

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Summary of Pedestrian/Motor Vehicle Accidents

2008

TABLE 1 Pedestrian/Motor Vehicle Accidents		
Category Totals	All Accidents	Police Reported
Total Accidents	15,620	14,956
Fatal Accidents	302	302
Non-Fatal Personal Injury Accidents	15,291	14,639
Reportable Property Damage Accidents	27	15
Vehicles	16,501	15,821
Drivers Involved	15,600	14,954
Vehicle Occupants	20,510	19,793
Special Pedestrian Accident Series		
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Accidents	9	9
Pedestrian/Motorcycle Accidents	84	84
Fatalities		
Persons Killed (1)	304	304
Drivers Killed	1	1
Passengers Killed	1	1
Pedestrians Killed	302	302
Bicyclists Killed	0	0
Other	0	0
Non-Fatal Injuries		
Persons Injured (1)	16,011	15,320
Drivers Injured	441	435
Passengers Injured	234	223
Pedestrians Injured	15,317	14,643
Bicyclists Injured	7	7
Other	12	12
(1) Includes pedestrians, bicyclists and all other non-vehicle involved persons as well as vehicle occupants regardless of seating position.		
Note: It is important to note that the data for 2008 are comparable to the data for 2007, but not to earlier years due to changes in data collection and reporting that began during 2006.		

TABLE 2(P) Severity of Accident		
	Number	Percent
Total	14,956	100.0
Fatal (K) Accidents	302	2.0
Personal Injury Accidents		
Serious (A)	2,007	13.4
Moderate (B)	2,879	19.2
Minor (C)	8,831	59.0
Unknown Severity	922	6.2
Property Damage (O) Accidents	15	0.1

General Notes

- * Some of the tables are based upon information received from police and motorist reports of motor vehicle accidents. Others are based only on the police reports; these are indicated by a (P).
- * The Property Damage Accident reporting level is \$1,000 or more.
- * The term "vehicle" always excludes bicycles.
- * The term "driver" always excludes bicyclists.
- * Percentages may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

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TABLE 3 Day of Week/Time of Day

Day of Week	Total Accidents	Time of Day								
		Mid-3am	3am-6am	6am-9am	9am-Noon	Noon-3pm	3pm-6pm	6pm-9pm	9pm-Mid	Unknown
Total	15,620	579	370	1,558	2,053	2,545	3,655	3,129	1,580	151
Sunday										
<i>Total</i>	1,532	165	103	58	155	246	320	301	170	14
Fatal	42	4	6	4	3	3	9	5	7	1
Personal Injury	1,485	161	97	54	152	238	311	296	163	13
Property Damage	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Monday										
<i>Total</i>	2,177	43	34	236	298	378	579	413	172	24
Fatal	42	3	4	4	3	5	8	12	3	0
Personal Injury	2,133	40	30	232	294	373	570	401	169	24
Property Damage	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Tuesday										
<i>Total</i>	2,374	48	36	276	336	379	605	478	192	24
Fatal	46	3	5	3	9	7	11	3	5	0
Personal Injury	2,324	45	31	273	326	372	591	475	187	24
Property Damage	4	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0
Wednesday										
<i>Total</i>	2,393	58	26	305	313	359	604	501	214	13
Fatal	38	3	3	4	1	8	5	10	4	0
Personal Injury	2,351	55	23	301	311	351	597	490	210	13
Property Damage	4	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0
Thursday										
<i>Total</i>	2,539	50	31	296	358	435	573	528	239	29
Fatal	47	3	4	8	8	6	6	5	7	0
Personal Injury	2,489	47	27	287	349	429	567	523	231	29
Property Damage	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Friday										
<i>Total</i>	2,652	56	44	319	350	436	600	532	289	26
Fatal	47	2	3	11	3	2	6	7	13	0
Personal Injury	2,603	54	41	308	346	433	594	525	276	26
Property Damage	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Saturday										
<i>Total</i>	1,953	159	96	68	243	312	374	376	304	21
Fatal	40	7	7	3	3	7	1	4	7	1
Personal Injury	1,906	152	89	65	239	305	370	370	296	20
Property Damage	7	0	0	0	1	0	3	2	1	0

