



# Delaware's Annual Traffic Statistical Report

# 2023

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# **2023 DELAWARE**

**THERE WERE  
787,567 LICENSED DRIVERS,**

**980,232 REGISTERED  
MOTOR VEHICLES,**

**AND 9,062 MILLION  
VEHICLE MILES DRIVEN\*.**

**THERE WERE  
27,522 TRAFFIC CRASHES**

**RESULTING IN  
138 PEOPLE KILLED &  
7,815 PEOPLE INJURED**

**AND AN ECONOMIC LOSS\*\* OF  
OVER \$1.2 BILLION DOLLARS.**



*\* Vehicle Miles Driven estimated for the year 2023.*

*\*\* Economic loss based on 2021 estimates from National Safety Council -- most recent available.*

## INTRODUCTION

This annual compilation of the 2023 crash statistics shows information for crashes occurring on public roadways which produced injuries and / or property damage over \$1500. Crashes investigated by all police agencies in Delaware are included in the statistics unless otherwise noted.

**Delaware's Annual Traffic Statistical Report** for 2023 is available for viewing and printing from the Delaware State Police website <http://dsp.delaware.gov/reports>  
Current as well as past Reports are available from this site.

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**General  
Traffic  
Statistics**

# TRAFFIC STATISTICS IN BRIEF

	2022	2023	% Change
Registered Vehicles	973,361	980,232	1%
Licensed Drivers	773,179	787,567	2%
Vehicle Miles Traveled** (in millions)	8,973	9,062	1%
Population	1,015,140	1,030,233	1%
Fatal Crashes	146	131	-10%
Personal Injury Crashes	5,424	5,303	-2%
Property Damage Crashes	22,261	22,088	-1%
Total Crashes	27,831	27,522	-1%
Persons Killed	166	138	-17%
Persons Injured	7,889	7,815	-1%
Death Rate per 100 million Vehicle Miles Driven	1.85	1.52	-18%
Death Rate per 10,000 Registered Vehicles	1.71	1.41	-17%
Death Rate per 100,000 Population	16.35	13.40	-18%

**POPULATION, LICENSED DRIVERS, REGISTERED  
MOTOR VEHICLES, and MOTOR VEHICLE MILEAGE  
2007 - 2023**

YEAR	POPULATION	LICENSED DRIVERS	REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES	MOTOR VEHICLE MILEAGE **
				** In Millions
2007	864,894	627,096	854,604	9,453
2008	876,194	634,358	850,138	8,959
2009	885,131	639,352	823,590	9,041
2010	899,600	648,125	819,898	8,948
2011	907,387	653,141	825,184	9,028
2012	915,414	658,395	831,496	9,147
2013	920,944	667,665	848,026	9,311
2014	930,445	674,869	867,438	9,570
2015	939,823	684,731	892,508	9,761
2016	949,003	697,535	909,609	10,151
2017	962,495	714,426	928,223	10,467
2018	972,390	721,862	930,665	9,383
2019	979,947	730,095	943,781	9,462
2020	989,948	736,834	945,064	7,487
2021	1,000,316	754,593	967,400	9,309
2022	1,015,140	773,179	973,361	8,973
<b>2023</b>	<b>1,030,233</b>	<b>787,567</b>	<b>980,232</b>	<b>9,062</b>

Source for population figures: Delaware Population Consortium

Source for licensed drivers and registered vehicles: DE DOT, Division of Motor Vehicles

Source for motor vehicle mileage: Department of Transportation

Mileage is estimated for the year 2023.

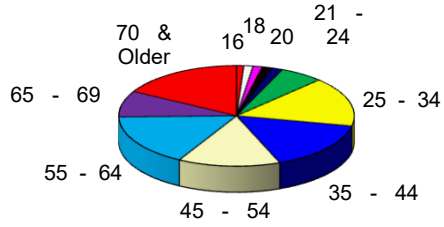
**NUMBER & PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION  
of  
LICENSED DRIVERS  
2023**

AGE	MALE	FEMALE	OTHER	TOTAL	
				#	%*
16	3,746	3,907	1	7,654	1%
17	4,749	5,134	5	9,888	1%
18	4,884	5,099	2	9,985	1%
19	5,114	5,164	3	10,281	1%
20	5,538	5,434	3	10,975	1%
21 - 24	22,748	22,061	23	44,832	6%
25 - 34	60,236	61,001	27	121,264	15%
35 - 44	59,635	62,492	19	122,146	16%
45 - 54	53,062	57,161	4	110,227	14%
55 - 64	62,774	70,251	5	133,030	17%
65 - 69	31,801	36,348	1	68,150	9%
70 & Older	64,224	74,911	0	139,135	18%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>378,511</b>	<b>408,963</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>787,567</b>	<b>100%</b>

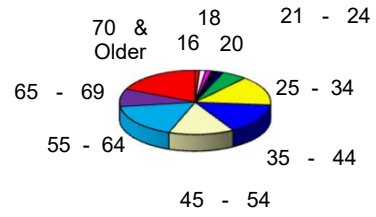
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Source for data: DEDOT, Division of Motor Vehicles



