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### **Logistics and Transportation Industry News Update: 2018 Q1 Highlights by Kathryn Wheeler**

"We're already well into 2018, and a lot has happened in the logistics and transportation industry. The ELD mandate continues to be a controversial topic, we're keeping an eye on the current capacity crisis, the industry is soaring to new technological heights with autonomous vehicles, and so much more..."

<http://www.logisticdynamics.com/logistics-and-transportation-industry-news-update-2018-q1-highlights/>

### **Senators Push FMCSA Chief To Reform Trucker Hours Of Service Rule by David Cullen**

"A bipartisan group of U.S. Senators is nudging Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administrator Ray Martinez to act swiftly to reform the hours-of-service rule to "provide needed flexibility for truck drivers..."

<https://www.truckinginfo.com/302845/senators-push-fmcsa-chief-to-reform-trucker-hours-of-service-rule>

### **The U.S. Doesn't Have Enough Truckers, And It's Starting To Cause Prices Of About Everything To Rise by Heather Long**

"Shipping costs have skyrocketed in the United States in 2018, one of the clearest signs yet of a strong economy that might be starting to overheat. Higher transportation costs are beginning to cause prices of anything that spends time on a truck to rise..."

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2018/05/21/america-doesnt-have-enough-truckers-and-its-starting-to-cause-prices-of-about-everything-to-rise/?noredirect=on&utm\\_term=.73f1e33abff8](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2018/05/21/america-doesnt-have-enough-truckers-and-its-starting-to-cause-prices-of-about-everything-to-rise/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.73f1e33abff8)

### **Driver Pay Rising As Large Carriers Open Their Wallets by Burney Simpson**

"Recruiters are working to keep pace as carriers continue to increase compensation as a way of attracting and retaining drivers, a new survey found..."

<http://www.ttnews.com/articles/driver-pay-rising-large-carriers-open-their-wallets>

### **Tables Have Turned: Shippers Now Courting Truck Drivers by Thomas Black**

"Once at the mercy of shippers, truckers now are turning the tables, thanks to surging freight demand and shortage of drivers. "Carriers are now starting to score shippers and receivers..."

<http://www.ttnews.com/articles/tables-have-turned-shippers-now-courting-truck-drivers>

### **Top 5 Ways To Be A "Shipper Of Choice" by Chad Prevost**

"If you make your carriers happy, you're going to be at the top of the list for moving your freight and keeping your product supplied..."

<https://www.freightwaves.com/news/driver-issues/top-5-ways-to-be-a-shipper-of-choice?rq=how%20to%20be%20a%20shipper%20of%20choice>



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### ***Diesel Up For Seventh Straight Week, Adds 1.4 Cents To \$3.171 A Gallon by Burney Simpson***

“The U.S. average retail price of diesel fuel rose 1.4 cents to \$3.171 a gallon, the seventh straight week the trucking industry’s main fuel has increased in price, according to the weekly report from the U.S. Department of Energy’s Energy Information Administration released May 7...”

<http://www.ttnews.com/articles/diesel-seventh-straight-week-adds-14c-3171-gallon>

### ***April Truck Tonnage Is Solid, Reports ATA by Jeff Berman***

“Truck tonnage remained on a growth path in April according to the American Trucking Associations (ATA) Truck Tonnage Index...”

<https://www.logisticsmgmt.com/article/april-truck-tonnage-is-solid-reports-ata/logistics>

### ***Women In The Transportation Industry Is On The Rise: WIT Index by Vishnu Rajamanickam***

“The trucking industry has long been considered a “man’s world” as the job is associated with tedious long-haul driving involving physical exertion and a great deal of stress. But the industry is getting a face-lift now as it welcomes a lot more female drivers behind the wheel and also on the desk in fleet forwarding and management offices...”

<https://www.freightwaves.com/news/women-in-the-transportation-industry-is-on-the-rise-wit-index>

### ***ELDs Hurting Flatbed Carriers More Than Other Modes by Donald Broughton***

“Truckers that are pulling dry van trailers still face challenges as they learn to re-optimize asset utilization but they are providing to be the most successful of all the truckload modes. Reefers face larger challenges and are still struggling to adapt. Flatbed carriers are struggling and failing to adapt as solutions such as “drop and hook” that relatively easy for dry van and possible for reefer are difficult, if not impossible, for flatbed truckers...”

<https://www.freightwaves.com/news/market-insights/flatbed-carriers-hurt-by-elds>

### ***The Lagniappe: Tips For Concocting The Perfect Burger This Memorial Day***

Memorial Day is this weekend and many folks will be firing up the grill! Hamburgers are usually on the menu in most people’s homes if I had to guess. If you want to elevate your burger game, follow some of these tips which should help impress your friends and families!

<http://www.mashed.com/31794/10-mistakes-everyone-makes-cooking-burgers/>

<https://savorysweetlife.com/shaping-perfect-hamburger-patties/>