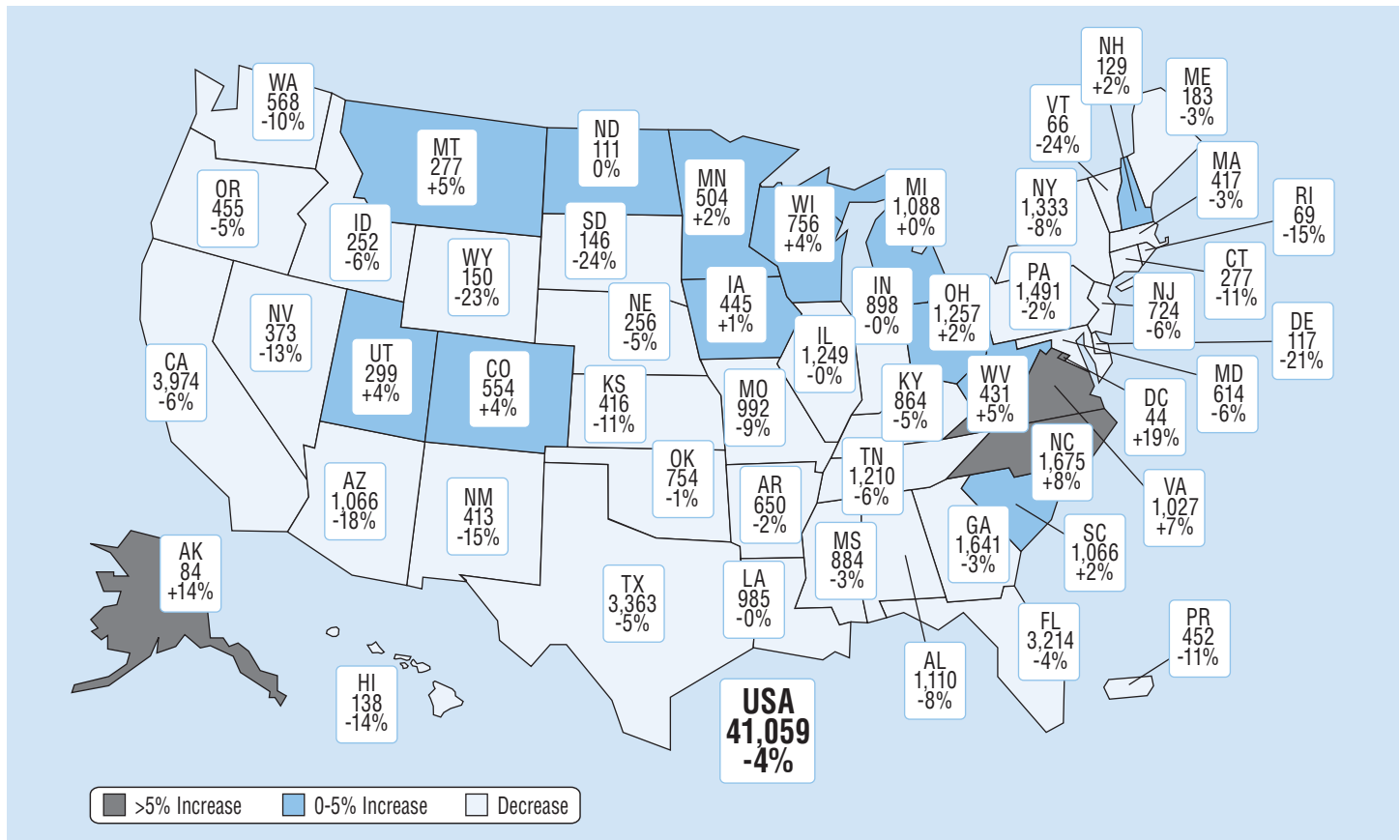


Traffic Safety Facts

2007 Data

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Figure 1
 2007 Traffic Fatalities by State and Percent Change From 2006



For more information:

Information on traffic fatalities is available from the National Center for Statistics and Analysis, NVS-424, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. NCSA can be contacted on 800-934-8517. Fax messages should be sent to 202-366-7078. General information on highway traffic safety can be accessed by Internet users at www.nhtsa.gov/portal/site/nhtsa/nhsa. To report a safety-related problem or to inquire about motor vehicle safety information, contact the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236.

Other fact sheets available from the National Center for Statistics and Analysis are *Overview*, *Alcohol*, *African American*, *Children*, *Hispanic*, *Large Trucks*, *Motorcycles*, *Occupant Protection*, *Older Population*, *Pedestrians*, *Race and Ethnicity*, *Rural/Urban Comparisons*, *School Transportation-Related Crashes*, *Speeding*, *State Alcohol Estimates*, and *Young Drivers*. Detailed data on motor vehicle traffic crashes are published annually in *Traffic Safety Facts: A Compilation of Motor Vehicle Crash Data from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System and the General Estimates System*. The fact sheets and annual Traffic Safety Facts report can be accessed online at www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/CATS.

Table 1.
Traffic Fatalities and Fatality Rates, 2007

State	Traffic Fatalities	Population (thousands)	Licensed Drivers (thousands)	Registered Vehicles (thousands)	Vehicle Miles Traveled (millions)	Fatality Rates per			
						100,000 Population	100,000 Licensed Drivers	100,000 Registered Vehicles	100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled
AL	1,110	4,628	3,692	4,789	61,410	23.99	30.07	23.18	1.81
AK	84	683	495	706	5,153	12.29	16.96	11.90	1.63
AZ	1,066	6,339	4,154	4,497	62,963	16.82	25.66	23.70	1.69
AR	650	2,835	2,046	2,074	33,171	22.93	31.77	31.33	1.96
CA	3,974	36,553	23,467	34,703	328,312	10.87	16.93	11.45	1.21
CO	554	4,862	3,503	1,819	48,713	11.40	15.82	30.46	1.14
CT	277	3,502	2,849	3,112	32,053	7.91	9.72	8.90	0.86
DE	117	865	624	875	9,483	13.53	18.74	13.38	1.23
DC	44	588	396	219	3,609	7.48	11.11	20.09	1.22
FL	3,214	18,251	14,139	17,099	206,121	17.61	22.73	18.80	1.56
GA	1,641	9,545	6,134	8,685	112,541	17.19	26.75	18.89	1.46
HI	138	1,283	863	1,023	10,345	10.75	15.99	13.49	1.33
ID	252	1,499	1,028	1,326	15,782	16.81	24.53	19.00	1.60
IL	1,249	12,853	8,190	10,065	107,483	9.72	15.25	12.41	1.16
IN	898	6,345	4,309	5,103	71,478	14.15	20.84	17.60	1.26
IA	445	2,988	2,094	3,522	31,253	14.89	21.25	12.64	1.42
KS	416	2,776	2,018	2,507	30,048	14.99	20.61	16.60	1.38
KY	864	4,241	2,933	3,609	48,063	20.37	29.46	23.94	1.80
LA	985	4,293	3,034	3,991	45,376	22.94	32.47	24.68	2.17
ME	183	1,317	1,010	1,130	15,035	13.89	18.12	16.20	1.22
MD	614	5,618	3,738	4,589	56,503	10.93	16.43	13.38	1.09
MA	417	6,450	4,699	5,511	55,071	6.47	8.87	7.57	0.76
MI	1,088	10,072	7,059	8,460	104,614	10.80	15.41	12.86	1.04
MN	504	5,198	3,149	4,986	57,233	9.70	16.00	10.11	0.88
MS	884	2,919	1,927	2,036	43,337	30.29	45.88	43.43	2.04
MO	992	5,878	4,162	5,009	69,151	16.88	23.83	19.80	1.43
MT	277	958	736	969	11,307	28.92	37.65	28.59	2.45
NE	256	1,775	1,331	1,780	19,439	14.43	19.24	14.39	1.32
NV	373	2,565	1,662	1,486	22,146	14.54	22.45	25.11	1.68
NH	129	1,316	1,027	1,260	13,459	9.80	12.57	10.23	0.96
NJ	724	8,686	5,782	6,411	76,152	8.34	12.52	11.29	0.95
NM	413	1,970	1,365	1,646	26,850	20.97	30.25	25.09	1.54
NY	1,333	19,298	11,369	11,811	136,737	6.91	11.72	11.29	0.97
NC	1,675	9,061	6,384	6,433	103,598	18.49	26.24	26.04	1.62
ND	111	640	471	738	7,844	17.35	23.58	15.04	1.42
OH	1,257	11,467	7,976	11,195	110,631	10.96	15.76	11.23	1.14
OK	754	3,617	2,283	3,326	47,572	20.84	33.02	22.67	1.58
OR	455	3,747	2,827	3,185	34,750	12.14	16.09	14.29	1.31
PA	1,491	12,433	8,601	10,292	108,699	11.99	17.34	14.49	1.37
RI	69	1,058	744	828	8,636	6.52	9.28	8.33	0.80
SC	1,066	4,408	3,127	3,616	51,109	24.18	34.09	29.48	2.09
SD	146	796	589	923	9,005	18.34	24.81	15.81	1.62
TN	1,210	6,157	4,426	5,484	71,179	19.65	27.34	22.06	1.70
TX	3,363	23,904	15,184	18,460	243,443	14.07	22.15	18.22	1.38
UT	299	2,645	1,652	2,375	26,832	11.30	18.10	12.59	1.11
VT	66	621	534	591	7,694	10.62	12.35	11.17	0.86
VA	1,027	7,712	5,260	6,694	82,077	13.32	19.53	15.34	1.25
WA	568	6,468	4,880	5,965	56,939	8.78	11.64	9.52	1.00
WV	431	1,812	1,359	1,459	20,564	23.79	31.73	29.54	2.10
WI	756	5,602	4,066	5,343	59,493	13.50	18.59	14.15	1.27
WY	150	523	398	690	9,366	28.69	37.66	21.73	1.60
USA	41,059	301,621	205,742	255,748	3,029,822	13.61	19.96	16.05	1.36
PR	452	3,941	-	2,647	19,205	11.47	-	17.08	2.35

Sources: Fatalities—Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS); Licensed Drivers (estimated)—Federal Highway Administration; Registered Vehicles by State (estimated)—Federal Highway Administration; Registered Vehicles for USA—R.L. Polk & Co. and Federal Highway Administration; Population—Bureau of the Census. Note: Licensed driver data not available for Puerto Rico

Table 2.

