

What are the results of SmartWay Transport?

SmartWay Transport aims to increase the availability and market penetration of fuel efficiency technologies and strategies that help freight companies save money while also reducing adverse environmental impacts.

Specifically, SmartWay Transport programs lower emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and particulate matter (PM).

As of 2010, Smartway Partners report:

- Saving 50 million barrels of fuel (\$6.1 billion dollars in fuel costs saved)
- Eliminating 16.5 million metric tons of CO₂ -- equivalent of taking over 3 million cars off the road
- Eliminating 235,000 of tons NO_x
- Eliminating 9,000 tons of PM



SmartWay Transport is the US Environmental Protection Agency's flagship program for improving fuel efficiency and reducing greenhouse gases and air pollution from the transportation supply chain industry. Developed jointly in early 2003 by EPA and Charter Partners represented by industry stakeholders, environmental groups, American Trucking Associations and Business for Social Responsibility, this innovative program was launched in 2004.

SmartWay Transport is comprised of partnerships, financial incentives, policy and technical solutions, and research and evaluation projects that find new ways to optimize the transportation networks in a company's supply chain. Supported by major freight industry associations, environmental groups, states, companies, and trade publications, SmartWay Transport is leading the way to greater fuel efficiency and lower emissions from the freight sector, while presenting a model of government and industry cooperation for public and private benefits.

SmartWay Transport Partnership is a strong government/industry collaboration between EPA, freight shippers, carriers, logistics companies and other stakeholders, to voluntarily achieve improved fuel efficiency and reduce environmental impacts from freight transport. Participating companies benchmark their current freight operations, identify technologies and strategies to reduce their carbon emissions, track emissions reductions and project future improvement. SmartWay partners demonstrate to customers, clients, and investors that they are taking responsibility for the emissions associated with goods movement, are committed to corporate social responsibility and sustainable business practices, and are reducing their carbon footprint. To date, the partnership includes nearly 2900 companies and associations committed to improving fuel efficiency.

SmartWay Tractors and Trailers meet voluntary equipment specifications that can reduce fuel consumption by 10 to 20 percent for 2007 or newer long-haul tractors and trailers. Each qualified tractor/trailer combination can save between 2,000 to 4,000 gallons of diesel per year. Models that meet these equipment specifications save operators money and reduce greenhouse-gas emissions and air pollutants.

SmartWay Innovative Finance is a creative program that helps companies acquire fuel-efficient emission reduction technologies through easier access to financial mechanisms such as reduced-interest loans with flexible terms.

SmartWay Technology Assessment is a testing and verification program designed to quantify emissions reductions and fuel savings from various available technologies, such as tractor and trailer aerodynamics, auxiliary power units, and wide-based tires. As a result, companies can compare the fuel efficiency and environmental performance of various technologies and make more informed purchases.

For more information <http://www.epa.gov/smartway/> or call 734-214-4767.