



# State Motor Vehicle Fatalities and State Alcohol-Impaired Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2011

In 2011, 32,367 people lost their lives on America's roadways in motor vehicle crashes. This figure is 1.9 percent lower than the 32,999 people who died in crashes in 2010 (632 fewer fatalities in 2011). Alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities declined by 2.5 percent in 2011. An alcohol-impaired-driving fatality is defined as a person killed in a crash involving a driver or motorcycle rider (operator) with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 grams per deciliter or greater. This percentage decrease was greater than the percentage decrease in overall motor vehicle crash fatalities from 2010 to 2011. The 9,878 alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities in 2011 accounted for 31 percent of overall fatalities, the same percentage of overall fatalities as in 2010.

The table included in this Crash Stat compares the total number of fatalities, as well as the number and percentage of alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities for 2010 and 2011, the change in the number of total and alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities, and the percentage change for each State, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

Thirty-six States had reductions in the number of fatalities. Connecticut had the greatest decline in both number of fatalities (-100) and in the percentage of decline (-31%) in fatalities. North Carolina saw a decrease of 93 fatalities from 2010 to 2011; however, this was only a 7-percent decline from the 2010 level. Fatalities in New Hampshire fell by 30 percent from 2010 to 2011. California and New Jersey saw increases of 71 fatalities from 2010 to 2011. The greatest percentage increase in fatalities was North Dakota with a 41-percent increase in fatalities (+43).

Nationwide, about one-third (31%) of the total fatalities were in alcohol-impaired-driving crashes. Twenty-seven States experienced reductions in the number of alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities. Four States had declines of 30 or more: Texas (-57), New York (-45), South Carolina (-38), and Tennessee (-31). Conversely, three States had increases of 30 or more: Colorado (+41), Florida (+38), and New Jersey (+33).

**Table 1. Total and Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Fatalities, 2010 and 2011, by State**

State	2010			2011			2010 to 2011 Change			
	Total Fatalities	Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Fatalities		Total Fatalities	Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Fatalities		Total Fatalities		Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Fatalities	
		#	%		#	%	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Alabama	862	264	31%	894	259	29%	+32	+3.7%	-5	-1.9%
Alaska	56	16	28%	72	21	28%	+16	+29%	+5	+31%
Arizona	759	206	27%	825	215	26%	+66	+8.7%	+9	+4.4%
Arkansas	571	178	31%	549	156	28%	-22	-3.9%	-22	-12%
California	2,720	774	28%	2,791	774	28%	+71	+2.6%	0	0%
Colorado	450	120	27%	447	161	36%	-3	-0.7%	+41	+34%
Connecticut	320	119	37%	220	92	42%	-100	-31%	-27	-23%
Delaware	101	37	37%	99	41	41%	-2	-2.0%	+4	+11%
Dist of Columbia	24	7	27%	27	8	30%	+3	+13%	+1	+14%
Florida	2,444	678	28%	2,398	716	30%	-46	-1.9%	+38	+5.6%
Georgia	1,247	299	24%	1,223	277	23%	-24	-1.9%	-22	-7.4%

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		#	%		#	%	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Hawaii	113	43	38%	100	44	44%	-13	-12%	+1	+2.3%
Idaho	209	72	34%	167	50	30%	-42	-20%	-22	-31%
Illinois	927	292	32%	918	278	30%	-9	-1.0%	-14	-4.8%
Indiana	754	194	26%	750	207	28%	-4	-0.5%	+13	+6.7%
Iowa	390	85	22%	360	83	23%	-30	-7.7%	-2	-2.4%
Kansas	431	134	31%	386	108	28%	-45	-10%	-26	-19%
Kentucky	760	168	22%	721	171	24%	-39	-5.1%	+3	+1.8%
Louisiana	721	226	31%	675	226	33%	-46	-6.4%	0	0%
Maine	161	40	25%	136	23	17%	-25	-16%	-17	-43%
Maryland	496	154	31%	485	162	33%	-11	-2.2%	+8	+5.2%
Massachusetts	347	122	35%	337	114	34%	-10	-2.9%	-8	-6.6%
Michigan	942	236	25%	889	255	29%	-53	-5.6%	+19	+8.1%
Minnesota	411	128	31%	368	109	30%	-43	-10%	-19	-15%
Mississippi	641	174	27%	630	149	24%	-11	-1.7%	-25	-14%
Missouri	821	257	31%	784	258	33%	-37	-4.5%	+1	+0.4%
Montana	189	72	38%	209	81	39%	+20	+11%	+9	+13%
Nebraska	190	50	26%	181	45	25%	-9	-4.7%	-5	-10%
Nevada	257	69	27%	246	70	28%	-11	-4.3%	+1	+1.4%
New Hampshire	128	45	35%	90	27	30%	-38	-30%	-18	-40%
New Jersey	556	160	29%	627	193	31%	+71	+13%	+33	+21%
New Mexico	349	119	34%	353	105	30%	+4	+1.1%	-14	-12%
New York	1,201	360	30%	1,169	315	27%	-32	-2.7%	-45	-13%
North Carolina	1,320	389	29%	1,227	365	30%	-93	-7.0%	-24	-6.2%
North Dakota	105	46	44%	148	64	43%	+43	+41%	+18	+39%
Ohio	1,080	335	31%	1,016	316	31%	-64	-5.9%	-19	-5.7%
Oklahoma	668	218	33%	696	220	32%	+28	+4.2%	+2	+0.9%
Oregon	317	70	22%	331	97	29%	+14	+4.4%	+27	+39%
Pennsylvania	1,324	424	32%	1,286	407	32%	-38	-2.9%	-17	-4.0%
Rhode Island	67	27	40%	66	24	37%	-1	-1.5%	-3	-11%
South Carolina	809	353	44%	828	315	38%	+19	+2.3%	-38	-11%
South Dakota	140	37	27%	111	33	29%	-29	-21%	-4	-11%
Tennessee	1,032	288	28%	946	257	27%	-86	-8.3%	-31	-11%
Texas	3,023	1,270	42%	3,016	1,213	40%	-7	-0.2%	-57	-4.5%
Utah	253	46	18%	240	53	22%	-13	-5.1%	+7	+15%
Vermont	71	18	25%	55	18	33%	-16	-23%	0	0%
Virginia	740	207	28%	764	224	29%	+24	+3.2%	+17	+8.2%
Washington	460	169	37%	457	156	34%	-3	-0.7%	-13	-7.7%
West Virginia	315	87	27%	337	90	27%	+22	+7.0%	+3	+3.4%
Wisconsin	572	203	36%	582	196	34%	+10	+1.7%	-7	-3.4%
Wyoming	155	53	34%	135	38	28%	-20	-13%	-15	-28%
<b>National</b>	<b>32,999</b>	<b>10,136</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>32,367</b>	<b>9,878</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>-632</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>	<b>-258</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>
Puerto Rico	340	98	29%	359	101	28%	+19	+5.6%	+3	+3.1%

