

Traffic Safety Facts

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Key Findings

- U.S. traffic fatalities decreased by 2 percent from 2018 to 2019 (36,835 to 36,096).
- The U.S. fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) was 1.11 in 2019, ranging from a high of 1.73 to a low of 0.51 among States.
- Thirty-five States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico showed decreases, while 15 States showed increases in traffic fatalities from 2018 to 2019.
- The greatest rates of traffic fatalities per 100 million VMT decreases since 1975 were in Vermont (-85%) and Massachusetts (-81%).
- From 2010 to 2019 there was a 16-percent increase in the registered vehicles in the United States, and a 9-percent increase in the number of licensed drivers.
- The District of Columbia had the highest percentage of passenger cars involved in fatal crashes (53%), while Wyoming had the highest percentage of large trucks (25%).
- Sixty-five percent of the passenger vehicle occupants killed in Missouri in 2019 were unrestrained (based on known restraint use), the highest percentage in the country.
- In States without universal helmet laws, 57 percent of motorcyclists killed in 2019 were not wearing helmets, compared to 9 percent in States with universal helmet laws.
- From 2010 to 2019 Oregon had the largest increase in percentage points of alcohol-impaired fatalities at 12 percentage points (22% to 34%), while South Carolina had the greatest decrease at 16 percentage points (44% to 28%).

This fact sheet contains information on fatal motor vehicle crashes and fatalities, based on data from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). Refer to the end of this publication for more information on FARS.

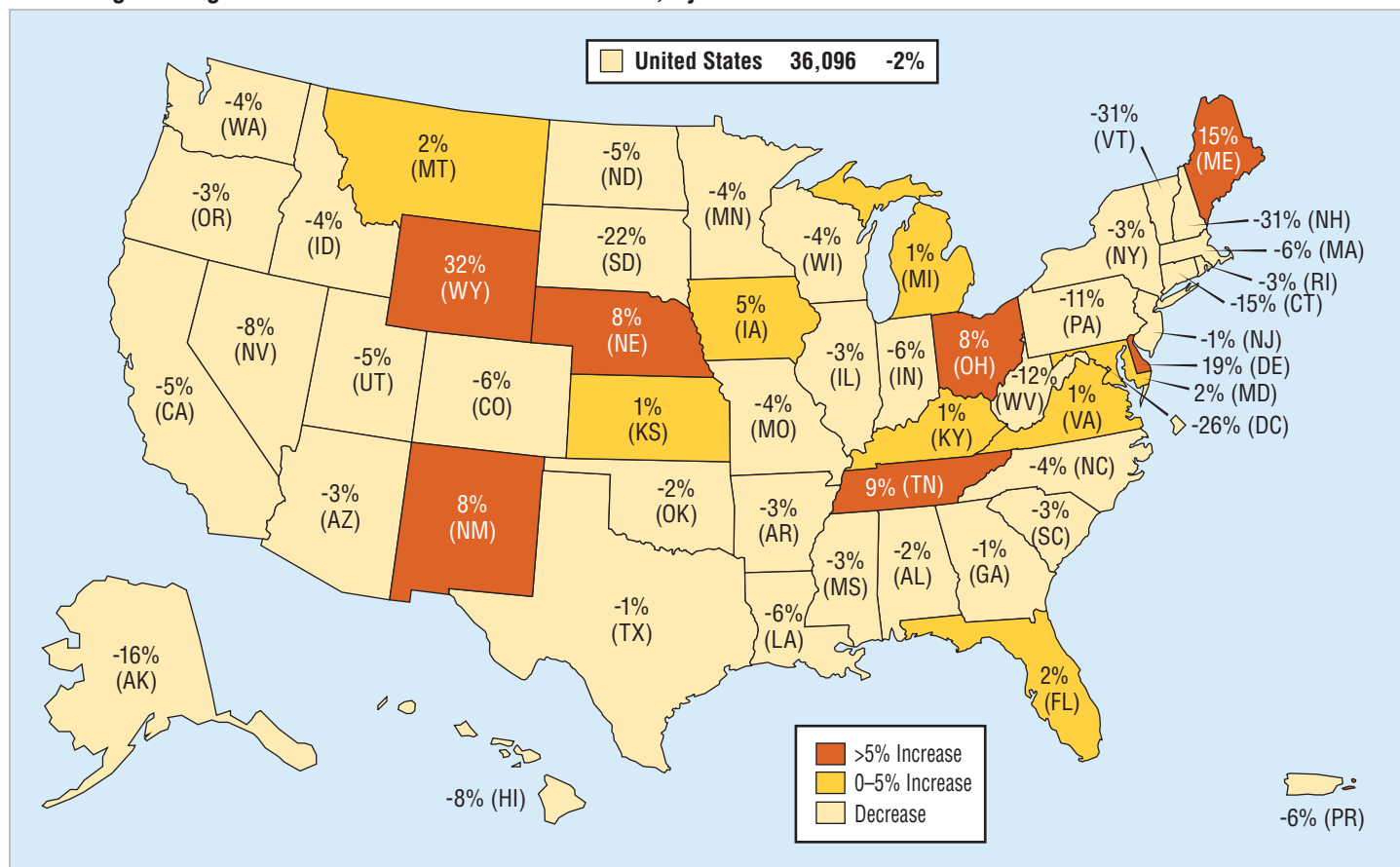
A motor vehicle traffic crash is defined as an incident that involved one or more motor vehicles in transport that originated on a public trafficway such as a road or highway. Crashes that occurred on private property, including parking lots and driveways, are excluded. The terms “motor vehicle traffic crash” and “traffic crash” are used interchangeably.

Overview

In 2019 there were 36,096 fatalities in the United States (50 States and the District of Columbia, excluding Puerto Rico), a decrease of 2 percent from 2018 (36,835). Figure 1 shows the 2019 traffic fatalities and the percentage change from 2018 for each State, the District of Columbia, and Puerto

Rico. Wyoming had the greatest percentage increase in fatalities from 2018 to 2019 at 32 percent followed by Delaware and Maine at 19 percent and 15 percent, respectively, while New Hampshire and Vermont had the greatest decreases at 31 percent each.

Figure 1
Percentage Change in 2019 Traffic Fatalities From 2018, by State



Source: FARS 2018 Final File, 2019 Annual Report File (ARF)
 Note: Puerto Rico is not included in the U.S. National total.

State Traffic Fatality Tables

Table 1 shows traffic fatalities and the fatality rates based on population, licensed drivers, registered vehicles, and VMT for 2019.

- The fatality rate per 100,000 population was 11.00 for the United States in 2019, ranging from a high of 25.40 (Wyoming) to a low of 3.26 in the District of Columbia.
- In 2019 for the United States, the fatality rate per 100,000 licensed drivers was 15.78, and the rate per 100,000 registered vehicles was 12.06.
- The fatality rate per 100 million VMT was 1.11 for the United States in 2019, ranging from a high of 1.73 (South Carolina) to a low of 0.51 (Massachusetts) among States.

Table 2 compares previous years of traffic fatalities from 1975 to 2019. FARS data was first collected in 1975.

- Thirty-five States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico showed decreases, while 15 States showed increases in traffic fatalities from 2018 to 2019.
- Six States and the District of Columbia have shown decreases in traffic fatalities by more than half since 1975.

Table 3 compares traffic fatality rates from 1975 to 2019, based on 100 million VMT.

- Since 1975 the rate of traffic fatalities in the United States has decreased 67 percent (3.35 to 1.11).
- The greatest rate decreases since 1975 were in Vermont (85%) and Massachusetts (81%).

Table 4 shows the changes in the population and VMT from 2010 to 2019.

- From 2010 to 2019 there was a 6-percent increase in the population of the United States.
- From 2010 to 2019 there was a 10-percent increase in the number of VMT in the United States.

Table 5 shows the changes in registered vehicles and licensed drivers from 2010 to 2019.

- From 2010 to 2019 there was a 16-percent increase in registered vehicles in the United States.
- From 2010 to 2019 there was a 9-percent increase in licensed drivers in the United States.

