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## ***THE TRUCK PARKING CHALLENGE***

**I-81 CORRIDOR COALITION MEETING  
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# TRUCKING in VIRGINIA SNAPSHOT

- 159,110 jobs
- 1 out of every 19 jobs in Virginia are in trucking
- \$7.8 billion in wages
- 9,510 trucking fleets in Virginia, mostly small, locally-owned businesses
- 97.3% of all Motor Carriers have 20 Trucks or Less
- 90.6% of all Motor Carriers have 6 Trucks or Less



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- Hauls over 213,608 tons of manufactured freight into and out of VA per day
- 88% of total manufactured tonnage
- Trucks moved 60.6% of Port of Virginia cargo
- 86% of Virginia communities rely exclusively on trucks for their freight transportation service.



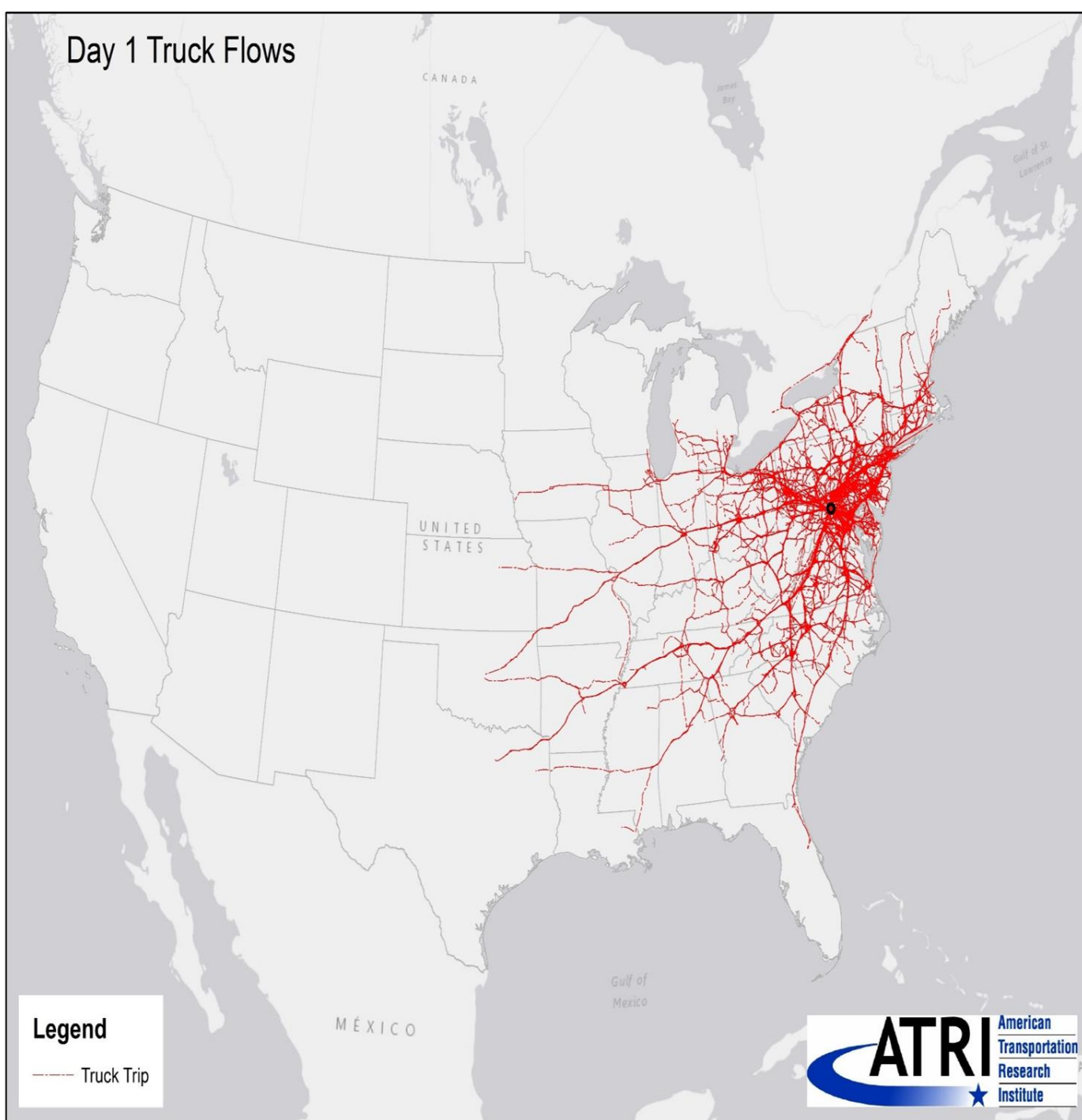
# TRUCKING in the U.S. SNAPSHOT

## In 2015:

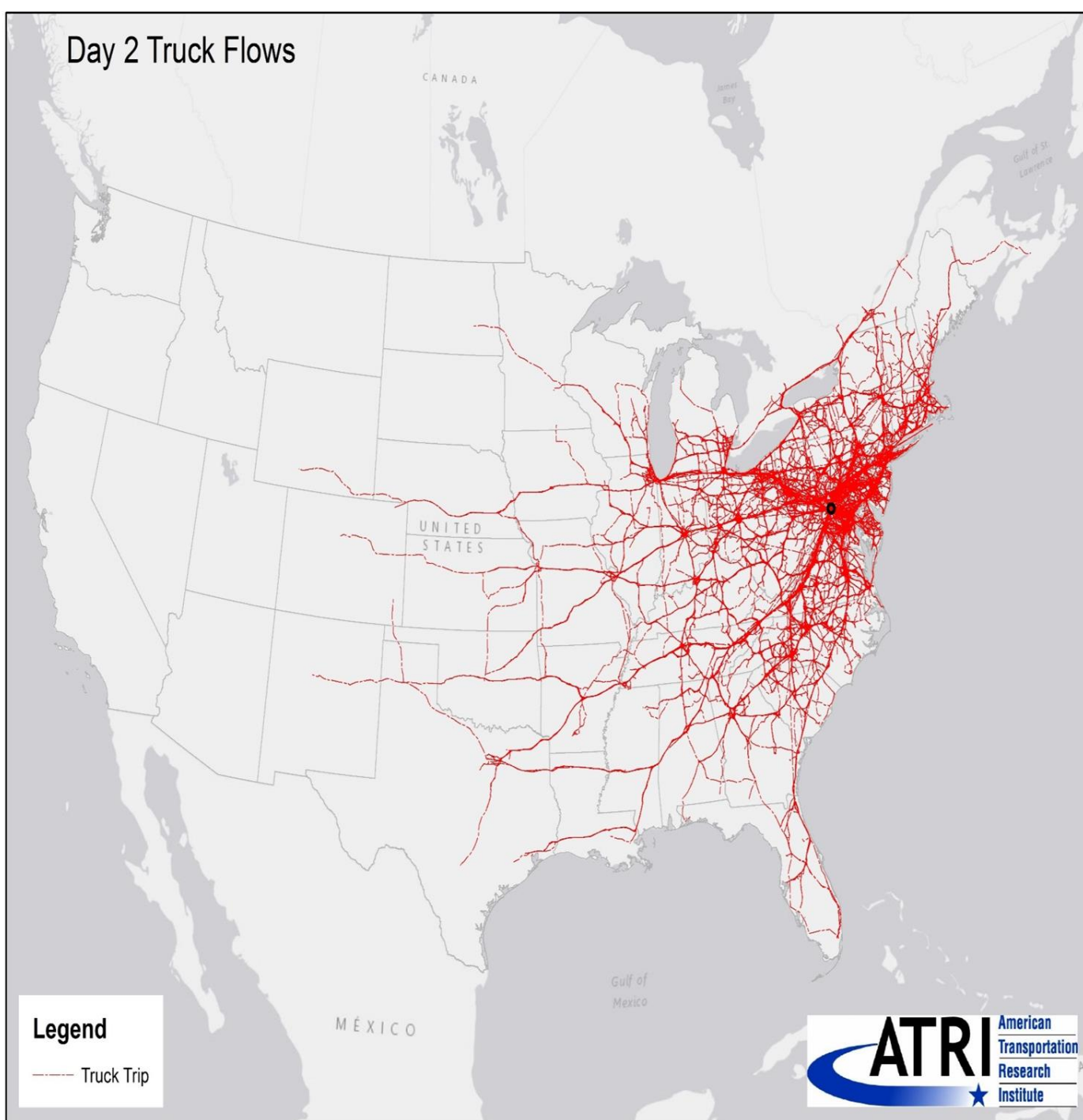
- Trucks transported 10.49 billion tons of freight representing 70.1% of total domestic tonnage shipped.
- Trucking represented \$726.4 billion in gross freight revenues, representing 81.5% of the nation's freight bill.
- Trucking employed 7.3 million people throughout the economy in jobs that relate to trucking activity (2014). in 2014, excluding the self-employed.
- There were 3.5 million truck drivers employed.



