ALABAMA TRAFFIC ACCIDENT FACTS

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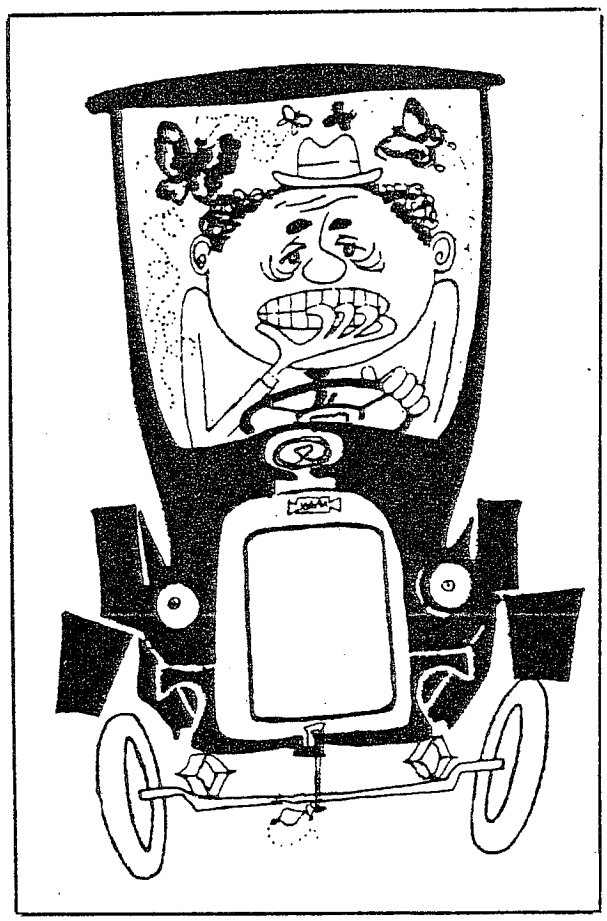
107,155 ACCIDENTS

35,986 INJURIES

940 FATALITIES



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Dedicated to those people in Alabama working in traffic safety activities.

STATE OF ALABAMA

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

MONTGOMERY 36130

GEORGE C. WALLACE
GOVERNOR

September 1, 1985

To Those Alabamians Dedicated
To Traffic Safety

Dear Friends:

Your accomplishments during the past year have once again distinguished you as true professionals in the area of traffic safety. You have, through your hard work, made the highways of Alabama safer for travel by our citizens and visitors.

It is a pleasure for me to be able to introduce the 1984 statewide edition of Alabama Traffic Accident Facts. Everyone, from the layman to the traffic safety professional, will find a wealth of pertinent and useful information. This book can be extremely useful in guiding our efforts to minimize the results of traffic accidents.

I would like to offer my appreciation for a job well done. I appreciate your dedicated efforts, and know that we can look for even greater achievements in the future.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

George C. Wallace

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1984
QUICK FACTS

	The 1984 Toll	1984	vs	1983
Persons Killed	940	Down		0.2%
Persons Injured	35,986	Up		10.2%
Reported Accidents	107,155	Up		8.9%
Miles Travelled	32,959,000,000	Up		6.2%

Seat-belt usage and drunk-driving reduction were emphasized in 1984.

There were 940 people killed in 825 fatal accidents.

One traffic accident was reported every 295 seconds.

One person was injured in a traffic accident each 14 minutes and 38 seconds.

One person was killed every 9 hours and 20 minutes in a traffic accident.

Most Alabama accidents (74.7%) occurred in urban areas, but most fatalities (68.8%) occurred in rural areas.

For each person killed, there were 38.2 injured.

Of all drivers involved in fatal accidents, 11.5% were age 19 or under, and 28.9% were under 25 years of age.

Of all fatal accidents, 51.1% occurred at night.

The 1984 pedestrian death toll was 107.

There were 56 fatalities among motorcycle or moped riders.

Bicyclists accounted for 10 fatalities.

Only 29 automobile fatalities (3.7%) were wearing seat belts, while the remaining 96.2% were not using safety belts.

If You Are A Typical Alabama Driver There Is A 37% Probability That You Will Be Injured Or Killed In An Automobile Accident During Your Lifetime!

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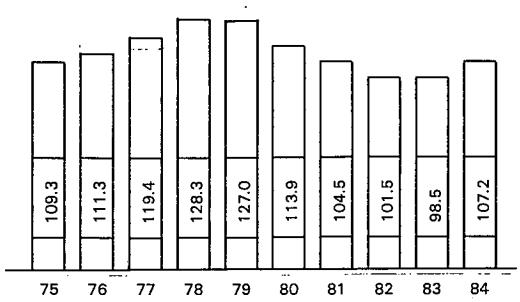
TEN YEAR TRAFFIC TRENDS

1975-1984

ACCIDENTS

THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS

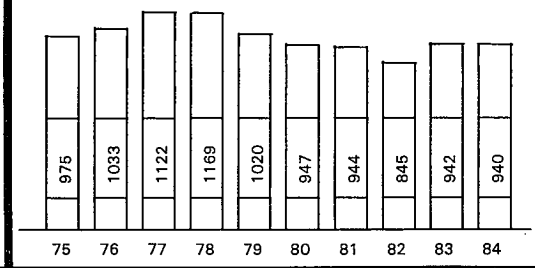
DOWN 1.9% IN 10 YRS.



DEATHS

NUMBER OF DEATHS

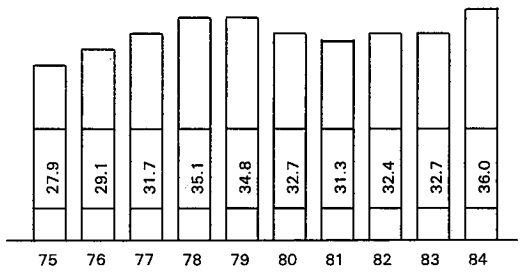
DOWN 3.6% IN 10 YRS.



INJURIES

THOUSANDS OF INJURIES

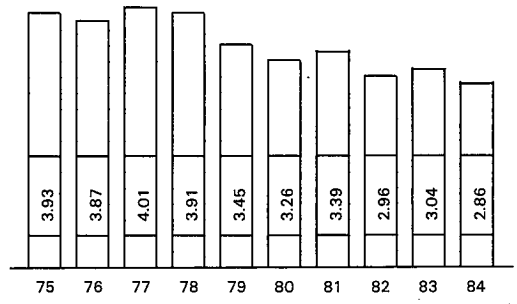
UP 29.0% IN 10 YRS.



MILEAGE DEATH RATE

DEATHS PER 100 MILLION VEICLE MILES

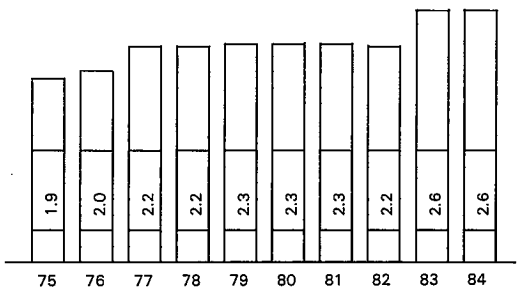
DOWN 37.4% IN 10 YRS.



LICENSED DRIVERS

MILLIONS OF DRIVERS

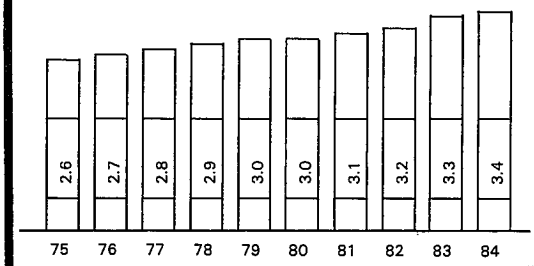
UP 34.6% In 10 YRS.



MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

MILLIONS OF VEHICLES

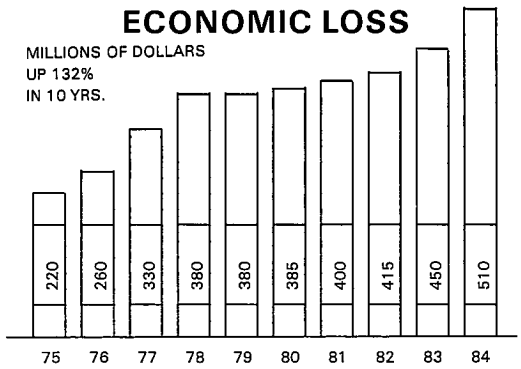
UP 29.4 % IN 10 YRS.



ECONOMIC LOSS

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

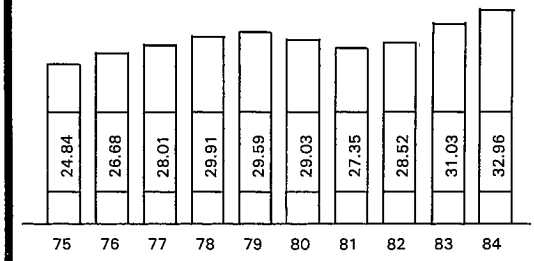
UP 132% IN 10 YRS.



VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED

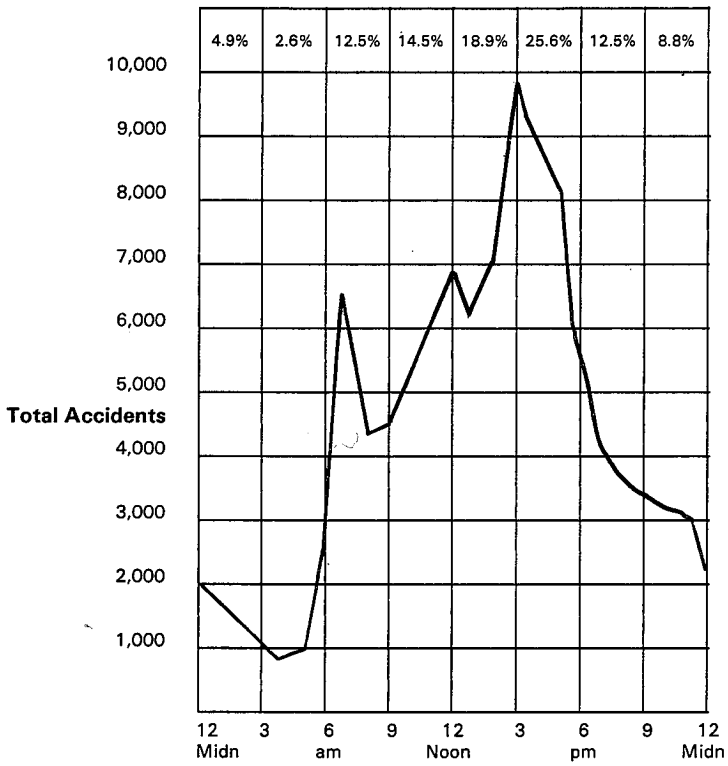
BILLIONS OF MILES

UP 32.7% IN 10 YRS.

