destined to locations in the United States.
U.S. to Canada. Includes shipments that originated from the U.S. and were destined to locations in Canada.

Canada to U.S. Includes shipments that originated from Canada and were destined to locations in the U.S.

Other. Includes shipments that originated from and were destined to locations in each of the following country combinations: U.S. to Mexico, Canada to Canada, Canada to Mexico, Mexico to U.S., Mexico to Canada, and Mexico to Mexico.

## Sample Design

## Introduction

The Transportation Annual Survey (TAS) is a probability sample of employer firms engaged in providing commercial motor freight transportation or public warehousing services, as defined by Major Group 42 of the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual. By firm, we mean a business organization consisting of one or more establishments under common ownership or control. (An establishment is a single physical location where business is conducted or where services are performed.)

## Initial Sampling

The sampling frame for the TAS was constructed from the Census Bureau's Standard Statistical Establishment List (SSEL) as of December 31, 1994. The SSEL is a multirelational database that contains a record for each known establishment connected with an employer firm. A firm can be classified as either a multiunit or a singleunit firm. A multiunit firm is a firm which owns or operates two or more establishments, whereas a singleunit firm is a firm which owns or operates only one establishment. Establishments that are owned by the same multiunit firm are linked using a unique six-digit identification number, called an alpha number, assigned by the Census Bureau. A link between each establishment and its corresponding Employer Identification Number (EIN) is also maintained. The EIN is a number assigned by the IRS to any legal entity that anticipates hiring employees. Under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA), each firm with paid employees must have an EIN. The EIN is used by the firm as an identifier to report social security payments for its employees to the IRS.

There is a simple structure that connects an employer firm with its establishments via the EIN. Essentially an employer firm is a cluster of one or more EINs and EINs
are clusters of one or more establishments. Each employer firm is associated with at least one EIN and only one firm can use a given EIN. However, an employer firm may use several different EINs for reporting to the IRS. Similarly there is a one-to-many relationship between ElNs and establishments. Each EIN is associated with one or more establishments, but each establishment is associated with only one EIN.

The sampling frame for the TAS contains two types of sampling units - alpha numbers and EINs. Both sampling units represent clusters of one or more establishments. The primary stratification of the frame is by kind-ofbusiness group. We further stratify (substratify) the sampling units within kind-of-business groups by a measure of size related to their annual receipts or revenue as reported in the 1992 Census of Transportation, Communications, and Utilities Industries. To reduce the variance of the estimates, the sampling units with the largest measures of size are selected "with certainty." This means they are sure to be selected and will represent only themselves (i.e., have a selection probability of one and a sampling weight of one). Within each kind of business a substratum boundary (or cutoff) that divides the certainty units from the noncertainty units is determined. These cutoffs are based on a statistical analysis of data from the 1992 Census of Transportation, Communications, and Utilities Industries.

Accordingly, the cutoffs are on a 1992 receipts (or revenue) basis. This analysis is also used to allocate the sample among the kind-of-business groups. The allocation results in the minimum sample size required to achieve specified sampling variability constraints for receipts (or revenue) estimates for different kind-of-business groups.

The first step in the sample selection identified certainty firms. If a firm had receipts or revenue (for 1994 adjusted to a 1992 basis) greater than the certainty cutoff for its major kind of business, the firm was selected into the sample with certainty. For multiunit firms selected with certainty, the sampling unit is the alpha number. For singleunit firms selected with certainty, the sampling unit is the EIN. If a firm was selected with certainty and had more than one establishment at the time of sampling, any new establishments that the firm acquires, even if under new or different EINs, are included in the sample with certainty. This is because the firm was selected using its unique six-digit alpha number. However, if a singleunit firm was selected with certainty, only future establishments associated with that firm's EIN are included with certainty; any new EINs that might later be associated with that firm are subjected to sampling through the quarterly birth-selection procedure (described later).