## Day 1 Truck Flows

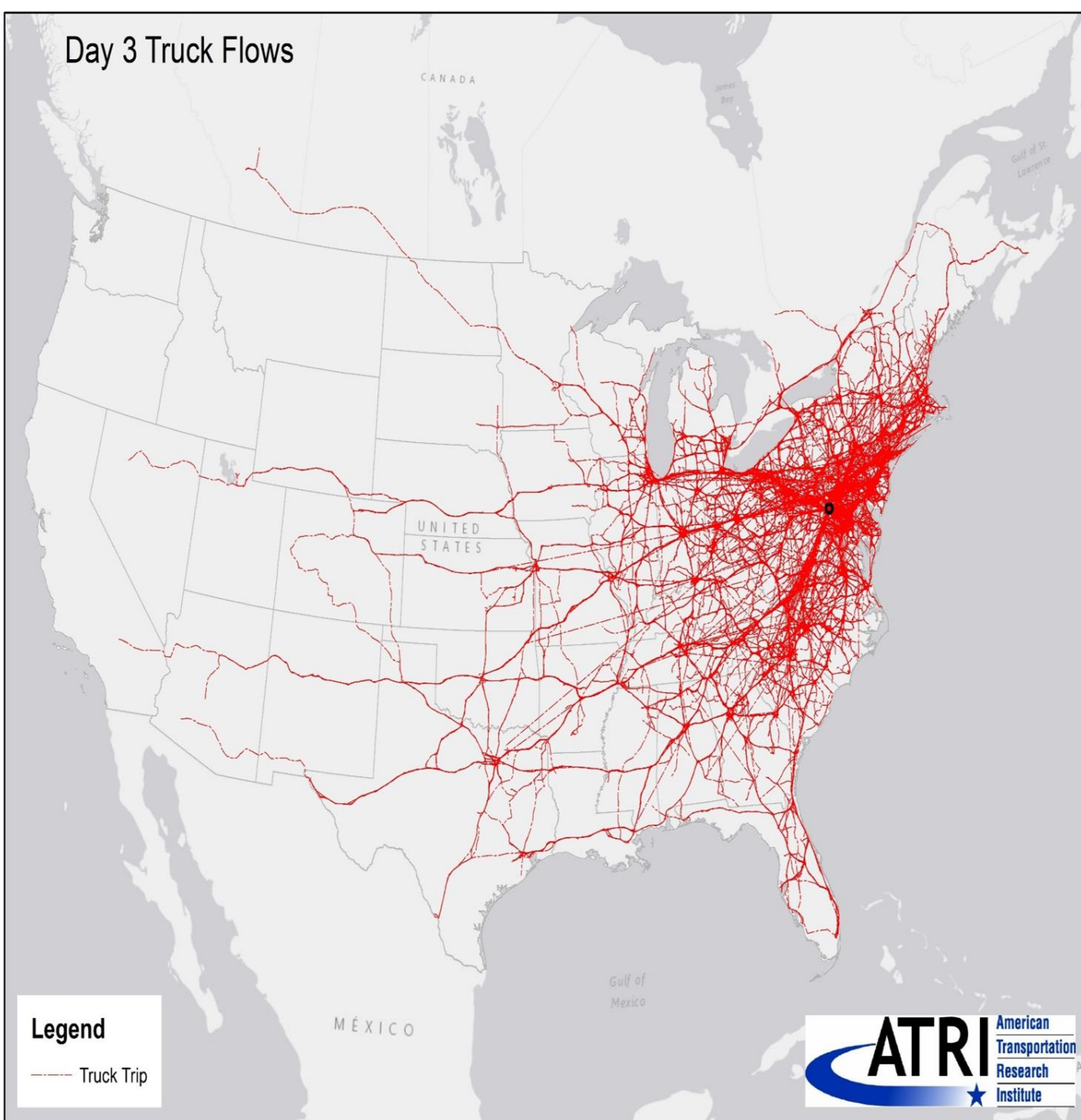