Traffic Fatalities and Percent Change, 1975-2007

State	Fatalities							Percent Change					
	1975	1985	1990	1995	2000	2006	2007	1975-1985	1985-1990	1990-1995	1995-2000	1975-2007	2006-2007
AL	902	882	1,121	1,114	996	1,207	1,110	-2%	+27%	-1%	-11%	+23%	-8%
AK	112	127	98	87	106	74	84	+13%	-23%	-11%	+22%	-25%	+14%
AZ	670	893	869	1,035	1,036	1,293	1,066	+33%	-3%	+19%	+0%	+59%	-18%
AR	559	534	604	631	652	665	650	-4%	+13%	+4%	+3%	+16%	-2%
CA	4,092	4,960	5,192	4,192	3,753	4,240	3,974	+21%	+5%	-19%	-10%	-3%	-6%
CO	581	579	544	645	681	535	554	-0%	-6%	+19%	+6%	-5%	+4%
CT	389	448	385	317	341	311	277	+15%	-14%	-18%	+8%	-29%	-11%
DE	122	104	138	121	123	148	117	-15%	+33%	-12%	+2%	-4%	-21%
DC	70	60	48	58	48	37	44	-14%	-20%	+21%	-17%	-37%	+19%
FL	1,998	2,832	2,891	2,805	2,999	3,357	3,214	+42%	+2%	-3%	+7%	+61%	-4%
GA	1,360	1,361	1,562	1,488	1,541	1,693	1,641	+0%	+15%	-5%	+4%	+21%	-3%
HI	144	126	177	130	132	161	138	-13%	+40%	-27%	+2%	-4%	-14%
ID	281	255	244	262	276	267	252	-9%	-4%	+7%	+5%	-10%	-6%
IL	2,041	1,534	1,589	1,586	1,418	1,254	1,249	-25%	+4%	-0%	-11%	-39%	-0%
IN	1,128	974	1,049	960	886	902	898	-14%	+8%	-8%	-8%	-20%	-0%
IA	670	474	465	527	445	439	445	-29%	-2%	+13%	-16%	-34%	+1%
KS	509	486	444	442	461	468	416	-5%	-9%	-0%	+4%	-18%	-11%
KY	863	712	849	849	820	913	864	-17%	+19%	0%	-3%	+0%	-5%
LA	934	931	959	894	938	987	985	-0%	+3%	-7%	+5%	+5%	-0%
ME	223	206	213	187	169	188	183	-8%	+3%	-12%	-10%	-18%	-3%
MD	670	729	707	671	588	652	614	+9%	-3%	-5%	-12%	-8%	-6%
MA	864	742	605	444	433	429	417	-14%	-18%	-27%	-2%	-52%	-3%
MI	1,779	1,545	1,571	1,530	1,382	1,086	1,088	-13%	+2%	-3%	-10%	-39%	+0%
MN	754	608	566	597	625	494	504	-19%	-7%	+5%	+5%	-33%	+2%
MS	546	662	750	868	949	911	884	+21%	+13%	+16%	+9%	+62%	-3%
MO	1,045	931	1,097	1,109	1,157	1,096	992	-11%	+18%	+1%	+4%	-5%	-9%
MT	291	223	212	215	237	264	277	-23%	-5%	+1%	+10%	-5%	+5%
NE	369	237	262	254	276	269	256	-36%	+11%	-3%	+9%	-31%	-5%
NV	218	259	343	313	323	431	373	+19%	+32%	-9%	+3%	+71%	-13%
NH	151	191	158	118	126	127	129	+26%	-17%	-25%	+7%	-15%	+2%
NJ	1,043	964	886	774	731	771	724	-8%	-8%	-13%	-6%	-31%	-6%
NM	555	535	499	485	432	484	413	-4%	-7%	-3%	-11%	-26%	-15%
NY	2,366	2,006	2,217	1,679	1,460	1,454	1,333	-15%	+11%	-24%	-13%	-44%	-8%
NC	1,506	1,482	1,385	1,448	1,557	1,554	1,675	-2%	-7%	+5%	+8%	+11%	+8%
ND	167	90	112	74	86	111	111	-46%	+24%	-34%	+16%	-34%	0%
OH	1,766	1,646	1,638	1,360	1,366	1,238	1,257	-7%	-0%	-17%	+0%	-29%	+2%
OK	757	744	641	669	650	765	754	-2%	-14%	+4%	-3%	-0%	-1%
OR	562	559	579	574	451	478	455	-1%	+4%	-1%	-21%	-19%	-5%
PA	2,078	1,771	1,646	1,480	1,520	1,525	1,491	-15%	-7%	-10%	+3%	-28%	-2%
RI	110	109	84	69	80	81	69	-1%	-23%	-18%	+16%	-37%	-15%
SC	820	951	979	881	1,065	1,045	1,066	+16%	+3%	-10%	+21%	+30%	+2%
SD	195	130	153	158	173	191	146	-33%	+18%	+3%	+9%	-25%	-24%
TN	1,126	1,101	1,177	1,259	1,307	1,284	1,210	-2%	+7%	+7%	+4%	+7%	-6%
TX	3,372	3,678	3,250	3,183	3,779	3,531	3,363	+9%	-12%	-2%	+19%	-0%	-5%
UT	272	303	272	325	373	287	299	+11%	-10%	+19%	+15%	+10%	+4%
VT	143	115	90	106	76	87	66	-20%	-22%	+18%	-28%	-54%	-24%
VA	993	976	1,079	900	929	962	1,027	-2%	+11%	-17%	+3%	+3%	+7%
WA	758	744	825	653	631	633	568	-2%	+11%	-21%	-3%	-25%	-10%
WV	461	420	481	376	411	410	431	-9%	+15%	-22%	+9%	-7%	+5%
WI	930	744	769	745	799	724	756	-20%	+3%	-3%	+7%	-19%	+4%
WY	210	152	125	170	152	195	150	-28%	-18%	+36%	-11%	-29%	-23%
USA	44,525	43,825	44,599	41,817	41,945	42,708	41,059	-2%	+2%	-6%	+0%	-8%	-4%
PR	496	600	473	595	568	509	452	+21%	-21%	+26%	-5%	-9%	-11%

