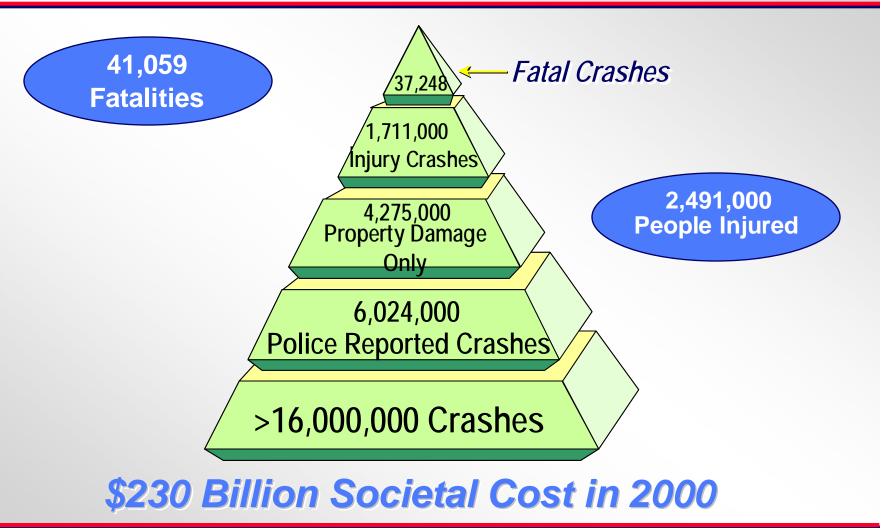
### Increasing Automotive Safety

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#### In 2007





Declines seen in	Increases seen in
Overall fatalities	Motorcyclists fatalities
People injured	Property-damage-only crashes
Passenger vehicle occupant fatalities	Nonoccupants injured
Nonoccupant fatalities	Children injured (0-7)
Alcohol-impaired driving fatalities	
Fatalities among children of all ages (0-15)	
Young driver (16-20) fatalities	
People killed in large truck crashes	



### **Exposure Data**

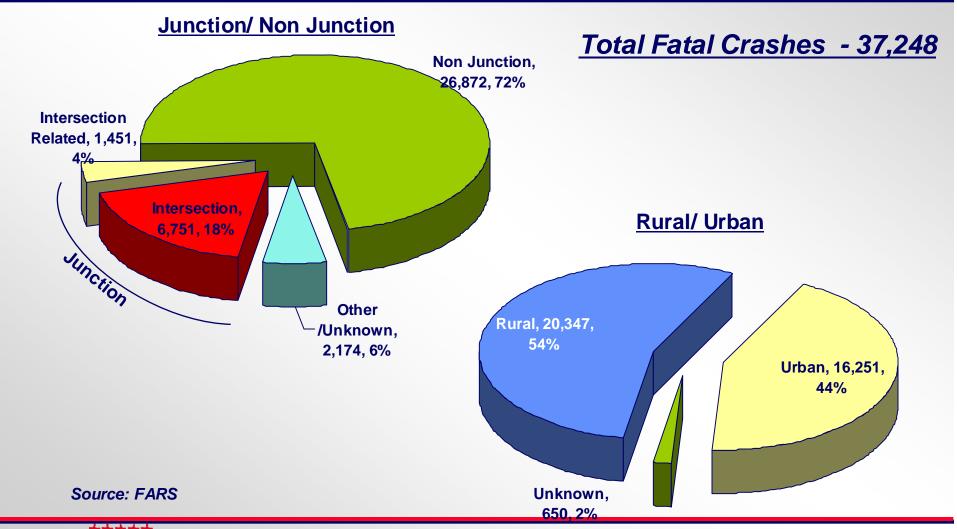
Vehicle Miles Traveled increased from the previous year by 0.5%

Registered Vehicles and Total U.S. Population Increased

The fatality rate per 100 million VMT was 1.36 and the injury rate per 100 million VMT at 82



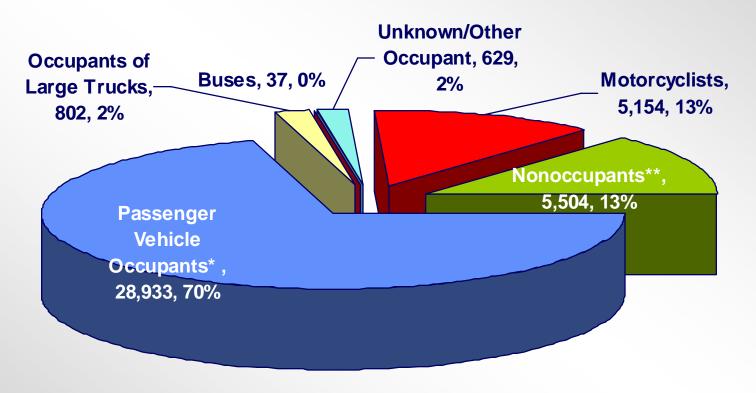
#### Fatal Crashes in 2007





### People Killed in Crashes

#### Total Fatalities - 41,059



<sup>\*</sup> Occupants of passenger cars and light trucks (SUVs, Vans, & Pickups)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Nonoccupants include pedestrians, bicyclists, and unknown/other nonoccupants