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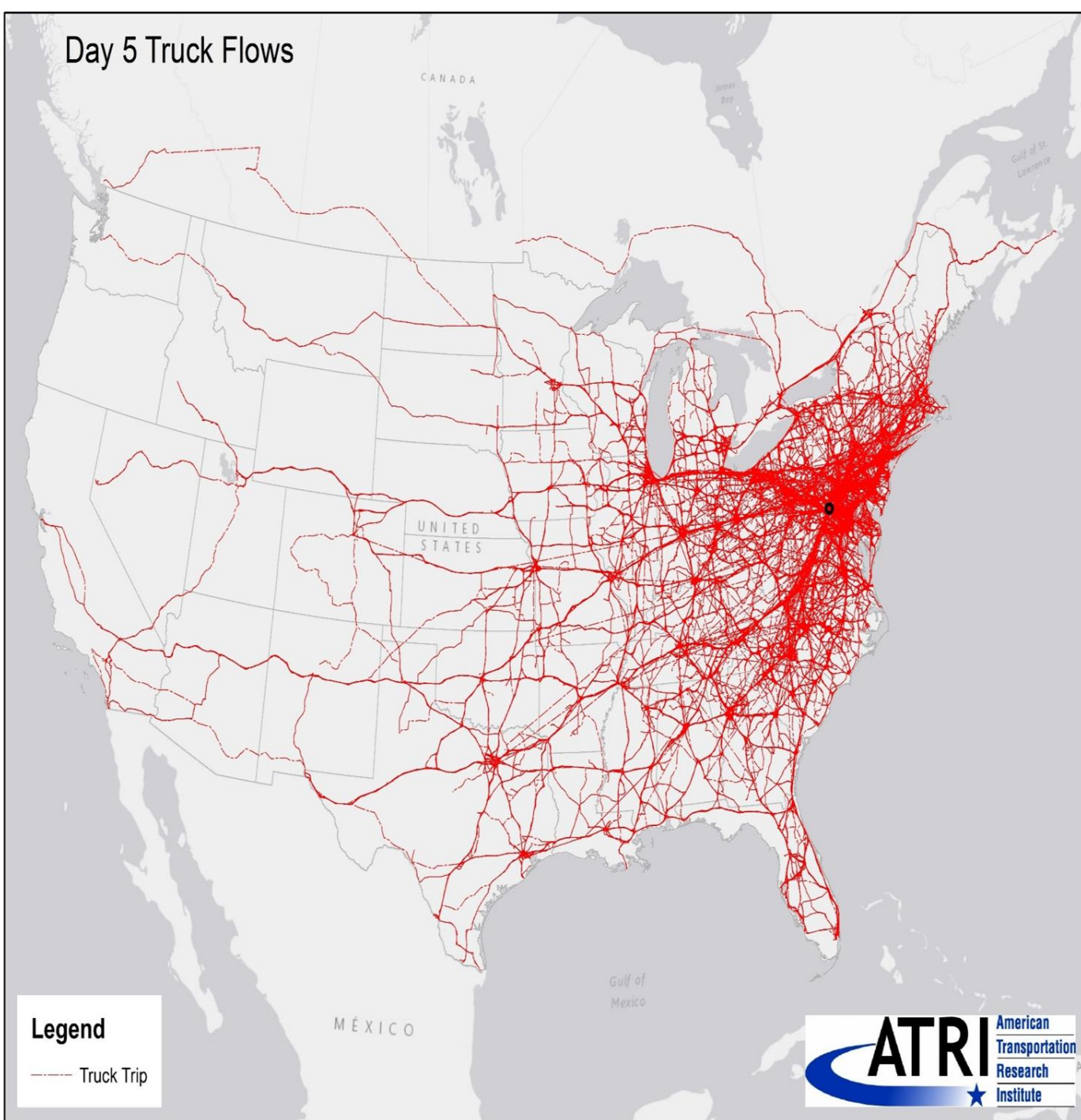




