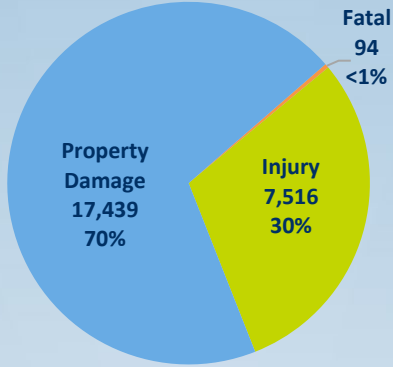




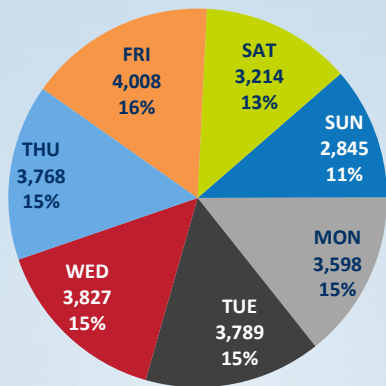
# FAST FACTS

## 2025 Franklin County Traffic Crashes

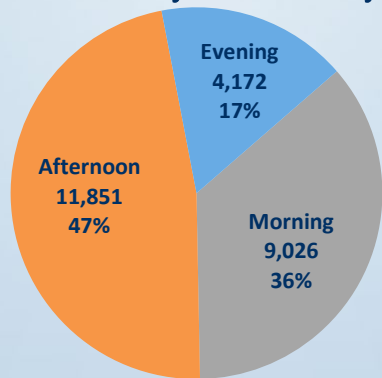
### Crashes by Severity



### Crashes by Day of Week



### Crashes by Time of Day

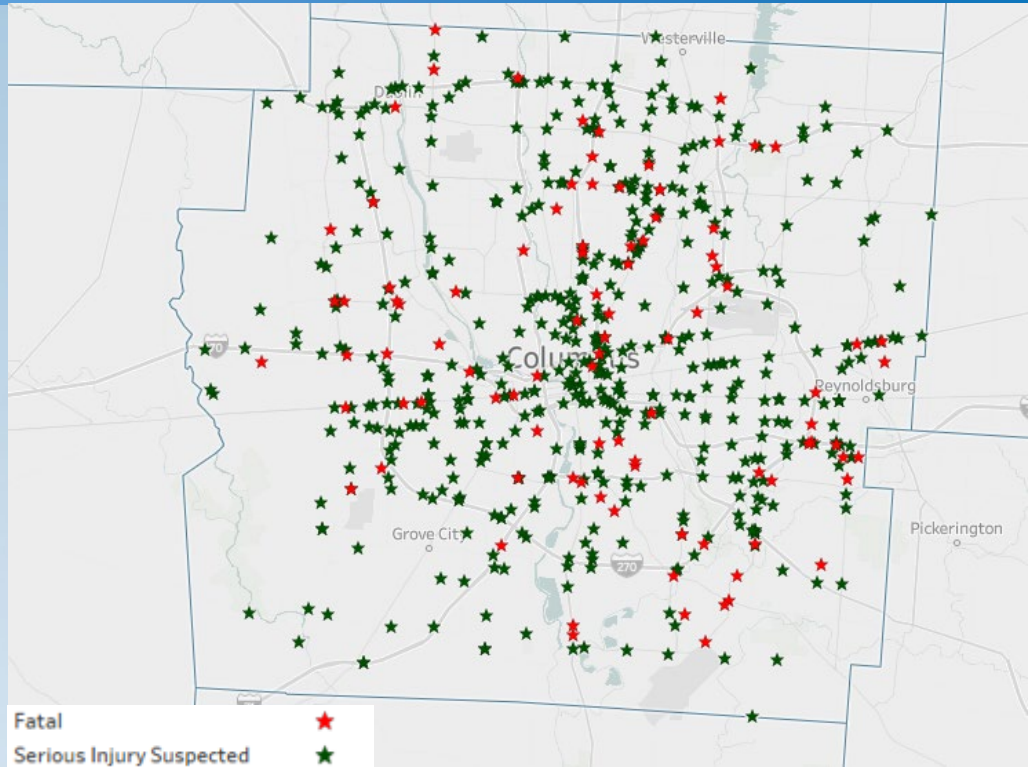


Franklin County Safety Belt Compliance Rate

**87.5%**

Statewide Safety Belt Compliance Rate

**87.8%**



Fatal ★  
Serious Injury Suspected ★

### Crash Severity

Crash Severity	2023	2024	2025	Total	Average
Fatal	118	83	94	295	98
Serious Injury	545	505	517	1,567	522
Minor Injury	4,119	4,118	4,082	12,319	4,106
Injury Possible	2,658	2,923	2,917	8,498	2,833
Property Damage	16,021	16,449	17,439	49,909	16,636

### Select Crash Categories

Category	2023	2024	2025	Total	Average
Youth -Related (Driver Age 15 -24)	6,795	7,055	7,284	21,134	7,045
Failure to Yield -Related	3,748	4,000	4,084	11,832	3,944
Teen-Related (Driver Age 15 -19)	2,646	2,723	2,810	8,179	2,726
Speed-Related	2,399	2,369	2,340	7,108	2,369
Commercial -Related	1,349	1,546	1,751	4,646	1,549
Ran Red Light/Stop Sign	1,465	1,510	1,428	4,403	1,468
OVI-Related	1,330	1,239	1,200	3,769	1,256
Distracted -Related	638	641	654	1,933	644
Drug -Related	285	227	247	759	253

### Top 3 Routes

Route	2023	2024	2025	Total	Average
IR-270	1,297	1,509	1,738	4,544	1,515
US-40	1,038	1,053	986	3,077	1,026
IR-70	754	786	949	2,489	830

Additional crash information for Franklin County is available from the OSTATS Crash Dashboard at: <https://statepatrol.ohio.gov/ostats>





### Share the Road with Pedestrians, Bicycles & Motorcycles

- Stay alert and slow down in areas with heavy pedestrian or bicycle activity, especially at crosswalks and intersections.
- Give at least three feet of space when passing bicycles and motorcycles – allow a safe buffer and only pass when it's legal and clear.
- Check blind spots carefully, as pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorcycles can be harder to see than cars.

### Stay Focused and Stay in Your Lane

- 26% of Ohio's fatal crashes over the last 5 years were the result of driving off the roadway.