Source: FARS

### People Killed in Crashes

## In two-vehicle crashes involving a passenger car and a light truck

- > 3,632 passenger car occupants killed
- > 954 light truck occupants killed

10,194 passenger vehicle occupants were killed and 224,000 were injured in rollover crashes

12,998 people were killed in alcohol-impaired driving crashes\*

\* Crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider (operator) with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 grams per deciliter (g/dL) or greater



### People Killed in Crashes



24,157 people were killed in roadway departure crashes

8,657 people were killed in intersection or intersection-related crashes

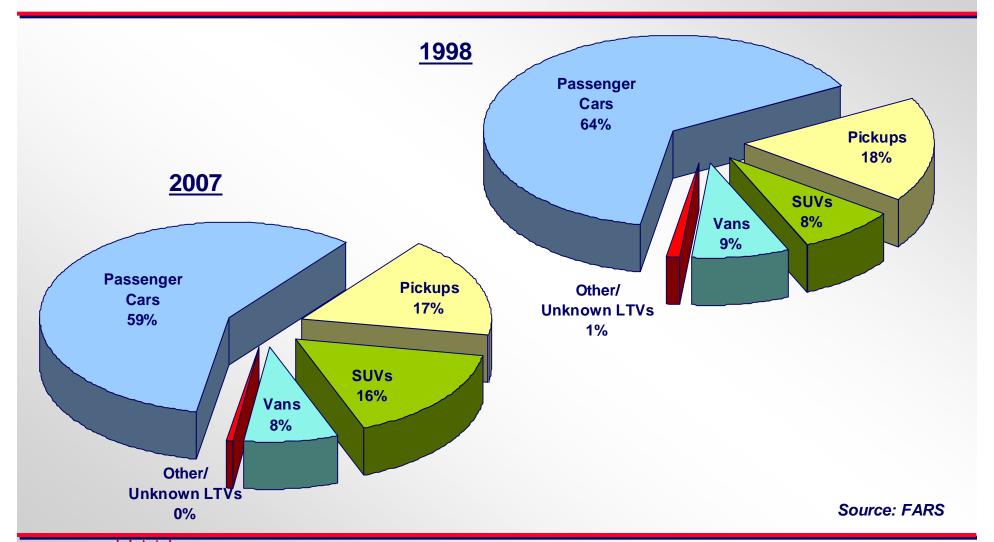




4,808 people killed in crashes involving large trucks. Of these 802 were occupants of large trucks