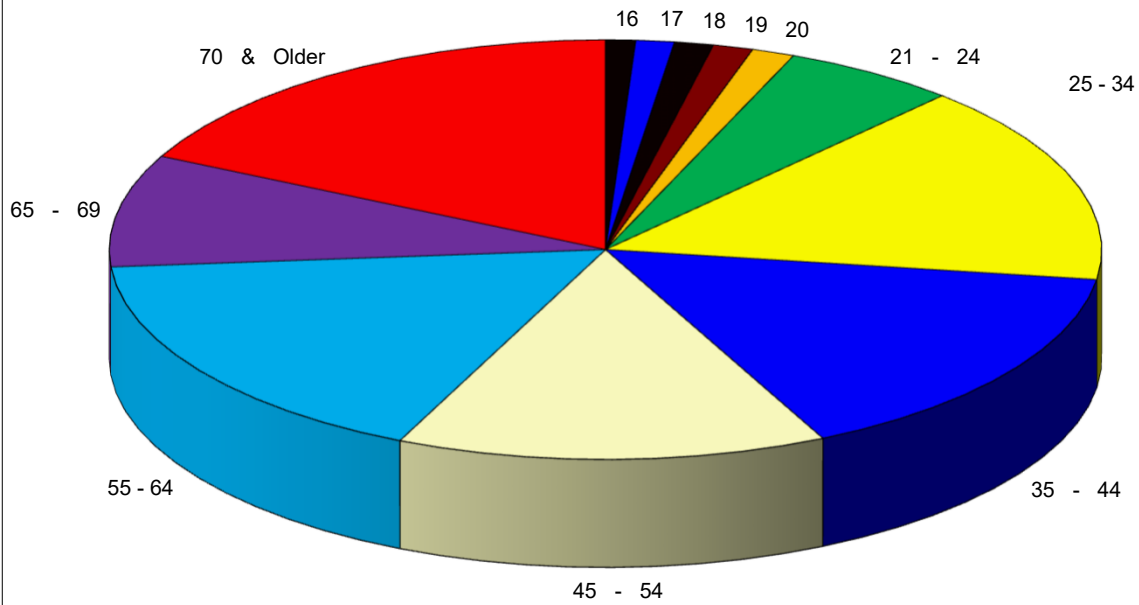
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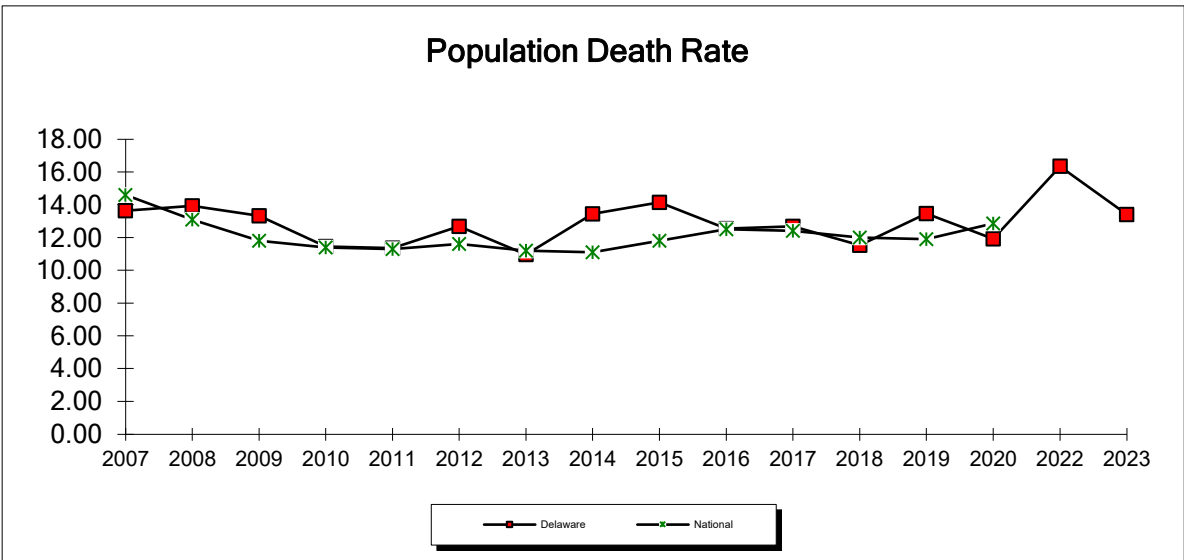
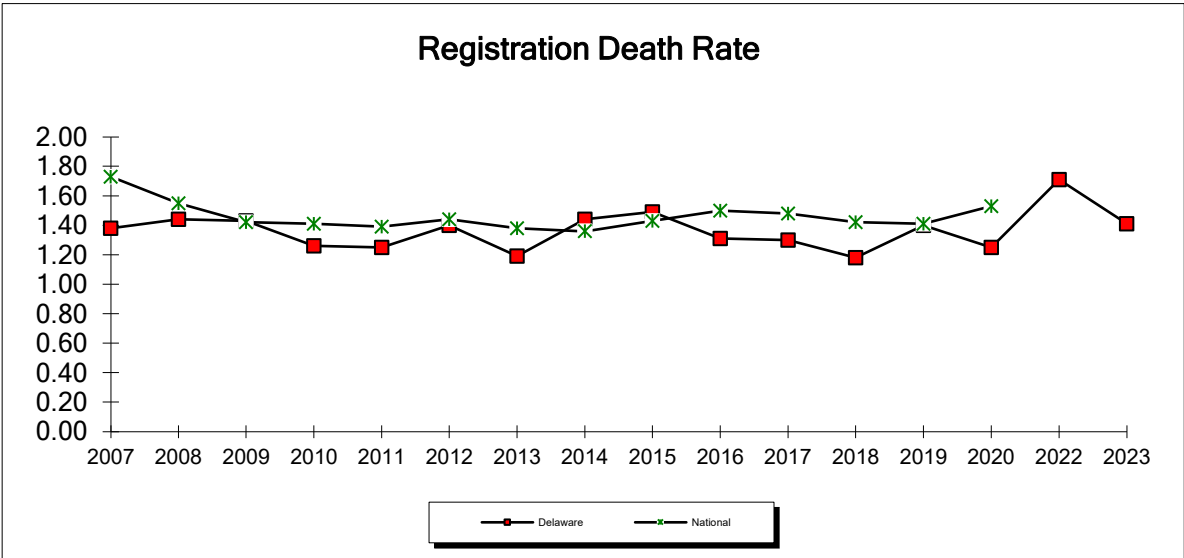
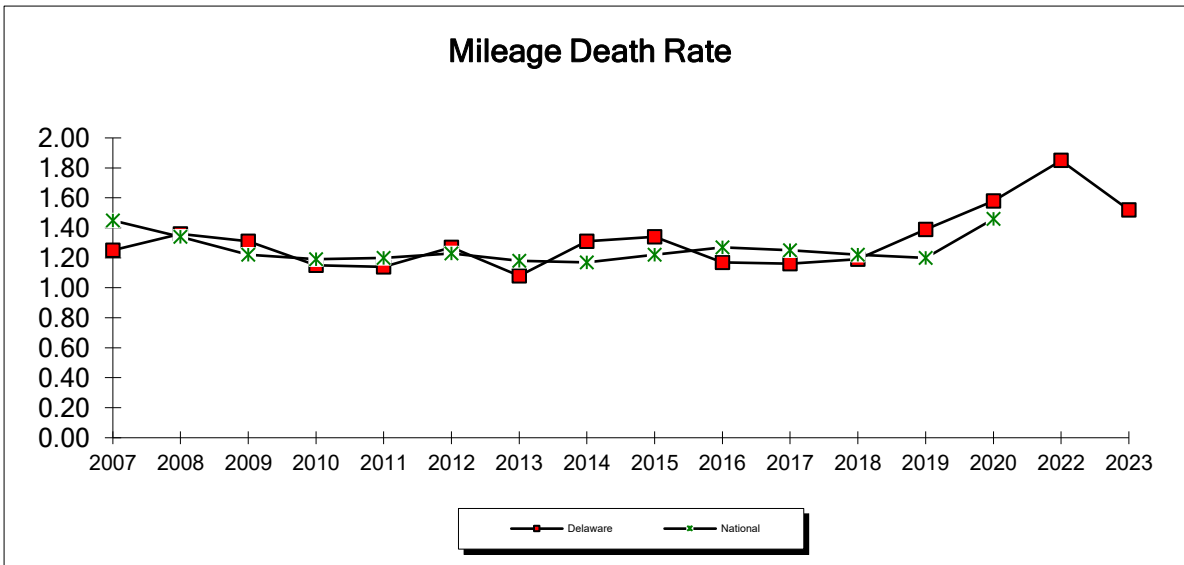