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TABLE 4(P) Police Investigating Agency					
	Total Accidents		Severity Class of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total	14,956	100.0	302	14,639	15
State Police	289	1.9	25	263	1
County Police	1,363	9.1	69	1,291	3
New York City Police (NYPD)	10,423	69.7	151	10,268	4
Municipal Police (non-NYC)	2,881	19.3	57	2,817	7
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0	0

TABLE 5 Jurisdictional Road System					
	Total Accidents		Severity Class of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total					
State Routes	Data for this table are not available at this time.				
County Routes					
Town Routes					
Municipal Streets					
Parkways					
Thruway					
Other Interstates					
Unknown					

TABLE 6 Manner of Collision					
	Total Accidents		Severity Class of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total	15,620	100.0	302	15,291	27
Single Vehicle Accidents	14,943	95.7	262	14,656	25
Two Vehicle Accidents	538	3.4	32	504	2
3 or More Vehicle Accidents	139	0.9	8	131	0

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TABLE 7(P) Accident Contributing Factors					
	Total Accidents		Severity Class of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total Accidents	14,956	100.0	302	14,639	15
Accidents With No Factor Reported	5,700	38.1	74	5,622	4
Accidents With One or More Factors Reported	9,256	61.9	228	9,017	11
Accidents With Human Factors	8,518	57.0	219	8,289	10
Aggressive Driving/Road Rage	304	2.0	2	301	1
Alcohol Involvement	367	2.5	27	340	0
Backing Unsafely	684	4.6	3	680	1
Cell Phone (hand held)	27	0.2	0	27	0
Cell Phone (hands free)	3	<0.1	1	2	0
Driver Inattention/Distracted	2,856	19.1	50	2,805	1
Driver Inexperience	234	1.6	6	228	0
Drugs (Illegal)	21	0.1	3	18	0
Failure to Keep Right	64	0.4	2	62	0
Failure to Yield R.O.W.	2,020	13.5	29	1,987	4
Fatigued/Drowsy	8	0.1	0	8	0
Fell Asleep	16	0.1	1	15	0
Following Too Closely	58	0.4	2	56	0
Illness	17	0.1	0	17	0
Lost Consciousness	8	0.1	1	7	0
Other Electronic Device	7	<0.1	1	6	0
Outside Car Distraction	107	0.7	0	107	0
Passenger Distraction	32	0.2	0	32	0
Passing or Lane Usage Improper	153	1.0	7	145	1
Pedestrian/Bicyclist/Other Ped Error/Confusion	2,814	18.8	106	2,705	3
Physical Disability	18	0.1	2	16	0
Prescription Medication	12	0.1	1	11	0
Reaction to Other Uninvolved Vehicle	129	0.9	5	124	0
Traffic Control Disregarded	318	2.1	6	311	1
Turning Improperly	194	1.3	4	190	0
Unsafe Lane Changing	56	0.4	4	52	0
Unsafe Speed	355	2.4	25	329	1
Other Human	25	0.2	3	22	0
Accidents With Vehicular Factors	344	2.3	7	336	1
Accelerator Defective	7	<0.1	0	7	0
Brakes Defective	23	0.2	1	22	0
Driverless/Runaway Vehicle	25	0.2	1	24	0
Headlights Defective	2	<0.1	0	2	0
Other Lighting Defects	3	<0.1	0	3	0
Oversized Vehicle	25	0.2	0	25	0
Steering Failure	6	<0.1	1	5	0
Tire Failure/Inadequate	9	0.1	0	9	0
Tow Hitch Defective	1	<0.1	1	0	0
Windshield Inadequate	6	<0.1	0	6	0
Other Vehicular	244	1.6	4	239	1
Accidents With Environmental Factors	1,015	6.8	32	980	3
Animal's Action	8	0.1	0	8	0
Glare	275	1.8	3	271	1
Lane Marking Improper/Inadequate	4	<0.1	0	4	0
Obstruction/Debris	24	0.2	0	24	0
Pavement Defective	5	<0.1	1	4	0
Pavement Slippery	277	1.9	11	265	1
Shoulders Defective/Improper	2	<0.1	0	2	0
Traffic Control Device Improper/Non-Working	7	<0.1	0	7	0
View Obstructed/Limited	460	3.1	19	440	1
Other Environmental	1	<0.1	0	1	0

Note: Many accidents have multiple factors reported.