### Passenger Vehicle Registrations

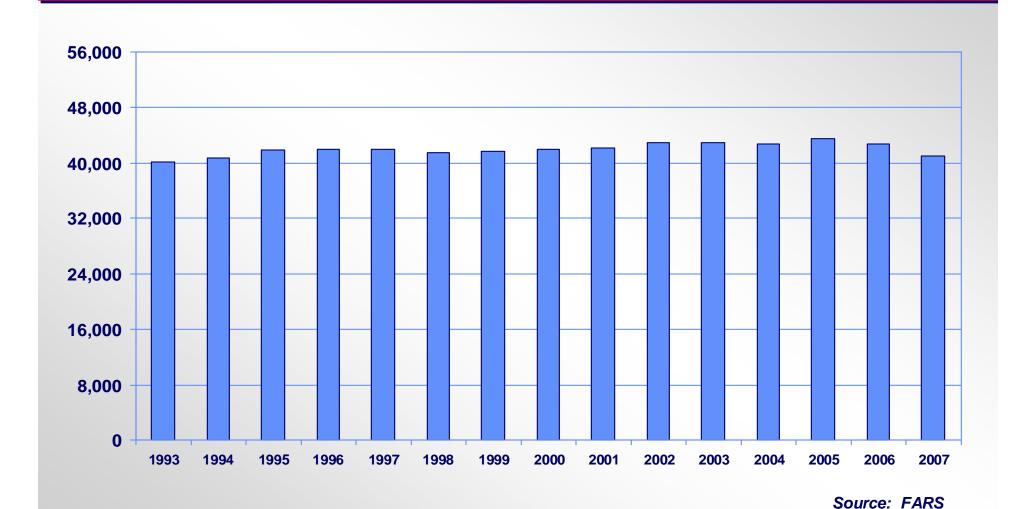




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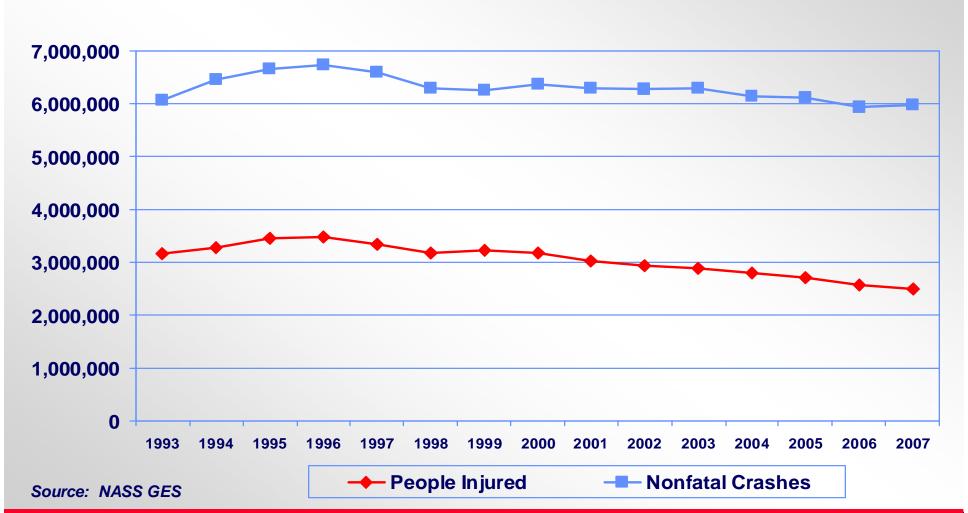