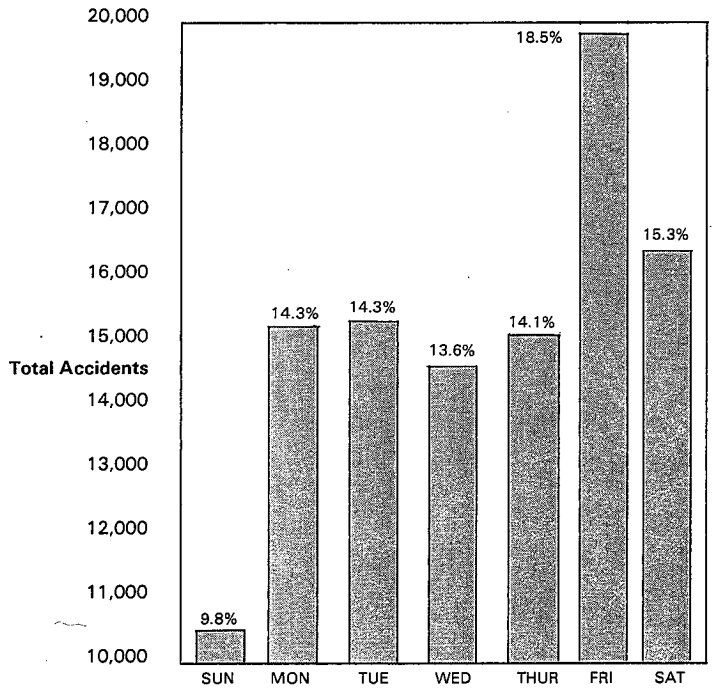


TIME TRENDS

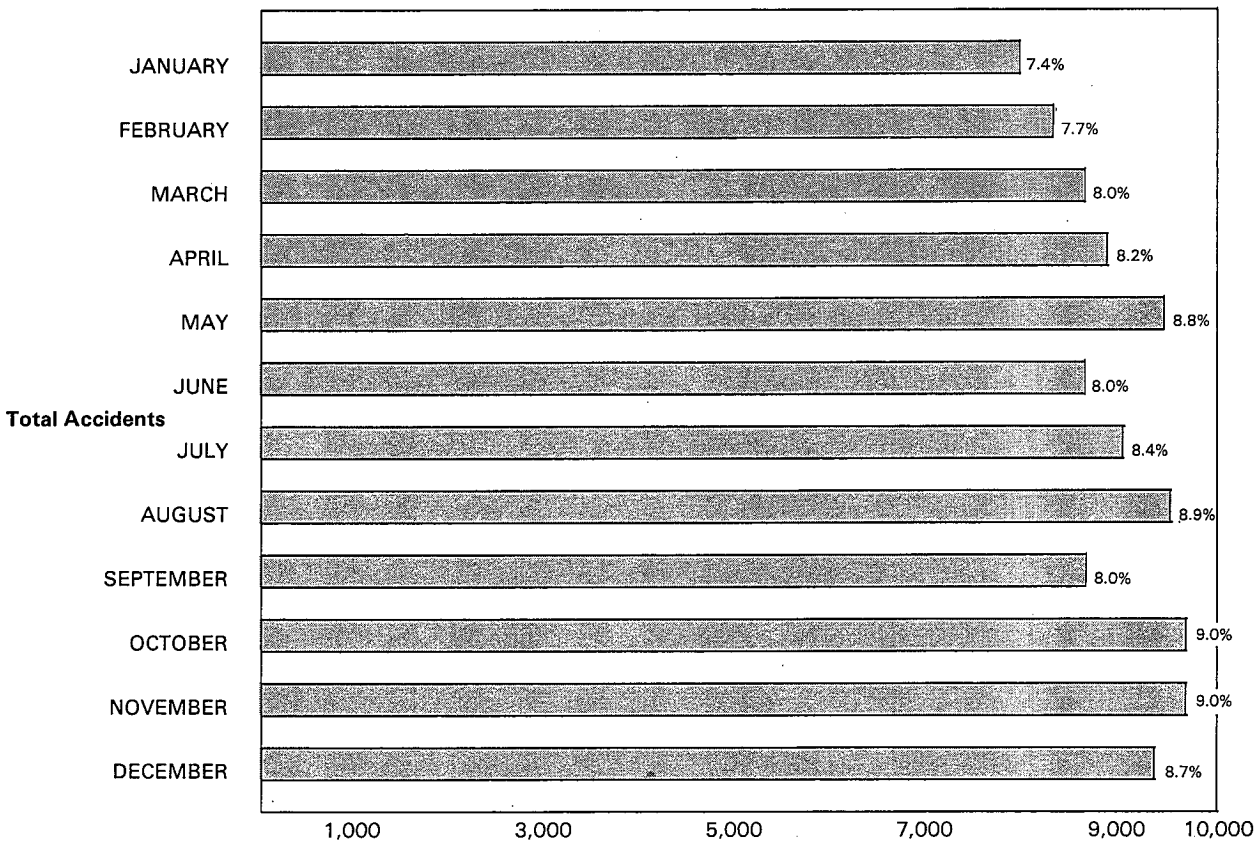
TIME OF DAY



DAY OF WEEK



MONTH OF YEAR



TIME TRENDS

TIME OF DAY

	Accidents	%	Fatalities	%
Midnight	2017	1.9	52	5.5
1:00 am	1792	1.7	43	4.6
2:00 am	1356	1.3	36	3.8
3:00 am	1010	0.9	32	3.4
4:00 am	886	0.8	26	2.8
5:00 am	999	0.9	28	3.0
6:00 am	2523	2.4	18	1.9
7:00 am	6436	6.0	28	3.0
8:00 am	4347	4.1	16	1.7
9:00 am	4413	4.1	23	2.4
10:00 am	4999	4.7	21	2.2
11:00 am	6058	5.7	28	3.0
Noon	6836	6.4	29	3.1
1:00 pm	6288	5.9	37	3.9
2:00 pm	7090	6.6	51	5.4
3:00 pm	9829	9.2	51	5.4
4:00 pm	9173	8.6	48	5.1
5:00 pm	8308	7.8	49	5.2
6:00 pm	5630	5.3	86	9.1
7:00 pm	4134	3.9	53	5.6
8:00 pm	3559	3.3	57	6.1
9:00 pm	3286	3.1	35	3.7
10:00 pm	3152	2.9	54	5.7
11:00 pm	2994	2.8	39	4.1
Total	107,155	100.0	940	100.0

DAY OF WEEK

	Accidents	%	Fatalities	%
Saturday	16,390	15.3	218	23.2
Sunday	10,510	9.8	129	13.7
Monday	15,315	14.3	119	12.7
Tuesday	15,367	14.3	94	10.0
Wednesday	14,581	13.6	100	10.6
Thursday	15,155	14.1	111	11.8
Friday	19,837	18.5	169	18.0
Total	107,155	100.0	940	100.0

Be careful not to start your weekend with an accident. The most accident-prone period is late Friday Afternoon.

MONTH OF YEAR

	Accidents	%	Fatalities	%
January	7917	7.4	54	5.7
February	8244	7.7	73	7.8
March	8532	8.0	58	6.2
April	8834	8.2	84	8.9
May	9837	8.8	78	8.3
June	8596	8.0	89	9.5
July	9013	8.4	83	8.8
August	9512	8.9	77	8.2
September	8545	8.0	93	9.9
October	9633	9.0	82	8.7
November	9624	9.0	79	8.4
December	9318	8.7	90	9.6
Total	107,155	100.0	940	100.0

TYPES OF CRASHES

FIRST HARMFUL EVENT

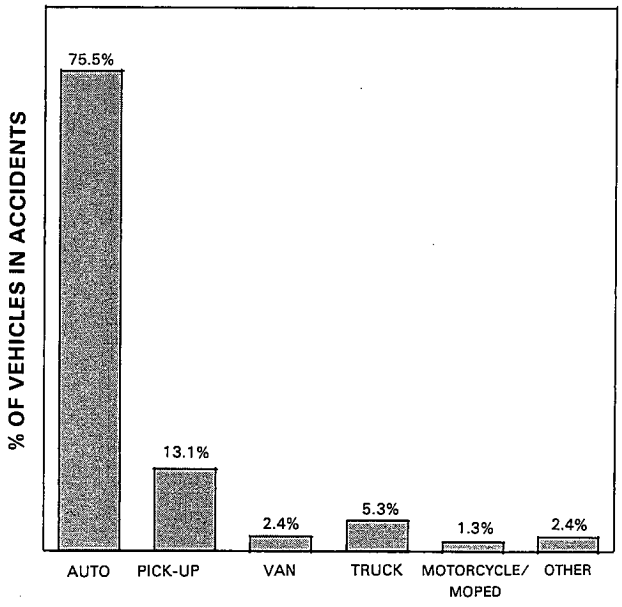
	FATALITIES	INJURIES	ACCIDENTS	% OF ACCIDENTS
HIT OTHER VEHICLE	425	23,992	77,725	72.5
HIT FIXED OR OTHER OBJECT	205	4974	10,992	10.3
OVERTURNING	60	1,328	1,988	1.9
OTHER NON-COLLISION	8	340	1,362	1.3
HIT ANIMAL	2	162	1,520	1.4
HIT PEDESTRIAN	94	804	860	0.8
HIT PEDALCYCLIST	9	284	338	0.3
HIT RAILWAY TRAIN	6	77	124	0.1
HIT PARKED VEHICLE	20	707	5,864	5.5
ALL OTHER	111	3,318	6,382	6.0
TOTAL	940	35,986	107,155	100.0

The typical Alabama traffic accident occurs between two automobiles, when one of the drivers fails to yield the right-of-way.