## VEHICLE DEATH RATES

YEAR	MILEAGE DEATH RATE		REGISTRATION DEATH RATE		POPULATION DEATH RATE	
	Delaware	National	Delaware	National	Delaware	National
2007	1.25	1.45	1.38	1.73	13.64	14.60
2008	1.36	1.34	1.44	1.55	13.92	13.10
2009	1.31	1.22	1.43	1.42	13.33	11.80
2010	1.15	1.19	1.26	1.41	11.45	11.40
2011	1.14	1.20	1.25	1.39	11.35	11.30
2012	1.27	1.23	1.40	1.44	12.67	11.60
2013	1.08	1.18	1.19	1.38	10.97	11.20
2014	1.31	1.17	1.44	1.36	13.43	11.10
2015	1.34	1.22	1.49	1.43	14.15	11.80
2016	1.17	1.27	1.31	1.50	12.54	12.50
2017	1.16	1.25	1.30	1.48	12.68	12.40
2018	1.19	1.22	1.18	1.42	11.52	12.00
2019	1.39	1.20	1.40	1.41	13.47	11.90
2020	1.58	1.46	1.25	1.53	11.92	12.85
2021	1.49	1.50	1.44	1.66	13.89	14.26
2022	1.85		1.71		16.35	
2023	1.52		1.41		13.40	

Mileage Death Rate is the number of deaths per 100 million Vehicle Miles.  
 Registration Death Rate is the number of deaths per 10,000 Registrations.  
 Population Death Rate is the number of deaths per 100,000 Population.

Source for National figures: National Safety Council Injury Facts  
 National death rates for 2022 and 2023 were not available at the time of publication.