All firms not selected with certainty were subjected to sampling on an EIN basis. If a firm had more than one EIN, each of its EINs was treated as a separate sampling unit. To be eligible for the initial sampling, an EIN had to have nonzero payroll in 1994. The EINs were then stratified
according to their major kind of business and their estimated receipts or revenue (on a 1992 basis). Within each noncertainty stratum, a simple random sample of EINs was selected. The sampling rates for the EINs selected from the noncertainty strata varied between 1 in 1.5 and 1 in 243.

## Sampling New Employer Firms (Births)

Periodically, we update the sample to represent new EINs issued since the initial sample selection. These new EINs, called births, are new EINs recently assigned by the IRS, on the latest available IRS mailing list for FICA taxpayers, and assigned a kind-of-business classification (if possible) by the Social Security Administration (SSA). EIN births are sampled on a quarterly basis (in November of the survey year and in February, May, and August of the year following the survey year) using a two-phase selection procedure. In the first phase, births are stratified by kind of business and a measure of size based on expected employment or quarterly payroll. A relatively large sample is drawn and canvassed to obtain a more reliable measure of size, consisting of receipts (or revenue) in two recent months, and a more detailed kind-of-business code, if needed.

Using this more reliable information, the selected births from the first phase are subjected to probability proportional-to-size sampling with overall probabilities equivalent to those used in drawing the initial sample from the 1994 SSEL. Because of the time it takes for a new employer firm to acquire an EIN from the IRS, and because of the time needed to accomplish the two-phase birthselection procedure, EIN births are added to the sample approximately six to nine months after they begin operation.

The EIN births that are selected in the quarterly birthselection procedure in November of the survey year are included in the main mailing of the TAS questionnaires in January of the following year.

To better represent all EIN births in the survey year, and specifically to account for the coverage lag in the birthselection procedure, we add EIN births that are selected in the year following the survey year. We mail survey forms to these births in June and August to supplement the main survey mailing.

If a selected EIN ceases to be an employer, it becomes inactive. An inactive EIN is not mailed if it becomes inactive prior to the initial mailout of the survey year. An inactive EIN that resumes being an employer becomes a reactivation and is mailed during the initial mailing (if active at the time) or as part of one of the two supplemental mailings.

## Estimation Procedure

To be eligible for the sample canvass and tabulation in a given year, a noncertainty EIN must meet both of the following requirements:

- It must be on the latest available IRS mailing list for FICA taxpayers from the previous quarter.
- It must have been selected from the SSEL in either the initial sampling or during the quarterly birth-selection procedure.

EINs selected into the sample with certainty are not dropped from canvass and tabulation if they are no longer on the IRS mailing list. Rather, the firm that used the EIN is
contacted, and if a successor EIN is found, it is added to the survey. For both inactive and reactivated EINs, data are tabulated for only the portion of the survey period that EIN reported payroll to the IRS.

Estimates from the TAS are based on the summation of weighted data (reported and imputed), where the weight for a given sampling unit is the inverse of its probability of selection.

# Appendix C. <br> Kind-of-Business Classifications 

The motor freight transportation and warehousing industries included in the report are classified in accordance with the 1987 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual issued by the Office of Management and Budget for purposes of providing a standard for the classification and presentation of data by all Federal agencies. Each establishment, firm, or organization is classified according to the major service (determined by the volume of revenue) it provides. Establishments, firms, and organizations owned and operated by Federal, State, or local governments are excluded. The following is a description of each kind-of-business classification presented in this report.

## MOTOR FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING (SIC MAJOR GROUP 42)

Establishments furnishing local or long-distance trucking or transfer services, or those engaged in the storage of farm products, furniture and other household goods, or commercial goods of any nature. The operation of terminal facilities for handling freight, with or without maintenance facilities, is also included.

## Local Trucking Without Storage (SIC 4212)

Establishments primarily engaged in furnishing trucking or transfer services without storage for freight generally weighing more than 100 pounds, in a single municipality, contiguous municipalities, or a municipality and its suburban areas.

## Trucking, Except Local (SIC 4213)

Establishments primarily engaged in furnishing longdistance (over-the-road) trucking services or trucking services and storage services, including household goods either as common carriers or under special or individual contracts or agreements, for freight generally weighing more than 100 pounds.

