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Comments

Most trucks run on diesel, and many truckers leave their vehicle idling for long periods. Research on school buses shows that the driver and riders are exposed to diesel exhaust, especially during idling. PM2.5, which includes diesel particulate matter, has been linked to cancer and heart disease. Therefore you might want to consider measuring potential exposure to diesel exhaust, including having a question on the survey that asks how much the truck is left idling, especially when the driver is in the vehicle. Depending on your research budget, you might also want to consider air monitoring at selected truck stops, and/or in selected vehicles.