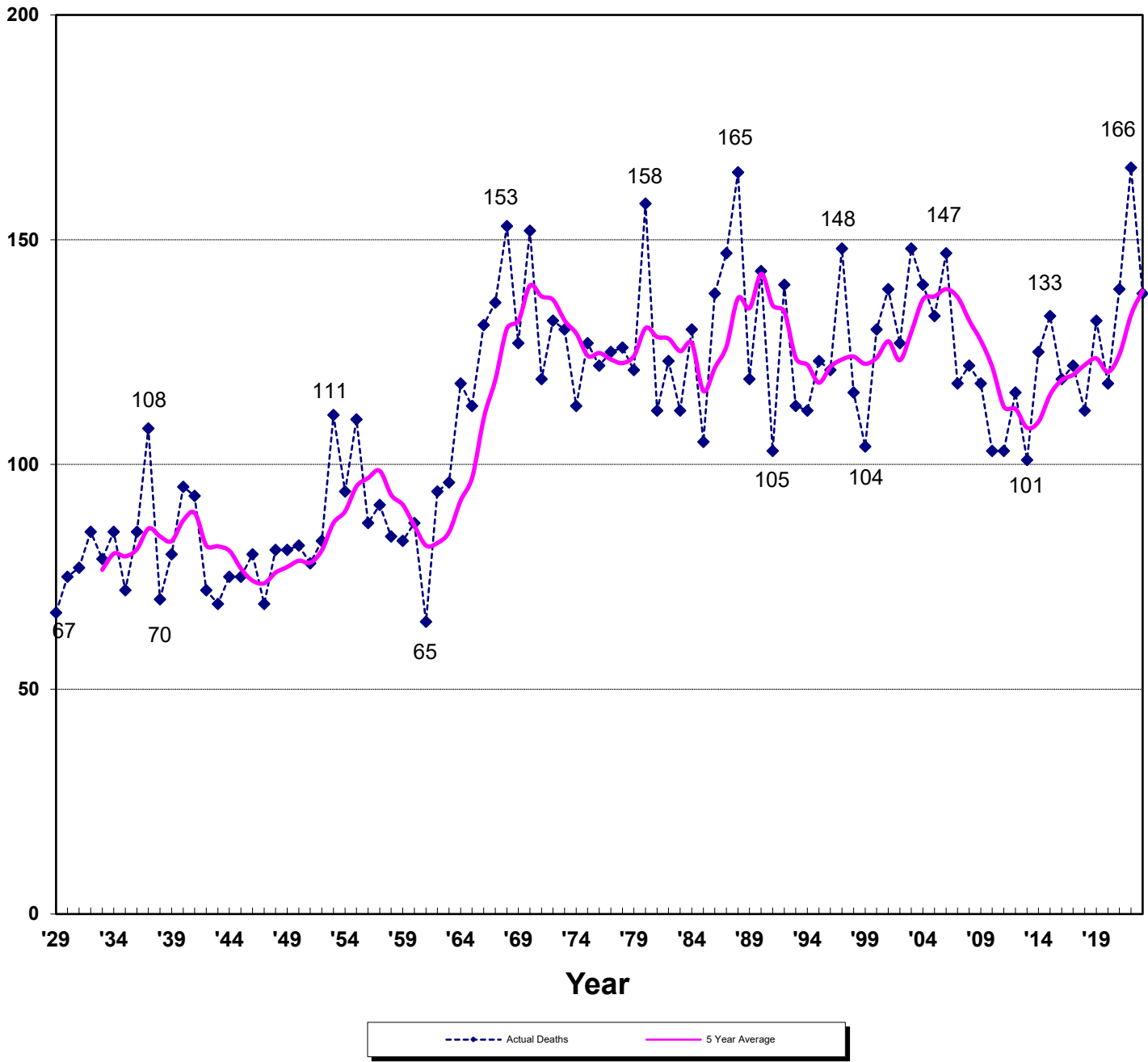
# STATEWIDE CRASH AND INJURY DATA

2004 - 2023

YEAR	ALL CRASHES	FATAL CRASHES	PERSONAL INJURY CRASHES	PROPERTY DAMAGE CRASHES	PERSONS KILLED	PERSONS INJURED
2004	19,642	130	5,326	14,186	140	8,314
2005	18,682	118	5,349	13,215	133	8,366
2006	19,351	133	5,472	13,746	147	8,145
2007	20,017	106	5,254	14,657	118	7,568
2008	19,506	106	5,045	14,355	122	7,200
2009	18,927	102	5,025	13,800	118	7,239
2010	20,697	94	5,383	15,220	103	8,001
2011	20,867	97	5,215	15,555	103	7,700
2012	21,197	110	5,507	15,580	116	7,704
2013	21,378	96	4,994	16,288	101	7,789
2014	22,967	111	4,950	17,906	125	7,537
2015	24,066	129	5,253	18,684	133	8,058
2016	26,458	116	5,551	20,791	119	8,525
2017	28,080	114	5,427	22,539	122	8,332
2018	28,864	105	5,216	23,543	112	8,161
2019	29,137	122	5,490	23,525	132	8,522
2020	24,161	106	4,700	19,355	118	7,258
2021	28,469	134	5,261	23,074	139	8,256
2022	27,831	146	5,424	22,261	166	7,889
2023	27,522	131	5,303	22,088	138	7,815

# Delaware Traffic Deaths

## 1929 - 2023



**General  
Crash Statistics  
for  
2023**

# DELAWARE

## Traffic Crash Facts

- There were 27,522 reportable traffic crashes of which 131 were fatal, 5,303 were personal injury, and 22,088 were property damage crashes.
- A reportable traffic crash occurred every 19 minutes.
- In 131 fatal crashes, 138 persons were killed.
- Fifteen (11%) of the persons killed in Delaware in 2023 were minors (less than 21 years old).
- One person was killed every 63 hours as a result of traffic crashes.
- There were 7,815 persons injured in Delaware crashes.
- One person was injured every 67 minutes in traffic crashes.
- For each person killed, there were 56 injured.
- One out of every 24 licensed drivers in Delaware was a driver in a traffic crash.
- Alcohol was involved in 24% of the fatal crashes.
- Of all the drivers killed in fatal crashes, over a third (37%) of them were under the influence of drugs and / or alcohol.
- The number of pedestrians killed in traffic crashes in 2023 was 29, down from 31 in 2022.
- For each pedestrian killed, there were nine injured.
- There were five bicyclists killed in traffic crashes in 2023. There were seven bicycle fatalities in 2022.
- There were 137 bicyclists injured in 2023.
- Children under 15 years of age accounted for 9% of the bicyclists' injuries. The majority of bicyclists injured were between 35 and 64 years old (41%).
- There were 16 motorcyclists killed. Six (6) were wearing a helmet.
- Of the 157 motorcycle operators killed in the last ten years, 75 were under the influence of alcohol and / or drugs.
- Of the 86 occupants killed in traffic crashes in 2023, 42 were using occupant restraints.
- Of the 791 occupants killed in traffic crashes in the last ten years, only half (50.7%) were using occupant restraints.

