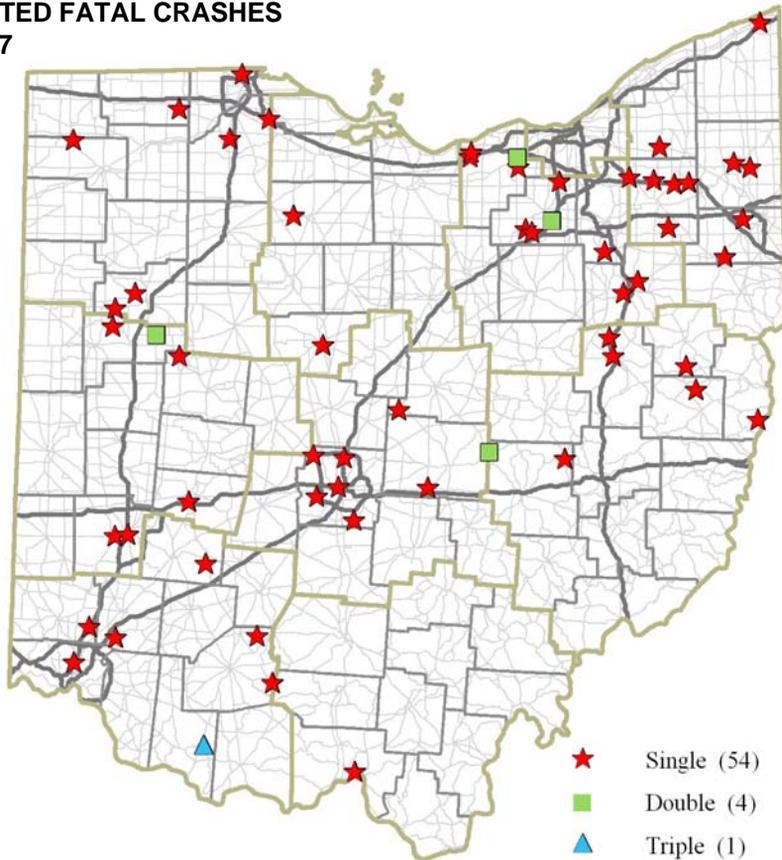




STATEWIDE REPORTED FATAL CRASHES 04/18/2007-05/15/2007



Statewide Reported*
Fatal Crashes
04/18/07-05/16/07

| Rural | Urban | Total |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 45 | 14 | 59 |

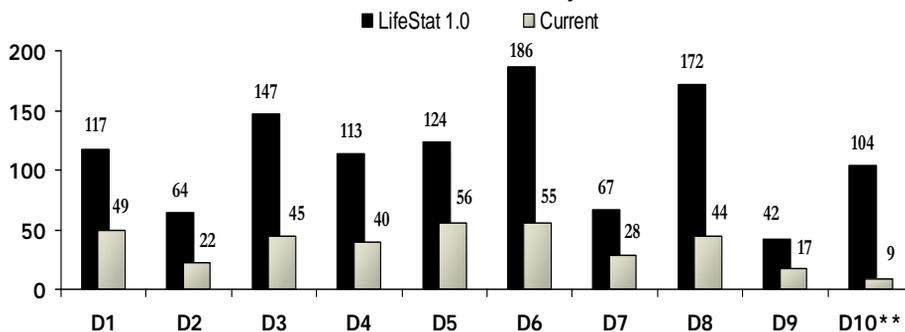
Total Fatalities: 65

- ★ Single (54)
- Double (4)
- ▲ Triple (1)

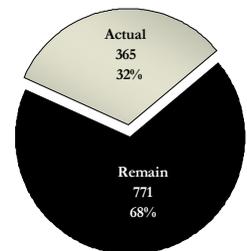
FATAL CRASH FACTS:

| | Past Four Weeks | YTD | Top Crash Causes: | YTD |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| OVI-Related | 13 | 102 | Unsafe Speed | 72 |
| Intersection | 16 | 81 | Failure to Yield | 62 |
| Commercial Vehicle Involved | 4 | 52 | Failure to Control | 51 |
| Motorcycle Involved | 12 | 20 | Driving Off Roadway | 42 |
| Pedestrian | 4 | 26 | Left of Center | 35 |