### People Killed in Motor Vehicle Crashes, by Year



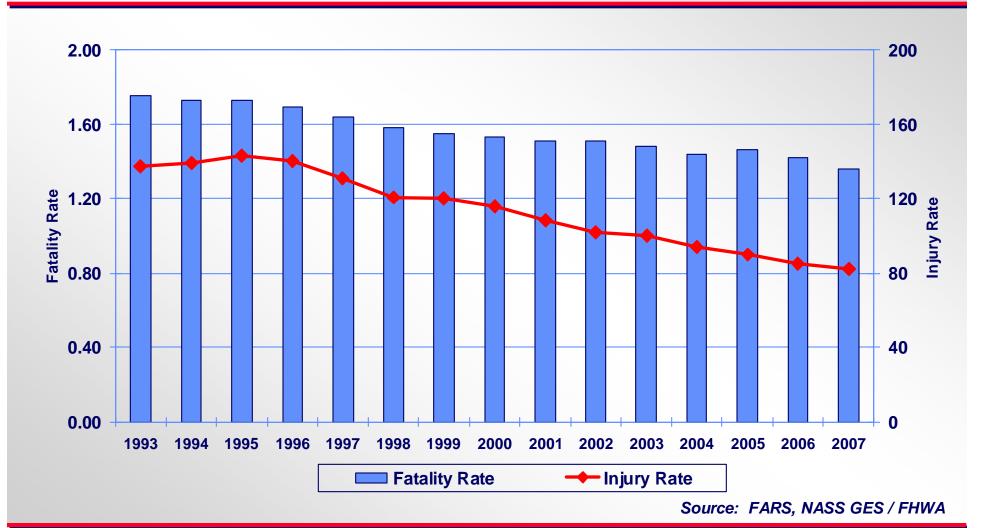


### Non-Fatal Crashes and People Injured, by Year



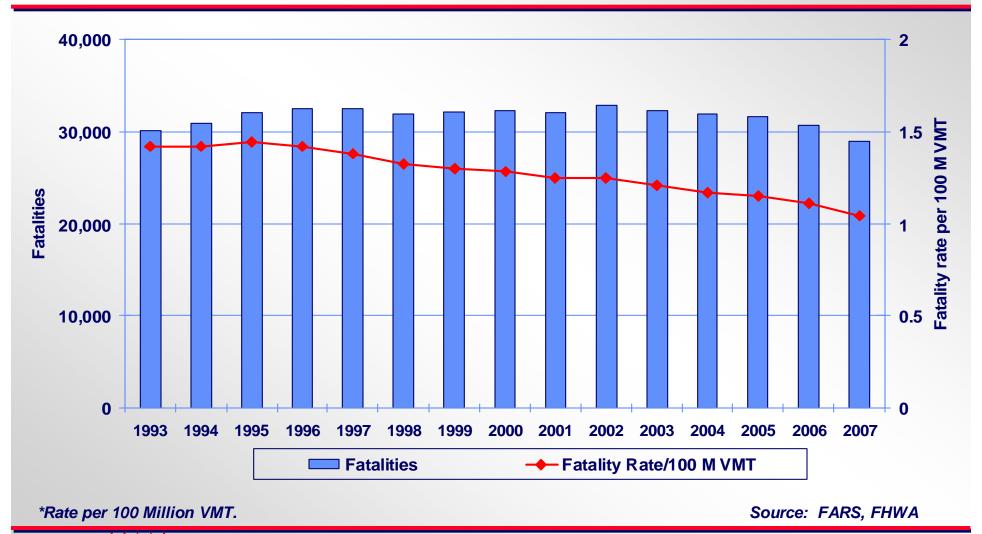


## Fatality and Injury Rates per 100 Million VMT, by Year



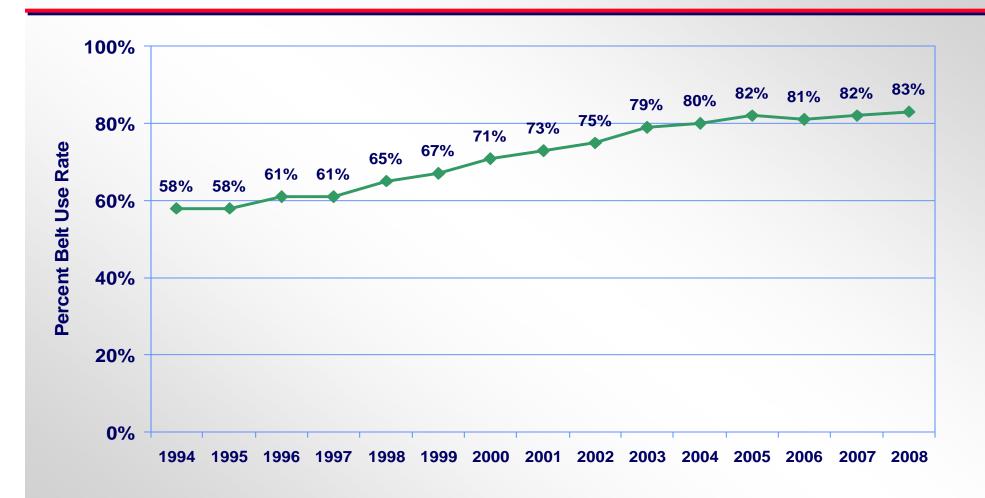


## Passenger Vehicle Occupant Fatalities and Fatality Rates\*, by Year





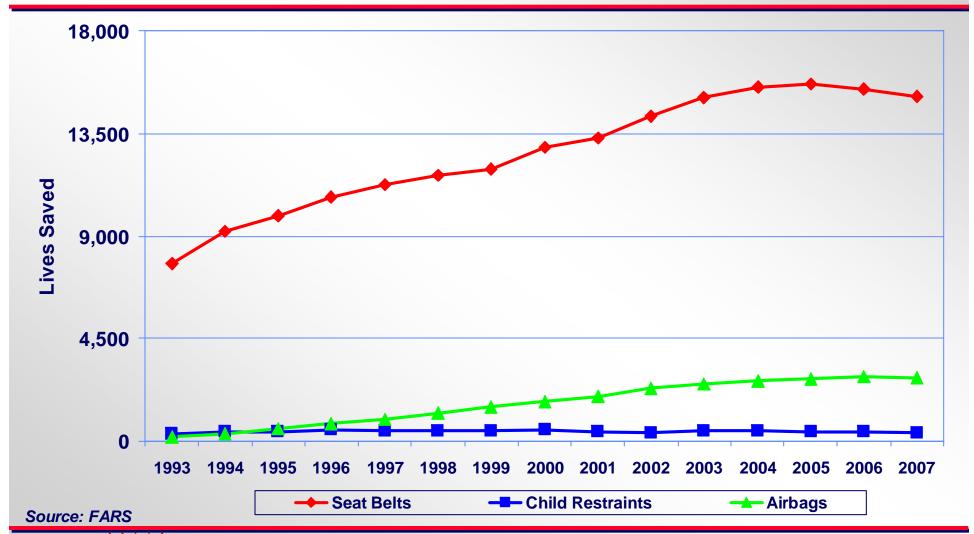
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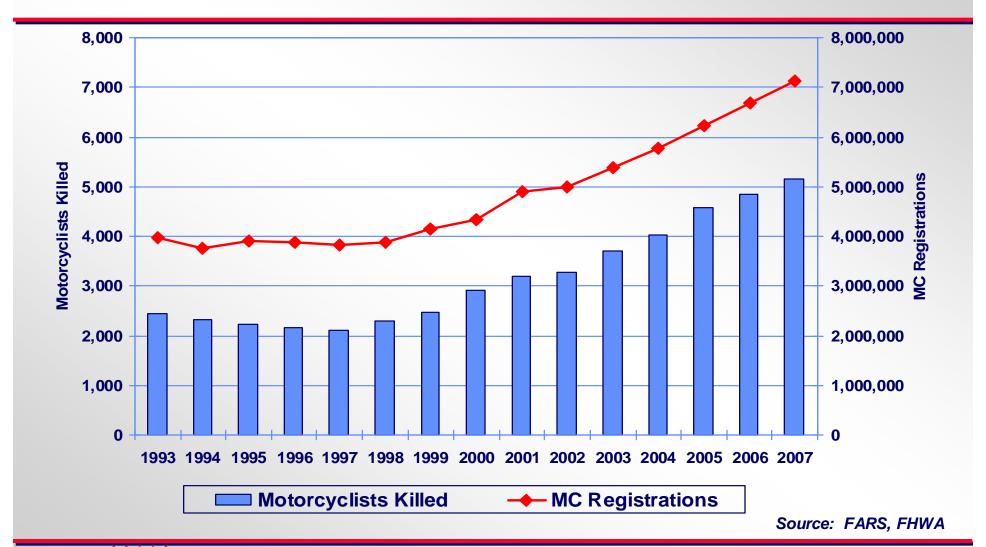