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

Table 3.
Traffic Fatality Rates and Percent Change, 1975-2007

State	Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT							Percent Change					
	1975	1985	1990	1995	2000	2006	2007	1975-1985	1985-1990	1990-1995	1995-2000	1975-2007	2006-2007
AL	3.63	2.51	2.65	2.20	1.76	1.99	1.81	-31%	+6%	-17%	-20%	-50%	-9%
AK	4.38	3.17	2.51	2.11	2.30	1.49	1.63	-28%	-21%	-16%	+9%	-63%	+9%
AZ	4.19	4.14	2.45	2.61	2.11	2.07	1.69	-1%	-41%	+7%	-19%	-60%	-18%
AR	4.01	3.12	2.87	2.37	2.24	2.01	1.96	-22%	-8%	-17%	-5%	-51%	-2%
CA	3.09	2.39	2.01	1.52	1.22	1.29	1.21	-23%	-16%	-24%	-20%	-61%	-6%
CO	3.50	2.21	2.00	1.84	1.63	1.10	1.14	-37%	-10%	-8%	-11%	-67%	+4%
CT	2.13	2.00	1.46	1.13	1.11	0.98	0.86	-6%	-27%	-23%	-2%	-60%	-12%
DE	3.37	1.94	2.11	1.61	1.49	1.57	1.23	-42%	+9%	-24%	-7%	-64%	-22%
DC	2.27	1.86	1.41	1.67	1.37	1.02	1.22	-18%	-24%	+18%	-18%	-46%	+20%
FL	3.24	3.22	2.63	2.19	1.99	1.65	1.56	-1%	-18%	-17%	-9%	-52%	-5%
GA	3.46	2.53	2.22	1.74	1.47	1.49	1.46	-27%	-12%	-22%	-16%	-58%	-2%
HI	3.47	1.86	2.19	1.64	1.55	1.58	1.33	-46%	+18%	-25%	-5%	-62%	-16%
ID	4.78	3.31	2.48	2.13	2.04	1.76	1.60	-31%	-25%	-14%	-4%	-67%	-9%
IL	3.56	2.17	1.91	1.68	1.38	1.17	1.16	-39%	-12%	-12%	-18%	-67%	-1%
IN	3.02	2.39	1.95	1.49	1.25	1.27	1.26	-21%	-18%	-24%	-16%	-58%	-1%
IA	3.75	2.35	2.02	2.03	1.51	1.40	1.42	-37%	-14%	+0%	-26%	-62%	+1%
KS	3.29	2.52	1.94	1.76	1.64	1.55	1.38	-23%	-23%	-9%	-7%	-58%	-11%
KY	3.50	2.50	2.52	2.07	1.75	1.91	1.80	-29%	+1%	-18%	-15%	-49%	-6%
LA	4.60	2.79	2.53	2.31	2.30	2.17	2.17	-39%	-9%	-9%	-0%	-53%	0%
ME	3.14	2.22	1.79	1.49	1.19	1.25	1.22	-29%	-19%	-17%	-20%	-61%	-2%
MD	2.66	2.19	1.74	1.50	1.17	1.16	1.09	-18%	-21%	-14%	-22%	-59%	-6%
MA	2.75	1.87	1.31	0.92	0.82	0.78	0.76	-32%	-30%	-30%	-11%	-72%	-3%
MI	3.06	2.29	1.94	1.79	1.41	1.04	1.04	-25%	-15%	-8%	-21%	-66%	0%
MN	2.94	1.86	1.45	1.35	1.19	0.87	0.88	-37%	-22%	-7%	-12%	-70%	+1%
MS	3.80	3.45	3.07	2.94	2.67	2.20	2.04	-9%	-11%	-4%	-9%	-46%	-7%
MO	3.41	2.37	2.16	1.87	1.72	1.59	1.43	-30%	-9%	-13%	-8%	-58%	-10%
MT	5.08	3.03	2.54	2.28	2.40	2.34	2.45	-40%	-16%	-10%	+5%	-52%	+5%
NE	3.29	1.97	1.88	1.61	1.53	1.39	1.32	-40%	-5%	-14%	-5%	-60%	-5%
NV	4.74	3.42	3.36	2.24	1.83	1.97	1.68	-28%	-2%	-33%	-18%	-65%	-15%
NH	2.85	2.53	1.61	1.11	1.05	0.93	0.96	-11%	-36%	-31%	-5%	-66%	+3%
NJ	2.15	1.83	1.50	1.27	1.08	1.02	0.95	-15%	-18%	-15%	-15%	-56%	-7%
NM	5.59	4.03	3.09	2.29	1.90	1.88	1.54	-28%	-23%	-26%	-17%	-72%	-18%
NY	3.63	2.22	2.07	1.46	1.13	1.03	0.97	-39%	-7%	-29%	-23%	-73%	-6%
NC	4.14	2.97	2.21	1.90	1.74	1.53	1.62	-28%	-26%	-14%	-8%	-61%	+6%
ND	3.71	1.61	1.90	1.13	1.19	1.41	1.42	-57%	+18%	-41%	+5%	-62%	+1%
OH	2.75	2.18	1.79	1.35	1.29	1.11	1.14	-21%	-18%	-25%	-4%	-59%	+3%
OK	3.33	2.39	1.93	1.74	1.50	1.57	1.58	-28%	-19%	-10%	-14%	-53%	+1%
OR	3.53	2.61	2.17	1.91	1.33	1.35	1.31	-26%	-17%	-12%	-30%	-63%	-3%
PA	3.26	2.35	1.92	1.57	1.49	1.41	1.37	-28%	-18%	-18%	-5%	-58%	-3%
RI	1.94	1.87	1.14	1.00	0.96	0.98	0.80	-4%	-39%	-12%	-4%	-59%	-18%
SC	3.98	3.56	2.85	2.28	2.34	2.08	2.09	-11%	-20%	-20%	+3%	-47%	+0%
SD	3.76	2.07	2.19	2.06	2.05	2.08	1.62	-45%	+6%	-6%	-0%	-57%	-22%
TN	3.42	3.03	2.52	2.24	1.99	1.82	1.70	-11%	-17%	-11%	-11%	-50%	-7%
TX	3.99	2.57	2.08	1.76	1.72	1.48	1.38	-36%	-19%	-15%	-2%	-65%	-7%
UT	3.42	2.52	1.86	1.73	1.65	1.11	1.11	-26%	-26%	-7%	-5%	-68%	0%
VT	4.32	2.45	1.54	1.71	1.12	1.11	0.86	-43%	-37%	+11%	-35%	-80%	-23%
VA	2.87	2.04	1.79	1.29	1.24	1.19	1.25	-29%	-12%	-28%	-4%	-56%	+5%
WA	3.16	2.16	1.85	1.33	1.18	1.12	1.00	-32%	-14%	-28%	-11%	-68%	-11%
WV	4.36	3.32	3.12	2.16	2.14	1.96	2.10	-24%	-6%	-31%	-1%	-52%	+7%
WI	3.25	2.03	1.74	1.45	1.40	1.22	1.27	-38%	-14%	-17%	-3%	-61%	+4%
WY	5.36	2.81	2.14	2.41	1.88	2.07	1.60	-48%	-24%	+13%	-22%	-70%	-23%
USA	3.35	2.47	2.08	1.73	1.53	1.42	1.36	-26%	-16%	-17%	-12%	-59%	-4%
PR	7.27	5.74	3.68	3.83	3.23	2.59	2.35	-21%	-36%	+4%	-16%	-68%	-9%

Sources: Fatalities—Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). Vehicle miles traveled—Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Table 4.

Alcohol Involvement in Fatal Traffic Crashes, 1997 and 2007

State	Percentage of Fatalities by Highest Driver BAC in the Crash						Percentage of Drivers Involved in Fatal Crashes Tested for BAC With Known Results in 2007	
	BAC = .01+			BAC = .08+			Killed	Survived
	1997	2007	Percent Change	1997	2007	Percent Change		
AL	39%	41%	+5%	34%	35%	+3%	13%	12%
AK	49%	42%	-14%	37%	36%	-3%	27%	48%
AZ	40%	37%	-8%	35%	32%	-9%	74%	27%
AR	31%	35%	+13%	25%	28%	+12%	77%	59%
CA	31%	35%	+13%	25%	29%	+16%	83%	19%
CO	34%	36%	+6%	29%	31%	+7%	88%	8%
CT	41%	43%	+5%	35%	36%	+3%	88%	30%
DE	39%	50%	+28%	29%	43%	+48%	50%	16%
DC	46%	41%	-11%	40%	35%	-13%	71%	41%
FL	29%	34%	+17%	25%	28%	+12%	58%	12%
GA	32%	32%	0%	26%	27%	+4%	48%	18%
HI	42%	47%	+12%	36%	32%	-11%	95%	42%
ID	38%	35%	-8%	33%	28%	-15%	72%	34%
IL	39%	41%	+5%	32%	35%	+9%	90%	31%
IN	33%	30%	-9%	29%	26%	-10%	65%	64%
IA	36%	31%	-14%	29%	24%	-17%	37%	34%
KS	30%	34%	+13%	26%	27%	+4%	62%	41%
KY	33%	29%	-12%	29%	24%	-17%	72%	40%
LA	41%	44%	+7%	35%	37%	+6%	57%	60%
ME	31%	41%	+32%	28%	36%	+29%	86%	82%
MD	31%	37%	+19%	26%	29%	+12%	85%	8%
MA	40%	42%	+5%	33%	35%	+6%	34%	1%
MI	36%	35%	-3%	30%	28%	-7%	69%	35%
MN	31%	36%	+16%	27%	31%	+15%	72%	37%
MS	39%	38%	-3%	35%	34%	-3%	20%	13%
MO	40%	40%	0%	34%	34%	0%	80%	43%
MT	45%	45%	0%	41%	38%	-7%	86%	64%
NE	34%	38%	+12%	29%	30%	+3%	88%	76%
NV	38%	38%	0%	29%	32%	+10%	82%	40%
NH	46%	34%	-26%	38%	26%	-32%	84%	50%
NJ	30%	35%	+17%	24%	27%	+13%	85%	37%
NM	39%	37%	-5%	33%	32%	-3%	94%	37%
NY	27%	35%	+30%	22%	29%	+32%	68%	2%
NC	32%	34%	+6%	28%	29%	+4%	49%	1%
ND	50%	53%	+6%	48%	48%	0%	93%	35%
OH	34%	38%	+12%	30%	31%	+3%	90%	33%
OK	36%	32%	-11%	32%	29%	-9%	88%	21%
OR	40%	40%	0%	32%	33%	+3%	89%	42%
PA	38%	39%	+3%	34%	34%	0%	78%	18%
RI	52%	47%	-10%	46%	36%	-22%	63%	3%
SC	34%	49%	+44%	31%	43%	+39%	67%	6%
SD	40%	37%	-8%	31%	31%	0%	82%	78%
TN	39%	37%	-5%	34%	32%	-6%	22%	19%
TX	44%	44%	0%	38%	38%	0%	38%	12%
UT	20%	21%	+5%	16%	17%	+6%	43%	38%
VT	38%	39%	+3%	34%	34%	0%	96%	30%
VA	37%	39%	+5%	31%	32%	+3%	43%	0%
WA	41%	40%	-2%	34%	34%	0%	93%	18%
WV	38%	38%	0%	34%	33%	-3%	80%	7%
WI	43%	48%	+12%	37%	41%	+11%	89%	44%
WY	29%	37%	+28%	26%	33%	+27%	81%	27%
USA	36%	37%	+3%	30%	32%	+7%	64%	23%
PR	37%	41%	+11%	30%	33%	+10%	86%	64%

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

Table 5.

Speeding-Related Traffic Fatalities by Road Type and Speed Limit, 2007

State	Total Traffic Fatalities	Speeding-Related Fatalities by Road Type and Speed Limit								
		Total	Interstate			Non-Interstate				
			>55 mph	≤55 mph	55 mph	50 mph	45 mph	40 mph	35mph	<35mph
AL	1,110	497	38	8	118	9	158	45	47	29
AK	84	20	1	0	6	0	3	4	0	4
AZ	1,066	447	65	15	41	21	81	53	53	40
AR	650	64	5	0	27	1	5	2	10	7
CA	3,974	1,464	194	18	340	49	150	126	190	176
CO	554	224	16	11	30	16	28	31	34	24
CT	277	94	9	6	3	2	10	16	18	26
DE	117	44	1	0	3	24	5	5	4	2
DC	44	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
FL	3,214	611	52	12	82	16	123	56	78	106
GA	1,641	384	24	14	117	7	58	12	68	28
HI	138	69	1	5	7	0	8	0	19	23
ID	252	77	21	0	14	12	6	1	5	2
IL	1,249	523	64	26	176	6	44	38	59	107
IN	898	199	26	4	62	9	32	10	26	25
IA	445	38	2	2	16	4	4	0	5	4
KS	416	112	12	0	33	4	4	7	4	17
KY	864	132	6	2	85	0	10	0	22	4
LA	985	251	19	5	96	7	38	17	31	25
ME	183	86	3	0	6	14	20	8	15	12
MD	614	216	5	20	20	36	11	43	38	42
MA	417	140	18	5	8	4	8	18	19	55
MI	1,088	242	14	8	119	7	29	6	17	31
MN	504	108	8	2	15	0	0	0	0	0
MS	884	349	38	4	131	14	61	14	28	19
MO	992	434	37	15	149	10	28	14	53	43
MT	277	96	13	1	6	0	11	1	10	8
NE	256	44	8	0	9	11	3	0	4	5
NV	373	97	2	0	2	0	25	1	36	12
NH	129	41	5	2	2	3	1	6	12	8
NJ	724	61	2	1	2	13	10	4	8	13
NM	413	159	19	2	25	5	17	7	15	20
NY	1,333	417	11	9	157	2	32	28	20	50
NC	1,675	620	34	6	331	14	146	2	63	14
ND	111	45	4	0	15	0	5	1	2	6
OH	1,257	277	30	5	133	6	22	6	38	26
OK	754	209	34	3	24	5	45	10	14	13
OR	455	121	3	1	55	2	17	12	11	8
PA	1,491	783	52	47	189	8	149	98	128	89
RI	69	14	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5
SC	1,066	454	48	5	144	14	74	26	46	38
SD	146	49	7	0	16	1	6	1	11	1
TN	1,210	268	14	9	57	10	59	32	37	41
TX	3,363	1,343	127	45	173	40	117	93	110	132
UT	299	110	27	1	10	3	10	16	6	11
VT	66	23	2	0	2	6	0	7	2	4
VA	1,027	341	32	22	156	6	56	7	22	23
WA	568	224	16	3	22	39	13	14	54	32
WV	431	76	7	0	20	3	9	6	8	14
WI	756	279	11	7	130	1	40	8	17	48
WY	150	56	17	0	2	0	6	4	0	7
USA	41,059	13,040	1,204	353	3,386	464	1,798	917	1,517	1,485
PR	452	228	38	0	7	3	21	24	112	20