## Local Trucking With Storage (SIC 4214)

Establishments primarily engaged in furnishing both trucking and storage services, including household goods.

## Courier Services, Except by Air (SIC 4215)

Establishments primarily engaged in the delivery of individually addressed letters, parcels, and packages (generally under 100 pounds), except by means of air transportation or by the United States Postal Service. Delivery is usually made by street or highway within a local area or between cities.

## Farm Product Warehousing and Storage (SIC 4221)

Establishments primarily engaged in the warehousing and storage of farm products.

## Refrigerated Warehousing and Storage (SIC 4222)

Establishments primarily engaged in the warehousing and storage of perishable goods under refrigeration. The establishments may also rent locker space for the storage of food products for individual households and provide incidental services for processing, preparing, or packaging such food for storage.

## General Warehousing and Storage (SIC 4225)

Establishments primarily engaged in the warehousing and storage of a general line of goods. General merchandise is defined as material or goods of many varieties which are packaged or are readily handled and do not require refrigeration, controlled humidity, or other special facilities.

## Special Warehousing and Storage, Not Elsewhere Classified (SIC 4226)

Establishments primarily engaged in the warehousing and storage of special products, not elsewhere classified, such as household goods, automobiles (dead storage only), furs (for the trade), textiles, whiskey, and goods at foreign trade zones.

## Terminal and Joint Terminal Maintenance Facilities For Motor Freight Transportation (SIC 4231)

Establishments primarily engaged in the operation of terminal facilities used by highway-type property carrying vehicles. Also included are terminals which provide maintenance and service for motor vehicles.

## Appendix D. <br> Report Forms



NOTICE - Response to this inquiry is required by law (title 13, U.S. Code). By the same law, your report to the Census Bureau is confidential. It may be seen only by sworn Census employees and may be used only for statistical purposes. The law also provides that copies retained in your files are immune from legal process.

In correspondence pertaining to this report, please refer to the IDENTIFICATION NUMBER shown below.

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(Please correct any error in name, address, and ZIP Code)

| BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR REPORT | Read ALL instructions carefully, including the survey coverage below. Instructions accompanying each item number are abbreviated. For complete detail, see the "COVERAGE AND REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS" ON THE THIRD PANEL OF THE FORM. If book figures are not available, carefully prepared estimates are acceptable. |  |  |
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| SURVEY COVERAGE |  |  |  |
| This report covers all domestic locations operated by your company and its subsidiaries primarily engaged in providing commercial trucking (such as local trucking, long-distance trucking, courier services, and garbage haulers) or public warehousing services (including mini-warehouses and self-service storage facilities). For specific survey coverage, see the "Coverage and Reporting Instructions" on the third panel of the form. |  |  |  |
| If your activities do not appear to be covered by this survey, please describe your kind of business in the "Remarks" section on page 3 of this form. |  |  |  |
| Item 1 NUMBER OF LOCATIONS |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Key } \\ \text { code } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1998 \\ & \text { Number } \end{aligned}$ |
| Enter the total number of trucking and warehousing locations operated by this company as of December 31, 1998. A location is defined as an establishment with paid company personnel. |  | 001 |  |

Item 2 ORGANIZATIONAL STATUS - Mark (X) the ONE box which best describes this company during 1998.

| $0 \square$ Corporation | $5 \square$ Governmental —Specify $Z$ | $9 \square$ Other - Specify $Z$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $1 \square$ Individual proprietorship | $\mathbf{0 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 8 3}$ |
| $2 \square$ Partnership |  |  |

Item 3

## CLASSIFICATION OF CARRIER (FOR MOTOR CARRIERS ONLY. ALL OTHERS SKIP TO ITEM 4.)

General freight carriers are capable of handling a wide variety of commodities including all or some of those listed under specialty freight carriers below.

Specialty freight carriers are limited to transporting articles that, because of size, shape, weight, or other inherent characteristics, require special equipment for loading, unloading, or transporting. These commodities include: household goods, heavy machinery, refrigerated products, motor vehicles, and hazardous materials.

