

Driver-Assistive Truck Platooning – Commercial Deployment Outlook

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Commercial Platooning Based on Decades of R&D



EU - Platooning Challenge - 2016



EU (Sweden) - SARTRE 2009-Present



Germany - KONVOI 2005-09



Canada - PIT 2009



US - PATH, NREL, etc. '90s and ongoing



IL-based Navistar in IN - 2015



Driver-Assistive Truck Platooning Market Overview

Many Companies in US, Europe and Asia Testing or Bringing Truck Platooning to Market































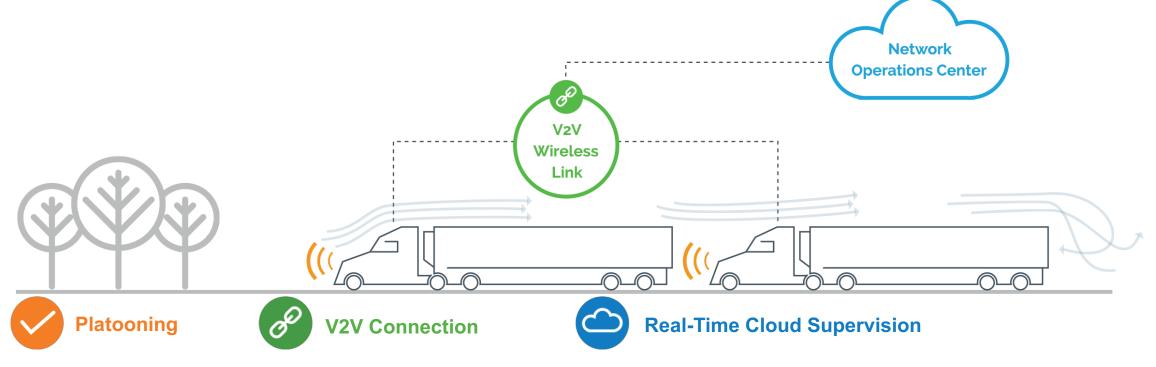








Peloton PlatoonPro: Driver Teamwork, Safety, Efficiency

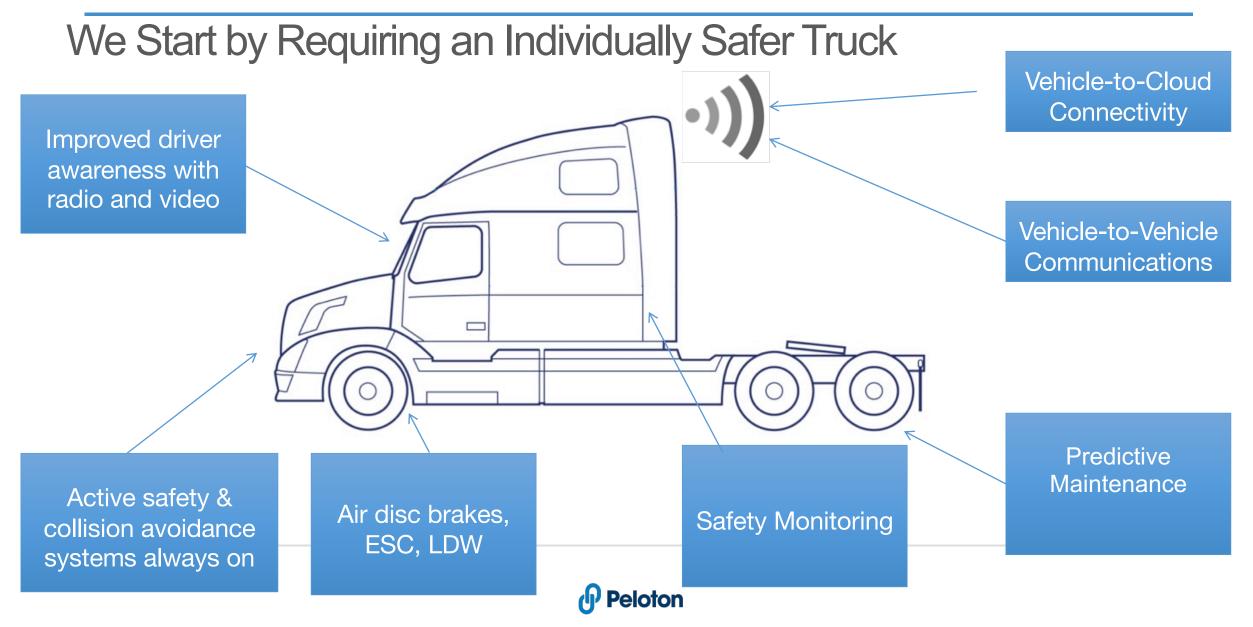


- Unified
- Electronically coordinated
- Close following

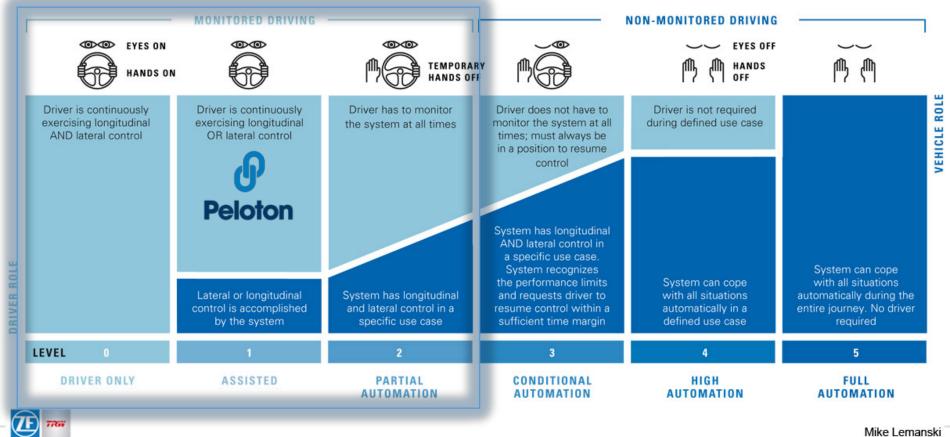
- Connected braking
- Video link
- Enhanced push-to-talk

Platooning only under appropriate conditions





PlatoonPro: Driver-Assistance -- Not High Automation



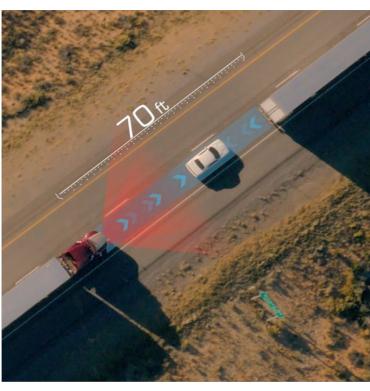