# 2023

## STATEWIDE FATAL CRASH SUMMARY

### 1. Fatal Crashes and Fatalities

	CRASHES	DEATHS
New Castle	59	61
Kent	31	32
Sussex	41	45
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>138</b>

### 2. Alcohol Related Fatal Crashes and Fatalities

	CRASHES	DEATHS
New Castle	11	11
Kent	6	7
Sussex	14	17
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>35</b>

### 3. Status of Victims

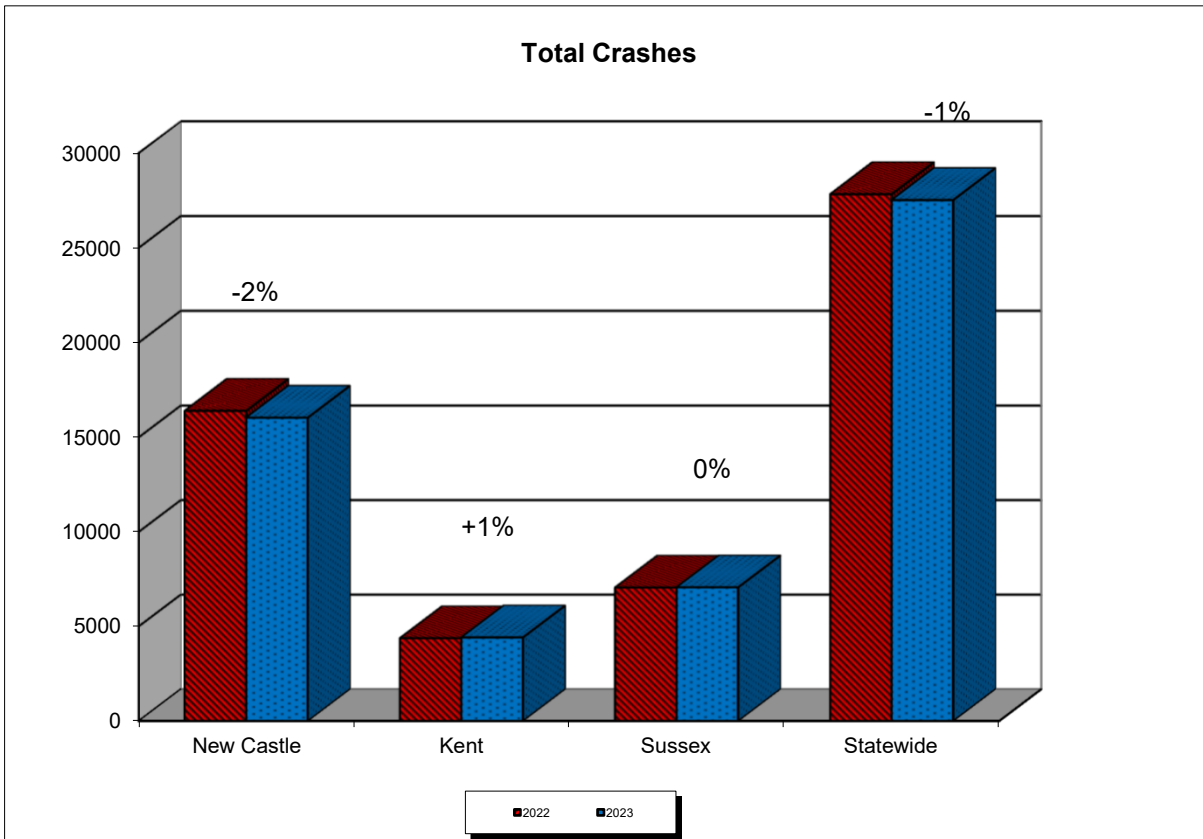
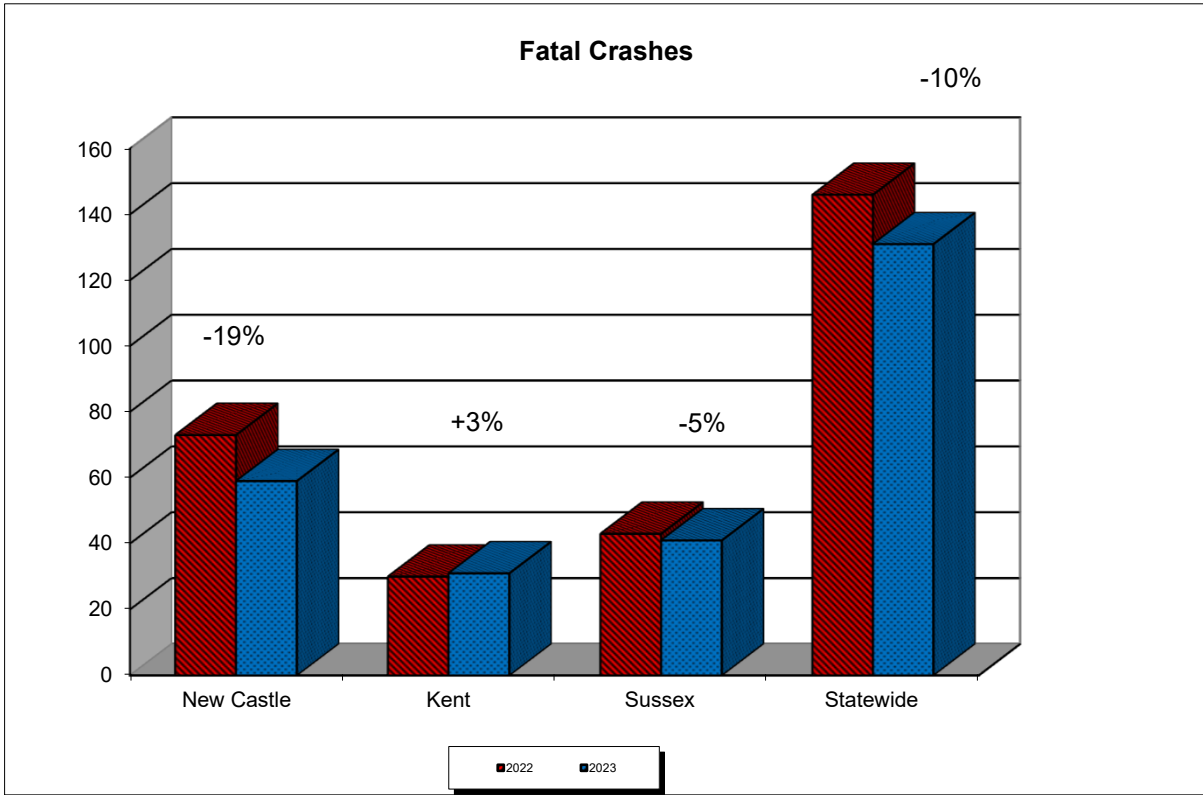
<b>A. CAR OCCUPANTS</b>		88
Operators	67	
Passengers	21	
<b>B. MOTORCYCLISTS</b>		16
Operators	14	
Passengers	2	
<b>C. PEDESTRIANS</b>		29
<b>D. BICYCLISTS</b>		5
<b>E. OTHER</b>		0
<b>TOTAL DEATHS:</b>		<b>138</b>