- Driving off the road is the 2<sup>nd</sup> most common factor in teen crashes in Ohio. Speeding is #1.
- Distraction often causes drivers to drift out of their lane which puts themselves, their passengers, and others on the road in danger.
- Ohio's distracted driving law makes it illegal to use or hold a cell phone in your hand or on your lap while driving.

### Ohio's App to Practice Safe Driving Skills



- RoadReady Ohio is a free app for new drivers that helps them log their required 50 hours of driving practice.
- Beginning April 1, 2026, the BMV will require new drivers to submit a detailed log of supervised driving hours with their 50 Hour Affidavit.

## Distracted Driving a Factor in Rear End Crash on I71

On January 13, 2026, the driver of an orange car was traveling south at about 50 mph on I -71. When the grey car in front of him slowed to 40 mph for traffic ahead, the orange car rear -ended the grey car and pushed it into a Highway Patrol cruiser ahead. The grey car and the orange car both had significant damage, but the Highway Patrol cruiser had only minor damage and the Trooper was not hurt. The driver of the grey car was taken to the hospital with minor injuries. The driver of the orange car was not wearing a seat belt and also sustained minor injuries. He told Troopers he had been looking at his GPS moments before the crash and didn't see the slowing traffic. He was cited for Failure to Maintain Assured Clear Distance Ahead and Failure to Wear a Seat Belt.



## Drunk Driver Crashes During High Speed Police Chase

A Trooper attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a black car which was traveling south on Alum Creek Drive just before 4 a.m. on January 31, 2026. The driver ran a red light and continued south at about 90 mph before crashing into a fence off the right side of the road near Frebis Ave. She also struck two Sheriff's Office vehicles which were parked on the other side of the fence. Neither the driver nor her passenger was wearing seat belts, and both were treated for minor injuries. A breathalyzer test showed her blood alcohol content was .156. She was charged with OVI and Failure to Control.