Table 6 shows the percentage of traffic fatalities by vehicle type for 2019.

- In 2019 passenger cars and light trucks accounted for more than three-fourths (77% cumulatively and 38% and 39% respectively) of vehicles involved in fatal traffic crashes.
- The District of Columbia had the highest percentage of passenger cars involved in fatal crashes (53%), while Wyoming had the highest percentage involving large trucks (25%). A large truck is any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) greater than 10,000 pounds.

Table 7 shows the percentage of traffic fatalities by person type for 2019.

- Half the people killed in 2019 traffic crashes were drivers (50%), followed by passengers (16%), motorcyclists (14%), pedestrians (17%), and pedalcyclists (2%).
- Kansas, North Dakota, and Vermont had the highest percentages of fatalities in traffic crashes who were drivers (64%), while New Hampshire had the highest percentage of fatalities who were motorcyclists (30%).

Table 8 shows restraint use for passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2019.

- In 2019 almost half (47%) of passenger vehicle occupants killed in the United States were unrestrained (based on known restraint use).
- Sixty-five percent of the passenger vehicle occupants killed in Missouri in 2019 were unrestrained (based on known restraint use), the highest percentage in the country.

Table 9 shows motorcyclists killed and their helmet use in 2019.

- Thirty-nine percent of motorcyclists killed in the United States in 2019 were known to be unhelmeted.
- In States without universal helmet laws, 57 percent of motorcyclists killed in 2019 were not wearing helmets, as compared to 9 percent in States with universal helmet laws.

Table 10 compares the alcohol involvement in fatal traffic crashes for 2010 and 2019.

- In 2019 alcohol-impaired driving (blood alcohol concentration [BAC]=.08+ grams per deciliter [g/dL]) was involved in 28-percent of traffic fatalities in the United States, down from 31-percent in 2010.
- From 2010 to 2019 Oregon had the largest increase in percentage points of alcohol-impaired fatalities at 12 percentage points (22% to 34%), while South Carolina had the greatest decrease at 16 percentage points (44% to 28%).
- Sixty-five percent of drivers killed in 2019 in the United States were tested for alcohol and their BAC results were known, while only 24 percent of drivers who survived fatal crashes were tested with known BAC results.

Table 11 shows speeding-related traffic fatalities and the roadway function class for 2019.

- There were 9,478 speeding-related fatalities in the United States in 2019.
- In the United States, Texas had the largest number of speeding-related fatalities (1,110), while the District of Columbia had the fewest (13).
- More than 4 out of every 5 (8,071 or 85%) speeding-related fatalities in 2019 occurred on non-interstates.

Table 1
Traffic Fatalities and Fatality Rates, by State, 2019

State	Traffic Fatalities	Population	Licensed Drivers	Registered Vehicles	VMT (millions)	Fatality Rates per			
						100,000 Population	100,000 Licensed Drivers	100,000 Registered Vehicles	100 Million VMT
Alabama	930	4,903,185	4,026,151	5,288,208	71,735	18.97	23.10	17.59	1.30
Alaska	67	731,545	529,281	795,275	5,881	9.16	12.66	8.42	1.14
Arizona	981	7,278,717	5,369,210	5,982,559	70,281	13.48	18.27	16.40	1.40
Arkansas	505	3,017,804	2,153,929	2,902,111	37,099	16.73	23.45	17.40	1.36
California	3,606	39,512,223	27,213,650	31,247,270	340,836	9.13	13.25	11.54	1.06
Colorado	596	5,758,736	4,235,384	5,412,404	54,634	10.35	14.07	11.01	1.09
Connecticut	249	3,565,287	2,608,061	2,878,548	31,601	6.98	9.55	8.65	0.79
Delaware	132	973,764	812,529	1,016,927	10,245	13.56	16.25	12.98	1.29
District of Columbia	23	705,749	535,579	350,463	3,756	3.26	4.29	6.56	0.61
Florida	3,183	21,477,737	15,560,628	17,833,720	226,514	14.82	20.46	17.85	1.41
Georgia	1,491	10,617,423	7,261,266	8,594,567	133,128	14.04	20.53	17.35	1.12
Hawaii	108	1,415,872	943,173	1,272,361	11,024	7.63	11.45	8.49	0.98
Idaho	224	1,787,065	1,252,535	1,954,528	18,058	12.53	17.88	11.46	1.24
Illinois	1,009	12,671,821	8,546,932	10,691,947	107,525	7.96	11.81	9.44	0.94
Indiana	809	6,732,219	4,589,405	6,223,460	82,719	12.02	17.63	13.00	0.98
Iowa	336	3,155,070	2,274,431	3,786,328	33,537	10.65	14.77	8.87	1.00
Kansas	411	2,913,314	2,154,260	2,682,337	31,843	14.11	19.08	15.32	1.29
Kentucky	732	4,467,673	3,030,329	4,383,223	49,410	16.38	24.16	16.70	1.48
Louisiana	727	4,648,794	3,435,168	3,802,746	51,360	15.64	21.16	19.12	1.42
Maine	157	1,344,212	1,046,129	1,130,056	14,871	11.68	15.01	13.89	1.06
Maryland	521	6,045,680	4,463,862	4,203,994	60,216	8.62	11.67	12.39	0.87
Massachusetts	334	6,892,503	4,950,056	5,061,260	64,890	4.85	6.75	6.60	0.51
Michigan	985	9,986,857	7,141,494	8,440,065	102,174	9.86	13.79	11.67	0.96
Minnesota	364	5,639,632	3,391,057	5,425,885	60,731	6.45	10.73	6.71	0.60
Mississippi	643	2,976,149	2,058,036	2,066,681	41,091	21.61	31.24	31.11	1.56
Missouri	880	6,137,428	4,274,389	5,534,289	79,168	14.34	20.59	15.90	1.11
Montana	184	1,068,778	811,851	1,900,806	12,892	17.22	22.66	9.68	1.43
Nebraska	248	1,934,408	1,430,818	1,968,479	21,242	12.82	17.33	12.60	1.17
Nevada	304	3,080,156	2,054,421	2,546,583	28,794	9.87	14.80	11.94	1.06
New Hampshire	101	1,359,711	1,195,211	1,363,379	13,828	7.43	8.45	7.41	0.73
New Jersey	559	8,882,190	6,377,413	6,033,015	78,205	6.29	8.77	9.27	0.71
New Mexico	424	2,096,829	1,449,711	1,825,421	27,772	20.22	29.25	23.23	1.53
New York	931	19,453,561	12,194,360	11,389,158	123,986	4.79	7.63	8.17	0.75
North Carolina	1,373	10,488,084	7,620,001	8,527,388	122,475	13.09	18.02	16.10	1.12
North Dakota	100	762,062	556,064	903,668	9,826	13.12	17.98	11.07	1.02
Ohio	1,153	11,689,100	8,032,792	10,901,279	114,694	9.86	14.35	10.58	1.01
Oklahoma	640	3,956,971	2,522,670	3,706,624	44,648	16.17	25.37	17.27	1.43
Oregon	489	4,217,737	2,930,701	3,919,157	35,808	11.59	16.69	12.48	1.37
Pennsylvania	1,059	12,801,989	8,987,676	10,800,315	102,864	8.27	11.78	9.81	1.03
Rhode Island	57	1,059,361	761,046	868,942	7,581	5.38	7.49	6.56	0.75
South Carolina	1,001	5,148,714	3,877,968	4,516,143	57,939	19.44	25.81	22.16	1.73
South Dakota	102	884,659	638,428	1,280,969	9,922	11.53	15.98	7.96	1.03
Tennessee	1,135	6,829,174	5,422,429	5,817,887	82,892	16.62	20.93	19.51	1.37
Texas	3,615	28,995,881	17,822,760	23,007,146	288,227	12.47	20.28	15.71	1.25
Utah	248	3,205,958	2,121,099	2,430,275	32,911	7.74	11.69	10.20	0.75
Vermont	47	623,989	564,894	620,428	7,346	7.53	8.32	7.58	0.64
Virginia	831	8,535,519	5,888,196	7,647,692	85,432	9.74	14.11	10.87	0.97
Washington	519	7,614,893	5,711,136	7,377,028	62,530	6.82	9.09	7.04	0.83
West Virginia	260	1,792,147	1,130,389	1,668,113	19,077	14.51	23.00	15.59	1.36
Wisconsin	566	5,822,434	4,296,646	5,666,400	66,348	9.72	13.17	9.99	0.85
Wyoming	147	578,759	424,115	843,671	10,208	25.40	34.66	17.42	1.44
U.S. Total	36,096	328,239,523	228,679,719	299,267,114	3,261,772	11.00	15.78	12.06	1.11
Puerto Rico*	289	3,193,694	*	2,647,064	14,710	9.05	*	10.92	1.96