# CRASH COMPARISON

## by County

	2022	2023	% CHANGE
<b>NEW CASTLE COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	73	59	-19%
Personal Injury Crashes	3105	3034	-2%
Property Damage Crashes	13222	12947	-2%
 Total Crashes	 16400	 16040	 -2%
 Fatalities	 85	 61	 -28%
Injuries	4424	4457	1%
 <b>KENT COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	30	31	3%
Personal Injury Crashes	986	968	-2%
Property Damage Crashes	3359	3417	2%
 Total Crashes	 4375	 4416	 1%
 Fatalities	 33	 32	 -3%
Injuries	1429	1468	3%
 <b>SUSSEX COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	43	41	-5%
Personal Injury Crashes	1333	1301	-2%
Property Damage Crashes	5680	5724	1%
 Total Crashes	 7056	 7066	 0%
 Fatalities	 48	 45	 -6%
Injuries	2036	2029	0%
 <b>STATEWIDE</b>			
Fatal Crashes	146	131	-10%
Personal Injury Crashes	5424	5303	-2%
Property Damage Crashes	22261	22088	-1%
 Total Crashes	 27831	 27522	 -1%
 Fatalities	 166	 138	 -17%
Injuries	7889	7954	1%



# Type of Crash

Type of Crash	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Overturning	94	1	51	42
Other Non-Collision	284	1	39	244
Pedestrian	182	26	132	24
Pedalcyclist	62	3	43	16
Railway Train	2	0	2	0
Animal	1555	0	56	1499
Motor Vehicle in Transport	18145	59	3843	14243
Parked / Stopped Motor Vehicle	2966	2	430	2534
Other Non-fixed Object	233	0	13	220
Collision with Bridge, Ditch, Curb, Embankment	952	9	217	726
Collision with Guardrail, Median Barrier	552	2	121	429
Collision with Tree	266	15	81	170
Collision with Utility Pole, Light Support, Mailbox	427	3	79	345
Other Fixed Object	847	8	149	690
Other	955	2	47	906
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27522</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>5303</b>	<b>22088</b>

\*2023 data - Based on first harmful event.

# Contributing Circumstances

Contributing Circumstances	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Speeding	244	15	74	155
Failed to yield r.o.w.	2665	12	829	1824
Passed stop sign	420	4	182	234
Disregard traffic signal	768	5	358	405
Wrong side or wrong way	83	2	30	51
Improper passing or lane change	1972	8	200	1764
Followed too close	3079	0	435	2644
Made improper turn	520	1	94	425
Driving under influence	935	14	305	616
Driver inattention, distraction, or fatigue	6194	9	1267	4918
Driving carelessly / recklessly	1945	12	480	1453
Driving aggressively	139	1	28	110
Other improper driving	969	3	117	849
Animal in roadway	1722	0	78	1644
Environmental - debris, weather, glare, etc.	584	1	84	499
Pedestrian	164	27	115	22
Other / Unknown	5119	17	627	4475
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27522</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>5303</b>	<b>22088</b>

r.o.w. = right of way

\*2023 data

# Contributing Circumstances for Intersection Related Crashes

Contributing Circumstances	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Speeding	46	1	17	28
Failed to yield r.o.w.	1915	7	653	1255
Passed stop sign	385	3	173	209
Disregard traffic signal	689	5	329	355
Wrong side or wrong way	25	0	13	12
Improper passing or lane change	499	2	63	434
Followed too close	1228	0	189	1039
Made improper turn	319	1	64	254
Driving under influence	261	1	99	161
Driver inattention, distraction, or fatigue	2677	3	610	2064
Driving carelessly / recklessly	590	3	154	433
Driving aggressively	50	0	13	37
Other improper driving	213	0	30	183
Animal in roadway	32	0	1	31
Environmental - debris, weather, glare, etc.	98	0	20	78
Pedestrian	55	8	40	7
Other / Unknown	1066	4	221	841
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>10148</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2689</b>	<b>7421</b>

r.o.w. = right of way

\*2023 data

## ROAD CONDITIONS

Road Surface Condition	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Dry	22457	105	4454	17898
Wet	4257	22	826	3409
Snowy / Icy	39	0	6	33
Other / Not Stated	769	4	17	748

<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27522</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>5303</b>	<b>22088</b>
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## LIGHT CONDITIONS

Light Condition	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Daylight	17325	49	3476	13800
Dawn / Dusk	1022	5	187	830
Darkness, Lighted	4937	25	1011	3901
Darkness, Not Lit	3373	49	607	2717
Darkness, Unk Light	80	1	12	67
Other / Not Stated	785	2	10	773

<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27522</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>5303</b>	<b>22088</b>
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## WEATHER CONDITIONS\*

Weather Condition	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Clear	20550	88	4070	16392
Cloudy	3113	26	619	2468
Fog, smog, smoke	214	1	37	176
Rain	3018	15	604	2399
Snow / Sleet	35	0	3	32
Other / Not Stated	808	4	20	784