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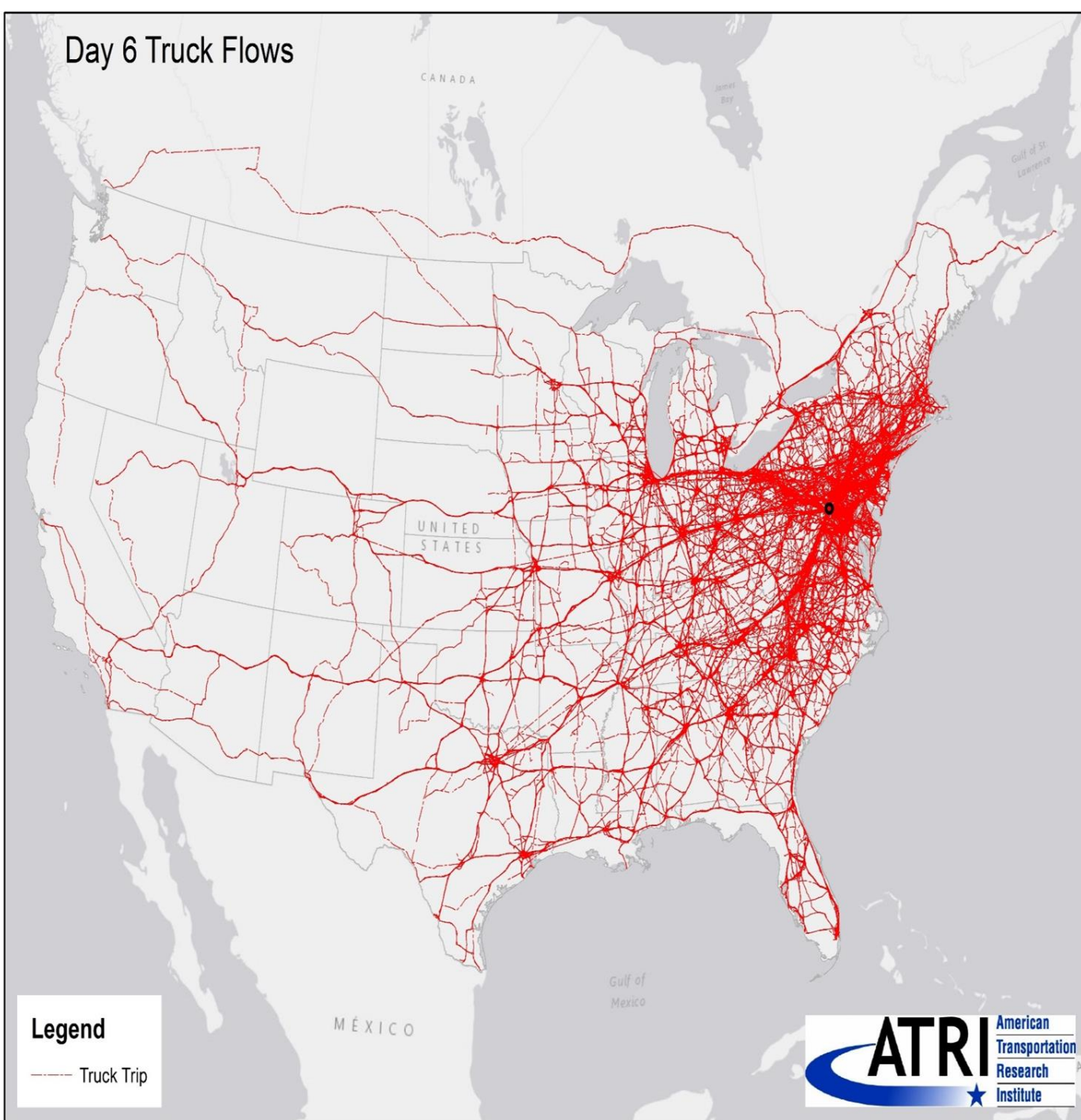