Sources: Fatalities—FARS 2019 ARF; Licensed Drivers—Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); Registered Vehicles by State—FHWA; Registered Vehicles for USA—R.L. Polk & Co. and FHWA; Population—Census Bureau; VMT—FHWA

*Licensed driver data not available

Table 2
Traffic Fatalities and Percentage Change, by State, 1975–2019

State	Total Fatalities				Percentage Change		
	1975	2010	2018	2019	1975–2019	2010–2019	2018–2019
Alabama	902	862	953	930	+3%	+8%	-2%
Alaska	112	56	80	67	-40%	+20%	-16%
Arizona	670	759	1,011	981	+46%	+29%	-3%
Arkansas	559	571	520	505	-10%	-12%	-3%
California	4,092	2,720	3,798	3,606	-12%	+33%	-5%
Colorado	581	450	632	596	+3%	+32%	-6%
Connecticut	389	320	293	249	-36%	-22%	-15%
Delaware	122	101	111	132	+8%	+31%	+19%
District of Columbia	70	24	31	23	-67%	-4%	-26%
Florida	1,998	2,444	3,135	3,183	+59%	+30%	+2%
Georgia	1,360	1,247	1,505	1,491	+10%	+20%	-1%
Hawaii	144	113	117	108	-25%	-4%	-8%
Idaho	281	209	234	224	-20%	+7%	-4%
Illinois	2,041	927	1,035	1,009	-51%	+9%	-3%
Indiana	1,128	754	860	809	-28%	+7%	-6%
Iowa	670	390	319	336	-50%	-14%	+5%
Kansas	509	431	405	411	-19%	-5%	+1%
Kentucky	863	760	724	732	-15%	-4%	+1%
Louisiana	934	721	771	727	-22%	+1%	-6%
Maine	223	161	136	157	-30%	-2%	+15%
Maryland	670	496	512	521	-22%	+5%	+2%
Massachusetts	864	347	355	334	-61%	-4%	-6%
Michigan	1,779	942	977	985	-45%	+5%	+1%
Minnesota	754	411	381	364	-52%	-11%	-4%
Mississippi	546	641	663	643	+18%	+0%	-3%
Missouri	1,045	821	921	880	-16%	+7%	-4%
Montana	291	189	181	184	-37%	-3%	+2%
Nebraska	369	190	230	248	-33%	+31%	+8%
Nevada	218	257	329	304	+39%	+18%	-8%
New Hampshire	151	128	147	101	-33%	-21%	-31%
New Jersey	1,043	556	563	559	-46%	+1%	-1%
New Mexico	555	349	392	424	-24%	+21%	+8%
New York	2,366	1,201	964	931	-61%	-22%	-3%
North Carolina	1,506	1,320	1,436	1,373	-9%	+4%	-4%
North Dakota	167	105	105	100	-40%	-5%	-5%
Ohio	1,766	1,080	1,068	1,153	-35%	+7%	+8%
Oklahoma	757	668	655	640	-15%	-4%	-2%
Oregon	562	317	502	489	-13%	+54%	-3%
Pennsylvania	2,078	1,324	1,190	1,059	-49%	-20%	-11%
Rhode Island	110	67	59	57	-48%	-15%	-3%
South Carolina	820	809	1,036	1,001	+22%	+24%	-3%
South Dakota	195	140	130	102	-48%	-27%	-22%
Tennessee	1,126	1,032	1,040	1,135	+1%	+10%	+9%
Texas	3,372	3,023	3,648	3,615	+7%	+20%	-1%
Utah	272	253	260	248	-9%	-2%	-5%
Vermont	143	71	68	47	-67%	-34%	-31%
Virginia	993	740	820	831	-16%	+12%	+1%
Washington	758	460	539	519	-32%	+13%	-4%
West Virginia	461	315	294	260	-44%	-17%	-12%
Wisconsin	930	572	589	566	-39%	-1%	-4%
Wyoming	210	155	111	147	-30%	-5%	+32%
U.S. Total	44,525	32,999	36,835	36,096	-19%	+9%	-2%
Puerto Rico	496	340	308	289	-42%	-15%	-6%

Source: FARS 1975–2018 Final File, 2019 ARF

Table 3
Traffic Fatality Rates per 100 Million VMT and Percentage Change, by State, 1975–2019

State	Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT				Percentage Change		
	1975	2010	2018	2019	1975–2019	2010–2019	2018–2019
Alabama	3.63	1.34	1.34	1.30	-64%	-3%	-3%
Alaska	4.38	1.17	1.46	1.14	-74%	-3%	-22%
Arizona	4.19	1.27	1.53	1.40	-67%	+10%	-8%
Arkansas	4.01	1.70	1.42	1.36	-66%	-20%	-4%
California	3.09	0.84	1.09	1.06	-66%	+26%	-3%
Colorado	3.50	0.96	1.17	1.09	-69%	+14%	-7%
Connecticut	2.13	1.02	0.93	0.79	-63%	-23%	-15%
Delaware	3.37	1.13	1.09	1.29	-62%	+14%	+18%
District of Columbia	2.27	0.67	0.84	0.61	-73%	-9%	-27%
Florida	3.24	1.25	1.41	1.41	-56%	+13%	0%
Georgia	3.46	1.12	1.14	1.12	-68%	0%	-2%
Hawaii	3.47	1.13	1.07	0.98	-72%	-13%	-8%
Idaho	4.78	1.32	1.32	1.24	-74%	-6%	-6%
Illinois	3.56	0.88	0.96	0.94	-74%	+7%	-2%
Indiana	3.02	1.00	1.05	0.98	-68%	-2%	-7%
Iowa	3.75	1.24	0.96	1.00	-73%	-19%	+4%
Kansas	3.29	1.44	1.26	1.29	-61%	-10%	+2%
Kentucky	3.50	1.58	1.46	1.48	-58%	-6%	+1%
Louisiana	4.60	1.59	1.54	1.42	-69%	-11%	-8%
Maine	3.14	1.11	0.92	1.06	-66%	-5%	+15%
Maryland	2.66	0.88	0.86	0.87	-67%	-1%	+1%
Massachusetts	2.75	0.64	0.53	0.51	-81%	-20%	-4%
Michigan	3.06	0.97	0.95	0.96	-69%	-1%	+1%
Minnesota	2.94	0.73	0.63	0.60	-80%	-18%	-5%
Mississippi	3.80	1.61	1.63	1.56	-59%	-3%	-4%
Missouri	3.41	1.16	1.20	1.11	-67%	-4%	-8%
Montana	5.08	1.69	1.43	1.43	-72%	-15%	0%
Nebraska	3.29	0.98	1.10	1.17	-64%	+19%	+6%
Nevada	4.74	1.16	1.16	1.06	-78%	-9%	-9%
New Hampshire	2.85	0.98	1.07	0.73	-74%	-26%	-32%
New Jersey	2.15	0.76	0.73	0.71	-67%	-7%	-3%
New Mexico	5.59	1.38	1.44	1.53	-73%	+11%	+6%
New York	3.63	0.92	0.78	0.75	-79%	-18%	-4%
North Carolina	4.14	1.29	1.19	1.12	-73%	-13%	-6%
North Dakota	3.71	1.27	1.07	1.02	-73%	-20%	-5%
Ohio	2.75	0.97	0.93	1.01	-63%	+4%	+9%
Oklahoma	3.33	1.40	1.44	1.43	-57%	+2%	-1%
Oregon	3.53	0.94	1.36	1.37	-61%	+46%	+1%
Pennsylvania	3.26	1.32	1.17	1.03	-68%	-22%	-12%
Rhode Island	1.94	0.81	0.74	0.75	-61%	-7%	+1%
South Carolina	3.98	1.65	1.82	1.73	-57%	+5%	-5%
South Dakota	3.76	1.58	1.34	1.03	-73%	-35%	-23%
Tennessee	3.42	1.47	1.28	1.37	-60%	-7%	+7%
Texas	3.99	1.29	1.29	1.25	-69%	-3%	-3%
Utah	3.42	0.95	0.81	0.75	-78%	-21%	-7%
Vermont	4.32	0.98	0.93	0.64	-85%	-35%	-31%
Virginia	2.87	0.90	0.96	0.97	-66%	+8%	+1%
Washington	3.16	0.80	0.86	0.83	-74%	+4%	-3%
West Virginia	4.36	1.64	1.51	1.36	-69%	-17%	-10%
Wisconsin	3.25	0.96	0.89	0.85	-74%	-11%	-4%
Wyoming	5.36	1.66	1.06	1.44	-73%	-13%	+36%
U.S. Total	3.35	1.11	1.14	1.11	-67%	0%	-3%
Puerto Rico	7.27	1.83	2.05	1.96	-73%	+7%	-4%