<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27738</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>5353</b>	<b>22251</b>
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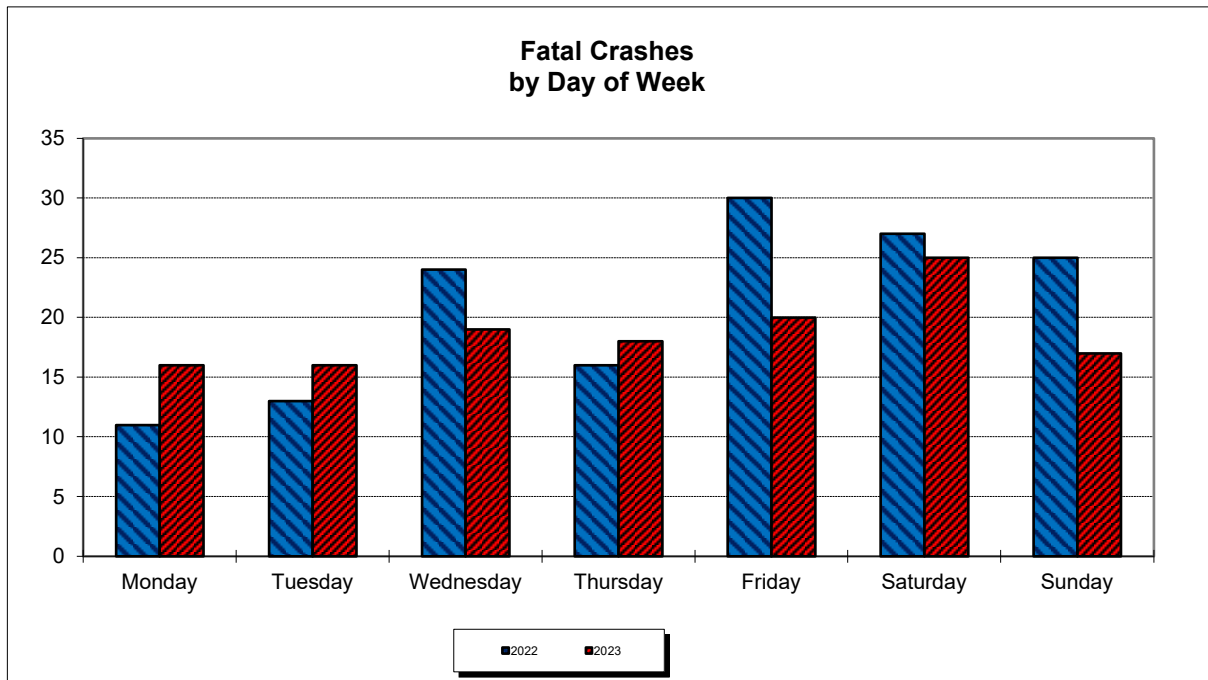
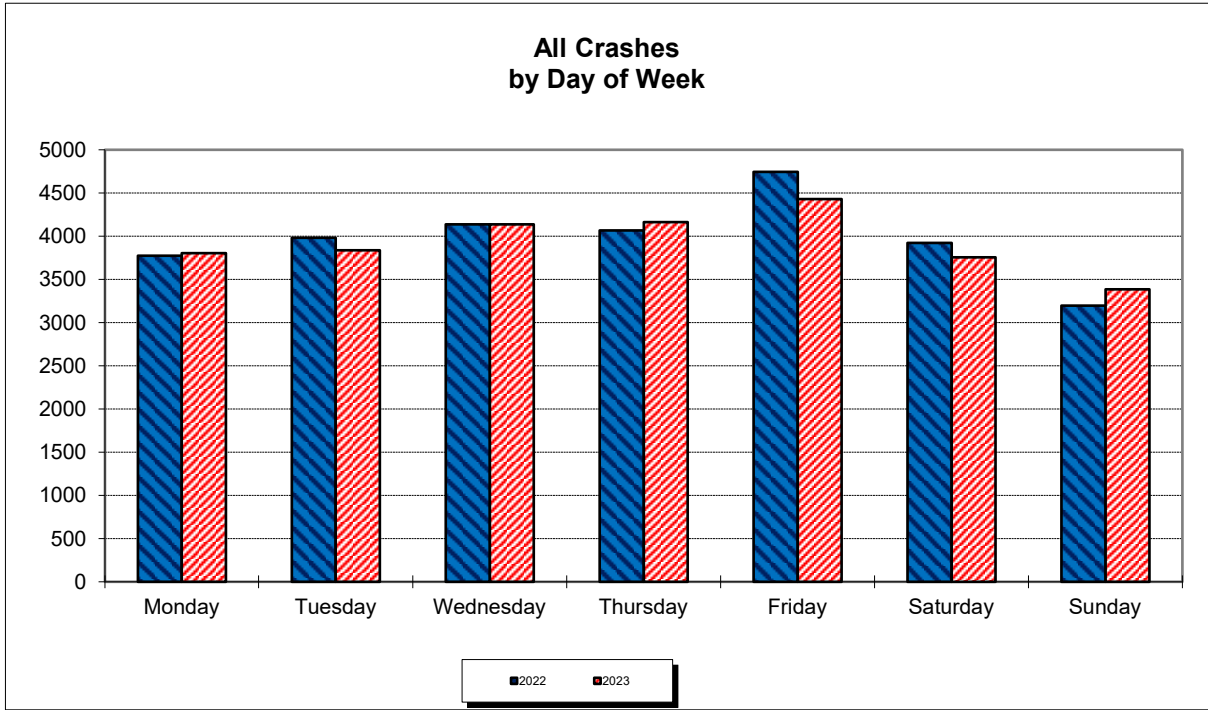
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\*2023 data