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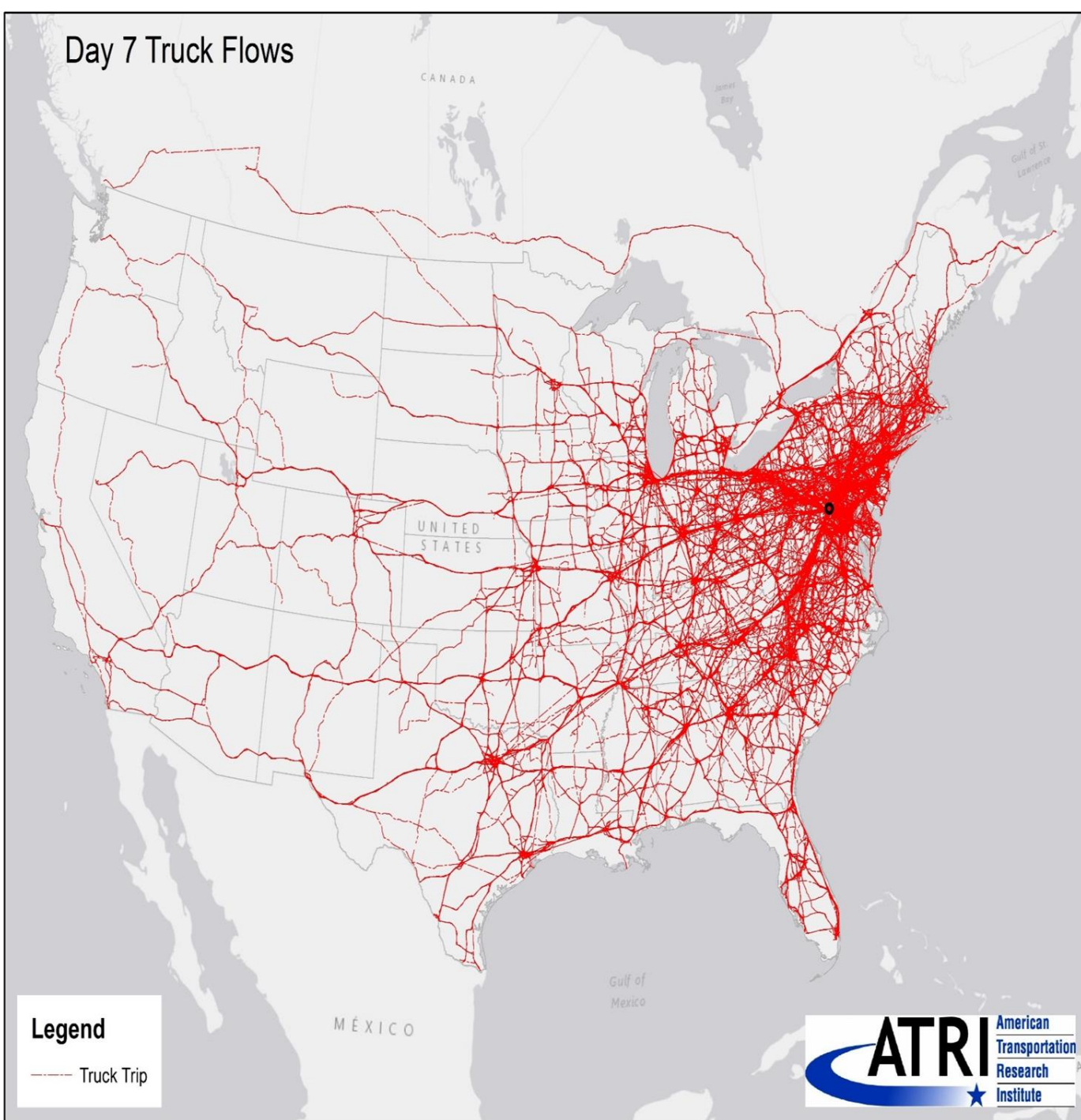