Mark $(X)$ the ONE box which best describes the commodities handled that accounted for the greatest percentage of this company's motor carrier revenue in 1998.General freightSpecialty freight including household goods

## Item 4

## See the attached "Coverage and Reporting

 Instructions" sheet before completing this section.Enter " 0 " in items where applicable. Do not combine data for two or more detail lines.
NOTE - If the amount reported on line $\boldsymbol{c}$ is greater than 50 percent of the total operating revenue reported in line d, indicate the source of this revenue in the "Remarks" section on page 3 of this form.

## Item 5 ANALYSIS OF MOTOR CARRIER OPERATIONS

COMPANIES REPORTING MOTOR CARRIER REVENUE IN ITEM 4a ABOVE, COMPLETE ITEM 5. ALL OTHERS SKIP TO ITEM 6.

See the attached "Coverage and Reporting Instructions" sheet before completing this section.
Enter " 0 " in items where applicable. Do not combine data for two or more detail lines.

NOTE - Round percentage items to the nearest whole percent.
Line a. 2 - Report total highway miles traveled by this firm's owned and leased vehicles. Include highway miles traveled by vehicles operated by other motor carriers (including owner-operators) performing services on your behalf. Exclude the distance traveled by maintenance vehicles.
Line b. 2 - Report total actual weight in tons for shipments by this firm's owned and leased vehicles. Include the actual weight of shipments or deliveries of other motor carriers (including owner-operators) performing services on your behalf.



## 1998 TRANSPORTATION ANNUAL SURVEY <br> TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING COVERAGE AND REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Local Trucking - Locations primarily engaged in furnishing trucking or transfer services, with or without storage, within a city, town, or other local area including adjoining municipalities or suburban areas. Includes garbage and trash collection and dump trucking.
- Long-Distance Trucking - Locations primarily engaged in furnishing "over-the-road" trucking services either as common carriers or under special or individual contracts or agreements. Also included are locations primarily engaged in providing long-distance trucking to other locations of the same enterprise
- Courier Services, Except by Air - Locations primarily engaged in the delivery of individually addressed letters, parcels, and packages (generally under 100 pounds), made by street or highway within a local area or between cities, except by means of air transportation or by the United States Postal Service.
- Public Warehousing - Locations primarily engaged in the storage of farm products; perishable goods under refrigeration; household goods; a general line of goods; or special goods such as automobile dead storage, furs for the trade, textiles, whiskey, or goods at foreign trade zones. Mini-warehouses and self-service storage facilities are also included.
- Terminal and Joint Terminal Maintenance Facilities for Motor Freight Transportation - Locations primarily engaged in the operation of terminal facilities used by highway-type property carrying vehicles operated by others.
Exclude subsidiaries or operating units which are requested to submit separate 1998 Transportation Annual Survey (Trucking and Warehousing) reports to the Bureau of the Census.
If your activities do not appear to be covered by this survey, please describe your kind of business in the "Remarks" section on page 3 of this form.


## REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

## Please retain a copy of the completed form for your records.

Please read all instructions and complete all items in this report. This will save on costly and time-consuming follow-up.

- Report only for those locations primarily engaged in the activities defined in the coverage section above.
- For locations sold or acquired during 1998, report only for the period that the locations were operated by this company.
- Report data for calendar year 1998. If calendar year records are not available, data for the latest fiscal year are acceptable. Indicate the period covered in item 8. Please note, however, that estimates for calendar year 1998 are preferable to book figures covering a different time period
- Report dollar values in whole dollars (omit cents).
- If book figures are not available, carefully prepared estimates are acceptable.


## Item 4 - OPERATING REVENUE

- Report all charges or billings for services rendered and any sales of merchandise during 1998, even though payments may be received at a later date. Do not deduct allowances for uncollectable accounts. Exclude revenue collected on behalf of another company and nonoperating revenue such as income from investments, the sale of securities or real estate, etc. Exclude revenue from a domestic parent organization (intracompany transfers), except for locations primarily engaged in providing long-distance trucking to other locations of the same enterprise. Exclude in item 4 sales taxes and other taxes collected from customers and paid directly to a taxing authority.
- Prorate revenue derived from services provided on a contractual basis according to the work accomplished. (Only include the amounts applicable to the report period.)