TYPES OF CRASHES

	Vehicles Involved In Accidents	% of Vehicles
AUTO	148,880	75.5
PICK-UP	25,830	13.1
VAN	4,746	2.4
TRUCK	10,527	5.3
MOTORCYCLE/ MOPED	2,535	1.3
OTHER	4,645	2.4
TOTAL	197,163	100.0

VEHICLE TYPE



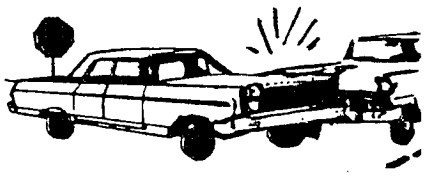
HAZARDOUS CARGO

	ACCIDENTS	%
EXPLOSIVE	10	2.9
GAS/FLAMMABLE	300	85.7
POISON	38	10.9
RADIOACTIVE	2	0.6
TOTAL	350	100.0

TYPES OF CRASHES

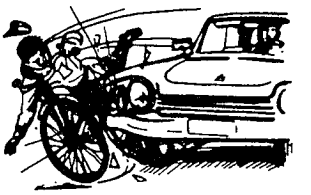
BY FIRST HARMFUL EVENT

Hit Other Vehicle



	1984	1983*
Accidents	77,725	52,119
Injuries	23,992	16,386
Fatalities	425	337

Hit Bicycle

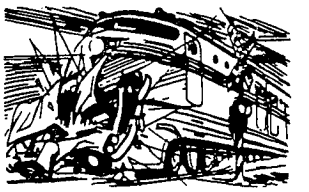


	1984	1983*
Accidents	338	259
Injuries	284	230
Fatalities	9	11

Hit Pedestrian

	1984	1983*
Accidents	860	630
Injuries	804	586
Fatalities	94	72

Hit Train



	1984	1983*
Accidents	124	95
Injuries	77	44
Fatalities	6	7

Hit Fixed Object

	1984	1983*
Accidents	10,992	7,976
Injuries	4,974	3,742
Fatalities	205	170

All Others

	1984	1983*
Accidents	17,116	12,586
Injuries	5,855	4,293
Fatalities	201	161

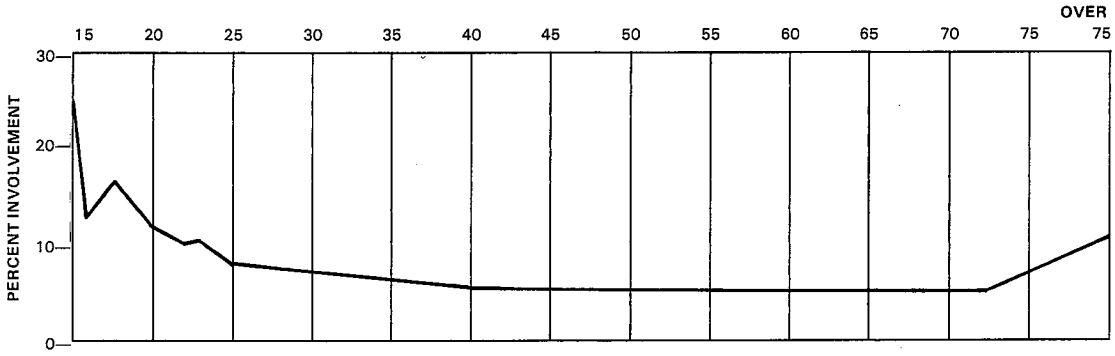
Totals

	1984	1983*
Accidents	107,155	73,665
Injuries	35,986	25,281
Fatalities	940	758

Note: Due to a change in the accident reporting system, only 9 months of data were available for many items in this report. These items are designated by the symbol*.

INVOLVEMENT BY AGE AND SEX

PERCENTAGES OF DRIVERS INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AT EACH AGE



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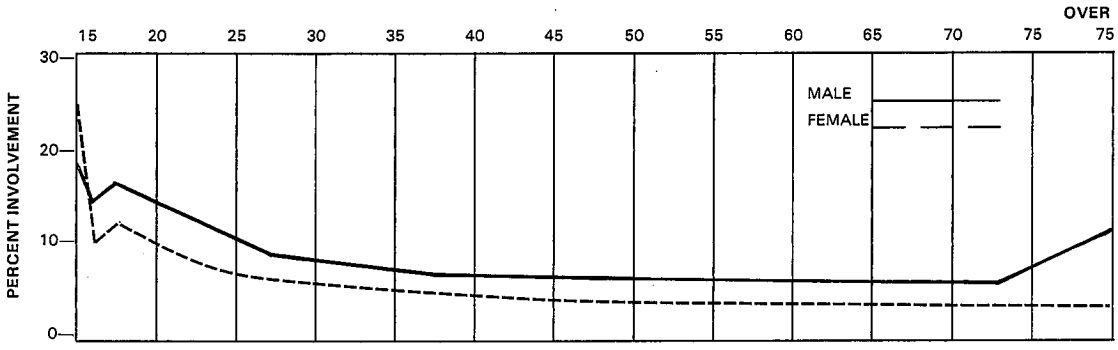


AGES OF FATALITIES

Age	Persons Killed	Age	Persons Killed	Age	Persons Killed
1	3	15	8	(25-29)	130
2	7	16	15	(30-34)	87
3	4	17	24	(35-39)	66
4	6	18	35	(40-44)	64
(1-4)	20	19	40	(45-49)	55
5	6	(15-19)	122	(50-54)	32
6	4	20	31	(55-59)	40
7	3	21	32	(60-64)	26
8	3	22	28	(65-69)	34
9	2	23	27	(70-74)	29
(5 - 9)	18	24	30	75-Over	38
10	3	(20-24)	148	Not Listed	9
11	5	25	34		
12	4	26	24		
13	7	27	23		
14	3	28	24		
(10-14)	22	29	25		

Young drivers (15-19) have a high rate of accidents.

INVOLVEMENT BY AGE AND SEX

Drivers/Fatalities/Age/Sex

Age	Licensed Drivers	Drivers Involved in Accidents	Drivers Involved in Fatal Accidents
Under 14	0	390	6
14	1,195	187	2
15	2,944	523	6
16	22,982	3,101	12
17	41,127	6,334	28
18	47,552	7,091	42
19	54,846	7,642	50
(15—19)	169,451	24,691	138
20	62,745	7,842	48
21	63,953	7,301	45
22	66,170	6,817	46
23	67,700	6,437	34
24	68,728	6,139	47
(20—24)	384,142	34,536	220
25	68,105	5,677	48
26	67,832	5,440	39
27	68,807	5,200	39
28	68,177	5,166	42
29	65,373	4,757	37
(25—29)	338,294	26,240	205
(30—34)	305,428	21,145	141
(35—39)	271,374	16,598	111
(40—44)	217,193	11,805	81
(45—49)	183,018	9,544	87
(50—54)	170,814	8,327	56
(55—59)	165,070	8,254	55
(60—64)	150,346	7,204	25
(65—69)	120,607	5,669	37
(70—74)	95,550	4,592	32
75—Over	99,209	8,698	43
Not Listed		9,283	25
Total	2,616,844	197,163	1,264

Sex	Licensed Drivers	Drivers Involved in Accidents	Drivers Involved in Fatal Accidents
Male	1,364,828	116,865	939
Female	1,252,016	68,323	289
Not Listed		11,975	36
Total	2,616,844	197,163	1,264

ACCIDENT LOCATION

RURAL vs. URBAN TRAFFIC FATALITIES

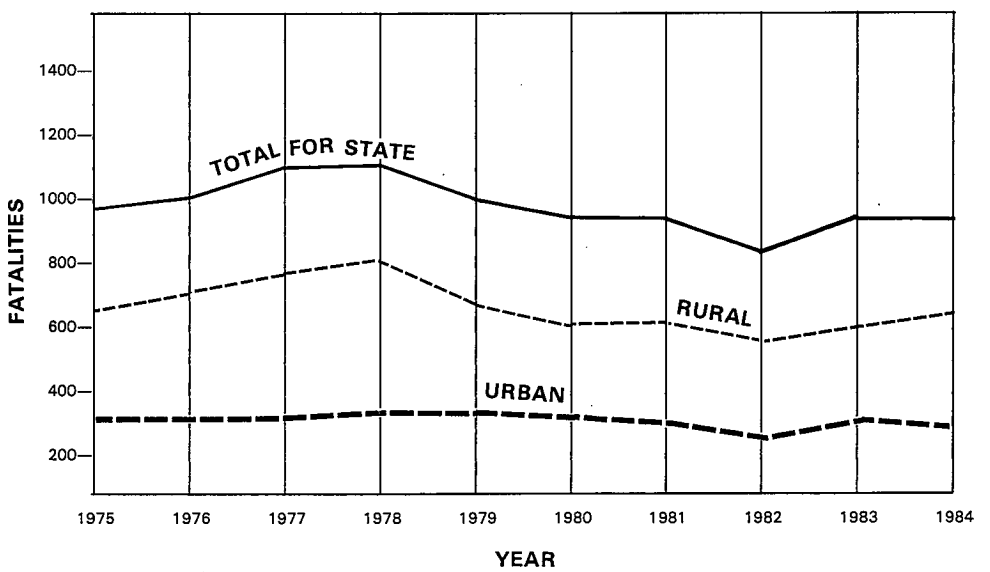
10 YEAR EXPERIENCE

There were less fatalities in Alabama last year than there were 10 years ago.

YEAR	TOTAL FOR STATE	RURAL	URBAN
1975	975	646	329
1976	1033	714	319
1977	1122	784	338
1978	1169	822	347
1979	1020	683	337
1980	947	618	329
1981	944	622	322
1982	845	584	261
1983	942	628	314
1984	940	647	293

The number of drivers and automobiles have gone up in 10 years, but fatalities have not.

10 YEAR EXPERIENCE



ACCIDENT LOCATION

RURAL LOCALE

	Accidents	%
OPEN COUNTRY	21,005	77.7
RESIDENTIAL	3614	13.4
BUSINESS	1881	7.0
INDUSTRIAL	161	0.6
SCHOOL/PLAYGROUND	170	0.6
OTHER	195	0.7

URBAN LOCALE

	Accidents	%
OPEN COUNTRY	5,673	7.1
RESIDENTIAL	26,608	33.2
BUSINESS	42,174	52.6
INDUSTRIAL	1809	2.3
SCHOOL/PLAYGROUND	1873	2.3
OTHER	1992	2.5

CRASH LOCATION

	Accidents	%
ON ROADWAY	68,820	64.2
OFF ROADWAY	17,537	16.4
MEDIAN	604	0.6
DRIVEWAY	256	0.2
PRIVATE ROAD	528	0.5
INTERSECTION	19,410	18.1
OTHER	0	0.0

DRIVERS RESIDENCE

RESIDENCE WITHIN 25 MILES	
YES	79.7%
NO	20.3%

Most accidents happen in urban business or residential areas, on the roadway, within 25 miles of home.

ACCIDENT ENVIRONMENT

WEATHER

	Accidents	%
CLEAR	65,085	60.7
CLOUDY	25,133	23.5
RAIN	14,945	13.9
SNOW/SLEET	463	0.4
FOG	1,165	1.1
OTHER	364	0.3

LIGHT CONDITION

	Accidents	%
DAY	75,263	70.2
DAWN	972	0.9
DUSK	2,733	2.6
DARK	14,146	13.2
STREETLIGHTS	13,771	12.9
NOT STATED	270	0.3

ROAD CONDITION

	Accidents	%
DRY	83,769	78.2
WET	21,179	19.8
ICY/SLUSHY	566	0.5
MUDDY	79	0.1
OTHER	1,562	1.5

The road is wet about 7% of the time, yet over 20% of the accidents occurs on wet pavement.