Safety: Handling Vehicle Cut-ins



Driver sees car cutting in and backs off OR



If driver does not respond, system radar detects cut-in vehicle and automatically begins to back off follow truck



Follow truck will continue to back off to safe manual following distance (100+ ft) and then give full manual control back to follow driver



Safety: Suitable Roads & Conditions

Network Operations Cloud (NOC) & Driver Procedures will limit platooning to:

- Multi-lane, divided, limited access highways
- Moderate or low traffic conditions
- Suitable traction conditions
- Appropriate topography
- Geofencing can provide further limits to exclude certain bridges, roadway types, and other areas





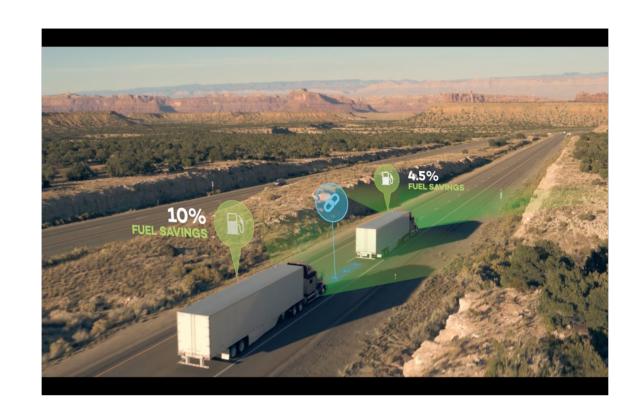
Benefits: Improved Fuel Savings, Safety, Fleet Management

Platooning Reduces Fuel Costs

- 4.5% fuel savings for the lead truck
- 10% fuel savings for the follow truck
- Verified combined fuel savings of 7.25% savings at 40 foot gap at 65 mph (NACFE)