Sources: FARS 1975–2018 Final File, 2019 ARF; VMT – FHWA

Table 4
Population and Vehicle Miles Traveled, by State, 2010 and 2019

State	2010 Population	2019 Population	Population Percentage Change (2010-2019)	2010 VMT (millions)	2019 VMT (millions)	VMT Percentage Change (2010-2019)
Alabama	4,785,437	4,903,185	+2%	64,165	71,735	+12%
Alaska	713,910	731,545	+2%	4,798	5,881	+23%
Arizona	6,407,172	7,278,717	+14%	59,995	70,281	+17%
Arkansas	2,921,964	3,017,804	+3%	33,504	37,099	+11%
California	37,319,502	39,512,223	+6%	322,849	340,836	+6%
Colorado	5,047,349	5,758,736	+14%	46,940	54,634	+16%
Connecticut	3,579,114	3,565,287	-0%	31,294	31,601	+1%
Delaware	899,593	973,764	+8%	8,948	10,245	+14%
District of Columbia	605,226	705,749	+17%	3,591	3,756	+5%
Florida	18,845,537	21,477,737	+14%	195,755	226,514	+16%
Georgia	9,711,881	10,617,423	+9%	111,722	133,128	+19%
Hawaii	1,363,963	1,415,872	+4%	9,995	11,024	+10%
Idaho	1,570,746	1,787,065	+14%	15,801	18,058	+14%
Illinois	12,840,503	12,671,821	-1%	105,788	107,525	+2%
Indiana	6,490,432	6,732,219	+4%	75,761	82,719	+9%
Iowa	3,050,745	3,155,070	+3%	31,389	33,537	+7%
Kansas	2,858,190	2,913,314	+2%	29,900	31,843	+6%
Kentucky	4,348,181	4,467,673	+3%	48,007	49,410	+3%
Louisiana	4,544,532	4,648,794	+2%	45,439	51,360	+13%
Maine	1,327,629	1,344,212	+1%	14,549	14,871	+2%
Maryland	5,788,645	6,045,680	+4%	56,126	60,216	+7%
Massachusetts	6,566,307	6,892,503	+5%	54,362	64,890	+19%
Michigan	9,877,510	9,986,857	+1%	97,567	102,174	+5%
Minnesota	5,310,828	5,639,632	+6%	56,632	60,731	+7%
Mississippi	2,970,548	2,976,149	+0%	39,841	41,091	+3%
Missouri	5,995,974	6,137,428	+2%	70,864	79,168	+12%
Montana	990,697	1,068,778	+8%	11,190	12,892	+15%
Nebraska	1,829,542	1,934,408	+6%	19,438	21,242	+9%
Nevada	2,702,405	3,080,156	+14%	22,201	28,794	+30%
New Hampshire	1,316,762	1,359,711	+3%	13,065	13,828	+6%
New Jersey	8,799,446	8,882,190	+1%	73,028	78,205	+7%
New Mexico	2,064,552	2,096,829	+2%	25,274	27,772	+10%
New York	19,399,878	19,453,561	+0%	131,252	123,986	-6%
North Carolina	9,574,323	10,488,084	+10%	102,385	122,475	+20%
North Dakota	674,715	762,062	+13%	8,262	9,826	+19%
Ohio	11,539,336	11,689,100	+1%	111,836	114,694	+3%
Oklahoma	3,759,944	3,956,971	+5%	47,746	44,648	-6%
Oregon	3,837,491	4,217,737	+10%	33,774	35,808	+6%
Pennsylvania	12,711,160	12,801,989	+1%	100,329	102,864	+3%
Rhode Island	1,053,959	1,059,361	+1%	8,280	7,581	-8%
South Carolina	4,635,649	5,148,714	+11%	49,124	57,939	+18%
South Dakota	816,166	884,659	+8%	8,866	9,922	+12%
Tennessee	6,355,311	6,829,174	+7%	70,439	82,892	+18%
Texas	25,241,971	28,995,881	+15%	234,016	288,227	+23%
Utah	2,775,332	3,205,958	+16%	26,585	32,911	+24%
Vermont	625,879	623,989	-0%	7,248	7,346	+1%
Virginia	8,023,699	8,535,519	+6%	82,171	85,432	+4%
Washington	6,742,830	7,614,893	+13%	57,190	62,530	+9%
West Virginia	1,854,239	1,792,147	-3%	19,203	19,077	-1%
Wisconsin	5,690,475	5,822,434	+2%	59,420	66,348	+12%
Wyoming	564,487	578,759	+3%	9,363	10,208	+9%
U.S. Total	309,321,666	328,239,523	+6%	2,967,266	3,261,772	+10%
Puerto Rico	3,721,525	3,193,694	-14%	18,588	14,710	-21%