ROAD CHARACTER

	Accidents	%
LEVEL	68,103	63.6
DOWNGRADE	12,784	11.9
UPGRADE	9,145	8.5
HILLCREST	1,358	1.3
LEVEL CURVE	6,547	6.1
CURVE ON HILL	7,692	7.2
NOT STATED	1,526	1.4

TRAFFIC CONTROL

	Accidents	%
RAILROAD DEVICE	285	0.3
YIELD SIGN	1,754	1.6
STOP SIGN	8,903	8.3
TRAFFIC SIGNAL	18,662	17.4
OTHER	70,991	66.3
NONE	6,560	6.1

NUMBER OF LANES

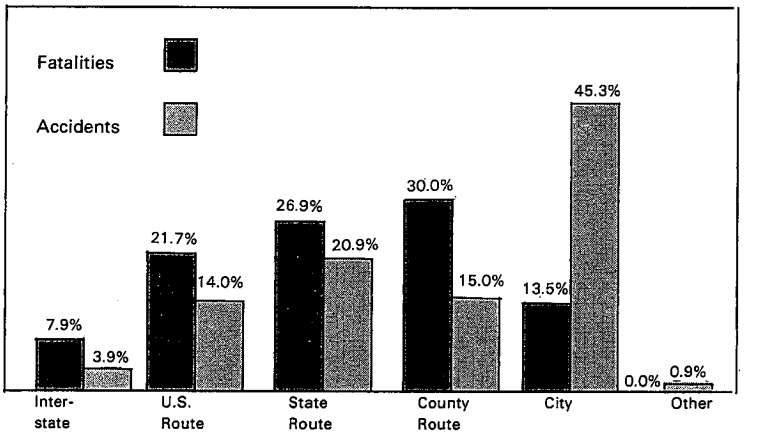
	Accidents	%
ONE	4,460	4.2
TWO	59,658	55.7
THREE	6,240	5.8
FOUR	22,144	20.7
FIVE	6,775	6.3
SIX OR MORE	6,056	5.7
NOT STATED	1,822	1.7

TYPE OF ROADWAY

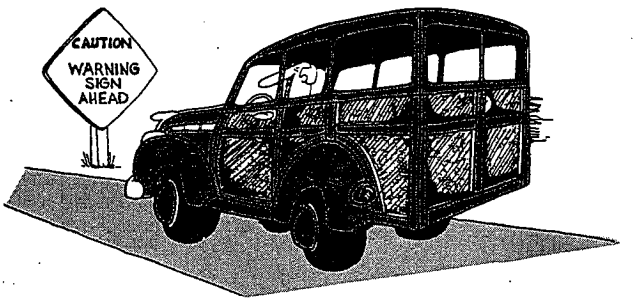
TOTAL FOR STATE

Road Type	Accidents		Fatalities	
	Number	%	Number	%
INTERSTATE	4,159	3.9	74	7.9
U.S. ROUTE	14,975	14.0	204	21.7
STATE ROUTE	22,434	20.9	253	26.9
COUNTY	16,061	15.0	282	30.0
CITY	48,571	45.3	127	13.5
OTHER	955	0.9	0	0.0
TOTAL	107,155	100.0	940	100.0

TOTAL FOR STATE



Most fatalities occur in rural areas where speeds are high.



Most accidents occur in urban areas where speeds are low.

RURAL AREAS

Road Type	Accidents		Fatalities	
	Number	%	Number	%
INTERSTATE	1,700	6.3	53	8.2
U.S. ROUTE	5,071	18.8	144	22.3
STATE ROUTE	6,474	24.0	189	29.2
COUNTY	13,643	50.5	261	40.3
CITY	45	0.2	0	0.0
OTHER	93	0.3	0	0.0
TOTAL	27,026	100.0	647	100.0

URBAN AREAS

Road Type	Accidents		Fatalities	
	Number	%	Number	%
INTERSTATE	2,459	3.1	21	7.2
U.S. ROUTE	9,904	12.4	60	20.5
STATE ROUTE	15,960	19.9	64	21.8
COUNTY	2,418	3.0	21	7.2
CITY	48,526	60.6	127	43.3
OTHER	862	1.1	0	0.0
TOTAL	80,129	100.0	293	100.0

THE DRIVER

PRIMARY CIRCUMSTANCES CONTRIBUTING TO ACCIDENTS

	Accidents	%
FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY	23,211	21.7
DRIVER NOT IN CONTROL	14,949	14.0
MISJUDGED STOPPING DISTANCE	8,908	8.3
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	4,819	4.5
IMPROPER BACKING	3,897	3.6
FAILURE TO HEED SIGN	3,744	3.5
TAILGATING	3,594	3.4
OVER SPEED LIMIT	2,684	2.5
AVOIDING OBJECT OR PERSON	3,728	3.5
ALL OTHER	37,621	35.1

Drivers should be aware of the leading causes of accidents, and be alert to avoid them.

DRIVER CONDITION

	Drivers	%
NO DEFECT	168,954	85.7
ASLEEP	1,276	0.6
FATIGUED	427	0.2
ILL	321	0.2
OTHER	0	0.0
UNKNOWN	26,185	13.3

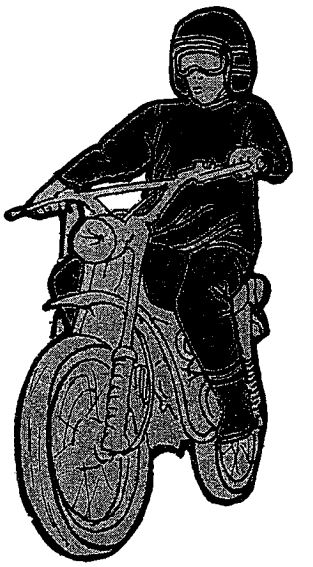
(ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT IS FOUND IN A SEPARATE TABLE)

MOTORCYCLE STATISTICS

The overall number of motorcycle accidents is low, but almost all of those collisions result in injury.

MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (Includes Motor Scooters and Mopeds)

AGE	FATALITIES	INJURIES	MOTORCYCLES IN ACCIDENTS
UNDER 14	5	89	55
14	0	137	110
15	3	171	142
16	0	108	87
17	2	91	82
18	4	104	84
(15 - 19)	11	604	508
20	3	122	114
21	1	110	98
22	4	109	95
23	3	97	89
24	1	89	82
(20 - 24)	12	527	478
25	2	66	60
26	4	68	65
27	3	67	69
28	4	63	65
29	2	44	43
(25 - 29)	15	308	302
(30 - 34)	3	156	146
(35 - 39)	3	89	85
(40 - 44)	6	56	59
(45 - 49)	1	28	28
(50 - 54)	0	20	18
(55 - 59)	0	6	6
(60 - 64)	0	3	3
(65 - 69)	0	6	5
(70 - 74)	0	1	0
75 - OVER	0	0	0
NOT LISTED	0	19	747
TOTAL	56	2,049	2,550



TEN YEAR TREND

YEAR	KILLED	INJURED	MOTORCYCLES IN ACCIDENTS
1975	34	NA	2,894
1976	58	NA	2,716
1977	66	NA	2,966
1978	64	NA	2,897
1979	57	NA	2,670
1980	54	NA	2,758
1981	56	NA	2,631
1982	52	NA	2,462
1983	50*	1,545*	1,930*
1984	56	2,049	2,550

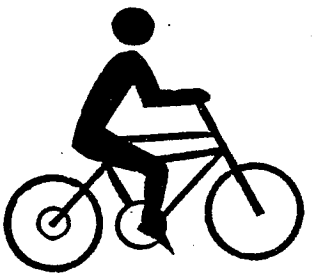
* = 9 months of data
NA = data not available

BICYCLE ACCIDENT DATA

BY AGE

AGE	KILLED	INJURED
(1 - 4)	0	6
(5 - 9)	1	124
(10 - 14)	2	166
(15 - 19)	1	88
(20 - 24)	2	34
(25 - 29)	2	21
(30 - 34)	0	16
(35 - 39)	2	6
(40 - 44)	0	5
(45 - 49)	0	0
(50 - 54)	0	0
(55 - 59)	0	2
(60 - 64)	0	2
(65 - 69)	0	1
(70 - 74)	0	2
75 - OVER	0	0
NOT LISTED	0	6
TOTAL	10	479

Youngster beware! 62% of bicycle injuries happen to children age 14 or under.



TEN YEAR TREND

YEAR	KILLED	INJURED
1975	13	341
1976	10	301
1977	12	309
1978	10	411
1979	8	372
1980	16	440
1981	9	398
1982	11	437
1983	13*	323*
1984	10	479

* = 9 months of data

PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENT DATA

BY AGE

AGE	KILLED	INJURED
(1 - 4)	7	61
(5 - 9)	8	195
(10 - 14)	6	109
(15 - 19)	6	91
(20 - 24)	9	87
(25 - 29)	12	81
(30 - 34)	5	62
(35 - 39)	7	40
(40 - 44)	7	37
(45 - 49)	6	21
(50 - 54)	5	30
(55 - 59)	4	47
(60 - 64)	7	28
(65 - 69)	2	12
(70 - 74)	4	18
75 - OVER	10	33
NOT LISTED	2	26
TOTAL	107	978

Pedestrian accidents happen more frequently to very young.

TEN YEAR TREND

YEAR	KILLED	INJURED
1975	129	1182
1976	126	1122
1977	128	1095
1978	131	1203
1979	111	1133
1980	118	1072
1981	111	973
1982	97	1056
1983	86*	695*
1984	107	978

The number of fatalities has decreased during the past 10 years.

* = 9 months of data

SEAT BELT USAGE

52.4% of drivers in collisions who were not wearing their seat belts were injured or killed.

Only 9.0% of drivers in collisions who were wearing their seat belts were injured or killed.

29,828 people were injured while not wearing seat belts.

Belt Usage	Severity	Driver		Front Seat Passengers		Back Seat Passengers		Totals	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
NOT INSTALLED	Killed	75	0.2	34	0.3	26	0.1	135	0.2
	Injured	2,976	9.8	1,291	11.0	1,014	5.7	5,281	8.8
	No Harm	27,323	90.0	10,366	88.7	16,620	94.1	54,309	90.9
	Subtotal	30,374	100.0	11,691	100.0	17,660	100.0	59,725	100.0
NOT WEARING	Killed	439	1.4	124	0.2	36	0.2	599	0.3
	Injured	15,931	51.0	6,758	12.7	1,858	8.5	24,547	11.9
	No Harm	14,889	47.6	46,496	87.1	19,839	91.3	181,224	87.8
	Subtotal	31,259	100.0	53,378	100.0	21,733	100.0	206,370	100.0
LAP BELT ONLY	Killed	3	0.1	1	0.1	3	0.2	7	0.1
	Injured	341	8.4	114	8.5	98	5.2	553	7.6
	No Harm	3,715	91.5	1,225	91.4	1,792	94.7	6,732	92.3
	Subtotal	4,059	100.0	1,340	100.0	1,893	100.0	7,292	100.0
LAP & SHOULDER BELT	Killed	12	0.1	6	0.1	0	0.0	18	0.1
	Injured	1,459	8.9	418	8.6	44	5.4	1,921	8.7
	No Harm	14,897	91.0	4,463	91.3	770	94.6	20,130	91.2
	Subtotal	16,368	100.0	4,887	100.0	814	100.0	22,069	100.0

Conclusion: Wear your seat belt!