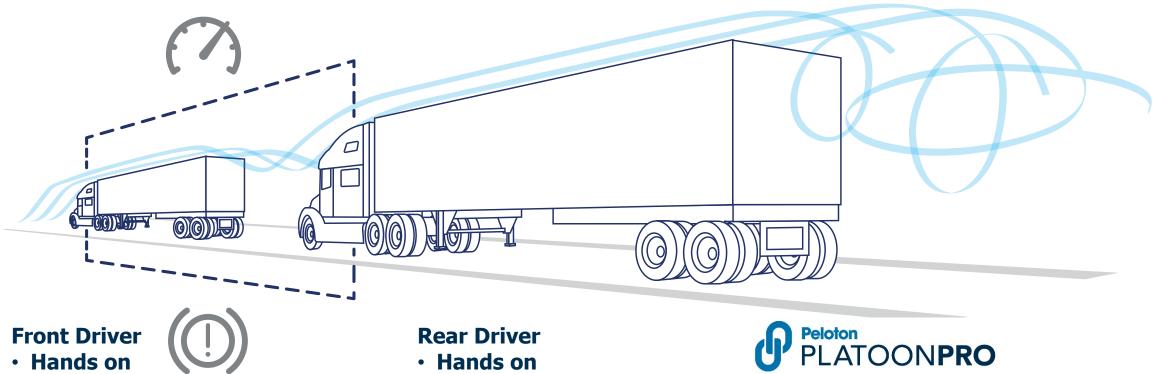
Peloton Provides Value to Fleets

- Economically viable with less than 1 year payback
- High-quality data and improved analytics for fleets
- \$700 billion U.S. trucking industry benefits by saving on fuel and enhancing individual truck safety





Pairs of Trucks, Both Drivers Steering At All Times



Feet on+ACC

• Eyes/Mind on

- Feet off
- Eyes/Mind on



Drivers are Key



- Driver-informed design
- Trained, CDL-certified driver in both trucks
- Both Drivers fully engaged at all times
- Peloton Driver Training
 Program for each Fleet

"A driver will feel safer behind the wheel because the truck can hit the brakes prior to a human in critical situations..."

Dave Mercer - Peloton Driver (~3 million MTD)



Top Use Case: Single-Fleet, Hub-to-Hub Routes

Example Strong Customer Profile:

- 50+ "return-to-hub" runs (regional haul)
- Fleet drivers

- Scheduled and manual NOC pairing
- Homogenous tractor configurations





Operational Domain: Multi-lane, Divided, Limited Access Highways



Regulatory Picture: Platooning vs Automated Vehicles Driver-Assistive Platooning Does Not Fall Under HAV Regs

Driver-Assistive Connected Vehicles & Platooning

- Connectivity and following distance-focused
- Governed by State following distance law (no obstacles from federal laws)
- 22 States (and rising) allow commercial deployment
- Additional States allow testing and trials and are considering commercial allowance

Highly Automated Vehicles

- Governed by Federal laws (NHTSA, FMCSA) and State laws (DOT, Police, DMV)
- Authorized for testing (with test/safety driver on board) in several states
- A few states exploring initial commercial deployment with safety drivers



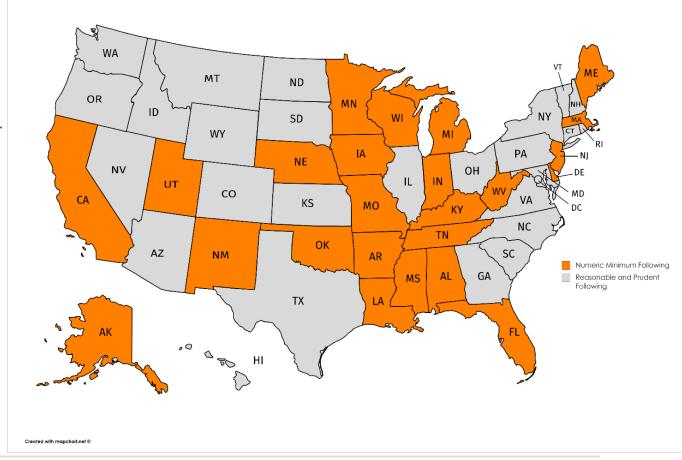
National Context: State Following Distance Laws

Numerical Minimum Following States

- A defined numeric minimum following distance in 24 states
- Platooning requires change in law

