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NMVTIS Hits 98% Participation - Minnesota and Tennessee Conduct NMVTIS Transactions Online

AAMVA is very pleased to announce that Minnesota and Tennessee have implemented online updates and inquiry in NMVTIS, which brings NMVTIS data up to a 98% representation of the vehicle population. Minnesota previously participated as an online state in NMVTIS using web-based services and now will use AMIE. Tennessee will now perform inquiries and updates in real time and respond to unsolicited transactions using State Web Services. There are now 47 of the 51 jurisdictions fully participating in NMVTIS. Congratulations, Minnesota and Tennessee!

For more information about NMVTIS participations requirements, please contact [Tom Manuel](#), Senior Program Manager.

FEATURED NEWS

Jurisdiction Response to COVID-19

[Click here](#) to view consolidated information and see how motor vehicle administrations are handling driver licensing and vehicle registration. This document will be updated with the most current information on our [homepage](#).

Motor Vehicle Industry Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Below are a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

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- [Report Covers Critical Issues for State Leaders Ahead of Vaccine Distribution](#)
- [FedEx, UPS Tell Senators of Vaccine Distribution Readiness](#)
- [How ID Fraud Has Surged in the Wake of COVID-19](#)
- [Blasting Car Heater With Closed Windows Poses High Risk for COVID Spread, Study Finds](#)

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- [Inspection or Registration Expired? Yes, You Can Get Ticketed Again in New York](#)

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- [Ginnie Graham: Perfect Storm Hit Oklahoma Driver Testing Offices Creating Massive Backlog](#)
- [Texas DPS Will Expand Office Hours at Select Driver's License Offices Next Year](#)
- [Ask 2: Can You Tell Me if Car Inspections Are Still Waived Due To COVID? What About Registrations? \(Texas\)](#)
- [DMV Customers May Now Make Address Changes Online: Acquire Duplicate Documents \(West Virginia\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- [White Extends Closure of Driver Services Facilities Until Jan. 5 \(Illinois\)](#)
- [Illinois Driver's License Facilities Are Closed. What Now?](#)

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- [Seniors Can Now Renew Their Driver's License Online \(California\)](#)
- [California DMV Temporarily Halts Behind-the-Wheel Driving Tests](#)
- [MVD Offices Reopen: Driverless Semis Here \(New Mexico\)](#)

Visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) for more information on [COVID-19](#), [guidance](#), [press releases](#), [press kits](#), and more.

REGION 1 NEWS

OHS Starts Campaign Focusing on Safe Holiday Driving (Delaware)

The Delaware Office of Highway Safety has kicked off its annual Safe Family Holiday campaign to reduce the number of vehicle crashes across the state over the winter holidays, the most dangerous time of year for drivers, passengers and pedestrians. The campaign — which runs until Dec. 27 — aims to increase awareness of travel safety issues and mobilize Delawareans to adhere to best practices for driver and pedestrian safety, OHS said. [Read more at delawarestatenews.net](#).

MDOT MVA Shares Safety Tips for Older Driver Safety Awareness Week

Of the more than 4.4 million licensed drivers in Maryland, 850,000 are 65 or older...During Older Driver Safety Awareness Week, December 7-11, 2020, the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) is sharing tips and guidelines to ensure the state's aging population can remain as safe as possible on the road. [Read more at southernmarylandchronicle.com](#).

Scam Alert: Erie County Clerk Warns of Real ID Text Scam (New York)

Erie County Clerk Mickey Kearns is warning residents of a new text messaging scam going around. He says if you've recently received a text message from a number claiming to be from the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles about Real ID, it is a scam. The text says you need to update your mailing address and phone number. [Read more at wgrz.com](#).

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Florida Mobile Driver's Licenses Ready To Launch

Applications will be accepted for the Florida mobile driver's licenses in 2021, and the state has tapped Thales to provide verification and other services for that digital ID program. As Thales put it, Florida stands as the first state in the U.S. to provide mobile driver's licenses that not only have leading-edge security mechanisms but are fully compliant with rigorous national and international standards. [Read more at secureidnews.com.](#)

GA Driver Services Schedules January Closing for System Upgrade (Georgia)

The Georgia Department of Driver Services urges customers to plan ahead for driver's license/ID services in January. To implement new technology, all DDS locations, web-based online services and the mobile app, DDS 2 GO, will be unavailable Jan. 14 - 16, according to a press release. Customers whose driver's license and/or ID is scheduled to expire during the month of January 2021 are strongly encouraged to renew their credential prior to these dates. [Read more at ajc.com.](#)

Tennessee Drivers Can Now Help First Responders

Do you want a chance to help first responders in emergency situations? According to the Oak Ridge Police Department, Tennessee driver's license or identification card holders can now submit emergency contact information for first responders to use in crisis or emergency situations. [Read more at wvlt.tv.](#)

After the 'Click It or Ticket' Campaign, VSP Find Drivers Still Aren't Buckling Up (Virginia)

After the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "Click it or Ticket" campaign ended, the Virginia State Police (VSP) found drivers still aren't wearing seatbelts. The "Click it or Ticket" campaign is an annual reminder and enforcement to make sure you buckle up while in the car, because it saves lives. [Read more at whsv.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

MoDOT Launches Aging Driving Campaign (Missouri)

In 2019, 207 people were killed in crashes in Missouri that involved an older driver. MoDOT has launched the Aging Road User Campaign to help families assist loved ones if they are concerned about them being behind the wheel. MoDOT says the approach is everything. [Read more at ky3.com.](#)

REGION 4 NEWS

Alberta Ditches Registration Stickers on Licence Plates, Moves To Reflective Ones

