

December 2020 Monthly Summary Report

REGISTRATIONS

Registration for the FMCSA Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse) began for all user roles on September 28, 2019. User roles include: drivers, employers, consortia/third-party administrators (C/TPAs), medical review officers (MROs), and substance abuse professionals (SAPs). The graph below illustrates the number of registrations for each type of user, by month, as well as the total number of unique registrations.

USER REGISTRATIONS

as of 1/1/2021

Total		Monthly Trend
		Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
Driver Accounts	1,599,868	142,945
Employer Accounts	197,212	20,663
C/TPA Accounts	14,098	1,178
MRO Accounts	2,791	50
SAP Accounts	3,036	117
Total Unique Accounts	1,767,885	158,406

This chart reflects the number of Clearinghouse users who have registered as each role (users may register as multiple roles).

In many cases, more than one user account is associated with a single organization. For a summary of the number of organizations that are registered in the Clearinghouse, see the table below.

Organizations Registered in the Clearinghouse as of 1/1/2021

182,124 EMPLOYERS

9,869

67,251 AS OWNER-OPERATORS

2,874

101,663 LINKED TO FMCSA PORTAL ACCOUNT

1,631



QUERIES

Employers are required to conduct queries in the Clearinghouse when hiring a new commercial driver's license (CDL) holder and annually for all CDL drivers they currently employ.

QUERIES CONDUCTED

as of 1/1/2021

Total		Monthly Trend Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	The graph illustra number of each query that has b
Full	136,806	67,463	conducted by en or their designat service agents, b
Full (Pre-Employment)	1,429,842	137,512	month.
Limited	2,701,763	1,109,122	
Grand Total	4,268,411	1,314,097	

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VIOLATIONS REPORTED TO CLEARINGHOUSE

Employers or their designated consortia/third-party administrators (C/TPA), and medical review officers (MROs) are required to report violations of the drug and alcohol program.

VIOLATIONS as of 1/1/2021

Total			Monthly Trend	
			Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	The graph to
Drug	Actual knowledge of a drug violation	1,330	93	the left illustrates the number of violations that
	Drug test refusal	7,803	840	have been
	Positive drug test	45,822	4,406	reported to the Clearinghouse, by month.
	Total	54,955	5,339	by monur.
Alcohol	Actual knowledge of an alcohol violation	177		
	Alcohol test refusal	287	19	
	Concentration of 0.04 or greater	739	75	
	Total	1,203	105	
Grand To	otal	56,158	5,444	



VIOLATIONS REPORTED TO CLEARINGHOUSE CONTINUED

Drug and Alcohol Test Results By Test Type

as of 1/1/2021

TEST TYPE	DRUG	ALCOHOL	TOTAL	
Total Violations	54,949	1,201	56,150	The table to the left notes the number of test
None (Actual Knowledge)	1,330	177	1,507	results reported to the Clearinghouse,
Follow Up	1,176	38	1,214	by type of test, for controlled substance (drug)
Refusal	155	5		tests, alcohol tests, and a combined total.
Positive	1021	33		
Post-Accident	2,187	106	2,293	Note: This table does not include 8 violations (6
Refusal	261	41		drug and 2 ` alcohol) for which
Positive	1,926	65		a "reason for test" was not indicated during
Pre-Employment	28,517	41	28,558	entry.
Refusal	3,575	7		
Positive	24,942	34		
Random	20,200	561	20,761	
Refusal	3,400	168		
Positive	16,800	393		
Reasonable Suspicion	852	268	1,120	
Refusal	337	64		
Positive	515	204		
Return to Duty	687	10	697	
Refusal	72	2		
Positive	615	8		



VIOLATIONS REPORTED TO CLEARINGHOUSE CONTINUED

Positive drug
tests account
for 82% of the
total violations
reported.

See chart to the right and the graph below for a breakdown of the number of times a driver tested positive for each substance.

SUBSTANCES IDENTIFIED IN POSITIVE DRUG TESTS

as of 1/1/2021				
Substance	# Tests Identified			
Not Identified	43			
6-Acetylmorphine (6-AM)	302			
Amphetamine (AMP)	4,953			
Cocaine Metabolite (BZE)	7,940			
Codeine (COD)	386			
DILUTE	2,398			
Hydrocodone (HYC)	1,082			
Hydromorphone (HYM)	1,000			
Marijuana Metabolite (Δ9-THCA)	29,511			
Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)	30			
Ecstasy (MDMA)	65			
Methamphetamine (MET/MAMP)	5,187			
Morphine (MOP)	443			
Oxycodone (OXYC)	1,106			
Oxymorphone (OXYM)	1,372			
Phencyclidine (PCP)	137			
All substances	55,955			
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Positive drug tests reported as of 1/1/2021



RETURN-TO-DUTY PROCESSES

If a driver has a drug and alcohol program violation recorded against him or her in the Clearinghouse, that driver must be removed from safety-sensitive functions, including operating a commercial motor vehicle, until he or she has completed a return-to-duty (RTD) process. Select milestones of a driver's RTD process are recorded in the Clearinghouse. The table below provides a snapshot of the number of drivers who had an open or resolved RTD process in the Clearinghouse as of January 1, 2021.

Drivers in the Return-to-Duty (RTD) Process

as of 1/1/2021

RTD STATUS	# DRIVERS
All Drivers (with at least 1 violation)	51,998
Drivers in Prohibited Status	45,475
RTD Process Not Started	34,769
Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) Request Sent	393
SAP Designation Confirmed	1,040
SAP Request Declined	137
Initial SAP Assessment Complete	2,105
Determined Eligible for RTD Testing	7,031
Drivers in Not-Prohibited Status	6,513
RTD Test with Negative Results	6,513
Follow-Up Testing Plan Complete	0