Of the total number of speeding-related fatalities in 2007, 5,480 occurred on roads with posted speed limits between 55 and 65 mph, and 776 occurred on roads with speed limits above 65 mph.

Notes: The total column for speeding-related fatalities includes fatalities that occurred on roads for which the speed limit was unknown.

Table 6.

Passenger Vehicle Occupants and Motorcyclists Killed, 2007

State	Passenger Vehicle Occupants Killed				Motorcyclists Killed			
	Total	Percent Who Were:			Total	Percent Who Were:		
		Restrained	Unrestrained	Unknown		Helmeted	Not Helmeted	Unknown
AL	906	37.0%	59.4%	3.6%	85	90.6%	9.4%	0.0%
AK	56	46.4%	53.6%	-	6	100.0%	0.0%	-
AZ	687	33.9%	54.4%	11.6%	135	40.0%	52.6%	7.4%
AR	482	33.0%	57.1%	10.0%	80	36.3%	60.0%	3.8%
CA	2,595	57.6%	33.0%	9.4%	517	84.9%	13.2%	1.9%
CO	367	43.9%	52.6%	3.5%	90	36.7%	63.3%	0.0%
CT	193	45.6%	42.5%	11.9%	41	34.1%	65.9%	0.0%
DE	83	51.8%	42.2%	6.0%	16	31.3%	62.5%	6.3%
DC	21	38.1%	33.3%	28.6%	2	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%
FL	1,878	39.1%	57.3%	3.5%	566	48.2%	46.8%	4.9%
GA	1,244	39.2%	51.2%	9.6%	163	87.1%	12.9%	0.0%
HI	73	54.8%	37.0%	8.2%	29	20.7%	79.3%	0.0%
ID	192	37.0%	58.9%	4.2%	29	41.4%	58.6%	0.0%
IL	862	42.2%	45.8%	11.9%	157	17.8%	77.1%	5.1%
IN	667	43.9%	43.6%	12.4%	122	18.9%	77.9%	3.3%
IA	333	45.3%	45.9%	8.7%	62	12.9%	85.5%	1.6%
KS	330	39.7%	53.9%	6.4%	48	27.1%	70.8%	2.1%
KY	647	41.0%	59.0%	-	112	35.7%	64.3%	-
LA	733	32.5%	59.3%	8.2%	89	73.0%	23.6%	3.4%
ME	141	40.4%	53.9%	5.7%	21	28.6%	71.4%	0.0%
MD	381	53.8%	38.8%	7.3%	95	87.4%	11.6%	1.1%
MA	277	27.4%	51.3%	21.3%	61	90.2%	4.9%	4.9%
MI	782	54.5%	32.6%	12.9%	123	80.5%	8.9%	10.6%
MN	385	43.1%	48.3%	8.6%	61	18.0%	73.8%	8.2%
MS	737	30.7%	69.3%	-	51	64.7%	35.3%	-
MO	758	32.2%	60.8%	7.0%	92	75.0%	22.8%	2.2%
MT	205	28.3%	70.7%	1.0%	36	44.4%	52.8%	2.8%
NE	219	30.6%	55.7%	13.7%	15	73.3%	26.7%	0.0%
NV	254	44.9%	48.8%	6.3%	51	86.3%	13.7%	0.0%
NH	86	30.2%	69.8%	-	25	40.0%	60.0%	-
NJ	457	49.9%	46.6%	3.5%	84	82.1%	16.7%	1.2%
NM	277	38.6%	58.8%	2.5%	50	18.0%	82.0%	0.0%
NY	788	52.4%	35.5%	12.1%	168	85.1%	14.3%	0.6%
NC	1,237	47.2%	43.7%	9.1%	201	93.0%	7.0%	0.0%
ND	92	29.3%	63.0%	7.6%	8	12.5%	87.5%	0.0%
OH	909	40.0%	57.8%	2.2%	190	34.7%	65.3%	0.0%
OK	576	38.9%	55.0%	6.1%	73	28.8%	69.9%	1.4%
OR	318	52.2%	33.3%	14.5%	51	90.2%	5.9%	3.9%
PA	1,034	32.2%	52.9%	14.9%	225	44.9%	52.9%	2.2%
RI	41	34.1%	46.3%	19.5%	13	23.1%	69.2%	7.7%
SC	793	30.6%	61.4%	7.9%	130	23.8%	73.1%	3.1%
SD	106	22.6%	68.9%	8.5%	29	20.7%	79.3%	0.0%
TN	927	36.4%	57.6%	6.0%	149	86.6%	12.8%	0.7%
TX	2,398	51.5%	41.1%	7.4%	397	39.0%	58.7%	2.3%
UT	217	47.5%	35.9%	16.6%	32	53.1%	43.8%	3.1%
VT	47	51.1%	46.8%	2.1%	7	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%
VA	770	35.3%	60.1%	4.5%	129	89.9%	9.3%	0.8%
WA	398	53.0%	37.4%	9.5%	69	85.5%	14.5%	0.0%
WV	323	35.0%	48.9%	16.1%	40	80.0%	15.0%	5.0%
WI	539	36.4%	55.3%	8.3%	109	23.9%	72.5%	3.7%
WY	112	41.1%	58.0%	0.9%	20	45.0%	55.0%	0.0%
USA	28,933	42.3%	49.7%	7.9%	5,154	57.0%	40.6%	2.5%
PR	204	41.7%	58.3%	-	94	30.9%	69.1%	-

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

Table 7.

