

**Table 1107. Speeding-Related Traffic Fatalities by Road Type, Speed Limit, and State: 2008**

[Speeding consists of exceeding the posted speed limit or driving too fast for the road conditions or any speed-related violation charged (racing, driving above speed limit, speed greater than reasonable, exceeding special speed limit)]

State	Traffic fatalities, total	Speeding-related fatalities by road type and speed limit								
		Interstate			Noninterstate					
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Over 55 mph	At or under 55 mph	55 mph	50 mph	45 mph	40 mph	35 mph	Under 35 mph
<b>United States</b> . . . . .	<b>37,261</b>	<b>11,674</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>2,951</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>1,671</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>1,322</b>
Alabama . . . . .	966	447	25	1	106	12	137	48	41	36
Alaska . . . . .	62	33	9	5	6	1	4	1	2	3
Arizona . . . . .	937	373	64	9	23	13	81	46	24	44
Arkansas . . . . .	600	63	3	—	21	2	15	6	12	2
California . . . . .	3,434	1,141	161	23	237	44	108	97	175	118
Colorado . . . . .	548	210	18	9	29	8	22	23	40	30
Connecticut . . . . .	264	83	11	10	5	3	3	6	11	34
Delaware . . . . .	121	36	1	3	10	14	3	3	—	2
District of Columbia . . . . .	34	12	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	10
Florida . . . . .	2,978	553	55	18	83	16	106	52	79	90
Georgia . . . . .	1,493	309	19	16	91	4	71	11	50	23
Hawaii . . . . .	107	50	—	5	4	3	5	—	18	14
Idaho . . . . .	232	74	12	2	6	8	9	2	13	4
Illinois . . . . .	1,043	385	47	9	154	9	43	17	32	62
Indiana . . . . .	814	250	24	10	64	10	32	30	35	39
Iowa . . . . .	412	41	2	—	19	3	2	3	5	4
Kansas . . . . .	385	96	6	2	34	2	8	5	4	13
Kentucky . . . . .	826	154	10	5	80	2	20	—	26	9
Louisiana . . . . .	912	250	18	5	90	12	45	14	31	19
Maine . . . . .	155	53	3	—	4	8	17	2	10	3
Maryland . . . . .	591	191	10	12	32	24	7	27	30	43
Massachusetts . . . . .	363	97	7	7	2	1	7	15	19	30
Michigan . . . . .	980	232	28	2	122	3	16	1	15	31
Minnesota . . . . .	456	134	23	6	57	1	7	4	2	23
Mississippi . . . . .	783	327	30	2	125	11	55	10	38	19
Missouri . . . . .	960	441	46	16	121	14	27	22	65	52
Montana . . . . .	229	72	10	—	3	1	5	1	9	6
Nebraska . . . . .	208	32	6	—	3	2	1	—	3	4
Nevada . . . . .	324	93	11	—	8	3	22	1	15	13
New Hampshire . . . . .	139	40	4	—	2	9	4	4	4	12
New Jersey . . . . .	590	65	2	3	3	15	12	6	6	15
New Mexico . . . . .	366	70	8	—	10	5	9	2	4	11
New York . . . . .	1,231	410	9	12	144	8	34	28	18	58
North Carolina . . . . .	1,433	475	28	1	240	3	126	4	45	11
North Dakota . . . . .	104	27	5	—	13	1	—	—	2	3
Ohio . . . . .	1,190	269	26	7	121	7	23	7	43	26
Oklahoma . . . . .	749	221	27	4	26	2	61	7	15	15
Oregon . . . . .	416	128	9	4	57	4	12	7	6	8
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,468	718	51	35	171	9	127	97	158	63
Rhode Island . . . . .	65	20	—	—	—	1	2	1	3	9
South Carolina . . . . .	920	351	35	3	96	11	86	19	52	32
South Dakota . . . . .	119	37	6	1	15	1	5	—	3	—
Tennessee . . . . .	1,035	243	20	9	47	14	59	20	28	40
Texas . . . . .	3,382	1,422	138	54	184	49	143	108	122	136
Utah . . . . .	275	98	24	—	7	6	4	12	10	8
Vermont . . . . .	73	25	5	—	—	12	—	1	7	—
Virginia . . . . .	824	246	20	14	105	4	39	11	23	21
Washington . . . . .	521	216	13	1	21	27	14	10	58	28
West Virginia . . . . .	380	97	5	1	36	—	14	2	11	12
Wisconsin . . . . .	605	198	11	2	103	—	16	3	14	30
Wyoming . . . . .	159	66	13	—	11	2	3	4	2	4

— Represents zero. <sup>1</sup> Includes fatalities that occurred on roads for which the speed limit was unknown.

Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, *Traffic Safety Facts, Speeding*, annual. See also <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/CATS/index.aspx>>.

**Table 1108. Distracted Drivers—Crashes/Road Fatalities and Injuries: 2005 to 2009**

["Distraction" is defined as a specific type of inattention that occurs when drivers divert their attention from the driving task to focus on some other activity instead. It is worth noting that "distraction" is a subset of "inattention" (which also includes fatigue, physical conditions of the driver, and emotional conditions of the driver). For more information, see the appendices of the report at <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/Pubs/811379.pdf>>]

Description	2005	2008	2009	Description	2005	2008	2009
Fatal crashes <sup>1</sup>				Drivers . . . . .	4,217	5,477	5,084
				Percentage . . . . .	7	11	11
Overall:				Fatalities . . . . .	4,472	5,838	5,474
Crashes . . . . .	39,252	34,172	30,797	Percentage . . . . .	10	16	16
Drivers . . . . .	59,220	50,416	45,230	People injured in crashes: <sup>3</sup>			
Fatalities . . . . .	43,510	37,423	33,808	Overall . . . . .	2,699,000	2,346,000	2,217,000
Involving driver distraction: <sup>2</sup>				Involving distraction:			
Crashes . . . . .	4,026	5,307	4,898	Estimate . . . . .	604,000	466,000	448,000
Percentage . . . . .	10	16	16	Percentage of total . . . . .	22	20	20

<sup>1</sup> Source: NHTSA's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). <sup>2</sup> For multi-vehicle crashes, the crash was reported as a distracted-driving crash if at least one driver was reported as distracted. In some of these multi-vehicle crashes, multiple drivers were reported as distracted. <sup>3</sup> Source: National Automotive Sampling System (NASS) General Estimates System (GES).

Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, *Traffic Safety Facts, Research Note, "An Examination of Driver Distraction as Recorded in the NHTSA Databases."* See also <<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/CATS/index.aspx>>.