Sources: Population—Census Bureau; VMT—FHWA

Table 5
Registered Vehicles and Licensed Drivers, by State, 2010 and 2019

State	2010 Registered Vehicles	2019 Registered Vehicles	Registered Vehicle Percentage Change (2010-2019)	2010 Licensed Drivers	2019 Licensed Drivers	Licensed Driver Percentage Change (2010-2019)
Alabama	4,777,127	5,288,208	+11%	3,805,751	4,026,151	+6%
Alaska	740,638	795,275	+7%	515,239	529,281	+3%
Arizona	4,456,630	5,982,559	+34%	4,443,647	5,369,210	+21%
Arkansas	2,149,105	2,902,111	+35%	2,077,806	2,153,929	+4%
California	31,774,179	31,247,270	-2%	23,753,441	27,213,650	+15%
Colorado	4,290,861	5,412,404	+26%	3,779,273	4,235,384	+12%
Connecticut	3,147,578	2,878,548	-9%	2,934,576	2,608,061	-11%
Delaware	825,971	1,016,927	+23%	695,036	812,529	+17%
District of Columbia	213,232	350,463	+64%	384,940	535,579	+39%
Florida	14,973,666	17,833,720	+19%	13,949,726	15,560,628	+12%
Georgia	7,898,900	8,594,567	+9%	6,507,888	7,261,266	+12%
Hawaii	959,458	1,272,361	+33%	909,407	943,173	+4%
Idaho	1,378,190	1,954,528	+42%	1,069,542	1,252,535	+17%
Illinois	10,428,899	10,691,947	+3%	8,373,969	8,546,932	+2%
Indiana	5,902,984	6,223,460	+5%	5,550,469	4,589,405	-17%
Iowa	3,499,939	3,786,328	+8%	2,166,759	2,274,431	+5%
Kansas	2,523,661	2,682,337	+6%	2,033,092	2,154,260	+6%
Kentucky	3,660,782	4,383,223	+20%	2,950,191	3,030,329	+3%
Louisiana	4,155,050	3,802,746	-8%	3,133,631	3,435,168	+10%
Maine	1,109,583	1,130,056	+2%	1,019,738	1,046,129	+3%
Maryland	4,637,476	4,203,994	-9%	3,918,305	4,463,862	+14%
Massachusetts	5,492,915	5,061,260	-8%	4,592,500	4,950,056	+8%
Michigan	9,566,781	8,440,065	-12%	7,083,107	7,141,494	+1%
Minnesota	5,103,416	5,425,885	+6%	3,281,463	3,391,057	+3%
Mississippi	2,043,799	2,066,681	+1%	1,928,487	2,058,036	+7%
Missouri	5,262,661	5,534,289	+5%	4,246,249	4,274,389	+1%
Montana	1,051,986	1,900,806	+81%	743,611	811,851	+9%
Nebraska	1,854,114	1,968,479	+6%	1,351,516	1,430,818	+6%
Nevada	1,428,336	2,546,583	+78%	1,691,318	2,054,421	+21%
New Hampshire	1,283,147	1,363,379	+6%	1,037,083	1,195,211	+15%
New Jersey	6,955,610	6,033,015	-13%	5,952,583	6,377,413	+7%
New Mexico	1,665,882	1,825,421	+10%	1,405,926	1,449,711	+3%
New York	10,603,274	11,389,158	+7%	11,285,830	12,194,360	+8%
North Carolina	5,877,269	8,527,388	+45%	6,536,601	7,620,001	+17%
North Dakota	769,213	903,668	+17%	483,097	556,064	+15%
Ohio	10,184,899	10,901,279	+7%	7,963,372	8,032,792	+1%
Oklahoma	3,482,984	3,706,624	+6%	2,348,718	2,522,670	+7%
Oregon	3,158,341	3,919,157	+24%	2,769,734	2,930,701	+6%
Pennsylvania	10,403,105	10,800,315	+4%	8,737,162	8,987,676	+3%
Rhode Island	815,747	868,942	+7%	747,875	761,046	+2%
South Carolina	3,767,877	4,516,143	+20%	3,337,247	3,877,968	+16%
South Dakota	991,249	1,280,969	+29%	602,275	638,428	+6%
Tennessee	5,276,720	5,817,887	+10%	4,418,210	5,422,429	+23%
Texas	17,625,064	23,007,146	+31%	15,157,650	17,822,760	+18%
Utah	2,713,578	2,430,275	-10%	1,659,835	2,121,099	+28%
Vermont	595,651	620,428	+4%	513,481	564,894	+10%
Virginia	6,222,928	7,647,692	+23%	5,402,347	5,888,196	+9%
Washington	4,900,522	7,377,028	+51%	5,106,367	5,711,136	+12%
West Virginia	1,484,344	1,668,113	+12%	1,206,026	1,130,389	-6%
Wisconsin	5,290,857	5,666,400	+7%	4,133,377	4,296,646	+4%
Wyoming	693,870	843,671	+22%	419,466	424,115	+1%
U.S. Total	257,312,235	299,267,114	+16%	210,114,939	228,679,719	+9%
Puerto Rico	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Sources: Registered Vehicles by State - FHWA; Registered Vehicles for USA - R.L. Polk & Co. and FHWA; Licensed Drivers - FHWA
NA = Not Available.

Table 6
Vehicles Involved in Fatal Crashes, by State and Vehicle Type, 2019

State	Total Vehicles Involved	Percentage of Vehicles That Were (by Vehicle Type)				
		Passenger Cars	Light Trucks*	Large Trucks	Motorcycles	Other/Unknown
Alabama	1,316	40%	40%	10%	7%	3%
Alaska	90	21%	60%	10%	6%	3%
Arizona	1,356	33%	36%	6%	13%	11%
Arkansas	705	33%	44%	12%	9%	1%
California	5,029	45%	33%	8%	10%	4%
Colorado	870	31%	45%	11%	11%	2%
Connecticut	339	41%	34%	7%	15%	2%
Delaware	187	44%	37%	8%	8%	3%
Dist of Columbia	34	53%	38%	0%	9%	0%
Florida	4,745	42%	34%	7%	13%	3%
Georgia	2,197	41%	38%	9%	8%	4%
Hawaii	147	27%	52%	2%	14%	5%
Idaho	305	26%	48%	14%	8%	4%
Illinois	1,462	41%	36%	10%	10%	3%
Indiana	1,210	34%	40%	12%	11%	3%
Iowa	470	29%	44%	14%	10%	3%
Kansas	551	32%	43%	15%	7%	3%
Kentucky	1,056	38%	40%	10%	9%	4%
Louisiana	1,022	35%	43%	9%	9%	4%
Maine	191	35%	41%	8%	14%	3%
Maryland	765	45%	34%	8%	11%	4%
Massachusetts	453	42%	39%	7%	10%	2%
Michigan	1,409	41%	40%	7%	9%	2%
Minnesota	523	37%	40%	11%	9%	3%
Mississippi	849	41%	41%	9%	5%	4%
Missouri	1,236	37%	39%	11%	10%	3%
Montana	219	22%	46%	14%	11%	7%
Nebraska	352	31%	43%	17%	7%	2%
Nevada	462	41%	36%	8%	13%	3%
New Hampshire	144	36%	32%	4%	28%	0%
New Jersey	779	42%	33%	9%	11%	4%
New Mexico	564	32%	41%	14%	11%	3%
New York	1,218	39%	36%	10%	11%	4%
North Carolina	1,950	41%	38%	9%	11%	2%
North Dakota	128	24%	45%	16%	9%	7%
Ohio	1,661	38%	38%	11%	10%	3%
Oklahoma	888	33%	45%	12%	8%	3%
Oregon	655	39%	42%	10%	8%	1%
Pennsylvania	1,616	39%	36%	11%	12%	3%
Rhode Island	74	41%	35%	5%	18%	1%
South Carolina	1,397	39%	40%	9%	11%	2%
South Dakota	132	23%	51%	11%	11%	4%
Tennessee	1,607	40%	38%	10%	10%	3%
Texas	5,208	33%	43%	13%	8%	3%
Utah	350	34%	39%	13%	11%	3%
Vermont	68	43%	24%	16%	12%	6%
Virginia	1,139	41%	39%	9%	9%	3%
Washington	784	37%	38%	10%	12%	3%
West Virginia	355	29%	46%	11%	8%	6%
Wisconsin	796	35%	41%	9%	11%	4%
Wyoming	184	21%	40%	25%	8%	5%
U.S. Total	51,247	38%	39%	10%	10%	3%
Puerto Rico	378	52%	30%	4%	10%	5%

Source: FARS 2019 ARF

*Includes pickups, SUVs, and vans.