Traffic Fatalities and Vehicles Involved in Fatal Crashes by Type, 2007

State	Total	Percent Who Were: (by Person Type)						Total	Percent That Were: (by Vehicle Type)				
		Drivers	Passengers	Motorcyclists	Pedestrians	Pedalcyclists	Other/Unknown		Passenger Cars	Light Trucks	Large Trucks	Motorcycles	Other/Unknown
AL	1,110	62.7%	22.4%	7.7%	6.2%	0.8%	0.2%	1,471	41.1%	41.1%	8.6%	6.1%	3.1%
AK	84	50.0%	25.0%	7.1%	16.7%	1.2%	0.0%	118	33.1%	45.8%	5.1%	7.6%	8.5%
AZ	1,066	42.4%	26.2%	12.7%	14.4%	2.0%	2.3%	1,448	37.6%	40.5%	6.5%	9.9%	5.5%
AR	650	59.5%	20.3%	12.3%	6.9%	0.5%	0.5%	860	34.4%	41.2%	12.8%	9.5%	2.1%
CA	3,974	43.8%	23.6%	13.0%	16.1%	2.7%	0.8%	5,503	44.5%	35.5%	6.6%	9.8%	3.7%
CO	554	48.4%	22.0%	16.2%	10.5%	2.0%	0.9%	789	34.1%	43.2%	9.8%	11.8%	1.1%
CT	277	53.4%	18.8%	14.8%	11.2%	1.4%	0.4%	384	51.6%	30.5%	6.3%	10.4%	1.3%
DE	117	52.1%	19.7%	13.7%	13.7%	0.0%	0.9%	159	44.7%	38.4%	3.8%	10.1%	3.1%
DC	44	27.3%	20.5%	4.5%	43.2%	2.3%	2.3%	48	43.8%	35.4%	4.2%	6.3%	10.4%
FL	3,214	42.6%	18.5%	17.6%	16.5%	3.7%	1.1%	4,566	40.2%	36.4%	6.3%	12.7%	4.4%
GA	1,641	56.7%	22.8%	9.9%	9.3%	1.0%	0.2%	2,301	39.4%	42.1%	9.2%	7.4%	1.9%
HI	138	38.4%	17.4%	21.0%	19.6%	2.9%	0.7%	171	39.2%	35.1%	1.8%	19.3%	4.7%
ID	252	54.0%	25.0%	11.5%	6.7%	0.8%	2.0%	291	32.0%	46.7%	8.9%	8.9%	3.4%
IL	1,249	50.2%	21.6%	12.6%	13.7%	1.4%	0.5%	1,710	44.7%	33.7%	8.7%	9.4%	3.5%
IN	898	57.0%	20.8%	13.6%	6.6%	1.7%	0.3%	1,240	37.4%	39.6%	11.5%	9.6%	1.9%
IA	445	53.5%	25.6%	13.9%	5.2%	1.6%	0.2%	578	34.4%	40.7%	12.1%	10.2%	2.6%
KS	416	61.3%	21.9%	11.5%	4.8%	0.5%	0.0%	624	35.9%	43.4%	11.9%	8.2%	0.6%
KY	864	61.0%	20.4%	13.0%	5.1%	0.3%	0.2%	1,188	41.1%	37.5%	8.7%	9.4%	3.4%
LA	985	56.6%	21.2%	9.0%	10.9%	2.2%	0.0%	1,300	36.5%	45.6%	8.8%	6.7%	2.3%
ME	183	64.5%	16.9%	11.5%	5.5%	0.5%	1.1%	232	41.4%	38.4%	8.6%	9.5%	2.2%
MD	614	45.9%	18.2%	15.5%	18.9%	1.1%	0.3%	849	46.2%	32.5%	7.4%	11.2%	2.7%
MA	417	51.6%	16.5%	14.6%	14.6%	2.4%	0.2%	551	47.7%	33.2%	4.7%	11.6%	2.7%
MI	1,088	51.9%	22.3%	11.3%	12.0%	1.6%	0.8%	1,543	43.4%	39.0%	7.4%	8.4%	1.8%
MN	504	63.3%	17.3%	12.1%	6.5%	0.8%	0.0%	783	40.4%	39.5%	9.2%	7.7%	3.3%
MS	884	67.2%	19.6%	5.8%	6.6%	0.9%	0.0%	1,117	43.9%	43.8%	6.3%	4.4%	1.7%
MO	992	58.9%	22.3%	9.3%	8.0%	0.9%	0.7%	1,331	38.7%	41.3%	10.4%	6.9%	2.7%
MT	277	58.1%	20.2%	13.0%	5.4%	1.4%	1.8%	328	29.6%	49.1%	8.8%	10.1%	2.4%
NE	256	62.9%	27.0%	5.9%	3.1%	0.4%	0.8%	358	41.9%	38.5%	12.3%	4.2%	3.1%
NV	373	48.3%	20.6%	13.7%	13.9%	2.7%	0.8%	514	43.8%	37.7%	4.9%	10.5%	3.1%
NH	129	54.3%	14.0%	19.4%	10.1%	2.3%	0.0%	181	42.5%	35.9%	5.5%	14.4%	1.7%
NJ	724	47.7%	18.0%	11.6%	20.6%	1.8%	0.4%	1,003	51.6%	30.3%	7.0%	8.8%	2.3%
NM	413	45.3%	27.8%	12.1%	12.6%	1.7%	0.5%	498	30.1%	44.6%	12.0%	10.2%	3.0%
NY	1,333	46.3%	16.1%	12.6%	20.9%	3.8%	0.3%	1,847	46.2%	32.3%	7.9%	9.3%	4.3%
NC	1,675	56.5%	19.9%	12.0%	10.2%	1.1%	0.3%	2,224	44.4%	37.8%	6.8%	9.2%	1.8%
ND	111	55.9%	27.9%	7.2%	4.5%	0.0%	4.5%	124	31.5%	50.0%	10.5%	5.6%	2.4%
OH	1,257	55.4%	19.0%	15.1%	8.5%	1.4%	0.6%	1,749	45.6%	34.1%	7.1%	10.9%	2.3%
OK	754	56.1%	24.8%	9.7%	8.8%	0.4%	0.3%	983	33.3%	47.5%	9.6%	7.7%	1.9%
OR	455	54.9%	19.1%	11.2%	10.5%	3.3%	0.9%	585	36.6%	41.9%	8.9%	8.2%	4.4%
PA	1,491	54.4%	18.4%	15.1%	10.1%	1.3%	0.6%	2,163	45.3%	31.5%	9.9%	10.8%	2.5%
RI	69	39.1%	18.8%	18.8%	18.8%	1.4%	2.9%	79	57.0%	13.9%	7.6%	16.5%	5.1%
SC	1,066	54.5%	21.1%	12.2%	9.9%	1.9%	0.4%	1,400	38.5%	44.3%	5.7%	9.8%	1.7%
SD	146	51.4%	20.5%	19.9%	4.8%	0.0%	3.4%	176	31.3%	42.6%	8.0%	16.5%	1.7%
TN	1,210	62.6%	18.3%	12.3%	5.7%	0.5%	0.7%	1,643	40.0%	39.4%	8.9%	9.4%	2.4%
TX	3,363	52.5%	22.1%	11.8%	11.5%	1.4%	0.7%	4,585	33.8%	44.6%	9.9%	8.9%	2.7%
UT	299	46.8%	29.8%	10.7%	10.7%	2.0%	0.0%	372	34.4%	45.2%	9.7%	8.9%	1.9%
VT	66	62.1%	19.7%	10.6%	6.1%	0.0%	1.5%	86	40.7%	39.5%	4.7%	8.1%	7.0%
VA	1,027	56.4%	21.8%	12.6%	8.6%	0.7%	0.0%	1,359	41.5%	39.0%	7.7%	9.6%	2.1%
WA	568	52.3%	22.0%	12.1%	10.6%	2.5%	0.5%	787	38.2%	39.8%	9.0%	9.4%	3.6%
WV	431	63.8%	20.2%	9.3%	6.3%	0.2%	0.2%	544	38.2%	39.2%	8.3%	7.5%	6.8%
WI	756	55.4%	20.8%	14.4%	7.7%	1.3%	0.4%	1,006	43.7%	32.9%	7.8%	11.4%	4.2%
WY	150	61.3%	24.0%	13.3%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	177	16.9%	56.5%	11.9%	10.7%	4.0%
USA	41,059	52.7%	21.1%	12.6%	11.3%	1.7%	0.6%	55,926	40.6%	38.8%	8.2%	9.5%	3.0%
PR	452	34.1%	11.5%	20.8%	31.9%	1.3%	0.4%	616	49.2%	27.9%	3.1%	15.6%	4.2%

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).

Table 8.

Fatalities in the Beds of Pickup Trucks, by Age, 2007

State	Age							Total
	<5	5-9	10-14	15-20	21-24	>24	Unknown	
AL	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AZ	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	5
AR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CA	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	5
CO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FL	0	0	1	2	0	4	0	7
GA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HI	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IA	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
KS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LA	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
ME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MD	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MI	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
MN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MO	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	5
MT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
NE	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
NV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NY	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
NC	0	0	0	1	1	5	0	7
ND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OK	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
OR	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
PA	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
RI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SC	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	6
SD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TN	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
TX	0	0	0	2	0	11	2	15
UT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
VT	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
VA	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
WA	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
WV	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
WI	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
WY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	0	2	5	22	9	36	2	76
PR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Includes fatalities in both enclosed and unenclosed beds.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
AL	Primary	\$25	Age 4 and younger and <40 lbs, child restraint; booster seat until age 6 ⁵	\$25 ⁶	Front	Under 15	Designed for >10 passengers, model year <1965, rural mail carriers, newspaper delivery, vehicles normally operating in reverse.	82.3%
AK	Primary	\$15	Age 3 and younger ⁷	\$50 ⁸	All	All	School bus, emergency vehicles, mail or newspaper delivery, non-highway vehicles generally (off road or snowmobile).	82.4%
AZ	Secondary ⁹	\$10	Age 4 and younger	\$50	Front	Under 16, all seats	Designed for >10 passengers, model year <1972, rural mail carriers.	80.9%
AR	Secondary ¹⁰	\$25	Age 5 and younger and <60 lbs ¹¹	\$25-\$100	Front	14 and under, all seats	School, church, or public bus; model year <1968; rural postal vehicles.	69.9%
CA	Primary	\$20 ¹²	Age 5 and younger or <60 lbs ¹³	\$100 ¹⁴	All	All	Emergency vehicles, rural postal service vehicles, newspaper delivery vehicles, recycling vehicles, taxis.	94.6%
CO	Secondary ¹⁵	\$71 ¹⁶	Age 5 and younger and <55 inches tall ¹⁷	\$81	Front	Under 16	Passenger bus, school bus, ambulance, postal service vehicles, delivery and pickup services.	81.1%
CT	Primary	\$15 ¹⁸	Ages 1-6 or <60 lbs in child restraint system ¹⁹	\$60	Front	Under 16	Truck or bus >15,000 lbs; public, emergency, and delivery vehicles; postal service vehicles; newspaper delivery vehicles.	85.8%
DE	Primary	\$25	Age 7 and younger and 65 lbs or less in age- and weight-appropriate restraint; Ages 8-15 or >65 lbs in seat belt	\$25	All	All	Postal service vehicles, tractors, off-highway vehicles, electric personal assistive mobility devices.	86.6%
DC	Primary	\$50 ²⁰	Age 7 and younger	\$75 ²¹	All	All	Seating for >8 people, taxis (6 p.m.-6 a.m.), vehicles with 3 wheels or less, farm vehicles.	87.1%
FL	Secondary ²²	\$30	Age 5 and younger ²³	\$60 ²⁴	Front	Under 18, all seats	School buses, farm tractors, trash trucks, newspaper delivery vehicles, living space of RVs, public bus or truck >26,000 lbs. The number of passengers of a pickup truck required to wear seat belts shall not exceed the number of installed front seat belts (extra passengers exempted).	79.1%

¹ May include rear-facing child restraint seats, forward-facing child restraint seats, and booster seats.

² Many States exempt persons who for medical reasons cannot use a seat belt and vehicles not originally required to be equipped with seat belts.

³ The word "all" used in this category means that everyone in the vehicle must be restrained. For children, that may be in a child restraint.

⁴ Exemptions for emergency vehicles and buses generally do not apply to the driver.

⁵ Child restraint law: rear-facing seat until 1 year or 20 lbs; forward-facing child restraint until 5 years or 40 lbs; booster seat until 6 years.

⁶ First violation, 1 point; second or subsequent violation, 2 points.

⁷ Children >3 years old but <16 years old must be restrained in a device appropriate for children of that age, as determined by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

⁸ Two points for child restraint violation.

⁹ Law enforcement may stop a vehicle for an apparent violation of the child restraint law as to children under age 5.

¹⁰ If motorist is wearing belt when stopped for another violation, the fine for that violation is reduced by \$10.

¹¹ Children 6 years or >60 lbs may be in a seat belt.

¹² Court may substitute traffic safety school for fine with regard to first offense. Fine for second and subsequent offenses is \$50.

¹³ <1 year or <20 lbs or in rear-facing restraint may not ride in front if front passenger air bag is activated; <60 lbs in rear seat if available.

¹⁴ One point for child restraint violation; operators liable for children <16 years not wearing seat belt or proper child safety restraint.