CHILD RESTRAINT USAGE

Type	Severity	Front Seat Occupant		Back Seat Occupant		Totals	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
CHILD RESTRAINT USED	Killed	1	0.1	3	0.2	4	0.2
	Injured	70	7.5	67	5.0	137	6.0
	No Harm	859	92.4	1,270	94.8	2,129	93.8
	Subtotal	930	100.0	1,340	100.0	2,270	100.0
OTHER RESTRAINT USED	Killed	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Injured	7	10.8	7	14.3	14	12.3
	No Harm	58	89.2	42	85.7	100	87.7
	Subtotal	65	100.0	49	100.0	114	100.0
NONE USED	Killed	4	0.5	1	0.3	5	0.4
	Injured	149	18.9	47	11.8	196	16.5
	No Harm	635	80.6	352	88.0	987	83.1
	Subtotal	788	100.0	400	100.0	1,188	100.0

SUPPORT SAFETY BELT USAGE

ALCOHOL AND DRUG INVOLVEMENT

78% of all drivers tested for DUI had some level of alcohol in their blood stream.

2530 of the 4331 drivers tested for DUI were legally intoxicated.

851 additional drivers had BAC levels between 0.01 and 0.10.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG INVOLVED DRIVERS

AGE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Under 14	3	3	0
14	5	3	2
15	13	11	2
16	62	54	8
17	153	131	22
18	309	251	58
19	457	406	51
(15 - 19)	994	853	141
20	552	470	82
21	511	451	60
22	580	504	76
23	506	433	73
24	498	435	63
(20 - 24)	2,647	2,293	354
25	457	392	65
26	433	378	55
27	397	340	57
28	410	351	59
29	351	298	53
(25 - 29)	2,048	1,759	289
(30 - 34)	1,449	1,247	202
(35 - 39)	1,006	862	144
(40 - 44)	714	609	105
(45 - 49)	545	478	67
(50 - 54)	412	370	42
(55 - 59)	372	329	43
(60 - 64)	258	239	19
(65 - 69)	164	141	23
(70 - 74)	82	75	7
75 - OVER	77	70	7
NOT LISTED	88	82	6
Total	10,864	9,413	1,451

537 drivers under the age of 19 were in alcohol-drug accidents.

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS OPINION OF SOBRIETY

Percent Accidents Involving Alcohol/ Drugs	
Alcohol	9.3%
Drugs	0.2%
Both	0.4%
Unknown	13.3%
None Used	76.8%
Total	100.0%

FORENSIC INVESTIGATION OF FATALITIES INDICATED THAT 38% WERE LEGALLY UNDER THE INFLUENCE. THIS IS MUCH LOWER THAN LAST YEAR. OUR ALCOHOL ACCIDENT PREVENTION PROGRAMS ARE WORKING!

TEST ADMINISTERED AND RESULTS

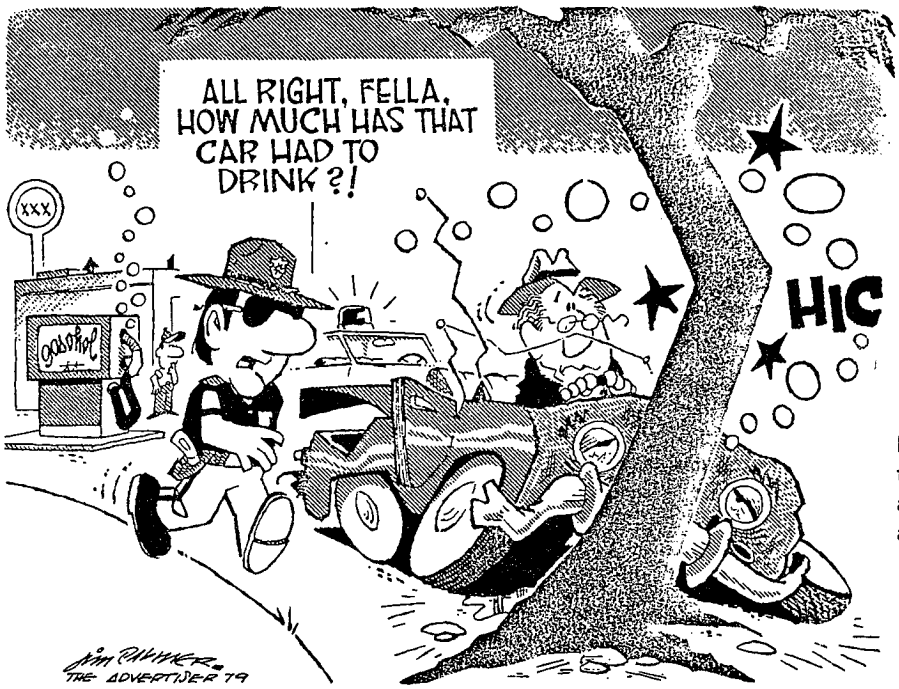
Drivers Tested For Sobriety		Test Results	
Test Type	Number		No.
Blood	1027	Bal < 0.05	419
Breath	3298	0.05 — 0.099	434
Urine	6	0.10 — 0.149	998
Unable to Test	647	0.15 — 0.199	797
Refused	428	Bal ≥ 0.20	735
		Drug Related	2023

SOBRIETY AS REPORTED BY FORENSIC INVESTIGATION OF FATALITIES

Test Results for 339 Cases		
	No.	%
None	169	49.9
BAL > 0.05	23	6.8
0.05 — 0.099	17	5.0
0.10 — 0.149	37	10.9
0.15 — 0.199	31	9.1
BAL ≥ 0.20	62	18.2
	339	100%

DON'T MIX DRUGS WITH ALCOHOL!

DON'T DRIVE IF YOUR MEDICATION INDUCES DROWSINESS!



Most alcohol related fatalities occur between midnight and 1:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday morning.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG RELATED ACCIDENTS

STATEWIDE

BEGINNING	TOTAL ACC.	TOTAL FA.	SUNDAY ACC.	SUNDAY FA.	MONDAY ACC.	MONDAY FA.	TUESDAY ACC.	TUESDAY FA.	WEDNESDAY ACC.	WEDNESDAY FA.	THURSDAY ACC.	THURSDAY FA.	FRIDAY ACC.	FRIDAY FA.	SATURDAY ACC.	SATURDAY FA.
MIDNIGHT	728	27	188	9	48	1	45	2	44	2	67	2	85	2	251	9
1:00 A.M.	718	13	213	3	32	1	51	0	48	0	62	0	93	4	219	5
2:00	582	13	168	3	24	1	40	0	35	1	45	1	76	2	194	5
3:00	383	11	106	4	16	1	24	0	23	1	30	0	37	2	147	3
4:00	304	9	70	1	10	0	13	0	23	1	34	0	28	2	126	5
5:00	193	4	52	0	9	1	12	1	11	0	15	0	30	0	64	2
6:00	137	2	32	1	10	0	7	0	5	0	12	0	18	0	53	1
7:00	98	0	23	0	7	0	9	0	14	0	13	0	9	0	23	0
8:00	91	3	21	0	5	0	9	0	8	0	9	0	12	0	27	3
9:00	88	3	11	0	5	0	13	0	10	0	11	0	14	2	24	1
10:00	104	2	18	1	13	1	10	0	7	0	10	0	11	0	35	0
11:00	158	3	26	0	16	0	11	1	16	1	13	0	29	0	47	1
NOON	218	5	38	0	26	0	27	0	12	1	27	0	23	1	65	3
1:00 P.M.	227	3	45	1	30	0	17	1	26	0	24	0	32	0	53	1
2:00	303	7	46	1	28	0	28	2	32	0	27	2	55	1	87	1
3:00	433	9	69	2	59	1	44	0	45	2	42	0	62	0	112	4
4:00	533	12	77	2	52	0	56	3	53	0	65	0	96	3	134	4
5:00	642	12	112	4	70	0	58	1	73	1	64	0	96	2	169	4
6:00	691	20	99	0	77	1	80	1	59	0	67	4	133	8	176	6
7:00	711	15	109	3	50	1	66	0	63	4	73	1	166	1	184	5
8:00	724	17	90	1	71	1	81	1	55	1	95	3	158	4	174	6
9:00	769	15	84	2	61	3	64	0	78	1	89	2	204	3	189	4
10:00	820	21	66	4	71	1	68	0	78	2	95	4	229	7	213	3
11:00	893	14	67	0	65	1	73	1	90	0	105	2	278	6	215	4
TOTAL	10548	240	1830	42	855	15	906	14	908	18	1094	21	1974	50	2981	80

ACC. = Accidents FA. = Fatalities

COMPARATIVE CITY STATISTICS

1984 vs 1983*

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Abbeville	75	71	0	1	22	36
Adamsville	77	121	2	0	34	57
Addison	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akron	2	1	0	0	1	0
Alabaster	141	204	2	0	41	55
Albertville	359	556	1	1	128	180
Alexander City	481	750	2	5	132	208
Aliceville	33	59	0	0	0	14
Allgood	6	4	0	0	6	0
Altoona	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andalusia	2	7	0	1	0	9
Anderson	9	2	0	0	4	2
Anniston	1,125	1,503	1	2	315	448
Arab	150	225	0	2	73	74
Ardmore	20	25	0	0	3	6
Ariton	1	5	0	0	1	0
Arley	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashford	0	55	0	0	0	19
Ashland	6	15	0	0	11	2
Ashville	0	1	0	0	0	1
Athens	541	778	1	4	95	254
Atmore	81	200	0	0	17	69
Attalla	189	268	1	1	56	90
Auburn	772	968	1	4	197	285
Autaugaville	9	15	0	0	6	11
Avon	3	3	0	0	5	3
Babbie	3	2	0	0	2	3
Baileyton	4	7	0	0	1	0
Banks	2	4	0	1	3	0
Bay Minette	105	181	0	2	27	62
Bayou La Batre	56	71	0	0	13	9
Bear Creek	3	3	0	0	9	0
Beatrice	2	5	0	1	2	1
Beaverton	2	4	0	0	0	3
Belk	0	5	0	0	0	7
Bellwood	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benton	1	0	0	0	0	0
Berry	0	1	0	0	0	1
Bessemer	939	1,364	5	3	218	299
Billingsley	1	0	0	0	1	0
Birmingham	5,266	11,280	19	29	2,207	3,460
Black	0	2	0	0	0	0
Blountsville	19	30	1	0	2	18
Blue Mountain	0	1	0	0	0	0
Blue Springs	4	3	1	0	3	3
Boaz	287	345	1	0	96	105
Boligee	2	4	0	1	0	2
Bon Air	0	0	0	0	0	0
Branchville	2	2	0	0	2	0
Brantley	4	6	0	0	2	1