Table 7
Traffic Fatalities, by State and Person Type, 2019

State	Total Fatalities*	Percentage of Fatalities Who Were (by Person Type)				
		Drivers	Passengers	Motorcyclists	Pedestrians	Pedalcyclists
Alabama	930	62%	15%	10%	13%	1%
Alaska	67	61%	16%	9%	9%	3%
Arizona	981	39%	17%	18%	22%	3%
Arkansas	505	56%	18%	13%	12%	1%
California	3,606	39%	16%	13%	27%	4%
Colorado	596	50%	16%	17%	12%	3%
Connecticut	249	47%	11%	18%	22%	1%
Delaware	132	47%	9%	14%	24%	5%
Dist of Columbia	23	30%	13%	13%	39%	4%
Florida	3,183	39%	14%	19%	22%	5%
Georgia	1,491	54%	17%	11%	16%	1%
Hawaii	108	29%	15%	19%	33%	4%
Idaho	224	63%	18%	11%	5%	2%
Illinois	1,009	52%	15%	14%	17%	1%
Indiana	809	55%	17%	16%	9%	2%
Iowa	336	62%	15%	13%	6%	3%
Kansas	411	64%	19%	10%	4%	2%
Kentucky	732	60%	16%	13%	10%	1%
Louisiana	727	51%	17%	12%	16%	3%
Maine	157	51%	20%	17%	10%	1%
Maryland	521	43%	16%	14%	24%	2%
Massachusetts	334	50%	12%	14%	23%	1%
Michigan	985	51%	18%	14%	14%	2%
Minnesota	364	54%	17%	13%	13%	3%
Mississippi	643	62%	20%	6%	10%	1%
Missouri	880	53%	18%	14%	12%	2%
Montana	184	54%	22%	13%	9%	2%
Nebraska	248	58%	23%	10%	8%	0%
Nevada	304	41%	14%	18%	20%	3%
New Hampshire	101	47%	14%	30%	10%	0%
New Jersey	559	37%	13%	15%	31%	2%
New Mexico	424	43%	22%	13%	20%	2%
New York	931	38%	12%	15%	29%	5%
North Carolina	1,373	52%	16%	15%	15%	1%
North Dakota	100	64%	16%	11%	5%	2%
Ohio	1,153	55%	17%	14%	11%	2%
Oklahoma	640	55%	18%	11%	13%	2%
Oregon	489	52%	17%	12%	17%	2%
Pennsylvania	1,059	52%	15%	17%	14%	1%
Rhode Island	57	44%	18%	23%	14%	0%
South Carolina	1,001	51%	14%	15%	16%	3%
South Dakota	102	54%	24%	14%	7%	1%
Tennessee	1,135	56%	16%	14%	13%	1%
Texas	3,615	51%	16%	12%	18%	2%
Utah	248	46%	21%	14%	15%	2%
Vermont	47	64%	13%	17%	6%	0%
Virginia	831	56%	15%	12%	15%	2%
Washington	519	48%	13%	18%	19%	2%
West Virginia	260	55%	21%	11%	12%	1%
Wisconsin	566	58%	14%	15%	10%	2%
Wyoming	147	59%	22%	10%	7%	0%
U.S. Total	36,096	50%	16%	14%	17%	2%
Puerto Rico	289	39%	10%	12%	35%	3%

Source: FARS 2019 ARF

*Includes other/unknown person type.

Table 8
Passenger Vehicle Occupant Fatalities, by State and Restraint Use, 2019

State	Restraint Use						Total		Percent Based on Known Restraint Use	
	Restrained		Unrestrained		Unknown					
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Restrained	Unrestrained
Alabama	268	40%	352	52%	53	8%	673	100%	43%	57%
Alaska	18	38%	22	46%	8	17%	48	100%	45%	55%
Arizona	190	41%	214	46%	62	13%	466	100%	47%	53%
Arkansas	151	43%	165	47%	34	10%	350	100%	48%	52%
California	1,126	59%	620	33%	154	8%	1,900	100%	64%	36%
Colorado	160	43%	189	51%	21	6%	370	100%	46%	54%
Connecticut	58	42%	57	42%	22	16%	137	100%	50%	50%
Delaware	44	61%	24	33%	4	6%	72	100%	65%	35%
District of Columbia	4	40%	5	50%	1	10%	10	100%	44%	56%
Florida	899	57%	658	42%	28	2%	1,585	100%	58%	42%
Georgia	514	52%	384	39%	91	9%	989	100%	57%	43%
Hawaii	22	48%	16	35%	8	17%	46	100%	58%	42%
Idaho	76	46%	81	49%	9	5%	166	100%	48%	52%
Illinois	311	48%	250	39%	82	13%	643	100%	55%	45%
Indiana	262	47%	220	40%	71	13%	553	100%	54%	46%
Iowa	125	53%	93	39%	19	8%	237	100%	57%	43%
Kansas	141	45%	137	43%	37	12%	315	100%	51%	49%
Kentucky	264	50%	262	50%	0	0%	526	100%	50%	50%
Louisiana	179	39%	234	51%	45	10%	458	100%	43%	57%
Maine	52	50%	48	47%	3	3%	103	100%	52%	48%
Maryland	147	49%	108	36%	43	14%	298	100%	58%	42%
Massachusetts	60	30%	96	48%	42	21%	198	100%	38%	62%
Michigan	343	53%	206	32%	95	15%	644	100%	62%	38%
Minnesota	129	54%	74	31%	35	15%	238	100%	64%	36%
Mississippi	210	42%	275	55%	19	4%	504	100%	43%	57%
Missouri	181	32%	340	59%	53	9%	574	100%	35%	65%
Montana	45	39%	66	57%	5	4%	116	100%	41%	59%
Nebraska	68	36%	90	47%	33	17%	191	100%	43%	57%
Nevada	94	59%	55	35%	9	6%	158	100%	63%	37%
New Hampshire	21	34%	38	62%	2	3%	61	100%	36%	64%
New Jersey	144	55%	108	42%	8	3%	260	100%	57%	43%
New Mexico	116	47%	101	41%	30	12%	247	100%	53%	47%
New York	248	57%	153	35%	37	8%	438	100%	62%	38%
North Carolina	448	50%	405	45%	40	4%	893	100%	53%	47%
North Dakota	24	35%	33	48%	12	17%	69	100%	42%	58%
Ohio	324	42%	379	49%	77	10%	780	100%	46%	54%
Oklahoma	194	45%	206	47%	35	8%	435	100%	49%	52%
Oregon	170	54%	87	28%	58	18%	315	100%	66%	34%
Pennsylvania	259	39%	318	48%	88	13%	665	100%	45%	55%
Rhode Island	15	43%	18	51%	2	6%	35	100%	45%	55%
South Carolina	292	46%	299	48%	37	6%	628	100%	49%	51%
South Dakota	31	43%	38	53%	3	4%	72	100%	45%	55%
Tennessee	383	49%	343	44%	51	7%	777	100%	53%	47%
Texas	1,187	52%	868	38%	224	10%	2,279	100%	58%	42%
Utah	88	59%	48	32%	13	9%	149	100%	65%	35%
Vermont	17	53%	15	47%	0	0%	32	100%	53%	47%
Virginia	255	46%	301	54%	3	1%	559	100%	46%	54%
Washington	147	49%	104	34%	52	17%	303	100%	59%	41%
West Virginia	78	46%	73	43%	18	11%	169	100%	52%	48%
Wisconsin	180	48%	143	38%	55	15%	378	100%	56%	44%
Wyoming	53	51%	47	46%	3	3%	103	100%	53%	47%
U.S. Total	10,815	49%	9,466	43%	1,934	9%	22,215	100%	53%	47%
Puerto Rico	39	28%	99	72%	0	0%	138	100%	28%	72%