### Lives Saved by Seat Belts, Child Restraints, and Airbags



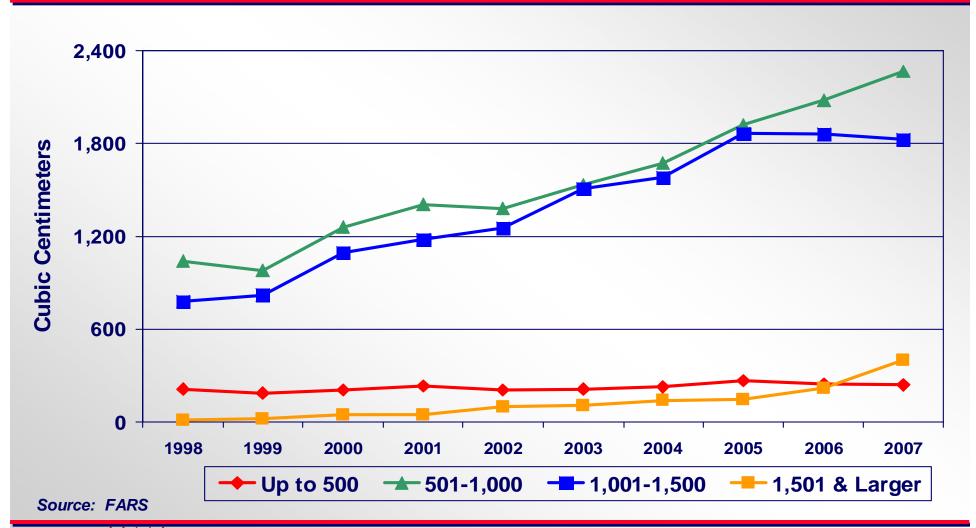


## Motorcyclists Killed and Motorcycle Registrations, by Year



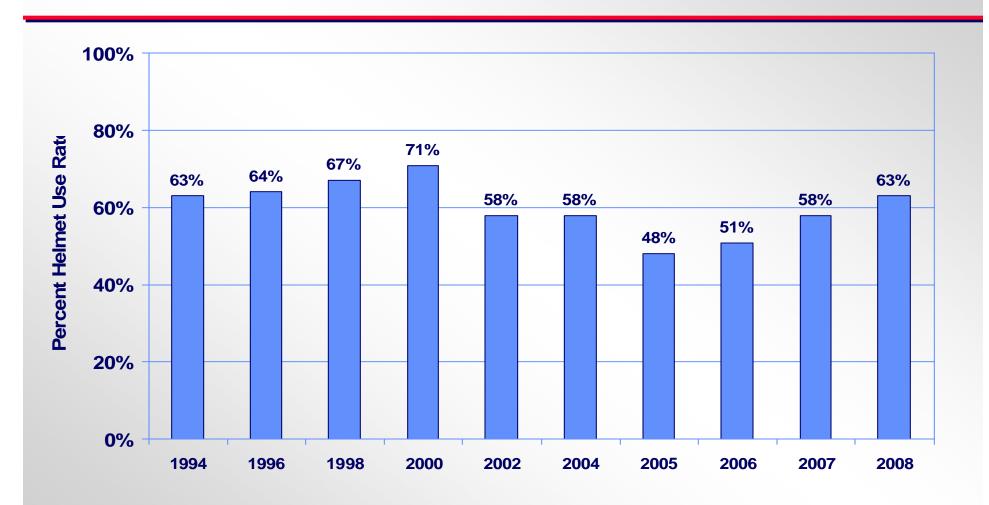


# Motorcyclists Killed by Engine Size and Year





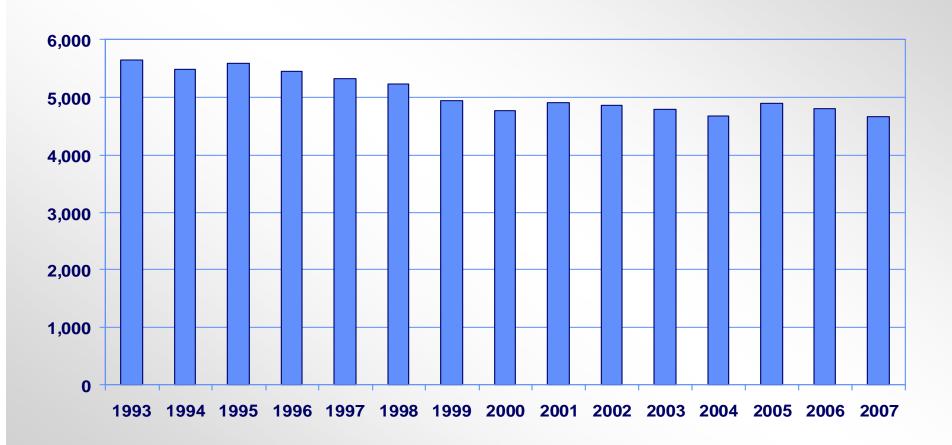
### Motorcycle Helmet Use Rates (NOPUS)