Year-To-Date Fatalities by District



LifeStat 1.0 = 1,136
Year-To-Date = 365



Statewide LifeStat 1.0

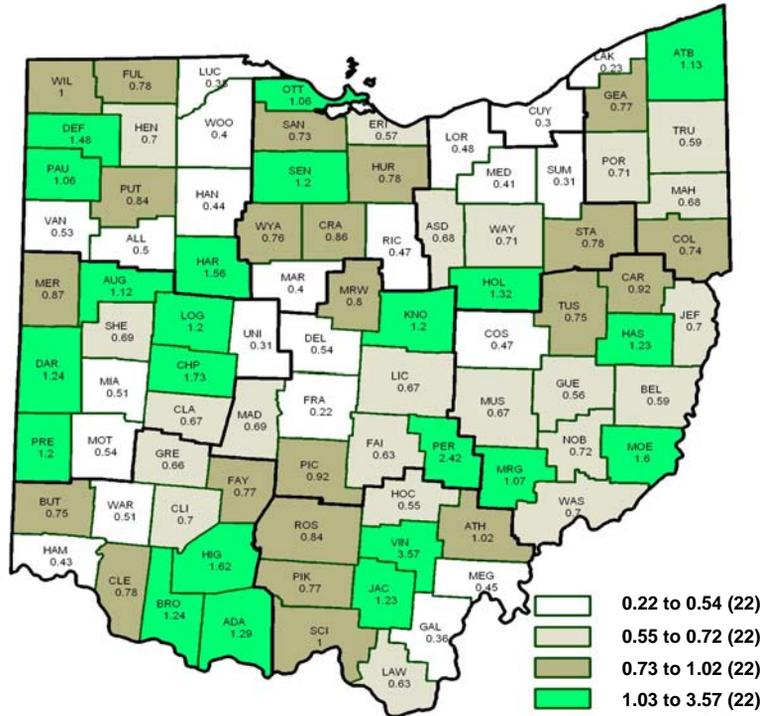
* Only fatal crashes that have been reported in the LINCOS fatal crash reporting system are included in this update.

**Includes Cuyahoga County



SAFETY BELTS

Unbelted Motorist Fatalities per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), 2004-2006.



0.22 to 0.54 (22)
 0.55 to 0.72 (22)
 0.73 to 1.02 (22)
 1.03 to 3.57 (22)

Table 1. Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT

| Percent County Population Rural ¹ | Number of Counties | Average Unbelted Motorist Fatalities per 100 Million VMT |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Below 40% Rural | 28 | 0.53 |
| 40-60% Rural | 34 | 0.84 |
| Above 60% Rural | 26 | 1.17 |

- Over 1,900 motorists (drivers and/or passengers) who were *not wearing safety belts* were killed in traffic crashes from 2004 to 2006, and another 9,500 were seriously injured (incapacitating – level 4), accounting for 60% of motorist fatalities and 34% of serious injuries statewide.
- Rates were higher in single-vehicle crashes, with 71% of motorists killed (and 50% of motorists seriously injured) *not wearing safety belts*.
- Survivors of fatal crashes (drivers and/or passengers) were restrained more often than those who were killed; while 60% of those killed were unbelted, only 27% of fatal crash survivors were unbelted.
- The average rate of *unbelted motorist fatalities* per 100 million VMT was higher for more rural Ohio counties (see map and table above).
- Seventy-eight percent of drivers/passengers who were ejected in traffic crashes were killed; nine out of ten (93%) drivers/passengers who were ejected in traffic crashes were *not wearing safety belts*.
- Strong safety belt laws and enforcement have been consistently shown to increase belt usage and reduce injuries and fatalities.² Currently, 25 states have primary safety belt laws (Ohio is not among them). All but five of those states had higher estimated belt usage rates than Ohio (81.7%) in 2006.³

¹ Based on 2000 US Census data. ² National Conference of State Legislatures. 2007. "Traffic Safety and Public Health: State Legislative Action 2006." March. ³ National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. 2007. "Seat Belt Use in 2006: Use Rates in the States and Territories." April. ~FINAL~



The 2007 "Click It or Ticket" enforcement mobilization runs from May 22 to June 4.