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TABLE 8 Driver Age and Gender					
	Total Drivers		Drivers by Severity of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total Drivers	15,600	100.0	333	15,238	29
Male	9,479	60.8	238	9,226	15
Under 16	3	<0.1	0	3	0
16 - 17	93	0.6	4	88	1
18 - 20	448	2.9	12	434	2
21 - 24	726	4.7	19	706	1
25 - 29	954	6.1	35	918	1
30 - 34	959	6.1	25	932	2
35 - 39	972	6.2	12	959	1
40 - 44	1,037	6.6	23	1,014	0
45 - 49	979	6.3	25	953	1
50 - 54	954	6.1	30	923	1
55 - 59	786	5.0	20	764	2
60 - 64	588	3.8	13	574	1
65 - 69	345	2.2	6	339	0
70 - 74	232	1.5	8	224	0
75 - 79	155	1.0	2	152	1
80 and Over	187	1.2	4	182	1
Unknown Age	61	0.4	0	61	0
Female	3,765	24.1	65	3,689	11
Under 16	1	<0.1	0	1	0
16 - 17	51	0.3	1	50	0
18 - 20	212	1.4	6	204	2
21 - 24	340	2.2	8	331	1
25 - 29	433	2.8	6	427	0
30 - 34	414	2.7	4	408	2
35 - 39	398	2.6	11	386	1
40 - 44	406	2.6	8	397	1
45 - 49	358	2.3	6	351	1
50 - 54	313	2.0	6	306	1
55 - 59	253	1.6	3	250	0
60 - 64	208	1.3	0	207	1
65 - 69	96	0.6	3	93	0
70 - 74	91	0.6	0	91	0
75 - 79	93	0.6	1	92	0
80 and Over	85	0.5	2	82	1
Unknown Age	13	0.1	0	13	0
Unknown Gender	2,356	15.1	30	2,323	3

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Age Group	Total Pedestrians		Pedestrians	
	Number	Percent	Killed	Injured
Total	15,619	100.0	302	15,317
Under 5	302	1.9	1	301
5 - 9	735	4.7	5	730
10 - 13	1,015	6.5	5	1,010
14 - 17	1,169	7.5	7	1,162
18 - 20	886	5.7	9	877
21 - 24	1,098	7.0	13	1,085
25 - 29	1,248	8.0	22	1,226
30 - 34	954	6.1	18	936
35 - 39	954	6.1	12	942
40 - 44	1,007	6.4	15	992
45 - 49	1,055	6.8	20	1,035
50 - 54	937	6.0	20	917
55 - 59	846	5.4	31	815
60 - 64	680	4.4	19	661
65 - 69	459	2.9	20	439
70 - 74	371	2.4	18	353
75 - 79	281	1.8	16	265
80 and Over	437	2.8	44	393
Unknown Age	1,185	7.6	7	1,178

	Pedestrian Accidents		Severity Class of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total Pedestrian Accidents	14,956	100.0	302	14,639	15
At Intersection	7,577	50.7	131	7,445	1
Not at Intersection	6,057	40.5	153	5,898	6
Unknown	1,322	8.8	18	1,296	8

	Total Pedestrians		Pedestrians by Severity of Accident		
	Number	Percent	Fatal	Personal Injury	Property Damage
Total Pedestrians	15,726	100.0	323	15,388	15
Crossing, With Signal	4,073	25.9	33	4,039	1
Crossing, Against Signal	1,622	10.3	33	1,587	2
Crossing, No Signal, Marked Crosswalk	1,031	6.6	11	1,020	0
Crossing, No Signal or Crosswalk	3,339	21.2	100	3,239	0
Riding/Walking/Skating Along Highway With Traffic	328	2.1	15	313	0
Riding/Walking/Skating Along Highway Against Traffic	162	1.0	5	157	0
Emerging From in Front of/Behind Parked Vehicle	679	4.3	8	670	1
Going To/From Stopped School Bus	20	0.1	0	20	0
Getting On/Off Vehicle Other Than School Bus	200	1.3	1	199	0
Pushing/Working on Car	5	<0.1	0	5	0
Working in Roadway	269	1.7	4	265	0
Playing in Roadway	222	1.4	4	218	0
Other Actions in Roadway	1,143	7.3	39	1,103	1
Not in Roadway	793	5.0	26	766	1
Unknown	1,840	11.7	44	1,787	9