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Brent	0	3	0	0	0	2
Brewton	95	2	0	0	33	0
Bridgeport	9	0	0	0	3	0
Brighton	1	9	0	0	0	10
Brilliant	3	14	0	0	1	3
Brookside	3	5	0	0	2	2
Brookwood	5	0	0	0	1	0
Brownsville	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brundidge	16	43	0	3	2	14
Butler	25	48	0	0	3	4
Calera	2	8	0	0	0	5
Camden	38	36	0	0	4	4
Camphill	8	12	0	1	5	5
Carbon Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cardiff	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolina	2	1	0	0	4	0
Carrollton	13	8	0	0	2	1
Carrville	13	14	0	0	6	1
Castleberry	7	10	0	0	1	2
Cedar Bluff	8	22	0	0	5	9
Centre	74	104	1	2	37	33
Centreville	3	42	0	0	0	7
Chatom	5	16	0	0	1	7
Cherokee	10	0	0	0	7	0
Chickasaw	121	138	1	1	31	26
Childersburg	87	92	1	0	19	38
Citronelle	52	9	1	3	13	5
Clanton	152	243	0	0	30	62
Clayhatchee	6	8	0	0	1	4
Clayton	1	2	0	0	0	1
Cleveland	13	14	0	0	4	4
Clio	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coffee Springs	1	1	0	0	0	0
Coffeeville	11	16	0	0	6	5
Collinsville	24	40	0	0	2	9
Colony	0	4	0	0	0	4
Columbia	0	1	0	0	0	1
Columbiana	47	63	0	0	8	14
Coosada	7	9	0	0	0	1
Cordova	50	50	0	0	18	20
Cottonwood	3	13	0	1	0	2
County Line—Blnt	0	0	0	0	0	0
County Line—Cov	0	0	0	0	0	0
County Line—Jeff	0	0	0	0	0	0
Courtland	5	12	1	0	2	1
Cowarts	12	24	0	0	8	18
Creola	18	37	0	0	6	20
Crossville	0	1	0	0	0	0
Cuba	10	11	2	2	3	5
Cullman	439	668	1	6	98	179

* = 9 months of data

COMPARATIVE CITY STATISTICS

1984 vs 1983*

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Dadeville	64	90	0	0	31	20
Daleville	57	93	0	0	20	33
Daphne	50	74	0	2	22	24
Daviston	2	3	1	0	1	1
Dayton	0	1	0	0	0	0
Decatur	1,032	1,514	2	4	276	397
Demopolis	129	181	0	2	35	56
Detroit	1	2	0	0	0	2
Dora	33	39	0	2	15	9
Dothan	1,530	2,169	1	6	535	879
Double Springs	7	14	1	0	4	5
Douglas	2	6	8	0	1	0
Dozier	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dutton	0	2	0	0	0	0
East Brewton	5	0	0	0	0	0
Eclectic	22	25	0	0	5	5
Edwardsville	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elba	139	91	0	0	43	31
Elberta	1	4	0	0	0	0
Eldridge	12	11	0	0	7	6
Elkmont	5	3	0	0	0	1
Emelle	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enterprise	394	609	1	3	93	169
Epes	1	3	0	0	0	0
Ethelsville	2	2	0	0	2	0
Eufaula	257	342	7	0	82	76
Eunola	4	4	0	0	2	5
Eutaw	1	71	0	0	0	10
Eva	0	1	0	0	0	0
Evergreen	84	109	0	0	24	35
Excel	0	2	0	0	0	0
Fairfield	247	323	0	0	43	74
Fairhope	123	184	2	1	40	41
Fairview	8	14	0	0	5	5
Falkville	1	2	0	0	0	0
Faunsdale	5	7	0	0	3	1
Fayette	118	230	0	2	32	92
Five Points	0	1	0	0	0	0
Flint City	5	1	0	0	0	1
Flomaton	18	57	2	0	8	23
Florala	2	0	0	0	0	0
Florence	1,064	1,439	4	4	270	394
Foley	137	205	0	0	27	52
Forkland	3	11	0	0	1	0
Foprt Deposit	13	11	0	0	2	3
Fort Payne	340	467	3	6	114	140
Franklin	1	3	0	0	0	1
Frisco City	15	1	1	0	5	0
Fruithurst	0	1	0	0	0	1
Fulton	3	3	0	0	0	2

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Fultondale	5	13	0	0	3	9
Fyffe	18	12	0	0	11	7
Gadsden	1,430	2,032	4	5	395	581
Gainesville	1	2	0	0	0	2
Gantt	4	5	0	0	2	0
Gantts Quarry	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garden City	2	6	0	0	0	4
Gardendale	240	318	1	0	80	110
Gaylesville	3	4	0	0	0	1
Geiger	0	0	0	0	0	0
Geneva	66	97	0	0	21	29
Georgiana	0	0	0	0	0	0
Geraldine	25	35	1	0	14	13
Gilbertown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glen Allen	4	5	0	0	3	1
Glencoe	3	2	2	0	1	1
Glenwood	1	1	0	0	1	0
Goldville	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goodhope	32	51	0	1	5	17
Goodwater	21	16	0	0	0	7
Gordo	40	44	0	0	7	22
Gordon	1	1	0	0	2	0
Goshen	6	2	0	0	5	0
Grant	2	1	0	0	0	0
Graysville	48	54	0	0	16	29
Greensboro	71	79	0	0	13	22
Greenville	148	222	0	0	34	46
Grimes	15	10	0	0	3	2
Grove Hill	39	70	0	0	12	17
Gu-win	4	4	0	0	1	1
Guin	29	49	1	0	8	14
Gulf Shores	93	133	2	1	28	47
Guntersville	271	352	0	2	74	91
Gurley	9	17	0	0	4	12
Hackleburg	0	0	0	0	0	0
Haleburg	2	0	0	0	0	0
Haleyville	148	183	0	0	28	35
Hamilton	114	179	0	3	39	44
Hammondville	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hanceville	32	39	0	0	12	13
Harpersville	3	5	0	0	3	1
Hartford	19	0	1	0	6	0
Hartselle	153	278	1	1	47	68
Hayden	3	6	0	0	1	3
Hayneville	13	7	0	0	0	1
Headland	1	3	0	0	0	0
Heath	6	2	2	0	4	0
Heflin	43	63	1	0	16	22
Helena	15	23	0	1	7	13
Henagar	23	34	0	0	16	6

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City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Highland Lake	1	2	0	0	1	2
Hillsboro	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hobson City	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hodges	0	2	0	0	0	1
Hokes Bluff	0	3	0	0	0	2
Holly Pond	9	10	3	1	14	5
Hollywood	18	26	0	1	7	14
Homewood	908	1,270	2	0	163	227
Hoover—Jeff	482	731	2	2	128	203
Hoover—Shelby	12	52	0	0	2	11
Horn Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hueytown	180	338	0	2	78	115
Huntsville	5,353	7,711	16	18	1,476	2,039
Hurtsboro	10	16	0	0	4	5
Ider	18	21	0	0	2	7
Irondale	279	306	1	0	46	79
Jackson	115	114	0	0	45	36
Jacksons Gap	5	5	0	0	4	0
Jacksonville	194	335	0	0	41	98
Jasper	442	565	1	0	98	141
Jemison	18	16	0	0	4	7
Kansas	2	4	0	0	5	2
Kelly	3	5	0	0	0	3
Kennedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Killen	22	32	1	0	15	22
Kimberly	2	13	0	0	6	5
Kinsey	19	7	0	1	9	4
Kinston	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lafayette	71	113	0	0	27	45
Lakeview	0	3	0	0	0	1
Lanett	172	230	0	0	53	70
Langston	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leeds—Jeff	196	308	0	3	48	90
Leeds—Shelby	17	42	0	0	8	14
Leeds—St. Clair	3	0	0	0	1	0
Leesburg	4	7	0	1	2	2
Leighton	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lester	0	0	0	0	0	0
Level Plains	2	2	0	0	4	0
Lexington	0	8	0	0	0	3
Libertyville	3	3	0	0	5	0
Lincoln	4	3	0	0	1	1
Linden	40	44	1	0	15	8
Lineville	12	19	1	0	4	4
Lipscomb	14	30	1	0	2	4
Lisman	4	4	0	1	5	1
Littleville	0	6	0	0	0	6
Livingston	62	77	0	0	23	13
Loachapoka	2	0	0	0	0	0
Lockhart	0	0	0	0	0	0
Locust Fork	4	9	0	0	0	2
Louisville	11	13	0	2	6	3
Lowndesboro	3	3	0	0	1	1
Loxley	20	20	0	0	8	13
Luverne	39	56	0	0	11	1
Lynn	4	11	0	0	3	2
Madison	126	191	1	1	30	55
Madrid	5	2	1	0	3	0
Malvern	6	6	0	0	3	0
Maplesville	8	9	0	0	0	5
Margaret	1	2	0	0	0	0
Marion	80	121	0	0	27	51
Maytown	0	4	0	0	0	2
McIntosh	1	3	0	7	2	1
McKenzie	3	0	0	0	0	0
McMullen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mentone	5	10	1	1	1	9
Midfield	147	195	0	1	46	50
Midland City	15	24	0	0	7	7
Midway	4	9	0	0	0	3
Millbrook	29	45	1	2	11	22
Millport	0	0	0	0	0	0
Millry	2	9	0	0	1	3
Mobile	4,628	6,675	27	25	1,555	2,173
Monroeville	99	113	0	1	35	29
Montevallo	63	106	0	0	24	31
Montgomery	5,933	8,310	26	20	1,374	2,267
Moody	32	24	1	0	12	8
Mooresville	1	8	1	0	0	0
Morris	13	6	0	0	7	2
Mosses	4	4	0	0	1	0
Moulton	97	152	2	4	25	59
Moundville	1	7	0	0	1	2
Mount Vernon	10	28	0	0	10	11
Mountain Brook	391	461	2	1	89	115
Mountainboro	3	2	0	0	2	1
Mulga	3	1	0	0	1	0
Muscle Shoals	371	530	0	1	113	170
Myrtlewood	0	0	0	0	0	0
Napier Field	0	2	0	0	0	4
Nauvoo	3	2	0	2	2	5
Nectar	1	7	0	2	1	3
Needham	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Brockton	17	25	0	0	6	6
New Hope	33	71	0	6	18	31
New Site	0	4	0	0	0	1
Newbern	2	1	0	0	1	0
Newsome	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newton	2	0	0	0	0	0