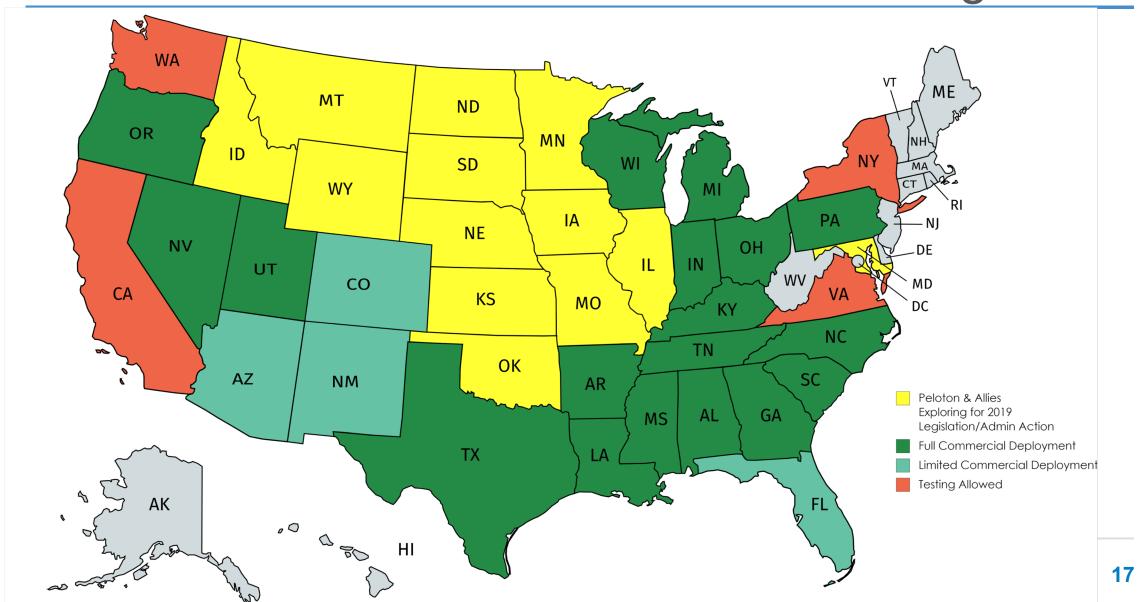
"Reasonable and Prudent" States

- A flexible, discretionary standard in 26 states
- Platooning can be legal under current law





PELOTON TECHNOLOGY National Context: State Platooning Laws



No New Infrastructure Required; Operations Can Adapt to Existing Infrastructure









FDOT-FHSMV-University of Florida Study (2018)

Highway Issues:

- o Allow DATP operations on any limited access, multi-lane, divided highway.
- Allow DATP operations on any lane currently allowable for trucks.

Infrastructure Effects

- FDOT analysis found that well less than one percent of bridges on interstate and turnpike mainlines might be subject to stresses exceeding bridge design specifications with trucks platooning at even a close 30 foot spacing.
- The State can notify system providers and fleets regarding any locations/areas where platooning should be restricted, due to specific infrastructure elements or other factors.

Traffic Interactions

- At high market penetration, simulation studies have shown that platooning would improve flow in heavier traffic, since platooning trucks take up less road space than trucks traveling alone.
- Other studies found significant **negative effects in congested traffic** at some interchanges (a situation in which platoons would likely dissolve, as the fuel economy benefits are minimal at lower speeds).
- Traffic interactions during the recent Florida Platooning Pilot operational demonstration, which included interchanges, bridges, Service Plaza's, etc. **did not raise concerns**.



Outlook

Growing US and Global Activity using Driver Assistive Truck Platooning Solutions:

• US:

- Peloton bringing driver-assistive truck platooning into commercial ops with selected fleets, 2018-2019
- DTNA/Freightliner also indicates testing is ahead with some fleets in 2018

International:

- MAN Trucks and Scania beginning commercial test programs with fleets in Germany and Scandinavia.
- EU Multi-brand platooning project: Platooning by the 6 European Truck OEMs, 2019-2020+.
- Platooning commercial demonstration programs planned in UK, Australia, Asia.

Key Activity Ahead – Peloton Technology:

- Robust activity continues in California as Peloton continues joint work with OEMs.
- Commercial freight platooning activity over the coming months in Texas with major fleets.
- Activity expanding into other states over next quarters in coordination with major fleets.
- Ongoing work with allies to explore platooning allowance in additional states.



