Task Force on Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Policy

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Key Federal Actions in 2026

1. **$5B National Trade Corridors Fund**
2. **$1B Arctic Infrastructure Fund:**
3. **Productivity Mega Deduction**
4. **Federal Fuel Excise Tax Relief**
5. **C-39: Building Canada Strong Act**



Keep Canada Moving: Modernize trade corridors & marine governance, cut red tape, & enhance regulatory certainty & security



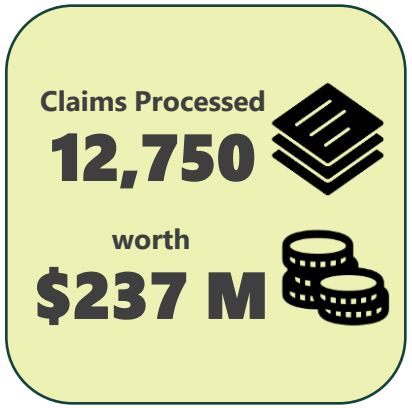
Build Canada Now: Accelerate federal decision-making for projects within one year by advancing processes concurrently, coordinating federal decisions, & streamlining Crown consultation

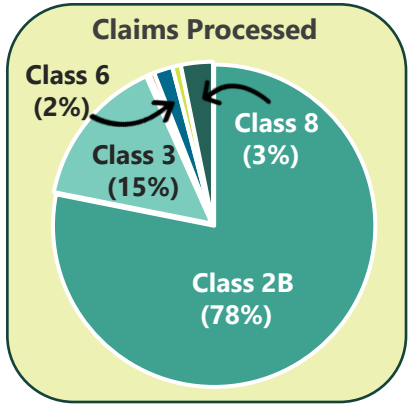


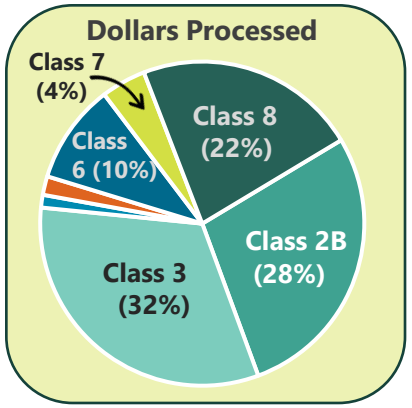
Canada Strong For All: Strengthen collective bargaining by making it more proactive & accountable, establish rules-based framework to resolve small number of challenging entrenched disputes, strengthen worker protections, & enhance productivity

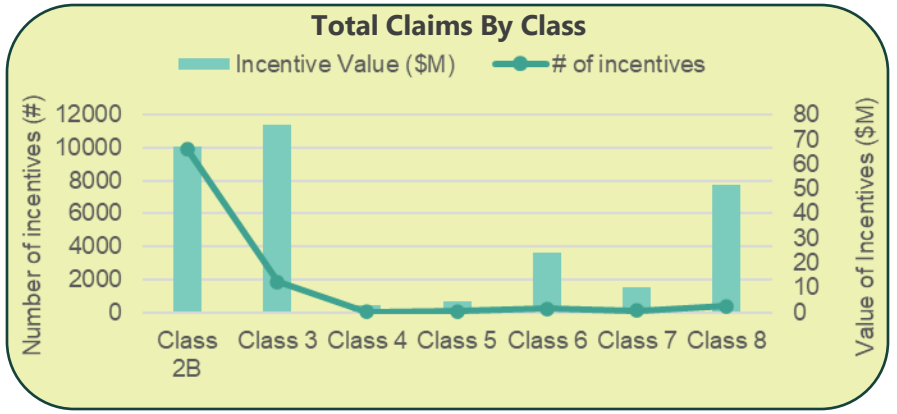
Incentives for Medium- and Heavy-duty Zero-Emission Vehicles (iMHZEV)