Line a - Report revenue from the transportation of property by motor vehicles. Include revenue from furnishing vehicles with drivers to other carriers under lease or similar arrangement.

Line b-Report revenue from the storage of shipments in your warehouses pending further instructions by the shipper; from the permanent storage of household goods on a paid-on-delivery basis, commercial goods, or records storage; and from packing and crating, handling, providing labor to carriers for loading and unloading, and other accessory services. Include rental revenue from the operation of mini-warehouses and self-service storage facilities. Exclude revenue from the subleasing of warehousing space to others.

Line c - Report other operating revenue including sales from the operation of lunchrooms, restaurants, etc.; revenue from the parking and storage of vehicles; revenue from snowplow work; revenue from amounts received from other carriers for the use of terminal facilities operated by this firm, including amounts billed separately
for repair services; revenue from short-term rental or extended-term operating leases (with or without maintenance) of trucks, truck-tractors, or trailers, without drivers; fair sales value of merchandise marketed under capital, finance, or "full payout" leases; and commissions for providing brokerage services, making payroll deductions, collecting freight charges for other carriers; etc.

Exclude revenue from other operating units of this firm; the value of used equipment or used vehicles sold; revenue from installment payments from leasing vehicles, equipment, tools, etc. marketed under capital, finance, or "full payout" leases; and nonoperating revenue such as income from investments, the sale of securities, real estate, etc.

Line d - Report the sum of lines a through c.

## Item 5 - ANALYSIS OF MOTOR CARRIER OPERATIONS

NOTE - Round percentage items to the nearest whole percent.

Line a - Report in line 1(a) the percentage of this company's motor carrier revenue (reported in item 4a) from trucking or transfer services provided within a city, town, or other local area including adjoining municipalities or surburban areas. Report in line 1(b) the percentage of motor carrier revenue from long-distance trucking services either as a common carrier or under special or individual contract or agreement. NOTE - The sum of lines 1(a) and 1(b) should equal 100 percent.

Line c - Report the percentage of this company's motor carrier revenue (reported in item 4a) derived from handling each of the following commodities. NOTE - The sum of lines 1 through 10 should equal 100 percent.

1. Agricultural and food products - Includes live animals (cattle, horses, poultry, hogs, etc.), seafood, fresh farm products (grain, flowers, nursing stocks, raw milk, etc.), and processed food and tobacco products (canned goods, prepared meats, frozen foods, beverages, cigarettes, etc.)
2. Mining products, unrefined - Includes crude oil, coal, and metal ores.
3. Building materials - Includes gravel, sand, concrete, flat glass, etc. Excludes cut lumber.
4. Forestry, wood, and paper products - Includes logs and forest products, lumber and fabricated wood products (except furniture), paper, and paper products.
5. Chemicals and allied products (except petroleum) Includes chemicals and drugs (fertilizers, pesticides, cosmetics, paints, etc.), plastics, and rubber products.

Item 5-Continued
Line c-Continued
6. Petroleum and petroleum products - Includes paving and roofing materials.
7. Metals and metal products - Includes primary metal products (pipes, ingots, billets, sheets, etc.); fabricated metal products; machinery; and transportation equipment, vehicles, and parts.
8. Household goods - Includes household and office furniture from homes, offices, etc.
9. Other manufactured products - Includes furniture and hardware (not involved in household moving), glass products, textiles and apparels (fibers, leather products, carpets, clothing, etc.) and miscellaneous manufactured products (photographic goods, watches, clocks, jewelry, toys, etc.).
10. Other - Includes scrap, garbage, trash, septic tank waste, industrial water, mixed cargo (including delivery of small packages), etc. Please specify the primary commodity handled in this category.

## Item 6 - OPERATING EXPENSES

- Report costs incurred during 1998, even though payments may be made at a later date. Exclude interest on loans, as well as sales taxes or other taxes collected from customers and paid directly to a taxing authority.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.0 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Associate Director for Finance and Administration, Attn: Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0798, Room 3104, FB 3, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-0001. PLEASE INCLUDE FORM NAME AND NUMBER IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE. Respondents are not required to respond to any information collection unless it displays a valid approval number from the Office of Management and Budget. This 8-digit number appears in the top right corner on the front of this form.