¹⁵ Primary enforcement for child safety restraints.

¹⁶ Fine for first offense by minor driver is \$65.

¹⁷ <1 year and <20 lbs in rear-facing restraint system; ages 1-3 and 20-39 lbs in forward-facing child safety seat; ages 4-5 and <55 inches tall in booster seat.

¹⁸ If driver under age 18 commits a violation, he/she is subject to a \$75 fine.

¹⁹ Booster seats may only be used in a seating position with a lap and shoulder belt. Younger than 1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing restraint system; 4 years and older or under 4 years and <40 lbs in student "transportation" (not a school bus) in child seat or belt. First or second violation: violator required to attend a child car seat safety course offered or approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

²⁰ Plus 2 points on license record.

²¹ Alternatively, the driver may opt to take a child restraint safety class for \$25. In either case, 2 points on driver's record.

²² Primary enforcement for violations of child safety restraint law.

²³ Children age 3 or younger must be restrained in child safety seat; children ages 4-5 may be restrained in safety seat or by seat belt.

²⁴ Three points assessed against the driver's record.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates (Continued)

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
GA	Primary	\$15-\$25 ²⁵	Age 5 and younger and <58 inches tall ²⁶	\$50 ²⁷	Front	17 and under, all seats	Designed for >10 passengers, pickups, off-road vehicles, vehicles used for frequent stops (all seats), rural postal vehicles, newspaper delivery vehicles, emergency vehicles, driver in reverse, taxis, public transit vehicles. Exemption for pickups applies to passengers over age 18.	89.0%
HI	Primary	\$45 ²⁸	Age 7 and younger and <57 inches tall; <4 in child restraint ²⁹	\$100 ³⁰	Front	17 and under, all seats	Bus or school bus >10,000 lbs, emergency vehicles, taxicabs. DOT may establish additional exemptions by rule. Persons unable to use a seat belt because all available seat belt assemblies are in use are exempted. In this case, unsecured children must sit in back seat.	97.6%
ID	Secondary	\$10	Age 6 and younger	\$100 or less ³¹	All	All	>8,000 lbs, mail carriers, implements of husbandry, motorcycles.	78.5%
IL	Primary	\$25	Age 7 and younger ³²	\$50 or less	Front	Under 16, all seats	Emergency vehicles, motorcycles, vehicles that stop frequently, rural letter carriers, model year <1964.	90.1%
IN	Primary	\$25 or less	Age 7 and younger ³³	\$25 or less ³⁴	All	All	Tractor, RV, postal vehicles, school bus, delivery vehicles, taxi, bus, emergency vehicles, antique cars, motorcycles, farm vehicles engaged in farming,	87.9%
IA	Primary	\$25	Age 5 and younger ³⁵	\$25 ³⁶	Front	10 and under	Delivery vehicles that do not exceed 25 mph between stops, buses, model year <1965, emergency vehicles, motorcycles, postal vehicles making frequent stops.	91.3%
KS	Secondary; primary as to child <18	\$30 ³⁷	Age 7 and younger, <80 lbs, and <57 inches tall ³⁸	\$60 ³⁹	Front	All	Designed for >10 people, truck >12,000 lb, off-road vehicles, postal vehicles, vehicles delivering newspapers.	75.0%
KY	Primary ⁴⁰	\$25	40 inches tall or less; >7 years and <50 lbs but >40 lbs in booster seat	\$50 ⁴¹	All	All	Designed for >10 people, farm trucks >2,000 lbs, motorcycles.	71.8%

²⁵ If minor violates seat belt law, the driver may be fined \$25.

²⁶ For children 40 lbs or more, child restraint requirement satisfied if restrained in the rear seat by a seat belt (may be lap belt if 3-point belts are unavailable or already being used by other children >40 lbs; if no rear seat belt complies, child may be properly restrained in front seat in compliance with the requirements). Age 5 and younger must be in rear seat if available.

²⁷ First violation, 1 point; second or subsequent violation, 2 points.

²⁸ In addition to the \$45 fine, the driver must pay a surcharge of \$10 for the neurotrauma special fund.

²⁹ Children ages 4-7 exempted if >57 inches tall or >40 pounds and traveling in a motor vehicle equipped only with lap belts, without shoulder straps, in the back seat.

³⁰ First-time violator also required to attend class on child passenger restraint system (not to exceed 4 hours in length), pay \$50 driver education safety assessment fee, and pay \$10 surcharge into neurotrauma fund.

³¹ Punishable by a fine not exceeding \$100; typically, total fine is \$60, including all add-on costs.

³² Everyone younger than 19 must be restrained if driver is <18. Children >40 lbs may use lap belt in rear seat if no 3-point belt is available.

³³ Child >40 lbs may be restrained by lap seat belt if: (1) the motor vehicle is not equipped with lap and shoulder seat belts; or (2) not including the operator's seat and front passenger seat, all lap and shoulder seat belts are being used to properly restrain other children <16 years. Child <8 years may be exempt if the child cannot reasonably fit within a child safety restraint. Child restraint law applies only to drivers with Indiana license.

³⁴ Four points also assessed on driving record.

³⁵ <1 year and <20 lbs in rear-facing child seat; 3 years or older but <6 years old may be secured in child restraint, seat belt, or seat harness.

³⁶ First offenders who prove purchase or acquisition of child restraint system shall not be convicted.

³⁷ For driver or passenger >17 years old; \$60 for children ages 14-17.

³⁸ If number of children subject to these requirements exceeds number of passenger-securing locations available for use by children and all passenger-securing locations are in use by children, the requirement is waived for the additional children.

³⁹ \$10 plus court costs waived if offender purchases or obtains an appropriate child restraint.

⁴⁰ Seat belt roadblocks prohibited. Belt violations not on driving record.

⁴¹ For violation related to booster seat requirement for children >7 years old, law enforcement currently issues warning for first violation; after July 1, 2009, first violation will result in \$30 fine.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates (Continued)

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
LA	Primary	\$25	Age 5 and younger ⁴²	\$50	Front	12 and under	Vehicles >10,000 lbs, utility vehicles traveling <20 mph, model year <1981, postal vehicles, farm vehicles, persons delivering newspapers.	75.2%
MA	Secondary	\$25 ⁴³	<8 years old unless >57 inches tall	\$25	All	All	Buses, trucks 18,000 lbs or more, taxis, utility vehicles, model year <1967, postal vehicles, farm vehicles, taxis, authorized emergency vehicles, side-facing seat in car owned for antique collecting.	68.7%
ME	Primary	\$50	<40 lbs in child restraint; age 7 and younger and <80 lbs in booster seat	\$50	All ⁴⁴	All	Postal vehicles, passengers riding in taxi or limousine for hire.	79.8%
MD	Primary	\$25	Age 7 and younger or <57 inches tall or 65 lbs or less	\$25	Outboard front	15 and under, all seats	"Historical," for-hire vehicles, motorcycles, trucks, buses, vehicles delivering mail, vehicles built before June 1, 1964.	93.1%
MI	Primary	\$25	<4 years old; age 4 or older but <8 years old if <57 inches tall	\$10	Front	15 and under, all seats ⁴⁵	Taxi, bus, school bus, postal service vehicles, model year <1965, commercial vehicles making frequent stops.	93.7%
MN	Secondary	\$25	Age 3 and younger	\$50 or less	Front	10 and under, all seats ⁴⁶	Farm pickup truck, postal vehicles, commercial vehicles making frequent stops going 25 mph or less between stops, vehicles driving in reverse.	87.8%
MS	Primary	\$25 ⁴⁷	Age 3 and younger; in booster seat if >4 but <7 years old and <57 inches tall or <65 lbs	\$25	Front	Under 7, all seats	Farm vehicle, bus, postal vehicles, utility meter readers' vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, vehicles designed to carry >15 persons, trailers.	71.8%
MO	Secondary ⁴⁸	\$10	<4 years old or <40 lbs in child restraint; Ages 4-7 and 40 lbs or more but <80 lbs or <57 inches tall in booster seat	\$50 or less ⁴⁹	Front	Under 16, all seats	Designed for >10 people, truck >12,000 lbs, postal service vehicles, vehicles requiring frequent entry or exit, agricultural vehicles. ⁵⁰	77.2%
MT	Secondary	\$20	<6 years old and <60 lbs	\$100 ⁵¹	All	All	Motorcycle, taxi, vehicles making frequent stops if exemption obtained from State, construction vehicles. Persons who cannot use a seat belt because all belts are in use are exempt.	79.6%

⁴² <1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing child seat; ages 1-3 or 20-39 lbs in forward-facing child seat; ages 4-5 or 40-60 lbs in booster seat.

⁴³ Operator may be fined additional \$25 if allowing anyone <16 and >12 years old to ride unrestrained.

⁴⁴ Everyone in school bus equipped with seat belts must use them.

⁴⁵ Driver does not have to comply with this requirement if the number of children to be secured exceeds the number of seat belts available. Unsecured children must be seated in other than the front seat, and all front seat passengers must be secured. In the case of pickup trucks where all seat belts are being used and where such vehicles do not have an extended cab or jump seats, unsecured children may be transported in the front seat without a seat belt.

⁴⁶ Seat belt requirement does not apply to persons riding in vehicle where all available seat belt positions are occupied.

⁴⁷ Driver may be fined only for violation by the driver, a front seat passenger, or a child <7 years old required to wear a seat belt.

⁴⁸ Primary for children <16 years old.

⁴⁹ Plus court costs; but charges dismissed or withdrawn if driver prior to hearing provides evidence of acquisition of an appropriate child seat.

⁵⁰ Persons <18 years old operating or riding in a truck are required to wear a seat belt.

