

Table 1071. Motor Vehicle Accidents—Number and Deaths: 1980 to 2005

[17.9 represents 17,900,000]

Item	Unit	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2002	2003	2004	2005
ACCIDENTS										
Motor vehicle accidents ¹	Million . . .	17.9	19.3	11.5	10.7	13.4	18.3	11.8	10.9	10.7
Vehicles involved:										
Cars	Million . . .	22.8	25.6	14.3	12.3	15.9	18.1	11.5	10.8	(NA)
Trucks	Million . . .	5.5	6.1	4.4	4.5	8.8	12.2	8.2	8.1	(NA)
Motorcycles	1,000	560	480	180	152	130	190	150	150	(NA)
DEATHS										
Motor vehicle deaths within 1 yr. ² . . .	1,000	53.2	45.9	46.8	43.4	43.4	45.4	44.1	46.2	45.8
Noncollision accidents	1,000	(NA)	(NA)	4.9	4.4	4.8	5.3	5.1	5.2	5.3
Collision accidents:										
With other motor vehicles	1,000	23.0	19.9	19.9	19.0	19.1	19.2	19.8	20.6	19.2
With pedestrians	1,000	9.7	8.5	7.3	6.4	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.9	6.2
With fixed objects	1,000	(NA)	(NA)	13.1	12.1	12.3	13.6	12.4	13.3	13.7
Deaths within 30 days ³	1,000	51.1	43.8	44.6	41.8	41.9	43.0	42.9	42.8	43.4
Occupants	1,000	36.8	31.5	33.9	33.1	33.5	34.1	33.6	33.3	33.0
Passenger cars	1,000	27.4	23.2	24.1	22.4	20.7	20.6	19.7	19.2	18.4
Light trucks ⁴	1,000	7.5	6.7	8.6	9.6	11.5	12.3	12.5	12.7	13.0
Large trucks ⁴	1,000	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8
Buses	1,000	(Z)	0.1	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	0.0	0.1
Other/unknown	1,000	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.8
Motorcycle riders ⁵	1,000	5.1	4.6	3.2	2.2	2.9	3.3	3.7	4.0	4.6
Nonoccupants	1,000	9.2	7.8	7.5	6.5	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.8
Pedestrians	1,000	8.1	6.8	6.5	5.6	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.9
Pedalcyclist	1,000	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8
Other/unknown	1,000	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Traffic death rates: ^{3, 6}										
Per 100 million vehicle miles	Rate	3.3	2.5	2.1	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.5
Per 100,000 licensed drivers	Rate	35.2	27.9	26.7	23.7	22.0	22.1	21.9	21.5	21.7
Per 100,000 registered vehicles	Rate	34.8	26.4	24.2	21.2	19.3	19.1	18.6	18.0	17.7
Per 100,000 resident population	Rate	22.5	18.4	17.9	15.9	14.9	14.9	14.8	14.6	14.7

NA Not available. Z Fewer than 50. ¹ Covers only accidents occurring on the road. Data are estimated. Year-to-year comparisons should be made with caution. ² Deaths that occur within 1 year of accident. Includes collision categories not shown separately. ³ Within 30 days of accident. Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Traffic Safety Facts, annual; and unpublished data. See Internet site <<http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/Crash/Index.html>>. ⁴ See footnotes 2 and 3 in Table 1075. ⁵ Includes motorized cycles. ⁶ Based on 30-day definition of traffic deaths.