



## Texas Motor Vehicle Traffic Crash Facts Calendar Year 2014

- The Fatality Rate on Texas roadways for 2014 was 1.46 deaths per hundred million vehicle miles traveled. This is a 4.51% increase from 2013.
- Texas experienced an increase in the number of motor vehicle traffic fatalities. The 2014 death toll of 3,538 was an increase of 3.85% from the 3,407 deaths recorded in 2013.
- There were 13,665 serious injury crashes in Texas in 2014 with 17,130 people sustaining a serious injury\*.
- The annual vehicle miles traveled in Texas during 2014 reached 242.989 billion, a decrease of 0.63% over the 244.536 billion traveled in 2013.
- Fatalities in traffic crashes in rural areas of the state accounted for 55.68% of the state's traffic fatalities. There were 1,970 deaths in rural traffic crashes.
- Single vehicle, run-off the road crashes resulted in 1,383 deaths in 2014. This was 39.09% of all motor vehicle traffic deaths in 2014.
- In 2014 there were 823 people killed in crashes occurring in intersections or related to an intersection.
- There were 579 people killed in head-on crashes in 2014.
- There were no deathless days on Texas roadways in 2014.
- There were two crashes that resulted in 6 or more fatalities in 2014.
- Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> were the deadliest days in 2014 with twenty-three (23) persons killed in traffic crashes. October was the deadliest month with 353 persons killed.
- Based on reportable crashes in 2014:
  - ✦ **1 person was killed every 2 hours 29 minutes**
  - ✦ **1 person was injured every 2 minutes 13 seconds**
  - ✦ **1 reportable crash occurred every 66 seconds**
- Of all persons killed in vehicles where restraint usage was applicable and usage was known in 2014, 43.94% were reported as not restrained when the fatal crash occurred.
- 238,223 persons were injured in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2014.
- There were 468 motorcyclists (operators and passengers) killed in 2014. Fifty percent (50%) of motorcyclists killed were not wearing helmets at the time of the crash.
- Pedestrian fatalities totaled 488 in 2014. This is a 1.21% decrease from 2013.
- Pedalcyclist fatalities totaled 50 in 2014. This is a 4.17% increase from 2013.
- In 2014, there were 1,093 people killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes where a driver was under the influence of alcohol. This is 30.89% of the total number of people killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes.
- During 2014, more DUI - Alcohol crashes were reported in the hour between 2:00 am and 2:59 am than any other hour of the day. Also, more of these crashes occurred on Saturday than any other day of the week.
- In 2014, there were 482 people killed in crashes involving distracted driving. This is a 3.43% increase from 2013.
- There were no fatalities caused by a bridge collapse in 2014.

\*Effective with the 2010 Annual Summary reports, the definition of "Serious Injury" was changed to only include "Incapacitating Injury". Therefore, Serious Injury data cannot be compared to prior years.

*Information contained in this report represents reportable data collected from Texas Peace Officer's Crash Reports (CR-3) received and processed by the Department as of March 28, 2023.*