## Day 6 Truck Flows



## Day 7 Truck Flows





# THE TRUCK PARKING CHALLENGE



**A Rested  
Driver is a  
Safe Driver**

*For past 20 – 25 years, the availability of safe, legal truck parking has been an issue for professional truck drivers.*

- *Highway Safety for Public*
  - *Fatigued Drivers*
  - *Unsafe Parking*
- *Driver Safety & Security*
- *Economic Impact*
  - *Reduced Driver Productivity*

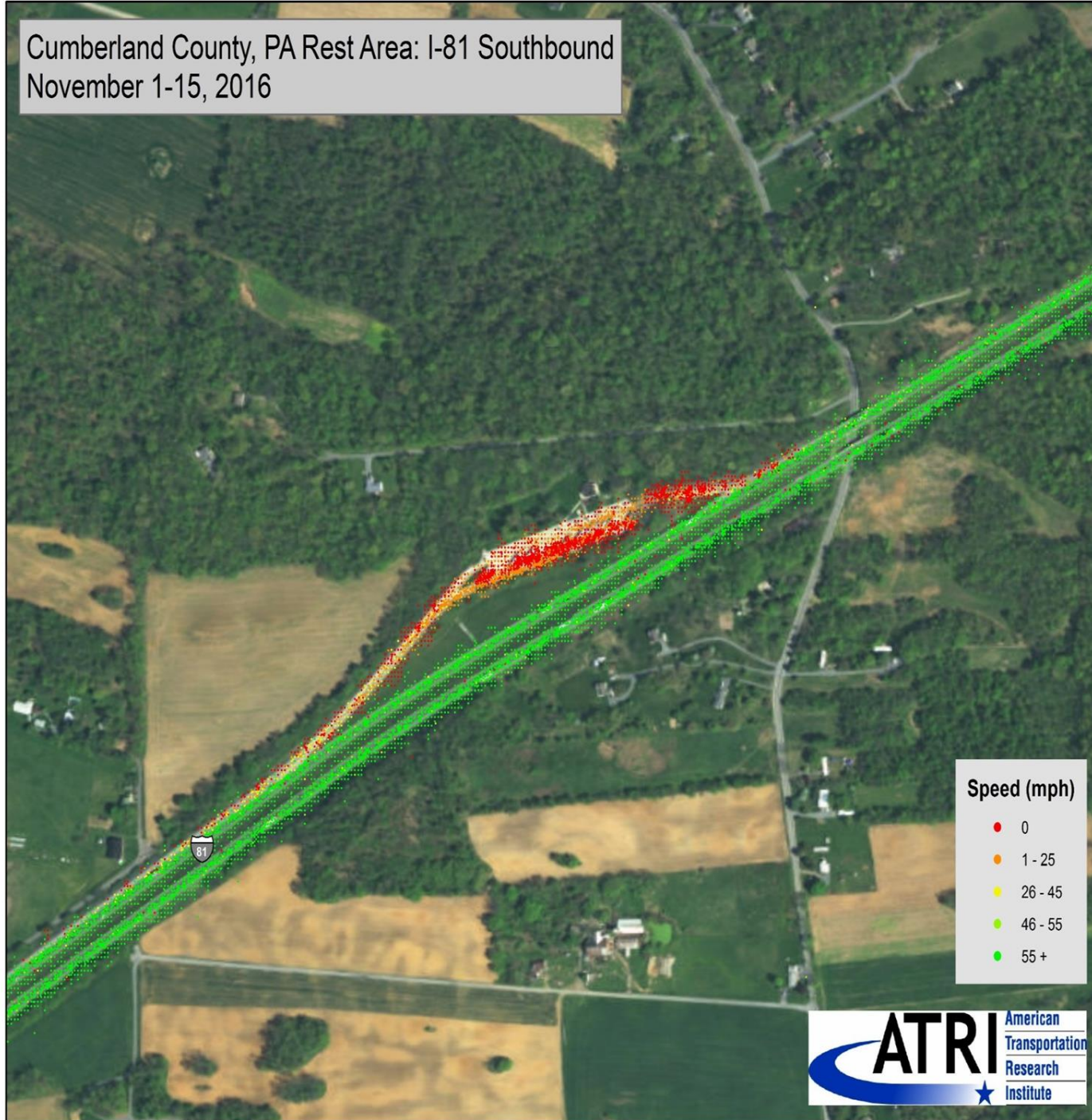


# EXTENT OF TRUCK PARKING SHORTAGE

## Virginia Truck Parking Study (2015)

- Virginia has 7,454 truck parking spaces (public & private)
- Based on the estimated demand, there are shortages of:
  - 5,000 truck parking spaces statewide
  - 842 truck parking spaces along I-81
  - Includes 692 space shortage from TN line to I-64

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# PUBLIC SAFETY CHALLENGE

- **Public Demands Rested Truck Drivers**
- **CMV Drivers Required to comply with HOS rules to protect motoring public from fatigued drivers**
- **HOS Rules Require:**
  - **Drivers to take 30-minute break in first 8 hours on duty**
  - **Take 10 hours off duty after 11 hours of driving or 14 hours on duty**
- **If no legal, safe, secure place to park, truck driver is faced with “Catch 22” decision**
  - **Violate HOS Regulations & Risk Citation**
  - **Park in on ramp or shoulder & Risk Citation**
  - **Drive Tired**

# DRIVER SAFETY & SECURITY CHALLENGE

## The “Catch 22” Decision Impacts:

- CMV Driver’s Safety while driving
- CMV Driver’s Personal Safety & Security
  - Cargo Theft & Hijacks
    - Freight Watch International estimates 86% of cargo thefts occur at unsecured parking areas.
  - Homicides & Robbery
    - 40 Truck Drivers were murdered while working from 2010 - 2014, according to Bureau of Labor Statistics.



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# JASON'S LAW

**Jason Rivenburg, was murdered as he rested in an abandoned gas station in SC while waiting for appointment to deliver Milk to Major Grocery Distribution Center.**

**The Company does not allow truck drivers to wait on their property.**

**Jason was killed for \$7.00. Since his death, the Company has not changed their policy, and truck parking in that area has not improved.**