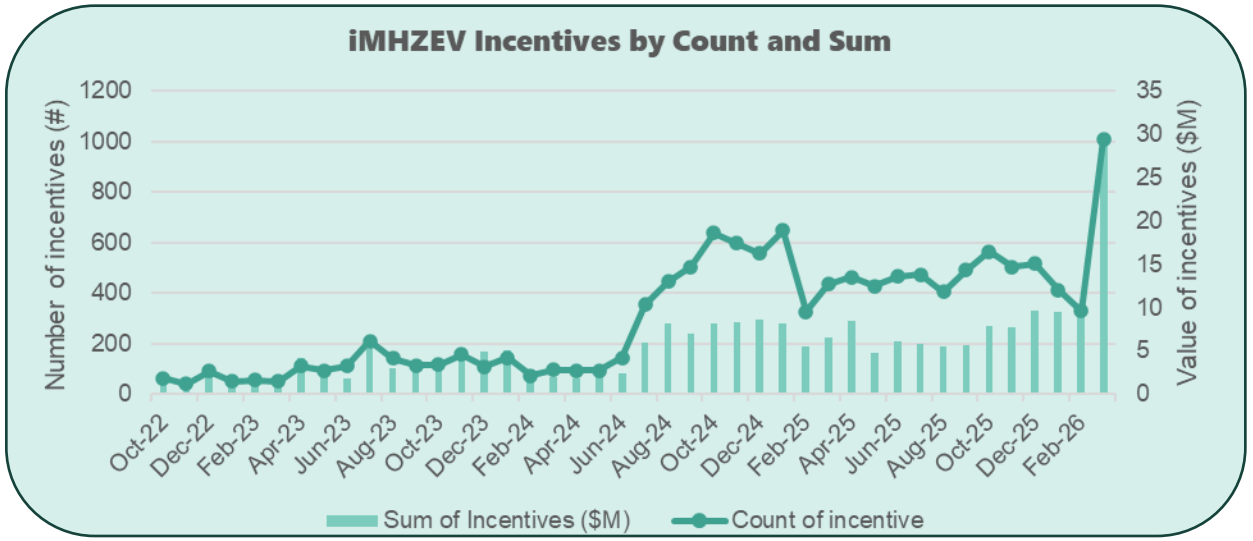
- iMHZEV program concluded March 31, 2026, as per decision in Budget 2025.
- Overall positive feedback on the program's ease of use, but program uptake was lower than expected due to market readiness, infrastructure timeframes, and provincial incentive gaps.











iMHZEV Uptake – Trucks and Tractors

Electric Medium-Duty Trucks

- Class 4-6 trucks
- Only 3% of incentives by number (338 claims) but 13% of program dollars
- Lion 6 most popular model (185)

Electric Tractors (Class 8)

- 216 in total (14% of program dollars)
- Concentrated in QC, ON and BC
- 81% Purchased, 19% Leased (compared to 52% and 48% respectively for all vehicles in the program)

Electric Terminal Trucks

- 2nd most popular Class 8 vehicle type in the program (32% of Class 8 vehicle claims)
- Highest uptake in ON
- 5 different models with OrangeEV and Terberg representing 59% and 30% of them respectively

Fuel Cell Electric Trucks

- 10 fuel cell electric class 8 tractors were incentivized
- 6 Nikola tractors and 4 Hyundai XCIENTs

Electrification of Trucking

- Budget 2026 sets out Canada's path to net zero emissions around **four pillars**: **building** more clean electricity supply, **switching** to electric technologies, **transforming** our energy productivity, and **innovating** the solutions of tomorrow.
  - Considerable potential to electrify parts of the transportation system, primarily road vehicles, utilizing Canadian clean power, leading to operational cost savings, and reduced air pollution.

- **Accelerating adoption of electric trucks** will require supportive and collaborative efforts across different levels of government, utilities, original equipment manufacturers, suppliers and carriers.
  - Federal leadership on multiple fronts (Transport Canada: Vehicle Safety, Innovation, Policy; ECCC: Emission Regulations, Clean Fuel Regulations, Charging Infrastructure; Natural Resources Canada: Battery and Charging Research and Development)

- Transport Canada re-started **Canada's Electric Vehicle (EV) Council** and is leading a new working group on medium- and heavy-duty electric vehicle readiness and total cost of ownership.

Misclassification and Safety

- Budget 2025 - $77M.4 years and $19.2M ongoing for CRA compliance and enforcement activities
- Lifted moratorium on T4A reporting
- Legislative changes to improve CRA and Labour Program information-sharing
- Labour Ministers announced in April 2026 the formation of a misclassification working group, aiming to report progress in fall 2026
- Inspection blitzes, focusing on Toronto and Montreal
- CCMTA is modernizing the Carrier Data Exchange system to ensure up to date safety, inspection, accident and conviction information can be shared between provinces and territories
- CCMTA completing work to update National Safety Code standards 7 (Carrier and Driver Profiles), 14 (Safety Rating) and 15 (Facility Audits)

Internal Trade

- Interprovincial Trucking MoU is being implemented
- Process to identify the next round of actions is beginning now
- Important to identify specific and actionable steps
- Please reach out with internal trade impediments affect the trucking sector to Neguest.Alemayehu@tc.gc.ca

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