

CARGO THEFT



There are different ways to lower fuel costs but the most important thing you must do is improve your knowledge & your driving habits. When it comes to knowledge I'm referring to understanding that speed only increases the amount of fuel you're spending to get from point A to point B. Some drivers have the misconception that by driving faster they will make more money since they will get to their destination sooner and get the next load. That is absolutely false. If you're revving up your engine when merging into traffic and if you're driving over 60 mph you're consuming more fuel. In the end, instead of making more money you're spending money in diesel.

Besides slowing down, below you will find many more effective ways to economize:

- Accelerate slowly when starting from dead stop
- Watch your speed. Optimal fuel economy for the average vehicle is approximately 60 MPH. For every 5 MPH interval over your vehicle's optimal speed limit, fuel consumption increases by 5%.
- Make sure your air filter is clean
- Don't start and stop engine needlessly.
- Idling your engine for one minute consumes the gas amount equivalent to when you start the engine
- Use your cruise control
- Drive steadily. Slowing down or speeding up wastes fuel.

- Fill up your vehicle in the early morning. Keep in mind that gas pumps measure the volumes not the density of fuel concentration and you are being charged according to the volume of measurement. The temperature of the gasoline, diesel and jet fuel, ethanol and other petroleum products plays an important role. A one-degree rise in temperature is a big deal.
- Avoid filling your tanks to the top. Overfilling results in sloshing over and out of the tank.
- If there is a gasoline truck pumping fuel into the storage tanks DO NOT fill up. Fuel gets stirred up as the gas is being delivered, and you might pick up some of the dirt which normally settles on the bottom of the tank which clogs fuel filters faster and can cause related fuel system problems.
- Keep your tires inflated and aligned. You should have them at 90 psi during the summer and at 100 psi in the winter.