**Law provides federal money to help construct, improve or reopen commercial parking facilities along NHS.**



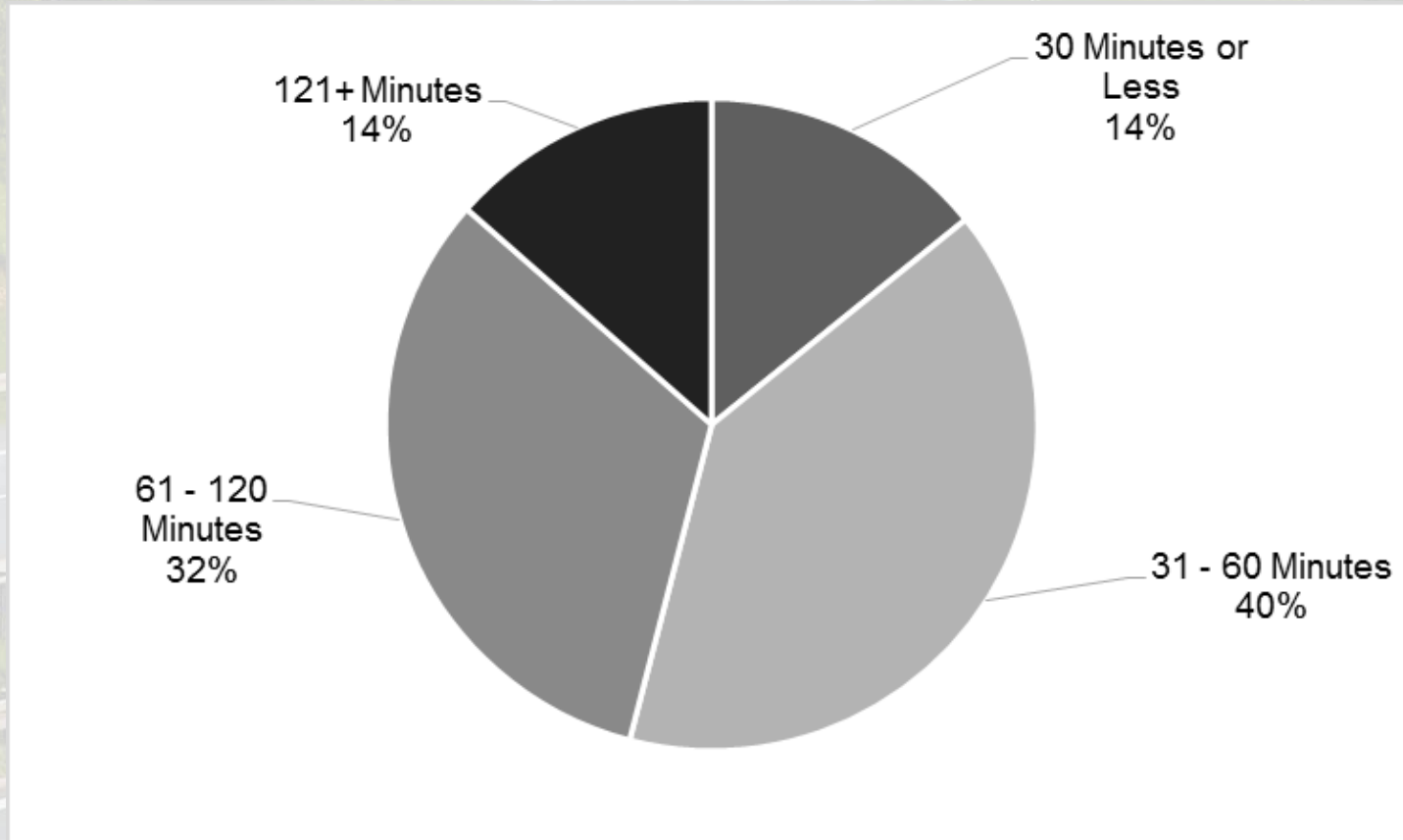
**Jason Rivenburg**





# ECONOMIC IMPACT

## Average Remaining Drive Time



**Average = 56 minutes/day**

**Opportunity Cost = \$4,600 annually**

# **SOLVING THE PROBLEM**

- **Build More Public and/or Private Parking Spaces**
  - **Funding Challenge for Public Spaces**
  - **Local Opposition to Public and Private Facilities**
  - **Local Gov'ts Prohibiting Truck Parking and Banning Truck Stops from Building/Expanding.**
- **Better Planning in Economic Development Process**
  - **Assess & Plan for Truck Parking Demand where New Manufacturing & Distribution Centers are Located**
  - **Educate local community on need for safe, secure, legal parking to support new businesses**



# **SOLVING THE PROBLEM**

- **Better Management of Existing Spaces**
  - **Provide drivers access to real-time, accurate info about availability of safe, legal parking places**
  - **Increase utilization of public truck parking spaces**
  - **Stop RV's , Personal Vehicles, Box Trucks, Bobtail Tractors from Parking in Areas designated for Tractor-Trailers**
  - **Reduce the time truck drivers spend searching for reliable safe, legal parking spaces.**





# SOLVING THE PROBLEM

## ➤ Shippers & Receivers Need to be Part of the Solution

### **NOTICE TO TRUCKERS**

**ABSOLUTELY NO OVERNIGHT  
PARKING OF TRACTORS OR TRAILERS**

**VIOATORS WILL BE TICKETED AND TOWED.  
RECOVERY OF VEHICLE WILL COST NEARLY \$500.  
ZERO TOLERANCE-NO EXCEPTIONS**

**DELIVERIES: DO NOT ENTER  
BEFORE APPOINTMENT TIME**

**IF YOU ARE EARLY, SAVE MONEY BY LEAVING NOW  
AND COMING BACK AT YOUR APPOINTMENT TIME**

**\$500 INVOICE DEDUCTION FOR EARLY ARRIVAL  
\$1000 INVOICE DEDUCTION FOR SLEEPING ON PROPERTY  
WE DON'T HAVE SPACE FOR YOU TO WAIT HERE**

# QUESTIONS/COMMENTS



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