Traffic Safety Bulletin
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Fatal Crashes in Ohio

Map and Table

2020-2024 Fatal Crashes[1]

OSHP District	Number of Crashes
District 1	592
District 2	316
District 3	1,195
District 4	520
District 5	772
District 6	977
District 7	341
District 8	800
District 9	291
Total	**5,804**

Number of Fatal Crashes

■	250 to 555	(4)
■	100 to 249	(6)
■	50 to 99	(21)
■	25 to 49	(37)
■	10 to 24	(20)

Ohio Fatal Crashes

- Over the past five years (2020-2024), there have been 5,804 fatal crashes on Ohio roadways resulting in 6,259 fatalities. The 1,076 fatal crashes and 1,156 deaths in 2024 represent a 6.4% decrease in crashes and 6.9% reduction in fatalities over 2023 totals.

- From 2020-2024, Franklin County (555) led the state in fatal crashes, followed by Cuyahoga (519), Hamilton (334), Montgomery (304) and Lucas (220) Counties. Combined, these five counties accounted for one in three (33%) fatal crashes during the five-year period.

- From 2020-2024, more than one in three (35%) fatal crashes took place between the hours of 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm. Fatal crashes occurred mostly frequently on Fridays and Saturdays (34% combined). Interstate 75 (118), Interstate 71 (117), Interstate 70 (74), US Route 23 (72), and US Route 6 (69) were the leading roadways for fatal crashes from 2020-2024.

- The cause[2] of more than one in four fatal crashes over this five-year period was reported as "Drove Off Road" (26%). "Unsafe Speed" was reported in 16% of fatal crashes, followed by driving left of center (13%), failure to yield the right of way (11%), following too closely (8%) and running a stop sign (4%). From 2020-2023[3], 56% of fatal crashes involved alcohol and/or drugs.

- Additional crash information is available on the Ohio Statistics and Analytics for Traffic Safety (OSTATS) crash dashboard at: **https://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/ostats**.

[1]2024 data contains both confirmed and provisional crashes as of 2/13/2025. [2]Data only includes crashes with an identifiable vehicle in error. Non-motorists such as pedestrians, bicyclists, and others were removed. [3]2024 data is incomplete.