Source: NOPUS



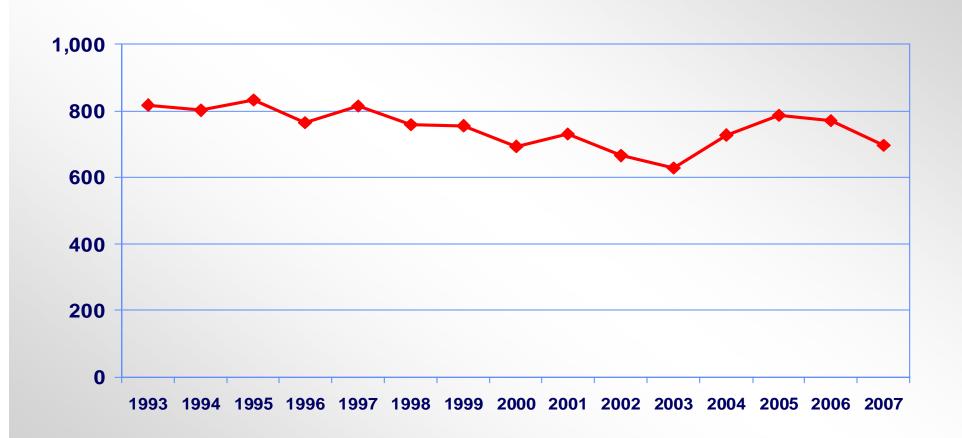
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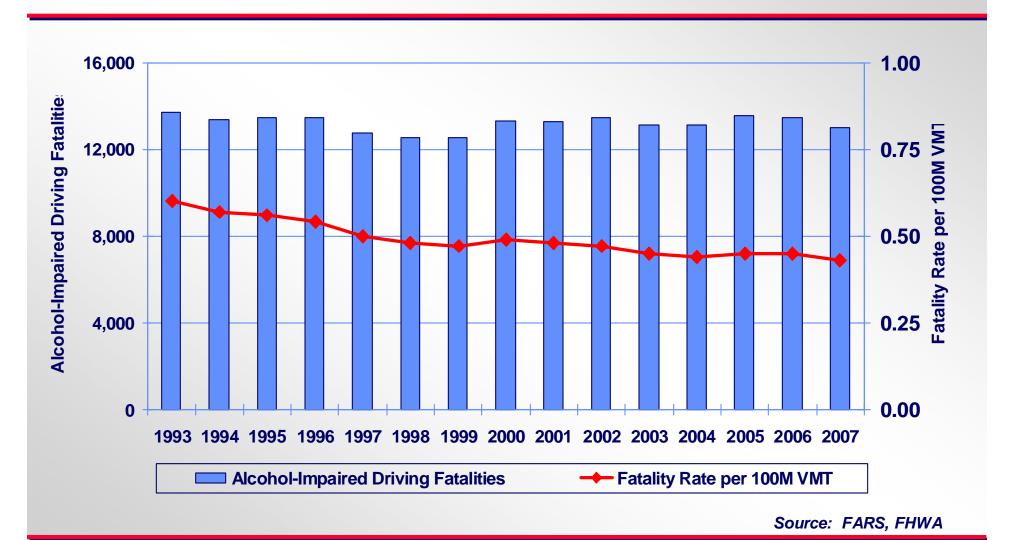
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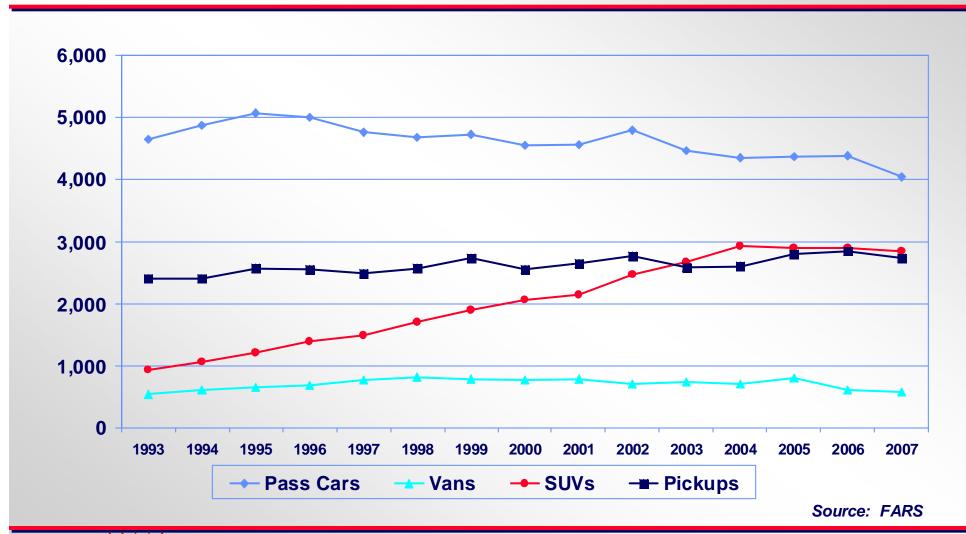


## Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities and Fatality Rate, by Year



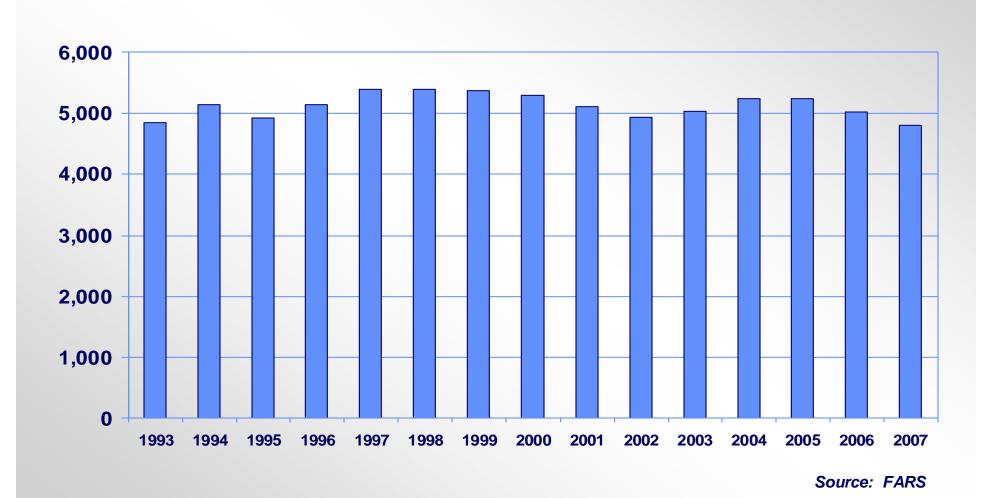


## Passenger Vehicle Occupants Killed In Rollover Crashes, by Type of Vehicle and Year



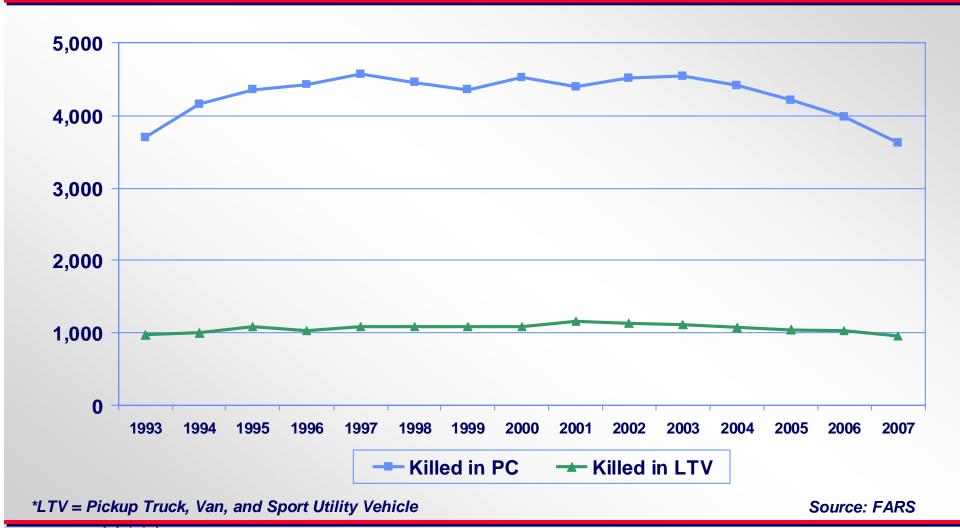


### People Killed in Large-Truck Crashes, by Year



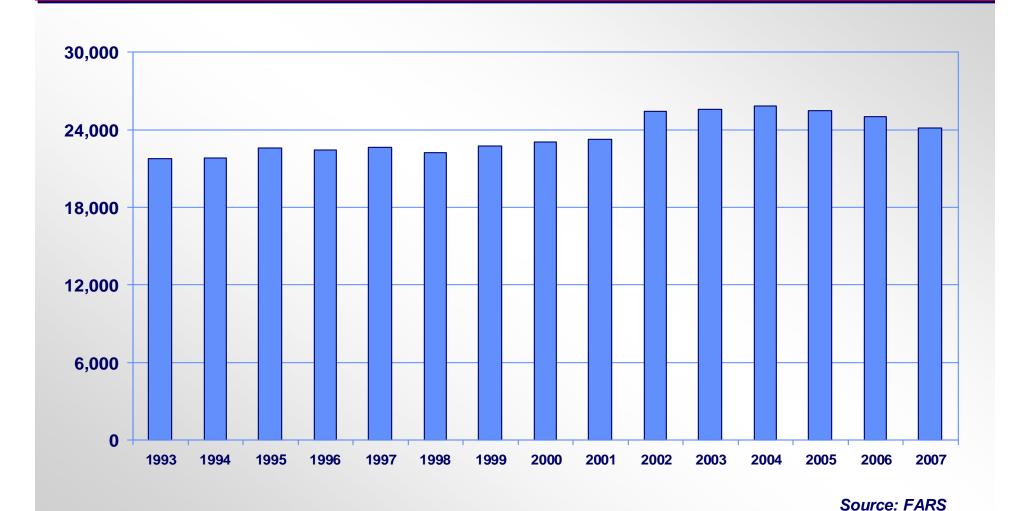


## Occupants Killed in Two-Vehicle Crashes Involving a Passenger Car and an LTV,\* by Year



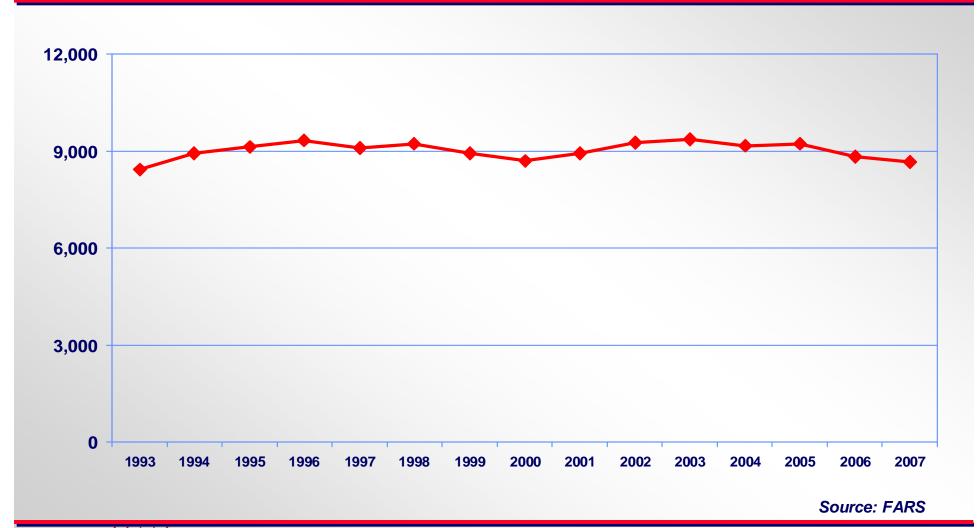


### People Killed in Roadway Departure Crashes, by Year



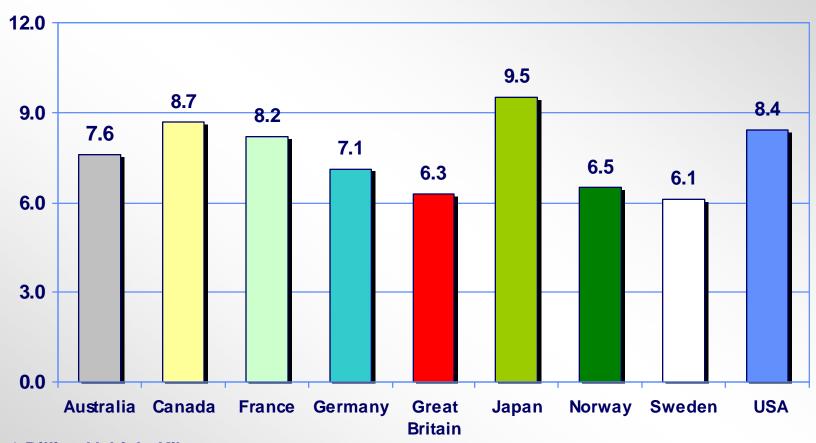


## People Killed in Intersection and Intersection-Related crashes, by Year





## Fatality Rate\* Comparison, US and Other Countries



\* Per 1 Billion Vehicle Kilometers

Source: IRTAD

Fatality rates for USA, France, Germany, and Sweden are from 2007. All others fatality rates from 2006.



### In Summary

- > Overall number of traffic fatalities in 2007 reached its lowest level since 1994.
- Almost four percent decline in people killed from 2006.
- > Reduction in fatalities is the largest in terms of both number and percentage since 1992.
- Lowest fatality rate in history.
- > Decrease in fatalities for all person types except motorcyclists.



### 2008 - Early Projections

- People killed in traffic crashes expected to reach a new record low
- Almost 10 percent drop in fatalities in the first 10 months of last year
  - 3.5% decline in VMT during this period
- Early estimates show that 31,110 people died on the nation's roads from January through October, compared to 34,502 in 2007 during that same 10month time period



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