⁵¹ Plus court costs.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates (Continued)

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
NE	Secondary ⁵²	\$25	Age 5 and younger	\$25	Front	17 and under, all seats	Emergency vehicles, model year <1973, farm tractors and other agricultural equipment, buses, postal vehicles, ambulance or rescue service vehicles.	78.7%
NV	Secondary	\$25	Age 5 and younger and 60 lbs or less	\$50 ⁵³	All	All	Taxi, bus, school bus, postal service vehicles, emergency vehicles, delivery vehicles not exceeding 15 mph, any vehicle or seating position if the State determines compliance is impractical.	92.2%
NH	No adult law	—	Age 5 and younger if <55 inches tall	\$50	Under 18 only, all seats		School bus, vehicle for hire, model year <1968, antique cars, vehicles in parade traveling <10 mph.	63.8%
NC	Primary ⁵⁴	\$25 ⁵⁵	Age 7 and younger and <80 lbs ⁵⁶	\$25 ⁵⁷	All	All	Farm vehicles, postal vehicles, designated commercial vehicles, delivery vehicle traveling <20 mph, trash/recycling truck.	88.8%
ND	Secondary ⁵⁸	\$20	Age 6 and younger and <57 inches tall or <80 lbs ⁵⁹	\$25 ⁶⁰	Front	17 and under, all seats	Designed for >10 people, farm vehicles, rural mail carriers, all front seat belts in use by other occupants.	82.2%
NJ	Primary	\$20	Age 7 and younger and <80 lbs ⁶¹	\$10-\$25 ⁶²	Front	17 and under, all seats	Manufactured before 1966, rural letter carriers, fewer belts than seats.	91.4%
NM	Primary	\$25	Age 6 and younger or <60 lbs ⁶³	\$25	All	All	Vehicles >10,000 lbs, rural letter carriers.	91.5%
NY	Primary	\$50-\$100 ⁶⁴	Age 6 and younger	\$25-\$100 ⁶⁵	Front	Under 16, all seats	Bus, school bus, ⁶⁶ taxi, emergency or delivery vehicle, rural letter carriers.	83.5%
OH	Secondary	\$20-\$30 ⁶⁷	Age 3 and younger or <40 lbs	\$25	Front	4 to 14, all seats ⁶⁸	Postal service vehicles, vehicles delivering newspapers.	81.6%

⁵² Only secondary enforcement unless the violation involves a person <18 years old riding in or on any portion of the vehicle not designed or intended for the use of passengers or for children age 5 or younger.

⁵³ Conceivably, the fine could be as high as \$500, but \$50 is typical.

⁵⁴ For driver and front seat passengers only; secondary for rear seat occupants.

⁵⁵ Front seat passengers and drivers must also pay \$50 in court fees; fine for rear seat passenger is \$10 and no court costs; secondary enforcement of violations occurring in the rear seat.

⁵⁶ In vehicles with front side passenger air bags, child <5 years and <40 lb shall be properly secured in the rear seat unless the child restraint system is designed for use with air bags. If no lap and shoulder belt, children 40-80 lbs may be in lap belts.

⁵⁷ Two points for conviction, but entire penalty is waived upon proof of acquisition of child restraint device.

⁵⁸ Primary enforcement for all positions if occupant is <18 years.

⁵⁹ Age 6 or younger and 40 lbs or more may be restrained in lap belt if no lap/shoulder belts available; requirement to use either child restraint system or seat belt does not apply to a child being transported in an emergency situation.

⁶⁰ Two points assessed.

⁶¹ Must be seated in rear seat if seats available.

⁶² Fine suspended on proof of possession of a child restraint system.

⁶³ <1 year in rear-facing infant seat, seated in the rear seat if available; ages 1-4 or <40 lbs in child safety seat; ages 5-6 or <60 lbs in booster seat; ages 7-12 in adult seat belt.

⁶⁴ Plus 3 points on license record if violation involves child <16 years old. Front seat passengers 16 years or older can be fined up to \$50 and drivers can be fined up to \$100 for each passenger <16 years not wearing seat belt.

⁶⁵ Plus 3 points for any violation involving use of seat belts or seats by a child <16 years old.

⁶⁶ School buses sold in the State must be equipped with seat belts. Boards of Education, via regulations, may provide that on school buses under their jurisdiction, seat belts shall be used when buses are in operation; passengers <4 years in school buses must be restrained in child safety restraints.

⁶⁷ Fines are \$20 for passenger violating law, \$30 for driver.

⁶⁸ Law is secondary for children ages 4-14.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates (Continued)

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
OK	Primary	\$20	Age 5 and younger ⁶⁹	\$50 ⁷⁰	Front	12 and under, all seats	Farm vehicles, truck, truck tractor, RV, postal service vehicles. Drivers of school buses, taxicabs, and emergency vehicles are exempt from child restraint law.	83.1%
OR	Primary	\$90 or less	<8 years old or <40 lbs and <57 inches tall ⁷¹	\$90	All	All	Vehicles designed for >15 passengers, newspaper, mail, meter, transit vehicles, for-hire vehicles, trash trucks, emergency vehicles, taxicab operators.	95.3%
PA	Secondary	\$10 ⁷²	Age 7 and younger ⁷³	\$100 or less	Front	17 and under	Truck >7,000 lbs, rural letter carriers, delivery vehicles traveling <15 mph.	86.7%
RI	Secondary ⁷⁴	\$85	<7 years old, <54 inches tall, and <80 lbs in rear seat ⁷⁵	\$85	All	All	Postal service vehicles.	79.1%
SC	Primary ⁷⁶	\$25 or less	<6 years old and <80 lbs ⁷⁷	\$150 or less	All	All	Emergency vehicles, buses, postal service vehicles, delivery vehicles, parade vehicles, vehicles in which all seating positions with seat belts are already occupied, persons occupying vehicles not originally equipped with seat belts.	74.5%
SD	Secondary ⁷⁸	\$20	Age 4 and younger and <40 lbs	\$20	Front	17 and under, all seats	Passenger bus, school bus, farm tractors, rural mail carriers, newspaper or periodical deliveries.	73.0%
TN	Primary	\$10	<1 year old and <20 lbs; Ages 1-3 and 20 lbs in rear-facing child seat; <8 years old and <57 inches tall in forward-facing child seat	\$50	Front	Under 16, all seats ⁷⁹	>8,500 lbs, rural letter carriers, utility workers, newspaper delivery, vehicles in parades, hayrides, or crossing a highway from one field to another if operated at <15 mph.	80.2%
TX	Primary	\$25-\$50	Age 4 or younger and <36 inches tall	\$100- \$200	Front	Under 16, all seats ⁸⁰	Farm vehicles >48,000 lbs, postal service vehicles, newspaper delivery, meter readers.	91.8%

⁶⁹ Children >40 lbs may be belted in rear seat by a lap belt if vehicle not equipped with lap and shoulder belts or when lap and shoulder belts are being used by other children.

⁷⁰ Plus court costs.

⁷¹ <1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing child safety seat; children <40 lbs in child safety seat; >40 lbs but 57 inches tall or less in safety system that elevates the child so that an adult seat belt fits properly.

⁷² Pennsylvania's fine is \$10, but with court, EMS, judicial, and computer costs the ticket total is \$51.50.

⁷³ Secondary enforcement for children ages 4-7 who must be in booster seats.

⁷⁴ Primary enforcement for drivers and occupants <18 years old.

⁷⁵ Children <7 years old but >54 inches or >80 lbs in adult seat belt in rear seat if available. Children <6 years old must be in rear seat if seat available.

⁷⁶ Seat belt law may not be enforced by checkpoints designed for that purpose. Seat belt law does not apply to an occupant if all belts in the vehicle are used by other occupants.

⁷⁷ <1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing infant seat; age 5 or younger and >40 lbs but <80 lbs in booster seat; ages 1-5 and >80 lbs in seat belt. Child <6 years old must be in child safety seat unless the knees bend over the seat edge when sitting up straight against the seat back, in which case use of seat belt is permitted. (Note: Up to \$150 fine, but may be waived with acquisition of child restraint.)

⁷⁸ Primary enforcement for all seating positions with occupant <18 years old.

⁷⁹ Drivers ages 16-17 must wear seat belts, but driver cannot be fined for failure of passenger >16 years old to wear seat belt.

⁸⁰ Seat belt requirement does not apply to passenger occupying a position without a seat belt.

Table 9.

Key Provisions of Occupant Restraint Laws and 2007 Belt Use Rates (Continued)

State	Seat Belt		Child Restraint ¹		Seat Belt Required ²		Vehicles Exempted and Other Information ⁴	2007 Seat Belt Use Rate
	Enforcement	First Fine	Required	First Fine	Seats	Ages ³		
UT	Secondary ⁸¹	\$45 or less ⁸²	Age 7 or younger and <57 inches tall	\$45 or less	All	All	Passengers exempted if all seats are occupied, or person is riding in a seating position not equipped with seat belts.	86.8%
VT	Secondary	\$25	Age 7 or younger in child seat ⁸³	\$25	All	All	Bus, taxi, rural mail carriers, delivery vehicles traveling 15 mph or less, emergency vehicles, farm tractor, vehicle ordered by emergency personnel to evacuate persons from stricken area.	87.1%
VA	Secondary	\$25	<8 years old ⁸⁴	\$50	Front	Under 16, all seats	Trucks >10,000 lbs, school buses, motor homes, taxis, police vehicles enforcing parking or transporting prisoners, rural mail carriers, newspaper delivery, utility meter readers, commercial vehicles making frequent stops.	79.9%
WA	Primary	\$124	<8 years old and <57 inches tall ⁸⁵	\$124	All	All	Designed for >10 people, when all designated seating positions are occupied, and vehicles exempted by State regulation, including farm construction, or commercial vehicles making frequent stops.	96.4%
WV	Secondary	\$25 or less	Age 7 or younger and <57 inches tall ⁸⁶	\$10-\$20	Front	Under 18, all seats	Designed for >10 people, rural mail carriers, trailers.	89.6%
WI	Secondary	\$10	Age 7 or younger, 80 lbs or less, <57 inches tall ⁸⁷	\$30-\$75 ⁸⁸	Front	All ⁸⁹	Taxis, farm trucks engaged in farming, emergency vehicles, rural mail carriers, land surveyors.	75.3%
WY	Secondary ⁹⁰	\$25 ⁹¹	Age 8 or younger; in rear seat if available ⁹²	\$50	All	All	Postal vehicles, excess passengers if all seats are occupied.	72.2%
USA								82%
PR								92.1%

⁸¹ Primary enforcement for all seating positions if driver or passenger is 18 years or younger.

