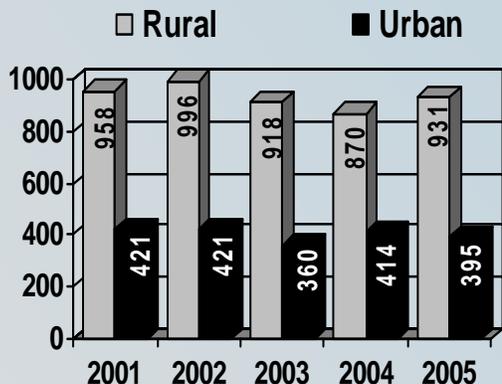


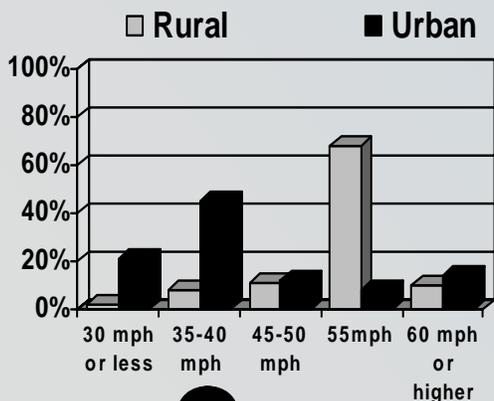
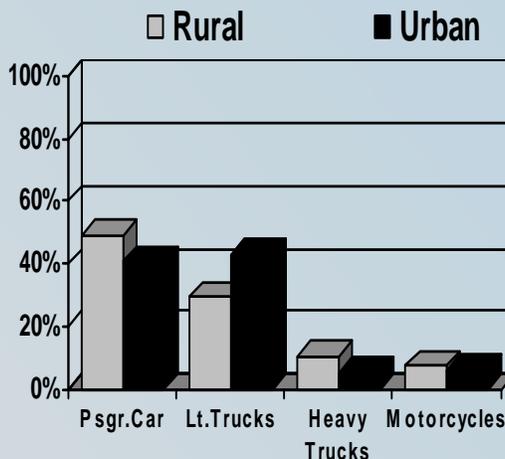


## RURAL & URBAN TRAFFIC FATALITIES #2

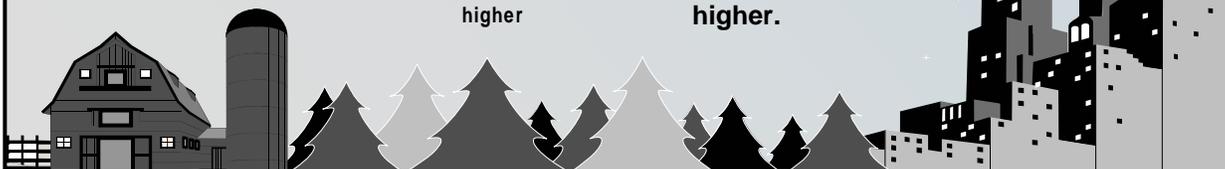


**Rural vs. Urban Traffic Fatalities:** Although 23% of Ohio's population resides in rural areas, rural fatal crashes accounted for 70% of all traffic fatalities between 2001 and 2005. During that time, both rural and urban fatalities decreased only slightly (3% in rural areas and 6% in urban areas).

**Fatal Crashes by Vehicle Type:** Passenger cars comprised 49% of vehicles involved in rural fatal crashes and 41% of vehicles involved in urban fatal crashes in 2005 and 2006<sup>1</sup>. Light trucks (SUV's, pickups, and vans) comprised 30% of vehicles involved in rural fatal crashes and 43% of vehicles involved in urban fatal crashes.



**Fatal Crashes by Posted Speed Limit:** Two-thirds (66%) of fatal urban crashes in 2005 and 2006<sup>1</sup> occurred on roads with a posted speed limit of 40 mph or less; nearly four out of five (78%) rural fatal crashes occurred on roads with posted speed limits of 55 mph or higher.



<sup>1</sup> 2006 data is provisional.