

Texas Motor Vehicle Traffic Crash Facts Calendar Year 2011

- The Fatality Rate on Texas roadways for 2011 was 1.29 deaths per hundred million vehicle miles traveled. This is a 1.08% decrease from 2010.
- Texas experienced an increase in the number of motor vehicle traffic fatalities. The 2011 death toll of 3,068 was an increase of 0.3% from the 3,060 deaths recorded in 2010.
- There were 11,724 serious injury crashes in Texas in 2011 with 14,755 people sustaining a serious injury*.
- The annual vehicle miles traveled in Texas during 2011 reached 237.443 billion, an increase of 1.36% over the 234.261 billion traveled in 2010.
- Fatalities in traffic crashes in rural areas of the state accounted for 54.63% of the state's traffic fatalities. There were 1,676 deaths in rural traffic crashes.
- Single vehicle, run-off the road crashes resulted in 1,230 deaths in 2011. This was 40 % of all motor vehicle traffic deaths in 2011.
- In 2011 there were 716 people killed in crashes occurring in intersections or related to an intersection.
- There were 422 people killed in head-on crashes in 2011.
- There were no deathless days on Texas roadways in 2011.
- There was one crash that resulted in 6 or more fatalities in 2011.
- Sunday, September 18th was the deadliest day in 2011 with twenty-five (25) persons killed in traffic crashes. October was the deadliest month with 291 persons killed.

Based on reportable crashes in 2011:

- 1 person was killed every 2 hours
 52 minutes
- 1 person was injured every 2 minutes 28 seconds
- + 1 reportable crash occurred every 82 seconds
- Of all persons killed in vehicles where restraint usage was applicable and usage was known in 2011, 46% were reported as not restrained when the fatal crash occurred.
- 212,665 persons were injured in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2011.
- There were 491 motorcyclists (operators and passengers) killed in 2011. Fifty-two percent (52%) of motorcyclists killed were not wearing helmets at the time of the crash.
- Pedestrian fatalities totaled 425 in 2011. This is a 19% increase from 2010.
- Pedalcyclist fatalities totaled 47 in 2011. This is a 9.3% increase from 2010.
- In 2011, there were 1,054 people killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes where a driver was under the influence of alcohol. This is 34% of the total number of people killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes.
- During 2011, 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 2011, there were 415 people killed in crashes involving distracted driving. This is a 7% decrease from 2010.
- There were no fatalities caused by a bridge collapse in 2011.

*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 April 13, 2021.