Table 2. Percent Rural Population¹, Percent of Motorist Fatalities that are Unbelted, and Unbelted Motorist Fatality Rate per Million Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2004-2006.

| | Percent Population Rural | Percent of Fatalities Unbelted | Unbelted Fatality Rate per 100 mil. VMT ² |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Adams | 90% | 65% | 1.29 |
| Allen | 27% | 58% | 0.50 |
| Ashland | 54% | 67% | 0.68 |
| Ashtabula | 46% | 64% | 1.13 |
| Athens | 41% | 57% | 1.02 |
| Auglaize | 41% | 65% | 1.12 |
| Belmont | 48% | 64% | 0.59 |
| Brown | 81% | 62% | 1.24 |
| Butler | 11% | 60% | 0.75 |
| Carroll | 69% | 50% | 0.92 |
| Champaign | 70% | 63% | 1.73 |
| Clark | 24% | 63% | 0.67 |
| Clermont | 29% | 57% | 0.78 |
| Clinton | 55% | 54% | 0.70 |
| Columbiana | 43% | 63% | 0.74 |
| Coshocton | 59% | 45% | 0.47 |
| Crawford | 34% | 67% | 0.86 |
| Cuyahoga | 1% | 67% | 0.30 |
| Darke | 66% | 75% | 1.24 |
| Defiance | 48% | 59% | 1.48 |
| Delaware | 32% | 44% | 0.54 |
| Erie | 26% | 68% | 0.57 |
| Fairfield | 39% | 54% | 0.63 |
| Fayette | 48% | 86% | 0.77 |
| Franklin | 2% | 56% | 0.22 |
| Fulton | 57% | 44% | 0.78 |
| Gallia | 77% | 50% | 0.36 |
| Geauga | 63% | 42% | 0.77 |
| Greene | 17% | 55% | 0.66 |
| Guernsey | 59% | 74% | 0.56 |
| Hamilton | 2% | 64% | 0.43 |
| Hancock | 32% | 67% | 0.44 |
| Hardin | 54% | 62% | 1.56 |
| Harrison | 82% | 47% | 1.23 |
| Henry | 68% | 38% | 0.70 |
| Highland | 72% | 71% | 1.62 |
| Hocking | 69% | 56% | 0.55 |
| Holmes | 92% | 80% | 1.32 |
| Huron | 46% | 40% | 0.78 |
| Jackson | 62% | 74% | 1.23 |
| Jefferson | 40% | 74% | 0.70 |
| Knox | 58% | 56% | 1.20 |
| Lake | 8% | 63% | 0.23 |
| Lawrence | 48% | 45% | 0.63 |

| | Percent Population Rural | Percent of Fatalities Unbelted | Unbelted Fatality Rate per 100 mil. VMT ² |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Licking | 39% | 64% | 0.67 |
| Logan | 56% | 65% | 1.20 |
| Lorain | 16% | 58% | 0.48 |
| Lucas | 6% | 53% | 0.38 |
| Madison | 48% | 41% | 0.69 |
| Mahoning | 14% | 64% | 0.68 |
| Marion | 31% | 42% | 0.40 |
| Medina | 34% | 44% | 0.41 |
| Meigs | 79% | 43% | 0.45 |
| Mercer | 60% | 73% | 0.87 |
| Miami | 32% | 50% | 0.51 |
| Monroe | 98% | 91% | 1.60 |
| Montgomery | 5% | 65% | 0.54 |
| Morgan | 82% | 63% | 1.07 |
| Morrow | 89% | 54% | 0.80 |
| Muskingum | 46% | 60% | 0.67 |
| Noble | 65% | 71% | 0.72 |
| Ottawa | 53% | 62% | 1.06 |
| Paulding | 82% | 58% | 1.06 |
| Perry | 73% | 81% | 2.42 |
| Pickaway | 45% | 58% | 0.92 |
| Pike | 80% | 53% | 0.77 |
| Portage | 41% | 67% | 0.71 |
| Preble | 81% | 63% | 1.20 |
| Putnam | 85% | 53% | 0.84 |
| Richland | 30% | 64% | 0.47 |
| Ross | 58% | 60% | 0.84 |
| Sandusky | 42% | 59% | 0.73 |
| Scioto | 51% | 64% | 1.00 |
| Seneca | 46% | 59% | 1.20 |
| Shelby | 57% | 50% | 0.69 |
| Stark | 14% | 67% | 0.78 |
| Summit | 4% | 56% | 0.31 |
| Trumbull | 26% | 74% | 0.59 |
| Tuscarawas | 42% | 77% | 0.75 |
| Union | 60% | 40% | 0.31 |
| Van Wert | 51% | 56% | 0.53 |
| Vinton | 93% | 78% | 3.57 |
| Warren | 22% | 62% | 0.51 |
| Washington | 65% | 63% | 0.70 |
| Wayne | 52% | 51% | 0.71 |
| Williams | 67% | 47% | 1.00 |
| Wood | 33% | 49% | 0.40 |
| Wyandot | 56% | 64% | 0.76 |
| Statewide | 49% | 60% | 0.84 |

¹ US Census, 2000.

² Vehicle Miles Traveled