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A Brief Statistical Summary

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State Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2010

In 2010, 32,885 people lost their lives on America's roadways in motor vehicle crashes. This figure is 2.9 percent lower than the 33,883 people who died in crashes in 2009 (998 fewer fatalities in 2010). Alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities declined by 4.9 percent in 2010. (These are fatalities in crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider [operator] with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 grams per deciliter or greater.) This percentage decrease was greater than the percentage decrease in overall motor vehicle crash fatalities from 2009 to 2010. The 10,228 alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities in 2010 accounted for 31 percent of overall fatalities, down slightly from the 32 percent in 2009 (10,759 alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities in 2009).

The table below compares the total number of fatalities, as well as the number and percentage of alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities for 2009 and 2010, the change in the number of total and alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities, and the percentage change for each State, the District of Columbia,

and Puerto Rico. Thirty-one States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico had reductions in the number of fatalities. Four States had reductions of over 100 fatalities, led by California with 375 fewer fatalities in 2010 than in 2009. Florida (-115), Louisiana (-114), and Texas (-106) were the other States with more than 100 fewer fatalities in 2010. Five States saw increases of more than 50 overall fatalities from 2009 to 2010. Connecticut had the greatest increase in the number of fatalities, going up 95 fatalities or 42 percent. Michigan (70), Pennsylvania (68), Indiana (61), and Ohio (58) were the other States that had increases in overall fatalities of more than 50.

Thirty-two States, DC, and Puerto Rico saw a decline in the number of alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities. California (-133) and Florida (-117) had decreases of more than 100 alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities. Sixteen States saw an increase in alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities ranging from 3 to 46 fatalities.

Total and Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities, 2009 and 2010, by State

State	2009			2010			2009 to 2010 Change				
	Total Fatalities	Alcohol-Impaired- Driving Fatalities		Total Fatalities	Alcohol-Impaired- Driving Fatalities		Total Fatalities		Alcohol-Impaired- Driving Fatalities		
		#	%	i ataiities	#	%	Change	% Change	Change	% Change	
Alabama	848	267	31%	862	279	32%	+14	+1.7%	+12	+4.5%	
Alaska	64	22	34%	56	16	28%	-8	-13%	-6	-27%	
Arizona	806	218	27%	762	194	25%	-44	-5.5%	-24	-11%	
Arkansas	596	173	29%	563	173	31%	-33	-5.5%	0	0.0%	
California	3,090	924	30%	2,715	791	29%	-375	-12%	-133	-14%	
Colorado	465	158	34%	448	127	28%	-17	-3.7%	-31	-20%	
Connecticut	224	97	43%	319	121	38%	+95	+42%	+24	+25%	
Delaware	116	45	39%	101	36	36%	-15	-13%	-9	-20%	
Dist of Columbia	29	11	36%	24	5	20%	-5	-17%	-6	-55%	
Florida	2,560	777	30%	2,445	660	27%	-115	-4.5%	-117	-15%	
Georgia	1,292	333	26%	1,244	298	24%	-48	-3.7%	-35	-11%	
Hawaii	109	52	48%	113	42	37%	+4	+3.7%	-10	-19%	
Idaho	226	60	26%	209	71	34%	-17	-7.5%	+11	+18%	
Illinois	911	313	34%	927	298	32%	+16	+1.8%	-15	-4.8%	
Indiana	693	207	30%	754	195	26%	+61	+8.8%	-12	-5.8%	
Iowa	371	98	26%	390	90	23%	+19	+5.1%	-8	-8.2%	

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Kansas	386	123	32%	431	168	39%	+45	+12%	+45	+37%	
Kentucky	791	192	24%	760	171	23%	-31	-3.9%	-21	-11%	
Louisiana	824	290	35%	710	225	32%	-114	-14%	-65	-22%	
Maine	159	46	29%	161	38	23%	+2	+1.3%	-8	-17%	
Maryland	549	165	30%	493	154	31%	-56	-10%	-11	-6.7%	
Massachusetts	340	106	31%	314	115	36%	-26	-7.6%	+9	+8.5%	
Michigan	872	243	28%	942	230	24%	+70	+8.0%	-13	-5.3%	
Minnesota	421	107	25%	411	127	31%	-10	-2.4%	+20	+19%	
Mississippi	700	233	33%	641	236	37%	-59	-8.4%	+3	+1.3%	
Missouri	878	302	34%	819	258	32%	-59	-6.7%	-44	-15%	
Montana	221	81	37%	189	73	39%	-32	-14%	-8	-9.9%	
Nebraska	223	68	31%	190	51	27%	-33	-15%	-17	-25%	
Nevada	243	69	28%	257	69	27%	+14	+5.8%	0	0.0%	
New Hampshire	110	29	26%	128	44	35%	+18	+16%	+15	+52%	
New Jersey	584	146	25%	556	153	27%	-28	-4.8%	+7	+4.8%	
New Mexico	361	112	31%	346	111	32%	-15	-4.2%	-1	-0.9%	
New York	1,158	318	27%	1,200	364	30%	+42	+3.6%	+46	+14%	
North Carolina	1,313	358	27%	1,319	388	29%	+6	+0.5%	+30	+8.4%	
North Dakota	140	54	39%	105	47	44%	-35	-25%	-7	-13%	
Ohio	1,022	325	32%	1,080	341	32%	+58	+5.7%	+16	+4.9%	
Oklahoma	737	229	31%	668	220	33%	-69	-9.4%	-9	-3.9%	
Oregon	377	115	30%	317	71	22%	-60	-16%	-44	-38%	
Pennsylvania	1,256	399	32%	1,324	433	33%	+68	+5.4%	+34	+8.5%	
Rhode Island	83	34	41%	66	25	38%	-17	-20%	-9	-26%	
South Carolina	894	374	42%	810	357	44%	-84	-9.4%	-17	-4.5%	
South Dakota	131	54	41%	140	37	26%	+9	+6.9%	-17	-31%	
Tennessee	986	299	30%	1,031	283	27%	+45	+4.6%	-16	-5.4%	
Texas	3,104	1,253	40%	2,998	1,259	42%	-106	-3.4%	+6	+0.5%	
Utah	244	41	17%	236	44	19%	-8	-3.3%	+3	+7.3%	
Vermont	74	24	32%	71	18	25%	-3	-4.1%	-6	-25%	
Virginia	758	243	32%	740	211	29%	-18	-2.4%	-32	-13%	
Washington	492	207	42%	458	170	37%	-34	-6.9%	-37	-18%	
West Virginia	357	112	31%	315	88	28%	-42	-12%	-24	-21%	
Wisconsin	561	209	37%	572	205	36%	+11	+2.0%	-4	-1.9%	
Wyoming	134	48	36%	155	54	35%	+21	+16%	+6	+13%	
National	33,883	10,759	32%	32,885	10,228	31%	-998	-2.9%	-531	-4.9%	
Puerto Rico	365	109	30%	340	97	29%	-25	-6.8%	-12	-11%	

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