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City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Newville	1	1	0	0	0	3
North Courtland	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Johns	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northport	408	494	1	6	125	133
Notasulga	10	20	0	0	1	10
Oak Grove	8	9	0	0	1	6
Oak Hill	0	3	0	0	0	1
Oakman	4	2	0	0	0	0
Odenville	4	2	0	0	0	0
Ohatchee	29	21	1	0	7	12
Oneonta	78	171	5	1	27	42
Onycha	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opelika	637	867	0	4	174	312
Opp	134	213	0	0	63	87
Orrville	5	7	0	0	1	4
Owens Crossroads	17	18	0	0	4	7
Oxford	237	377	0	2	61	98
Ozark	277	393	2	1	63	121
Paint Rock	0	3	0	0	0	1
Parrish	2	0	0	0	1	0
Pelham	166	249	1	0	56	77
Pell City	5	5	0	0	2	0
Pennington	8	6	0	0	3	1
Petrey	0	3	0	0	0	1
Phenix City	752	1,125	1	1	227	354
Phil Campbell	16	30	0	0	6	8
Pickensville	2	0	0	0	0	0
Piedmont	92	128	0	1	23	36
Pinckard	5	1	0	0	3	0
Pine Apple	4	3	0	1	0	0
Pine Hill	9	7	0	0	0	1
Pine Ridge	1	5	0	0	0	4
Pisgah	6	6	0	0	5	3
Pleasant Grove	53	85	0	0	14	35
Pollard	0	0	0	0	0	0
Powells Crsrds	10	18	0	0	4	7
Prattville-Aut	343	460	6	1	100	127
Prattville—Elm	0	0	0	0	0	0
Priceville	21	42	0	0	9	18
Prichard	585	841	1	2	165	192
Providence	2	4	0	1	0	4
Ragland	9	22	1	1	2	9
Rainbow City	143	216	2	2	53	86
Rainsville	70	98	0	0	14	39
Ranburne	8	11	0	0	0	2
Red Bay	67	95	0	0	14	24
Red Level	3	1	2	0	3	0
Reece City	5	5	0	0	0	4
Reform	35	44	0	0	13	11
Repton	11	5	0	0	1	1

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Ridgeville	2	0	0	0	0	0
River Falls	12	15	0	0	4	9
Riverside	3	3	0	0	0	1
Riverview	3	3	1	0	0	4
Roanoke	116	178	2	1	34	60
Robertsdale	63	83	0	0	16	38
Rockford	6	0	0	0	1	0
Rogersville	20	24	0	2	5	10
Roosevelt City	14	20	0	0	2	3
Rosa	3	4	0	0	3	3
Russellville	182	233	1	2	62	91
Rutledge	8	4	0	1	3	5
Saint Florian	4	6	0	0	2	0
Samson	20	22	1	0	9	10
Sanford	2	5	0	0	1	0
Saraland	169	281	0	2	51	105
Sardis City	1	1	0	0	0	0
Satsuma	52	62	1	0	21	12
Scottsboro	265	373	4	0	98	124
Section	3	7	0	0	2	2
Selma	716	979	1	2	204	261
Sheffield	464	526	0	1	98	100
Shiloh	3	5	0	0	3	2
Shorter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Silas	0	1	0	0	0	1
Siluria	0	0	0	0	0	0
Silverhill	0	5	0	0	0	2
Sipsey	0	1	0	0	0	0
Slocomb	32	24	0	2	8	8
Snead	30	30	0	0	9	15
Somerville	5	9	0	0	3	2
Southside	60	76	0	1	22	17
Springville	2	2	0	0	0	1
Steele	8	1	0	0	3	1
Stevenson	2	1	1	0	1	0
Sulligent	6	5	0	2	3	0
Sumiton	77	93	0	0	25	33
Summerdale	10	11	0	0	6	5
Susan Moore	4	8	1	0	0	3
Sweet Water	1	4	0	0	1	2
Sylacauga	332	337	0	3	110	115
Sylvan Springs	1	4	0	0	0	0
Sylvania	15	22	0	0	3	12
Talladega	298	465	1	2	84	115
Talladega Sprgs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tallassee	76	106	1	1	18	48
Tarrant City	250	342	0	1	62	93
Taylor	14	16	0	0	8	12
Thomaston	2	4	0	0	0	0
Thomasville	92	98	1	0	40	29

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City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Thorsby	7	20	0	0	4	9
Town Creek	21	16	0	0	4	5
Toxey	4	0	0	0	3	0
Trafford	2	7	0	0	1	3
Triana	5	17	0	0	1	3
Trinity	16	28	0	0	6	12
Troy	219	400	0	1	56	84
Trussville	72	78	1	1	18	19
Tuscaloosa	2,558	3,300	4	11	746	787
Tuscumbia	167	197	0	0	37	42
Tuskegee	260	426	2	1	84	189
Union	0	4	0	0	0	2
Union Grove	5	3	2	0	3	2
Union Springs	19	16	1	0	6	2
Uniontown	3	0	0	0	1	0
Valley	209	292	1	1	89	104
Valley Head	1	14	0	0	0	8
Vance	1	4	0	0	0	0
Vernon	14	3	0	0	3	0
Vestavia Hills	255	466	0	0	60	90
Vina	5	6	0	0	3	3
Vincent	18	17	0	0	6	11
Vinemont	9	12	0	0	2	0
Vredenburgh	3	2	0	0	1	1

City	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Wadley	1	0	2	0	1	0
Waldo	4	6	0	0	3	3
Walnut Grove	0	2	0	0	0	1
Warrior	40	63	0	0	13	20
Waterloo	1	1	0	0	0	0
Waverly	0	4	0	0	0	0
Weaver	21	32	0	0	3	11
Webb	7	19	1	1	6	8
Wedowee	2	5	0	0	0	0
West Blocton	9	9	0	0	4	4
West Jefferson	1	2	0	0	0	2
West Point	3	5	0	0	2	1
Weston	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wetumpka	119	213	0	0	40	71
Whitehall	1	5	0	0	0	9
Whites Chapel	3	5	0	0	1	6
Wilmer	16	12	0	0	9	2
Wilsonville	1	3	0	0	0	0
Wilton	4	8	0	0	4	2
Winfield	63	83	4	1	29	35
Woodland	1	4	0	0	0	0
Woodville	3	6	0	0	2	7
York	0	0	0	0	0	0

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1984 vs 1983*

COUNTY	TOTAL ACCIDENTS FOR COUNTY						INCORPORATED AREAS OF COUNTY						RURAL AREAS OF COUNTY					
	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984	1983*	1984
Jefferson	12974	22393	58	82	4470	6667	10132	18217	36	43	3387	5207	2842	4176	22	39	1083	1460
Mobile	6872	9604	59	61	2424	3293	5707	8154	31	33	1874	2555	1165	1450	28	28	550	738
Montgomery	6399	8880	32	31	1564	2487	5933	8310	26	20	1374	2267	466	570	6	11	190	220
Autauga	570	760	14	3	231	301	353	475	6	1	107	138	217	285	8	2	124	163
Baldwin	1437	2011	33	46	615	821	605	900	4	6	177	284	832	1111	29	40	438	537
Barbour	376	480	11	6	147	153	273	360	8	2	91	83	103	120	3	4	56	70
Bibb	111	180	3	4	30	58	12	54	0	0	4	13	99	126	3	4	26	45
Blount	448	686	21	12	191	266	162	285	7	3	54	95	286	401	14	9	137	171
Bullock	134	137	4	1	49	57	23	25	1	0	6	5	111	112	3	1	43	52
Butler	305	402	2	4	100	145	151	222	0	0	34	46	154	180	2	4	66	99
Calhoun	2311	3273	19	16	711	1137	1698	2398	2	5	450	703	613	875	17	11	261	434
Chambers	657	961	5	7	259	370	452	640	1	1	169	219	205	321	4	6	80	151
Cherokee	228	307	7	13	114	157	89	137	1	3	44	45	139	170	6	10	70	112
Chilton	422	597	3	7	163	198	185	288	0	0	38	83	237	309	3	7	125	115
Choctaw	124	155	4	9	55	84	41	59	0	1	14	7	83	96	4	8	41	77
Clarke	425	501	5	3	201	193	260	301	1	0	103	89	165	200	4	3	98	104
Clay	110	160	3	7	67	72	18	34	1	0	15	6	92	126	2	7	52	66
Cleburne	135	230	5	6	53	97	51	75	1	0	16	25	84	155	4	6	37	72
Coffee	732	970	5	9	235	345	550	725	1	3	142	206	182	245	4	6	93	139
Colbert	1247	1607	4	19	358	466	1013	1259	0	2	255	318	234	348	4	17	103	148
Conecuh	242	332	5	5	970	124	102	124	0	0	26	38	140	208	5	5	71	86
Coosa	124	173	2	7	57	92	27	16	0	0	1	7	97	157	2	7	56	85
Covington	280	435	15	4	152	220	173	254	4	1	88	108	107	181	11	3	64	112
Crenshaw	156	213	3	2	60	83	52	70	0	1	17	8	104	143	3	1	43	75
Cullman	974	1498	20	29	309	545	538	816	4	8	139	228	436	682	16	21	170	317
Dale	577	828	6	4	187	293	383	543	2	1	102	174	194	285	4	3	85	119
Dallas	1066	1499	7	11	397	542	721	986	1	2	205	265	345	513	6	9	192	277
Dekalb	781	1107	9	14	304	436	553	786	5	7	184	264	228	321	4	7	120	172
Elmore	648	947	17	10	213	387	253	398	2	3	74	147	395	549	15	7	139	240
Escambia	438	515	10	9	194	231	202	262	3	0	58	96	236	253	7	9	136	135
Etowah	2112	2979	15	15	696	972	1836	2607	9	9	529	783	276	372	6	6	167	189
Fayette	224	374	1	4	95	194	122	241	0	2	35	101	102	133	1	2	60	93
Franklin	414	526	6	8	178	209	270	366	1	2	85	127	144	160	5	6	93	82
Geneva	281	331	6	7	113	132	148	156	2	2	49	52	133	175	4	5	64	80
Greene	95	217	4	5	43	68	6	90	0	1	1	14	89	127	4	4	42	54
Hale	157	211	4	0	83	57	76	88	0	0	16	24	81	123	4	0	67	33
Henry	174	231	3	7	65	132	79	75	0	1	22	39	95	156	3	6	43	93
Houston	1821	2626	15	16	709	1106	1594	2310	3	9	576	946	227	316	12	7	133	160
Jackson	568	777	14	19	256	371	306	424	5	1	118	151	262	353	9	18	138	220
Lamar	95	107	5	11	65	47	23	14	0	2	6	5	72	93	5	9	41	42
Lauderdale	1500	2021	20	18	440	621	1120	1512	5	6	296	431	380	509	15	12	144	190
Lawrence	469	650	8	17	169	283	123	180	3	4	31	65	346	470	5	13	138	218
Lee	1806	2384	10	17	552	854	1411	1835	1	8	371	597	395	549	9	9	181	257
Limestone	984	1418	13	12	280	537	567	814	2	4	98	261	417	604	11	8	182	276
Lowndes	190	198	3	10	88	91	35	30	0	0	4	14	155	168	3	10	84	77
Macon	455	700	8	9	147	295	271	449	2	1	85	200	184	251	6	8	62	95
Madison	6190	8921	31	47	1854	2551	5543	8025	17	25	1532	2147	647	896	14	22	322	404
Marengo	346	465	15	12	139	193	179	245	1	3	54	71	167	220	14	9	85	122
Marion	347	534	15	11	152	192	216	332	5	4	81	97	131	202	10	7	71	95
Marshall	1453	2055	18	23	565	704	1067	1488	12	5	375	453	386	567	6	18	190	251
Monroe	271	325	5	9	100	105	119	123	1	2	43	31	152	202	4	7	57	74
Morgan	1739	2632	7	17	620	852	1233	1875	3	5	341	498	506	757	4	12	279	354
Perry	193	260	5	5	118	132	83	121	0	0	28	51	110	139	5	5	90	81
Pickens	229	303	8	2	81	107	125	157	0	0	24	48	104	146	8	2	57	59
Pike	401	678	5	10	118	200	243	449	0	5	660	98	158	229	5	5	52	102
Randolph	203	312	9	9	71	109	120	187	4	1	35	60	83	125	5	8	36	49
Russell	1015	1457	8	16	341	532	762	1141	1	1	231	359	253	316	7	15	110	173
St. Clair	381	448	11	6	175	234	72	69	2	1	23	27	309	379	9	5	152	207
Shelby	828	1354	14	20	370	556	489	780	3	1	159	234	339	574	11	19	211	322
Sumter	181	230	8	5	86	87	74	93	2	2	26	20	107	137	6	3	60	67
Talladega	1116	1509	14	20	372	539	733	952	2	5	218	278	383	557	12	15	154	261
Tallapoosa	745	1128	5	16	290	357	573	878	3	6	179	236	172	250	2	10	111	121
Tuscaloosa	3587	4642	14	44	1136	1314	2972	3798	5	17	872	920	615	844	9	27	264	394
Walker	1118	1429	20	18	443	582	625	767	1	4	171	216	493	662	19	14	272	366
Washington	153	218	5	16	107	105	8	28	0	7	4	11	145	190	5	9	103	94
Wilcox	198	252	5	9	73	109	51	49	0	1	4	6	147	203	5	8	69	103
Winston	323	412	10	9	102	137	159	208	1	0	35	42	164	204	9	9	67	95