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Any questions call 1-800-772-7851

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In correspondence pertaining to this report, please refer to the IDENTIFICATION NUMBER shown below.

CENSUS USE

Item 2 ORGANIZATIONAL STATUS — Mark (X) the ONE box which best describes this company during 1998.
$\qquad$ Corporation
$5 \square$ Governmental - Specify $Z$$\square$ Individual proprietorship 082Partnership

This report covers all domestic locations operated by your company and its subsidiaries primarily engaged in providing public warehousing services (including mini-warehouses and self-service storage facilities) or commercial trucking (such as local trucking, long-distance trucking, courier services, and garbage haulers). For specific survey coverage, see the
"Coverage and Reporting Instructions" on the second panel of the form.

If your activities do not appear to be covered by this survey, please describe your kind of business in the "Remarks" section on page 2 of this form.

| Item 1 NUMBER OF LOCATIONS | Key <br> code | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ <br> Number |
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| Enter the total number of warehousing and trucking locations operated by this <br> company as of December 31, 1998. A location is defined as an establishment <br> with paid company personnel. |  |  |


| BEFORE | Read ALL instructions carefully, including the survey coverage below. Instructions <br> COMPLETING <br> GOUR REPORT |
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|  | Accompanying each item number are abbreviated. For complete detail, see the "COVERAGE <br> AND REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS" ON THE SECOND PANEL OF THE FORM. If book figures <br> are not available, carefully prepared estimates are acceptable. |

## SURVEY COVERAGE



## 1998 TRANSPORTATION ANNUAL SURVEY TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING COVERAGE AND REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

| SPECIFIC SURVEY COVERAGE |  |
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| Public Warehousing - Locations primarily engaged in the | furnishing "over-the-road" trucking services either as common |
| storage of farm products; perishable goods under refrigeration; | carriers or under special or individual contracts or agreements. |
| household goods; a general line of goods; or special goods | Also included are locations primarily engaged in providing |
| such as automobile dead storage, furs for the trade, textiles, whiskey, or goods at foreign trade zones. Mini-warehouses | long-distance trucking to other locations of the same enterprise. |
| and self-service storage facilities are also included. | Exclude subsidiaries or operating units which are requested to submit separate 1998 Transportation Annual Survey (Trucking |
| rucking, Local and Long-Distance - Locations primarily | and Warehousing) reports to the Bureau of the Census. |
| gaged in furnishing trucking or transfer services including |  |
| rbage and trash collection and dump trucking, with or | If your activities do not appear to be covered by this |
| without storage, within a city, town, or other local area | survey, please describe your kind of business in the |
| including adjoining municipalities or suburban areas; or in | "Remarks" section on page 2 of this form. |

## REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

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Please read all instructions and complete all items in this report.
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- Report only for those locations primarily engaged in the activities defined in the coverage section above.
- For locations sold or acquired during 1998, report only for the period that the locations were operated by this company.
- Report data for calendar year 1998. If calendar year records are not available, data for the latest fiscal year are acceptable. Indicate the period covered in item 4. Please note, however, that estimates for calendar year 1998 are preferable to book figures covering a different time period.
- Report dollar values in whole dollars (omit cents).
- If book figures are not available, carefully prepared estimates are acceptable.

Item 3 - OPERATING REVENUE

- Report all charges or billings for services rendered and any sales of merchandise during 1998, even though payments may be received at a later date. Do not deduct allowances for uncollectable accounts. Exclude revenue collected on behalf of another company and nonoperating revenue such as income from investments, the sale of securities or real estate, etc. Exclude revenue from a domestic parent organization (intracompany transfers), except for locations primarily engaged in providing long-distance trucking to other locations of the same enterprise. Exclude in item 3 sales taxes and other taxes collected from customers and paid directly to a taxing authority.
- Prorate revenue derived from services provided on a contractual basis according to the work accomplished. (Only include the amounts applicable to the report period.)

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