⁸² Reduced to \$15 upon completion of class; standard enforcement for children 18 years or younger.

⁸³ <1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing child seat; ages 2-7 in child passenger restraining system, <16 years old in seat belts.

⁸⁴ Children age 4 or older may be belted if their weight, size, or physical fitness makes use of a child restraint device impractical. (Certifying doctor's information must be kept in vehicle.)

⁸⁵ Drivers transporting children <13 years old shall transport them in the back seat of the vehicle whenever practical to do so.

⁸⁶ If all seat belts in vehicle are being used at the time of examination by law officer and vehicle contains more passengers than the total number of seat belts or other safety devices as installed in compliance with Federal motor vehicle safety standards, the driver may not be considered in violation.

⁸⁷ Children <1 year or <20 lbs in rear-facing child seats in back seat; ages 1-3, weighing 20 lbs or more but <40 lbs in forward-facing child seats in back seat if possible; ages 4-7, 80 lbs or less and 57 inches tall or less in booster seats.

⁸⁸ Assessment is \$10-\$25 for children ages 4-7; first assessment waived upon proof of acquisition and installation of child restraint.

⁸⁹ Rear seat occupants must wear seat belt at any position where a shoulder harness is installed.

⁹⁰ If motorist is wearing belt when stopped for another violation, the fine for that violation is reduced by \$10.

⁹¹ Passengers violating seat belt requirements are subject to a fine of \$10.

⁹² Children exempted from booster seat requirement if lap and shoulder belts fit properly across collarbone, chest, and hips of the child and do not pose danger to child's neck, face, or abdominal area in the event of a crash or sudden stop.

Sources. Laws: NHTSA, Regional Office. Updated as of December 1, 2008. Seat Belt Use Rate: Seat Belt Use in 2007—Use Rates in the States and Territories (DOT HS 810 949).

Table 10.

History of Motorcycle Helmet Laws

State	Effective Date of Original Law*	Effective Date of Repeal/Amendment	
AL	11/06/67		
AK	01/01/71	06/23/76	Repealed for operators age 18 and older.
AZ	01/01/69	05/27/76	Repealed for age 18 and older.
AR	06/29/67	07/31/97	Repealed for age 21 and older.
CA	01/01/85**	01/01/92	Reinstated for all.
CO	07/01/69	05/20/77	Repealed.
		07/01/07	Reinstated for under age 18.
CT	10/01/67	06/01/76	Repealed.
		01/01/90	Reinstated for under age 18.
DE	06/21/68	06/10/78	Repealed for age 19 and older. All riders must have helmet in their possession.
		07/17/84	Helmet required for instruction permit holders.
DC	02/11/70		
FL	09/13/67	07/01/00	Repealed for age 21 and older if covered by insurance of at least \$10,000 in medical benefits.
GA	07/01/69		
HI	06/04/67	06/07/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.
ID	01/01/68	03/29/78	Repealed for age 18 and older.
IL	07/01/69	07/01/70	Helmet law ruled unconstitutional by State Supreme Court.
IN	07/26/67	09/01/77	Repealed.
		01/01/84	Reinstated for under age 18.
IA	09/01/75	07/01/76	Repealed.
KS	07/01/67	07/01/70	Repealed for age 21 and older.
		07/01/72	Reinstated for all.
		07/01/76	Repealed for age 16 and older.
		07/01/79	Reinstated for ages 16 and 17.
KY	06/13/68	07/15/98	Repealed for age 21 and older provided operator has held motorcycle license for 1 year and has provided proof of health insurance when registering motorcycle.
		07/04/00	Health insurance requirement repealed.
LA	07/31/68	10/01/76	Repealed for age 18 and older.
		01/01/82	Reinstated for all.
		08/15/99	Repealed for age 18 and over with health insurance with \$10,000 in medical benefits for bodily injuries.
		08/15/04	Reinstated for all.
ME	10/07/67	10/24/77	Repealed.
		07/03/80	Reinstated for under age 15.
		09/23/83	Required for holders of learners' permits, for licensees holding license for 1 year or less, and for passengers if required for operator.
MD	07/01/68	07/01/79	Repealed for age 18 and older.
		10/01/92	Reinstated for all.
MA	05/22/67		
MI	03/10/67	06/12/68	All riders required to have helmet in their possession.
		07/29/69	Reinstated for all.
MN	05/01/68	04/06/77	Repealed for age 18 and older and for holders of learners' permits.
MS	03/28/74		
MO	09/28/67		
MT	07/01/73	07/01/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.

Table 10.

History of Motorcycle Helmet Laws (Continued)

State	Effective Date of Original Law*	Effective Date of Repeal/Amendment	
NE	05/29/67	09/02/77	Repealed (law was never enforced).
		01/01/89	Reinstated for all.
NV	01/01/72		
NH	09/05/67	08/07/77	Repealed for age 18 and older until Federal law ceases to require a motorcycle helmet law as a condition for receipt of Federal funds.
		09/30/95	Repealed for all when Federal law requiring helmet laws for Federal funds was voided.
NJ	01/01/68		
NM	06/16/67	03/31/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.
NY	01/01/67		
NC	01/01/68		
ND	07/01/67	07/01/77	Repealed except for operators under age 18 and passengers, regardless of age, if required for operator.
OH	01/01/68	07/10/78	Repealed except for riders under age 18; operators having motorcycle license less than 1 year; and passengers if required for operator.
OK	04/27/67	04/01/69	Repealed for age 21 and older.
		11/01/75	Reinstated for all.
		05/21/76	Repealed for age 18 and older.
OR	01/01/68	10/04/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.
		06/16/88	Reinstated for all (by voter referendum).
PA	07/15/68	09/04/03	Repealed for operator age 21 and older if operator has held motorcycle license for at least 2 years or has completed rider education. Repealed for passenger age 21 and older if operator is exempt.
RI	04/04/67	05/21/76	Repealed for all operators. Required for all passengers.
		07/01/92	Required for operators under 21, operators licensed for 1 year or less, and all passengers.
SC	07/01/67	06/16/80	Repealed for age 21 and older.
SD	07/01/67	07/01/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.
TN	06/04/67		
TX	01/01/68	08/29/77	Repealed for age 18 and older.
		09/01/89	Reinstated for all.
		09/01/97	Repealed for age 21 and older who have completed rider education or are covered by at least \$10,000 in medical insurance.
UT	05/13/69	05/10/77	Repealed for age 18 and older. Required for age 17 and under on roads posted for speeds higher than 35 mph.
VT	03/06/68		
VA	06/26/70		
WA	06/08/67	09/21/77	Repealed.
		07/26/87	Reinstated for under age 18.
		06/07/90	Reinstated for all.
WV	05/25/71		
WI	07/01/68	03/19/78	Repealed except for under age 18 and instruction permit holders.
WY	05/24/73	05/27/83	Repealed for age 19 and older.
		07/01/93	Repealed for age 18 and older.
PR	07/20/60		

*Original law applied to all motorcyclists, unless otherwise noted.

**Applied only to riders under age 15½.

Sources: Motorcycle Industry Council, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Highway Data Loss Institute.

Table 11.

States With .08 Blood Alcohol Concentration Illegal Per Se Laws

State	Enactment Date	Effective Date	State	Enactment Date	Effective Date
AL	July 31, 1995	October 1, 1995	MT	April 15, 2003	April 15, 2003
AK	July 3, 2001	September 1, 2001	NE	March 1, 2001	September 1, 2001
AZ	April 11, 2001	August 31, 2001	NV	June 10, 2003	September 23, 2003
AR	March 6, 2001	August 13, 2001	NH	April 15, 1993	January 1, 1994
CA	1989	January 1, 1990	NJ	January 12, 2004	January 20, 2004
CO	May 21, 2004	July 1, 2004	NM	March 19, 1993	January 1, 1994
CT	July 1, 2002	July 1, 2002	NY	December 30, 2002	July 1, 2003
DE	July 12, 2004	July 12, 2004	NC	July 5, 1993	October 1, 1993
DC	December 1, 1998	April 13, 1999	ND	April 7, 2003	August 27, 2003
FL	April 27, 1993	January 1, 1994	OH	March 31, 2003	July 1, 2003
GA	April 16, 2001	July 1, 2001	OK	June 8, 2001	July 1, 2001
HI	June 30, 1995	June 30, 1995	OR	August 4, 1983	October 15, 1983
ID	March 17, 1997	July 1, 1997	PA	September 30, 2003	September 30, 2003
IL	July 2, 1997	July 2, 1997	RI	July 2, 2003	July 2, 2003
IN	May 9, 2001	July 1, 2001	SC	June 19, 2003	August 19, 2003
IA	April 24, 2003	July 1, 2003	SD	February 27, 2002	July 1, 2002
KS	April 22, 1993	July 1, 1993	TN	June 27, 2002	July 1, 2003
KY	April 21, 2000	October 1, 2000	TX	May 28, 1999	September 1, 1999
LA	June 26, 2001	September 30, 2003	UT	March 19, 1983	August 1, 1983
ME	April 28, 1988	August 4, 1988	VT	June 6, 1991	July 1, 1991
MD	April 10, 2001	September 30, 2001	VA	April 6, 1994	July 1, 1994
MA	June 30, 2003	June 30, 2003	WA	March 30, 1998	January 1, 1999
MI	July 15, 2003	September 30, 2003	WV	February 16, 2004	May 4, 2004
MN	May 27, 2004	August 1, 2005	WI	July 3, 2003	September 30, 2003
MS	March 11, 2002	July 1, 2002	WY	March 11, 2002	July 1, 2002
MO	June 12, 2001	September 29, 2001	PR	January 10, 2000	January 10, 2001

In 2007, all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico had .08 blood alcohol concentration illegal per se laws.

Note: The term "illegal per se" refers to State laws that make it a criminal offense to operate a motor vehicle at or above a specified alcohol (or drug) concentration in the blood, breath, or urine.

Source: NHTSA, Injury Control Operations and Resources.



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