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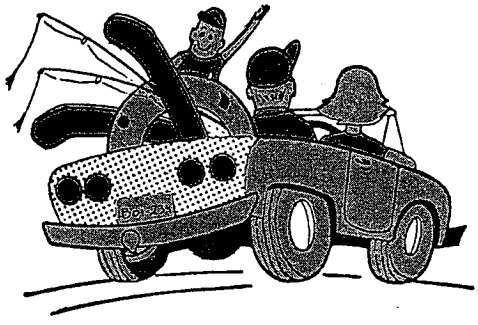
HOLIDAY FATALITIES

HOLIDAY	YEAR	KILLED	PERIOD
Memorial Day	1983	17	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, May 27, to midnight, Monday, May 30. (78 hours)
Memorial Day	1984	7	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, May 25, to midnight, Monday, May 28. (78 hours)
4th of July	1983	10	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, July 1, to midnight, Monday, July 4. (78 hours)
4th of July	1984	2	From 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 3, to midnight, Wednesday, July 4. (30 hours)
Labor Day	1983	13	From 6:00 p.m. Friday, September 2, to midnight, Monday, September 5. (78 hours)
Labor Day	1984	12	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, August 31, to midnight, Monday, September 3. (78 hours)
Thanksgiving	1983	11	From 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 21, to midnight, Sunday, November 25. (102 hours.)
Thanksgiving	1984	18	From 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 21, to Sunday, November 25. (102 hours.)
Christmas	1983	7	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, December 23, to midnight, Monday, December 26. (78 hours)
Christmas	1984	10	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, December 21, to midnight, Tuesday, December 25. (102 hours)
New Year	1983	8	From 6:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, to midnight, Sunday, January 2. (78 hours)
New Year	1984	5	From 6:00 p.m., Friday, December 31, to midnight, Monday, January 2. (78 hours)



DEFINITIONS

The following special terms are used throughout this report, and are provided to clarify the meaning of the data.

1. **Accident (or Traffic Accident).** An unintended event that causes death, injury or property damage involving a motor vehicle.

2. **Alcohol Involvement Accident.** Any motor vehicle accident where a driver, pedestrian or bicyclist had been drinking.

3. **Driving Under the Influence (DUI):** Current Alabama Code defines it as follows:

   (Section 35-SA-191)

   A person shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any vehicle while:

   (1) There is 0.10 percent or more by weight of alcohol in his blood;

   (2) Under the influence of alcohol;

   (3) Under the influence of a controlled substance to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving; or

   (4) Under the combined influence of alcohol and a controlled substance to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving.

4. **Economic Loss.** A reasonable estimate of the costs associated with accidents, based upon current National Safety Council estimates of the loss to society for each fatality, injury and property damage accident.

5. **Fatality.** A person who dies as the result of a motor vehicle traffic accident. (For recordkeeping purposes, the death must occur within 90 days of the accident.)

6. **Fatal Accident.** A motor vehicle traffic accident which causes the death of one or more persons.

7. **First Harmful Event.** The first event (often in a series of events) involving a motor vehicle which causes death, injury or property damage.

8. **Forensic Investigation.** An analysis conducted for purposes of preparing scientific evidence suitable for findings in a court of law.

9. **Hit-Other-Vehicle.** A type of collision in which the first harmful event involves a collision between two or more vehicles.

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10. **Injury**. A person sustaining injuries as the result of a motor vehicle traffic accident. This would include victims with the extent of injury of severe wound, other visible injury, or complaint of pain. Victims killed are not included in the injury category.

11. **Mileage Death Rate**. The number of fatalities per 100 million miles of vehicle travel.

12. **Motor Vehicle**. Any motorized (mechanically or electrically powered) vehicle not operated on rails.

13. **Other Non-Collision**. An event during an accident sequence which does not involve a collision with another vehicle or object. Examples include but are not limited to collapse of a bridge, passenger inhalation of gas, or fire and explosion within a vehicle.

14. **Overturning**. An accident in which the overturning of a vehicle was the first harmful event.

15. **Pedalcycle**. A non-motorized vehicle propelled by pedalling (bicycle, tricycle, etc.)

16. **Primary Contributing Circumstance**. The main cause of an accident.

17. **Rural (or Rural Area)**. All areas that are not incorporated.

18. **Type of Crash**. The category which best describes the general type of collision which was the first event.

19. **Urban (or (Urban Area)**. Any incorporated area.

20. **Vehicle Miles Traveled**. The estimated total number of miles driven during the year by all vehicles within the state.

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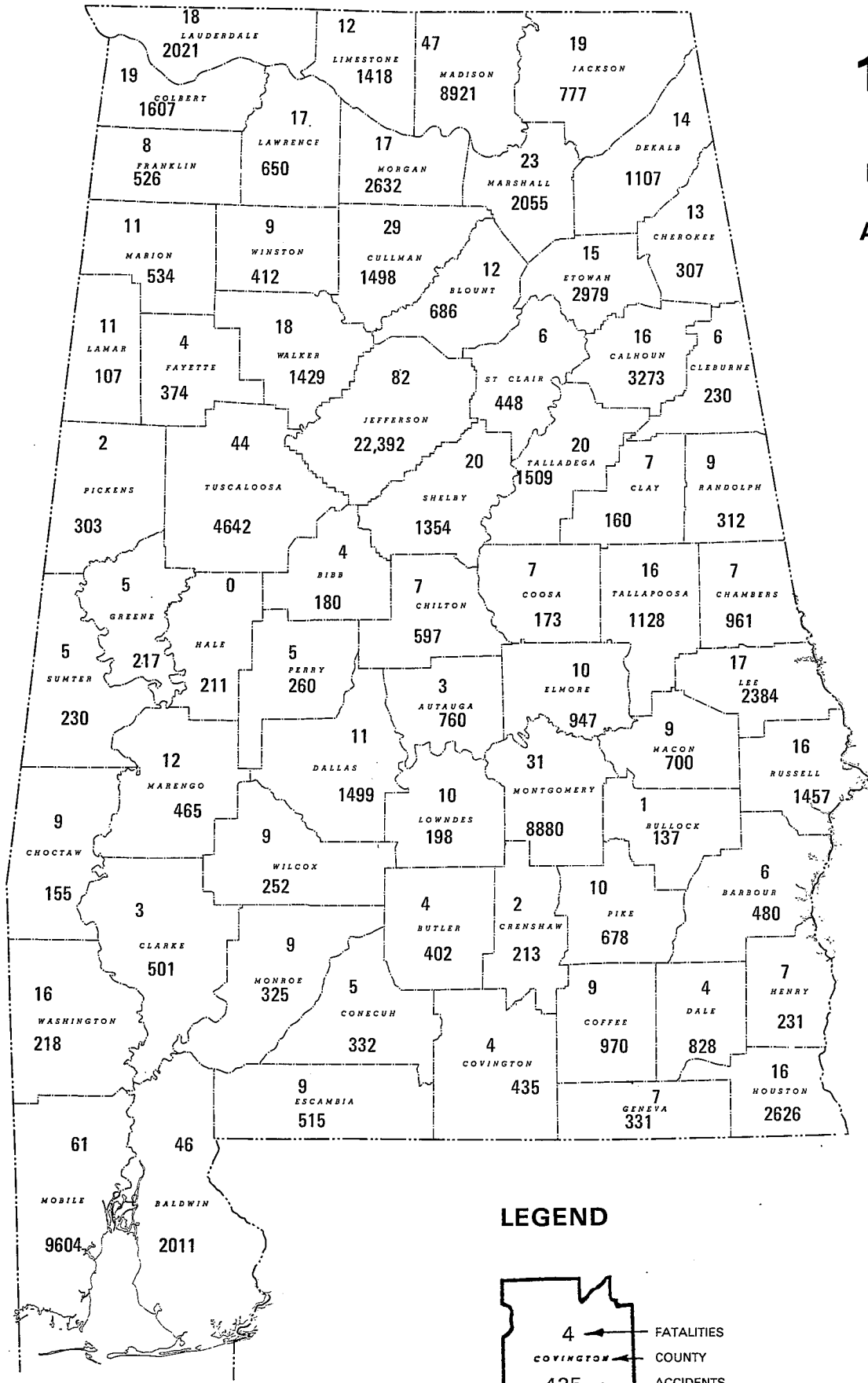
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