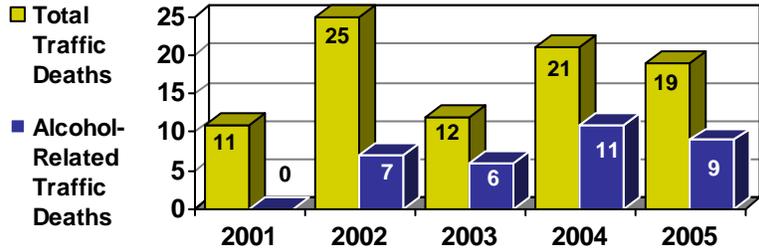


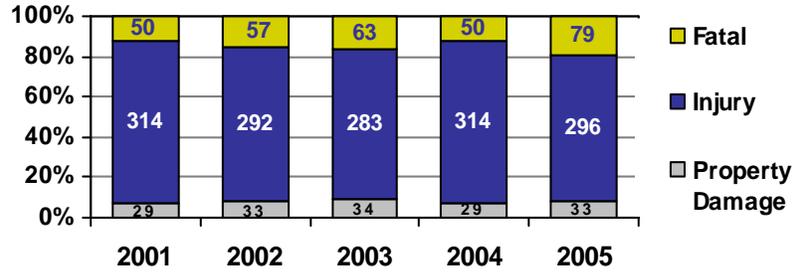


## LABOR DAY, ALCOHOL, & MOTORCYCLES

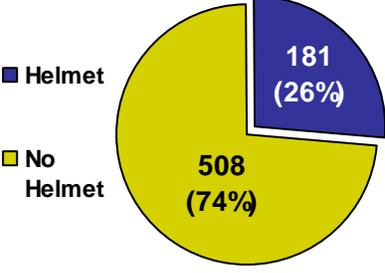


**Figure 1.**  
Labor Day Holiday:  
Ttl. Traffic Fatalities  
and Alcohol-Related  
Traffic Fatalities,  
2001-2005

**Figure 2.**  
Alcohol-Related  
Motorcycle Crashes  
by Crash Severity,  
2001-2005

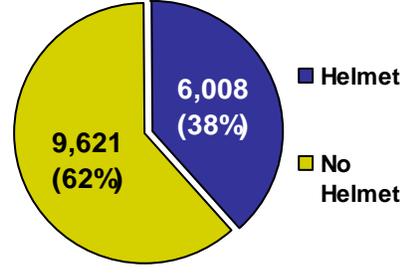


### FATAL CRASHES



**Figures 3 and 4.**  
Fatal and Injury  
Motorcycle  
Crashes by  
Helmet Use  
2001-2005

### INJURY CRASHES



- Drunk driving continues to present a critical threat to Ohio drivers, particularly as the Labor Day holiday approaches. Over the past three Labor Day holidays, Ohio traffic crashes have resulted in 54 deaths and over 3,300 injuries. Nearly half of the fatalities (48%) were alcohol-related.
- During last year's Labor Day Holiday there were 19 people killed on Ohio roads. *Twelve of them were motorcyclists.*
- Alcohol greatly increases the chance of a motorcycle crash resulting in injury or death: 15% of all alcohol-related motorcycle crashes from 2001 to 2005 resulted in death; 76% resulted in injury.
- Lack of helmet use is also associated with greater crash severity: only about one-quarter (26%) of all motorcyclists killed in traffic crashes from 2001 to 2005 were wearing helmets.
- The majority (80%) of motorcyclists killed are between 21 and 55 years old, and fatalities among 56- to 65-year-olds have risen in recent years. Motorcyclists with the highest incidence of alcohol-related crashes (all severities) are 36 to 45 years old.