Starting in the new year, Alberta licence plates will start to be sticker-free. The province says the stickers, which mark the year and month of a vehicle's registration, have become redundant in the era of reflective plates. [Read more at driving.ca.](#)

BC Driver Pulled Over in Bus Lane Had Just Failed a

Driving Test – for Driving in a Bus Lane (British Columbia)

A driver pulled over in Vancouver on Wednesday told police she'd just failed a driving test for a similar violation. According to Vancouver Police Sgt. Mark Christensen, the driver was stopped after being caught in a bus lane. [Read more at bc.ctvnews.ca.](#)

California Launches Two New Autonomous Vehicle Programs

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) recently approved two new autonomous vehicle (AV) programs that allow companies to provide safe passenger transportation services, charge fares, and offer shared trips to the public. [Read more at roadsbridges.com.](#)

Stopped by State Patrol in Eagle County? You Can Now Use a Digital ID (Colorado)

Troopers began accepting a digital version of state identification on Nov. 30, and Colorado State Patrol trooper Jacob Best has already been presented one in a traffic stop. He said he was impressed, and let the person off with a warning. [Read more at vaildaily.com.](#)

Older Driver Safety Awareness Week Addresses Safe Driving and Mobility for Seniors (Colorado)

Governor Jared Polis has proclaimed the week of Dec. 7 to Dec. 11 as Older Driver Safety Awareness Week...Transportation and mobility for seniors is promoted during Older Driver Safety Awareness Week. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), the Occupational Therapy Association of Colorado and the Reaching Older Drivers Program are teaming up to provide resources and awareness. [Read more at kdvr.com.](#)

Sask. Impaired Driving Offences up in 2020 (Saskatchewan)

Saskatchewan's monthly drunk and impaired driving charges in the first 10 months of 2020 have already exceeded last year's total number. From January to October 2020, the province recorded 3,813 impaired driving cases, according to statistics from Saskatchewan Government Insurance. [Read more at thestarphoenix.com.](#)

OTHER NEWS

FMCSA Drug Clearinghouse Records 46,000 Violations in First 10 Months

Nearly 46,000 driver drug-related violations have been recorded in the federal Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse during its first 10 months of operation, but only about 4,400 drivers have completed their return-to-duty requirements. The leading number of drug test failures — 24,000 — was for marijuana, said David Yessen, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's compliance division chief. [Read more at ttnews.com.](#)

Study: 10 States With the Worst Drivers

36,560. That's not the number of businesses bankrupt due to the coronavirus or the average a person needs to save each year to reach their retirement goals. Nor is it the average salary in America. What is it? Hint: It has

something to do with the states with the worst drivers. [Read more at carinsurancecomparison.com.](#)

The Impassioned Debate: Self-Driving Cars Parking Head-In Versus Nose Out

Should you park your car in a head-in manner, or should you instead utilize the reverse arrangement whereby you back into a parking space? This has become a longstanding question and an erstwhile and irksome choice, and abundantly is worthy of the Hatfield-McCoy kind of enmity. [Read more at forbes.com.](#)

7 Things You Need To Know About Driver's License Points

Your driver's license gives you the legal right to drive. In return, you're expected to obey the relevant traffic laws. One way that many states keep track of your driving history is to assign points to your license if you get a ticket for a moving violation. Insurance companies also use their own internal systems to record policyholders' infractions. These points systems are designed to encourage safe driving behavior and discourage the opposite. [Read more at investopedia.com.](#)

Uber Sells off Its Self-Driving Division To Autonomous Car Startup Aurora

Self-driving car startup Aurora today announced that it's acquiring Uber's Advanced Technologies Group, the ride-hailing company's driverless vehicle division, for an undisclosed amount. (A source tells CNBC the deal is valued at around \$4 billion.) As a part of the sale, Uber — whose CEO, Dara Khosrowshahi, will join Aurora's board of directors — says it will invest \$400 million in Aurora as the latter shores up partnerships for the commercialization of its autonomous vehicle systems. [Read more at venturebeat.com.](#)

The Future of Identity Authentication Is Personal

As a digital society, we're in the midst of a privacy reckoning and a crisis of confidence. The egregious data collection by tech companies has infuriated users, sparked regulation...Meanwhile, consumers are losing faith in the ability of online companies to manage their data respectfully. Data breaches have become a common and widespread occurrence, leaving personal information exposed. [Read more at forbes.com.](#)

GET Mobile ID Solution Passes UL Conformity Assessment

GET Group, an innovative developer of mobile ID technology with over 20 years of experience in secure government credentials, today announced that its mobile driver's license (mDL) and mobile ID (mID) application for iOS and Android has successfully passed a conformity assessment against ISO 18013-5 carried out by the Identity Management & Security division of UL, the global safety science leader. [Read more at globenewswire.com.](#)

AAA Study Finds Men, Younger Drivers, Are More Aggressive on the Road

Data gathered by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety confirms the perception that men tend to speed, tailgate, merge dangerously and make rude gestures or honk at other drivers more than women...However, the survey also found that women admitted to some dangerous driving habits,

such as running red lights. Overall, younger male and female drivers tend to be more aggressive than older drivers. [Read more at thesunchronicle.com.](#)

TWITTER NEWS

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In case you missed our BIG ANNOUNCEMENT from DMV Director Steve Gordon...

All #CADMV customers who are 70+ can RENEW their noncommercial DRIVER'S LICENSE or #REALID without visiting a #DMV office!
More Info: <https://bit.ly/3mXl2i2>
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During the holiday season folks are normally visited by family and friends. Unfortunately some folks are visited by us to tell them that an impaired driver has changed their lives forever. If your plans include an alcoholic beverage, please plan on a sober ride! #SCHK #SCDPS_TZ



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