Source: FARS 2019 ARF

Table 9
Motorcyclist Fatalities, by State and Helmet Use, 2019

State	Helmet Use						Total		Percent Based on Known Helmet Use	
	Helmeted		Unhelmeted		Unknown					
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Helmeted	Unhelmeted
Alabama	78	84%	15	16%	0	0%	93	100%	84%	16%
Alaska	4	67%	2	33%	0	0%	6	100%	67%	33%
Arizona	77	44%	84	48%	14	8%	175	100%	48%	52%
Arkansas	27	42%	32	50%	5	8%	64	100%	46%	54%
California	437	92%	28	6%	9	2%	474	100%	94%	6%
Colorado	48	47%	54	52%	1	1%	103	100%	47%	53%
Connecticut	15	33%	28	61%	3	7%	46	100%	35%	65%
Delaware	10	56%	8	44%	0	0%	18	100%	56%	44%
District of Columbia	2	67%	1	33%	0	0%	3	100%	67%	33%
Florida	280	47%	303	51%	8	1%	591	100%	48%	52%
Georgia	151	89%	15	9%	4	2%	170	100%	91%	9%
Hawaii	5	25%	14	70%	1	5%	20	100%	26%	74%
Idaho	15	60%	10	40%	0	0%	25	100%	60%	40%
Illinois	37	27%	100	72%	1	1%	138	100%	27%	73%
Indiana	32	25%	89	70%	6	5%	127	100%	26%	74%
Iowa	9	20%	35	80%	0	0%	44	100%	20%	80%
Kansas	13	32%	28	68%	0	0%	41	100%	32%	68%
Kentucky	24	26%	68	74%	0	0%	92	100%	26%	74%
Louisiana	69	79%	10	11%	8	9%	87	100%	87%	13%
Maine	7	26%	20	74%	0	0%	27	100%	26%	74%
Maryland	66	88%	7	9%	2	3%	75	100%	90%	10%
Massachusetts	28	61%	0	0%	18	39%	46	100%	100%	0%
Michigan	62	46%	61	46%	11	8%	134	100%	50%	50%
Minnesota	13	28%	33	72%	0	0%	46	100%	28%	72%
Mississippi	33	83%	5	13%	2	5%	40	100%	87%	13%
Missouri	106	86%	12	10%	5	4%	123	100%	90%	10%
Montana	9	39%	14	61%	0	0%	23	100%	39%	61%
Nebraska	21	84%	1	4%	3	12%	25	100%	95%	5%
Nevada	38	68%	3	5%	15	27%	56	100%	93%	7%
New Hampshire	15	50%	14	47%	1	3%	30	100%	52%	48%
New Jersey	68	80%	14	16%	3	4%	85	100%	83%	17%
New Mexico	17	31%	32	58%	6	11%	55	100%	35%	65%
New York	122	90%	11	8%	3	2%	136	100%	92%	8%
North Carolina	186	89%	19	9%	3	1%	208	100%	91%	9%
North Dakota	4	36%	7	64%	0	0%	11	100%	36%	64%
Ohio	45	28%	116	72%	1	1%	162	100%	28%	72%
Oklahoma	23	34%	42	62%	3	4%	68	100%	35%	65%
Oregon	46	81%	8	14%	3	5%	57	100%	85%	15%
Pennsylvania	85	48%	87	49%	4	2%	176	100%	49%	51%
Rhode Island	9	69%	3	23%	1	8%	13	100%	75%	25%
South Carolina	35	23%	115	75%	3	2%	153	100%	23%	77%
South Dakota	6	43%	6	43%	2	14%	14	100%	50%	50%
Tennessee	130	84%	20	13%	5	3%	155	100%	87%	13%
Texas	207	50%	187	45%	22	5%	416	100%	53%	47%
Utah	16	47%	16	47%	2	6%	34	100%	50%	50%
Vermont	6	75%	1	13%	1	13%	8	100%	86%	14%
Virginia	91	89%	11	11%	0	0%	102	100%	89%	11%
Washington	89	98%	2	2%	0	0%	91	100%	98%	2%
West Virginia	19	68%	9	32%	0	0%	28	100%	68%	32%
Wisconsin	31	36%	54	64%	0	0%	85	100%	36%	64%
Wyoming	6	40%	8	53%	1	7%	15	100%	43%	57%
U.S. Total	2,972	59%	1,862	37%	180	4%	5,014	100%	61%	39%
Puerto Rico	10	29%	24	71%	0	0%	34	100%	29%	71%

Source: FARS 2019 ARF

Table 10

Percentage of 2010 and 2019 Fatalities by Highest Driver BAC in Fatal Crashes and 2019 Driver Alcohol Testing by Survival Status, by State

State	Percentage of Fatalities by Highest Driver BAC in the Crash				Percentage of Drivers Involved in Fatal Crashes Tested for BAC With Known Results in 2019	
	Alcohol Involved (BAC=.01+ g/dL)		Alcohol-Impaired (BAC=.08+ g/dL)		Killed	Survived
	2010	2019	2010	2019		
Alabama	35%	35%	31%	30%	59%	35%
Alaska	30%	37%	28%	33%	91%	39%
Arizona	32%	32%	27%	27%	43%	19%
Arkansas	35%	31%	31%	25%	79%	66%
California	34%	31%	28%	26%	71%	21%
Colorado	31%	34%	27%	27%	89%	16%
Connecticut	43%	44%	37%	38%	67%	14%
Delaware	43%	27%	37%	24%	81%	10%
District of Columbia	40%	33%	27%	26%	40%	29%
Florida	32%	29%	28%	25%	61%	17%
Georgia	28%	28%	24%	24%	50%	20%
Hawaii	43%	42%	38%	34%	90%	33%
Idaho	39%	36%	34%	30%	78%	31%
Illinois	40%	36%	32%	31%	83%	21%
Indiana	29%	29%	26%	26%	37%	50%
Iowa	26%	37%	22%	30%	57%	18%
Kansas	35%	24%	31%	22%	34%	34%
Kentucky	27%	24%	22%	20%	71%	42%
Louisiana	39%	35%	31%	30%	87%	65%
Maine	31%	36%	25%	32%	87%	65%
Maryland	38%	36%	31%	32%	78%	9%
Massachusetts	44%	39%	35%	33%	93%	5%
Michigan	31%	31%	25%	26%	48%	41%
Minnesota	33%	28%	31%	24%	87%	22%
Mississippi	30%	31%	27%	26%	53%	16%
Missouri	38%	32%	31%	27%	72%	64%
Montana	44%	38%	38%	36%	81%	74%
Nebraska	30%	28%	26%	24%	65%	57%
Nevada	33%	37%	27%	30%	70%	25%
New Hampshire	42%	46%	35%	40%	77%	49%
New Jersey	35%	30%	29%	23%	87%	27%
New Mexico	36%	36%	34%	31%	72%	7%
New York	35%	34%	30%	28%	58%	10%
North Carolina	35%	27%	29%	24%	42%	26%
North Dakota	48%	46%	44%	41%	77%	19%
Ohio	37%	36%	31%	30%	83%	20%
Oklahoma	36%	28%	33%	24%	88%	43%
Oregon	28%	42%	22%	34%	81%	26%
Pennsylvania	38%	33%	32%	28%	63%	13%
Rhode Island	46%	54%	40%	44%	86%	18%
South Carolina	50%	33%	44%	28%	65%	4%
South Dakota	35%	31%	27%	27%	78%	86%
Tennessee	34%	29%	28%	26%	52%	35%
Texas	48%	43%	42%	37%	50%	12%
Utah	20%	20%	18%	16%	82%	26%
Vermont	35%	31%	25%	19%	86%	26%
Virginia	35%	34%	28%	28%	88%	2%
Washington	42%	40%	37%	33%	84%	18%
West Virginia	32%	25%	27%	22%	88%	6%
Wisconsin	41%	36%	36%	32%	81%	40%
Wyoming	37%	30%	34%	25%	27%	8%
U.S. Total	36%	33%	31%	28%	65%	24%
Puerto Rico	36%	36%	29%	28%	85%	53%

Source: FARS 2010 Final File, 2019 ARF

Note: Percentages are computed based on unrounded estimates.

