



Kraft Foods supports increasing the federal gross vehicle weight limit to 97,000 lbs with an additional axle. This proposal would result in reduced emissions, fewer trucks on the road and a decrease in fuel usage.

Current federal law generally limits gross vehicle weight on interstate highways to 80,000 pounds with five axles.

- **US Limits versus Other Countries**
 - Mexico’s weight limit is 106,000 lbs
 - Canada’s weight limit is over 95,000 lbs
 - Majority of the European Union nations operate at or around 97,000 lbs
- **Road Congestion**
 - Freight hauled by trucks expected to double or triple by 2025 in U.S.
 - Truck traffic is growing 11 times faster than road capacity
 - 85% of 2020 highway infrastructure has already been built

Potential Benefits of Weight Limit Increase to 97,000 lbs

- **Kraft (one route)**
 - 2,150 truckloads per year from Champaign, IL to Norcross, GA could be reduced to 1,650 (500 fewer trucks annually), saving:
 - 312,500 miles
 - 33,000 gallons fuel
 - 730,000 pounds CO2
- **Kraft (nationwide)**
 - 66,000 fewer loads estimated, saving:
 - 33 million fewer miles driven
 - 6.6 million gallons of fuel saved
 - 73,000 tons CO2 emissions eliminated

Concerns and Proposed Solutions	
Concern	Proposed Solution
Safety	Additional axle equalizes braking power
Road Wear	Additional axle reduces pounds per tire
Funding	Additional Registration fees

For more than a century, Kraft (<http://www.kraft.com>) has offered delicious foods and beverages that fit the way consumers live. Millions of times a day in more than 150 countries, consumers reach for their favorite Kraft brands, including nine with revenues exceeding \$1 billion: Kraft cheeses, dinners and dressings; Oscar Mayer meats; Philadelphia cream cheese; Maxwell House coffee; Nabisco cookies and crackers and its Oreo brand; Jacobs coffees; Milka chocolates; and LU biscuits. Kraft is one of the world's largest food and beverage companies with annual revenues exceeding \$37 billion, more than 100,000 employees and more than 180 manufacturing and processing facilities globally. The company is a member of the Standard & Poor's 500 index as well as the Dow Jones Sustainability Index and Ethibel Sustainability Index.