

**Table 1108. Speeding-Related Traffic Fatalities by Road Type, Speed Limit, and State: 2009**

[Speeding consists of exceeding the posted speed limit or driving too fast for the road conditions or any speed-related violation charged (racing, driving above speed limit, speed greater than reasonable, exceeding special speed limit)]

State	Traffic fatalities, total	Speeding-related fatalities by road type and speed limit								
		Interstate			Noninterstate					
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Over 55 mph	At or under 55 mph	55 mph	50 mph	45 mph	40 mph	35 mph	Under 35 mph
<b>United States</b> . . . . .	<b>33,808</b>	<b>10,591</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>2,701</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>1,277</b>
Alabama . . . . .	848	327	21	2	75	10	100	24	27	27
Alaska . . . . .	64	26	5	5	8	1	6	—	1	—
Arizona . . . . .	807	283	54	6	23	20	61	13	25	33
Arkansas . . . . .	585	105	19	2	39	3	11	4	12	11
California . . . . .	3,081	1,087	145	18	266	39	100	100	161	119
Colorado . . . . .	465	171	17	8	21	14	11	15	21	23
Connecticut . . . . .	223	103	10	6	6	4	13	21	7	40
Delaware . . . . .	116	44	5	1	8	14	6	3	2	3
District of Columbia . . . . .	29	10	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	8
Florida . . . . .	2,558	535	56	17	78	19	127	36	73	85
Georgia . . . . .	1,284	238	17	13	54	10	42	12	47	30
Hawaii . . . . .	109	59	—	5	2	1	10	1	20	20
Idaho . . . . .	226	81	8	—	15	8	8	—	4	7
Illinois . . . . .	911	325	41	10	113	5	23	15	27	64
Indiana . . . . .	693	174	20	3	53	8	27	16	19	25
Iowa . . . . .	372	62	5	3	28	4	3	1	8	8
Kansas . . . . .	386	103	9	—	43	3	6	5	5	15
Kentucky . . . . .	791	154	7	3	85	4	18	—	24	11
Louisiana . . . . .	821	288	30	1	115	8	49	5	35	19
Maine . . . . .	159	61	2	2	10	7	18	4	7	5
Maryland . . . . .	547	184	10	21	15	39	11	37	18	28
Massachusetts . . . . .	334	76	13	4	4	3	4	4	9	30
Michigan . . . . .	871	205	16	2	95	7	16	7	17	34
Minnesota . . . . .	421	95	5	5	48	4	2	2	1	20
Mississippi . . . . .	700	106	9	1	24	4	25	4	18	10
Missouri . . . . .	878	379	26	12	124	23	29	19	54	38
Montana . . . . .	221	86	15	1	5	1	5	—	6	8
Nebraska . . . . .	223	30	7	—	1	7	1	2	1	2
Nevada . . . . .	243	91	12	2	11	—	23	—	20	8
New Hampshire . . . . .	110	39	3	1	2	6	1	1	14	11
New Jersey . . . . .	583	95	2	3	5	24	8	4	13	29
New Mexico . . . . .	361	69	5	5	9	1	4	5	6	11
New York . . . . .	1,156	368	6	8	142	11	32	22	20	57
North Carolina . . . . .	1,314	517	32	2	270	9	125	8	49	13
North Dakota . . . . .	140	32	4	1	10	—	3	—	1	2
Ohio . . . . .	1,021	287	22	4	129	11	21	12	55	25
Oklahoma . . . . .	738	234	26	2	25	7	83	18	8	14
Oregon . . . . .	377	125	7	1	55	3	16	6	8	8
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,256	634	19	37	152	12	131	94	116	54
Rhode Island . . . . .	83	28	—	5	—	2	—	—	4	9
South Carolina . . . . .	894	337	37	1	99	9	84	29	43	22
South Dakota . . . . .	131	41	12	—	19	2	2	—	2	—
Tennessee . . . . .	989	209	10	10	35	10	48	30	29	30
Texas . . . . .	3,071	1,228	106	37	149	40	116	104	132	140
Utah . . . . .	244	104	23	5	9	9	5	12	10	10
Vermont . . . . .	74	22	1	—	2	8	—	2	5	3
Virginia . . . . .	757	147	8	8	45	3	20	8	27	18
Washington . . . . .	492	208	16	—	15	22	15	10	41	44
West Virginia . . . . .	356	120	20	1	44	2	13	5	11	8
Wisconsin . . . . .	561	203	8	2	105	—	21	3	14	36
Wyoming . . . . .	134	56	13	—	11	4	4	1	2	2

— Represents zero. <sup>1</sup> Includes fatalities that occurred on roads for which the speed limit was unknown.

Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, *Traffic Safety Facts, Speeding*, annual. See also <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/CATS/index.aspx>>.

**Table 1109. Distracted Drivers—Crashes/Road Fatalities and Injuries: 2005 to 2009**

["Distraction" is defined as a specific type of inattention that occurs when drivers divert their attention from the driving task to focus on some other activity instead. It is worth noting that "distraction" is a subset of "inattention" (which also includes fatigue, physical conditions of the driver, and emotional conditions of the driver). For more information, see the appendices of the report at <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/Pubs/811379.pdf>>]

Description	2005	2008	2009	Description	2005	2008	2009
Fatal crashes <sup>1</sup>				Drivers . . . . .	4,217	5,477	5,084
				Percentage . . . . .	7	11	11
Overall:				Fatalities . . . . .	4,472	5,838	5,474
Crashes . . . . .	39,252	34,172	30,797	Percentage . . . . .	10	16	16
Drivers . . . . .	59,220	50,416	45,230	People injured in crashes: <sup>3</sup>			
Fatalities . . . . .	43,510	37,423	33,808	Overall . . . . .	2,699,000	2,346,000	2,217,000
Involving driver distraction: <sup>2</sup>				Involving distraction:			
Crashes . . . . .	4,026	5,307	4,898	Estimate . . . . .	604,000	466,000	448,000
Percentage . . . . .	10	16	16	Percentage of total . . . . .	22	20	20

<sup>1</sup> Source: NHTSA's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). <sup>2</sup> For multi-vehicle crashes, the crash was reported as a distracted-driving crash if at least one driver was reported as distracted. In some of these multi-vehicle crashes, multiple drivers were reported as distracted. <sup>3</sup> Source: National Automotive Sampling System (NASS) General Estimates System (GES).

Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, *Traffic Safety Facts, Research Note*, "An Examination of Driver Distraction as Recorded in the NHTSA Databases." See also <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/CATS/index.aspx>>.