Table 11
Speeding-Related Traffic Fatalities, by State and Roadway Function Class, 2019

State	Total Fatalities	Speeding-Related Fatalities by Roadway Function Class							
		Total*	Interstate Rural	Interstate Urban	Non-Interstate Freeway and Expressway	Non-Interstate Other Principal Arterial	Non-Interstate Minor Arterial	Non-Interstate Collector	Non-Interstate Local
Alabama	930	216	8	17	0	38	45	54	54
Alaska	67	29	2	2	0	9	4	10	1
Arizona	981	316	28	22	24	87	58	56	8
Arkansas	505	132	9	7	1	38	20	19	38
California	3,606	1,066	47	127	119	311	215	171	75
Colorado	596	239	12	20	5	94	43	31	33
Connecticut	249	64	0	8	4	9	15	20	7
Delaware	132	37	0	3	3	3	4	17	7
District of Columbia	23	13	0	0	0	0	0	1	12
Florida	3,183	300	3	15	6	100	88	51	37
Georgia	1,491	260	9	40	1	51	73	42	44
Hawaii	108	52	0	6	0	30	16	0	0
Idaho	224	48	6	4	0	11	6	13	8
Illinois	1,009	375	21	60	4	91	78	75	45
Indiana	809	201	29	16	2	40	33	45	36
Iowa	336	69	4	4	0	10	9	15	27
Kansas	411	111	12	9	3	18	12	23	34
Kentucky	732	114	11	6	3	23	18	32	21
Louisiana	727	94	7	12	3	20	19	23	10
Maine	157	49	3	0	0	4	8	21	12
Maryland	521	139	0	23	5	43	25	25	18
Massachusetts	334	78	2	19	1	16	22	10	8
Michigan	985	250	7	29	11	54	58	54	35
Minnesota	364	77	1	8	4	13	24	20	7
Mississippi	643	120	7	13	0	13	17	42	28
Missouri	880	328	14	41	18	59	60	79	57
Montana	184	57	8	0	0	26	4	8	10
Nebraska	248	49	8	0	5	18	6	6	6
Nevada	304	87	4	4	1	27	35	2	14
New Hampshire	101	35	4	0	2	10	4	5	10
New Jersey	559	105	0	1	10	39	20	16	19
New Mexico	424	156	26	7	2	53	24	31	13
New York	931	266	3	13	41	56	26	31	95
North Carolina	1,373	307	14	11	13	42	55	93	79
North Dakota	100	25	0	0	0	6	4	7	8
Ohio	1,153	322	8	23	7	44	65	108	60
Oklahoma	640	128	5	3	2	23	20	42	33
Oregon	489	139	3	3	3	45	24	43	18
Pennsylvania	1,059	441	28	22	21	96	88	95	90
Rhode Island	57	36	0	7	4	12	4	0	9
South Carolina	1,001	459	44	22	7	120	199	28	39
South Dakota	102	24	1	1	0	5	1	14	2
Tennessee	1,135	180	8	13	3	33	41	49	33
Texas	3,615	1,110	61	130	59	301	200	253	105
Utah	248	67	11	5	0	30	3	7	11
Vermont	47	22	1	0	0	2	8	7	4
Virginia	831	228	9	25	9	43	45	70	21
Washington	519	150	6	14	2	30	22	29	45
West Virginia	260	85	2	4	0	28	13	25	11
Wisconsin	566	174	7	10	2	40	42	50	22
Wyoming	147	49	11	1	0	19	4	6	8
U.S. Total	36,096	9,478	514	830	410	2,333	1,927	1,974	1,427
Puerto Rico	289	93	15	11	0	24	23	16	4

Source: FARS 2019 ARF

*Includes fatalities that occurred on roads for which the roadway function class was unknown.

Restraint Use and Motorcycle Helmet Use Laws

Restraint Use Laws

- The first mandatory belt use law was enacted in New York in 1984.
- The first mandatory child restraint use law was implemented in Tennessee in 1978.

Adult seat belt use laws are in effect in 49 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The laws differ from State to State, according to conditions such as the type and age of the vehicle, occupant age, and seating position. The goal of these laws is to promote seat belt use and thereby reduce deaths and injuries in motor vehicle crashes.

In 2019 the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and 34 States had primary seat belt laws in effect, enabling law enforcement officers to stop vehicles and write citations when they observed violations of the seat belt law. In another 15 States, the laws specified secondary enforcement, meaning that police officers were permitted to write citations only after vehicles were stopped for some other traffic infraction. New Hampshire is the only State without a seat belt law for adults, although it does have a primary child passenger safety law that covers all drivers and passengers under 18 years old.

Since 1985 all 50 States and the District of Columbia have had child restraint use laws in effect. Child restraint use laws differ from State to State in terms of the ages of children covered and in other important ways, including height and weight limits, seating position requirements, and various exemptions and exceptions.

The most current information on seat belt laws and child passenger safety laws is available on the web site of the GHSA at www.ghsa.org.

- Seat belt laws—www.ghsa.org/html/stateinfo/laws/seatbelt_laws.html.
- Child passenger safety laws—www.ghsa.org/html/stateinfo/laws/childsafety_laws.html.

In 2019 seat belt use rates in the United States ranged from 70.7 percent in New Hampshire to 97.1 percent in Hawaii. Twenty-six States and the District of Columbia achieved belt use rates of 90 percent or higher. These results are from probability-based observational surveys conducted by 50 States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories. The nationwide seat belt use rate in 2019 was 90.7 percent, as measured by NHTSA's National Occupant Protection Use Survey (NOPUS). NOPUS is a national probability-based survey, which is independent from State belt use surveys. Observed seat belt use rates for the States and the Nation in 2019 can be found in *Seat Belt Use in 2019—Use Rates in the States and Territories*, Report No. DOT HS 812 947, <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/812947>.

Motorcycle Helmet Use Laws

In 2019 only 19 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico required helmet use by all motorcyclists. In 28 States helmet use was required for only a subset of motorcyclists (typically, motorcyclists under 18), and three States (Illinois, Iowa, and New Hampshire) do not require helmet use for motorcyclists of any age. The most current information on helmet use laws is available on the GHSA website at www.ghsa.org/html/stateinfo/laws/helmet_laws.html.

According to results from NOPUS, the overall rate of DOT-compliant motorcycle helmet use in the United States was 70.8 percent in 2019. Helmet use continued to be significantly higher in States that required all motorcyclists to be helmeted than in other States. Information on motorcycle helmet use in 2019 can be found in *Motorcycle Helmet Use in 2019—Overall Results*, Report No. DOT HS 812 936, <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/812936>.

Additional data visualization tools for fact sheets can be found at <https://cdan.dot.gov/DataVisualization/DataVisualization.htm#>.

Fatality Analysis Reporting System

FARS contains data on every fatal motor vehicle traffic crash within the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. To be included in FARS, a traffic crash must involve a motor vehicle traveling on a public trafficway that results in the death of a vehicle occupant or a nonoccupant within 30 days of the crash. The Annual Report File (ARF) is the FARS data file associated with the most recent available year, which is subject to change when it is finalized the following year to the final version known as the Final File. The additional time between the ARF and the Final File provides the opportunity for submission of important variable data requiring outside sources, which may lead to changes in the final counts. More

information on FARS can be found at www.nhtsa.gov/crash-data-systems/fatality-analysis-reporting-system.

The updated final counts for the previous data year will be reflected with the release of the recent year's ARF. For example, along with the release of the 2019 ARF, the 2018 Final File was released to replace the 2018 ARF. The final fatality count in motor vehicle traffic crashes for 2018 was 36,835, which was updated from 36,560 in the 2018 ARF.

The 2016 and 2017 Final Files have been amended, but this amendment did not change the overall number of fatal crashes or fatalities.

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For More Information:

Motor vehicle traffic crash data are available from the National Center for Statistics and Analysis (NCSA), NSA-230. NCSA can be contacted at NCSARequests@dot.gov or 800-934-8517. NCSA programs can be found at www.nhtsa.gov/data. Additional data tools, such as the State Traffic Safety Information (STSI), Fatality and Injury Reporting System Tool (FIRST), and more can be found at <https://cdan.nhtsa.gov/>. To report a motor vehicle safety-related problem or to inquire about safety information, contact the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 or www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/VehicleComplaint/.

Other fact sheets available from NCSA are *Alcohol-Impaired Driving*, *Bicyclists and Other Cyclists*, *Children*, *Large Trucks*, *Motorcycles*, *Occupant Protection in Passenger Vehicles*, *Older Population*, *Passenger Vehicles*, *Pedestrians*, *Rural/Urban Comparison of Traffic Fatalities*, *School-Transportation-Related Crashes*, *Speeding*, *State Alcohol-Impaired-Driving Estimates*, *Summary of Motor Vehicle Crashes*, and *Young Drivers*. Detailed data on motor vehicle traffic crashes are published annually in *Traffic Safety Facts: A Compilation of Motor Vehicle Crash Data*. The fact sheets and Traffic Safety Facts annual report can be found at <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov>.



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