# DAY OF WEEK

## All Crashes and Fatal Crashes

Day of Week	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Monday	3774	3806	11	16
Tuesday	3984	3838	13	16
Wednesday	4138	4140	24	19
Thursday	4069	4164	16	18
Friday	4745	4431	30	20
Saturday	3924	3756	27	25
Sunday	3197	3388	25	17
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27831</b>	<b>27523</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>131</b>

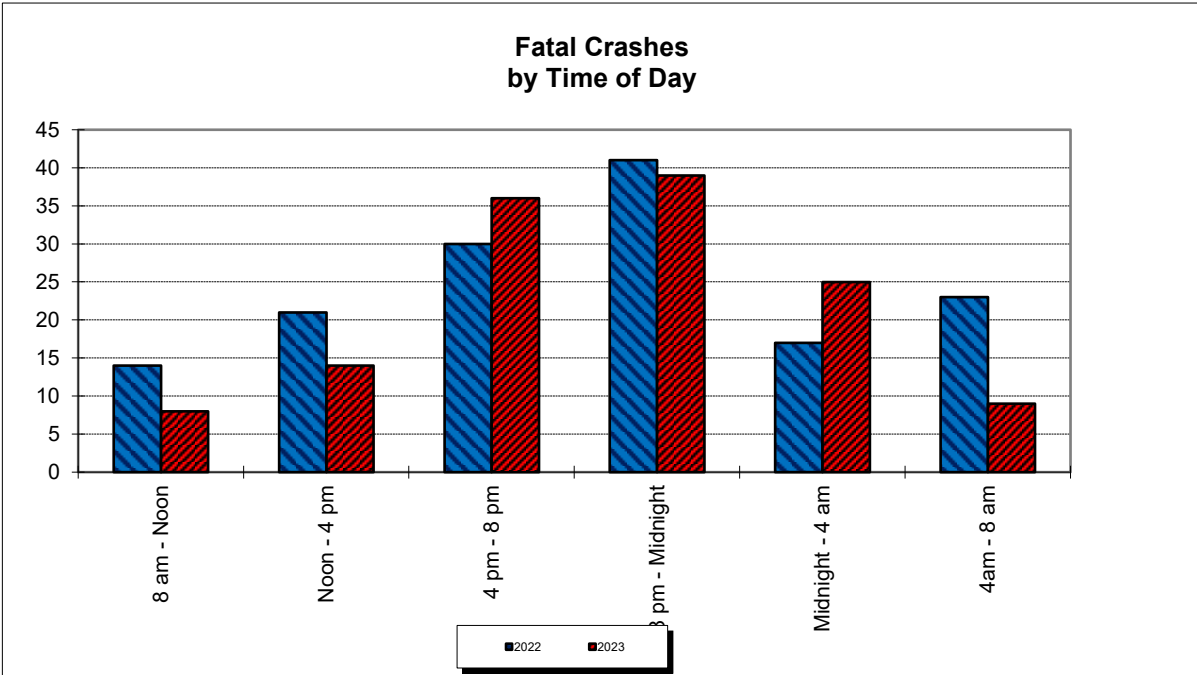
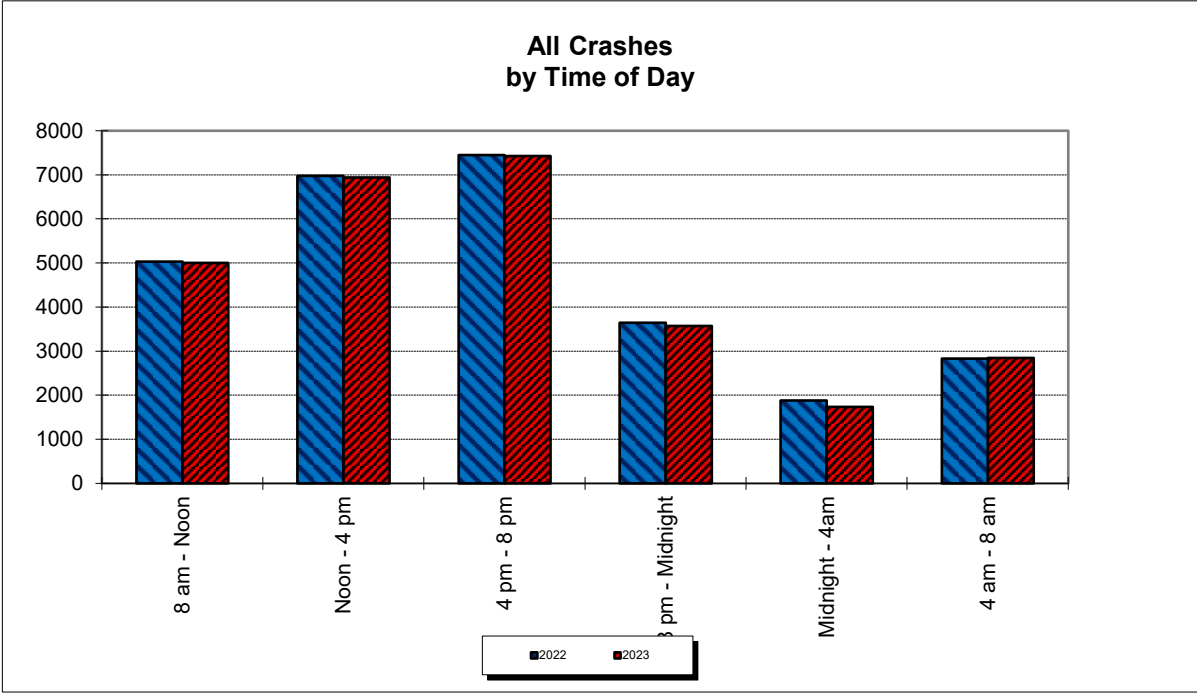




# TIME OF DAY

## All Crashes and Fatal Crashes

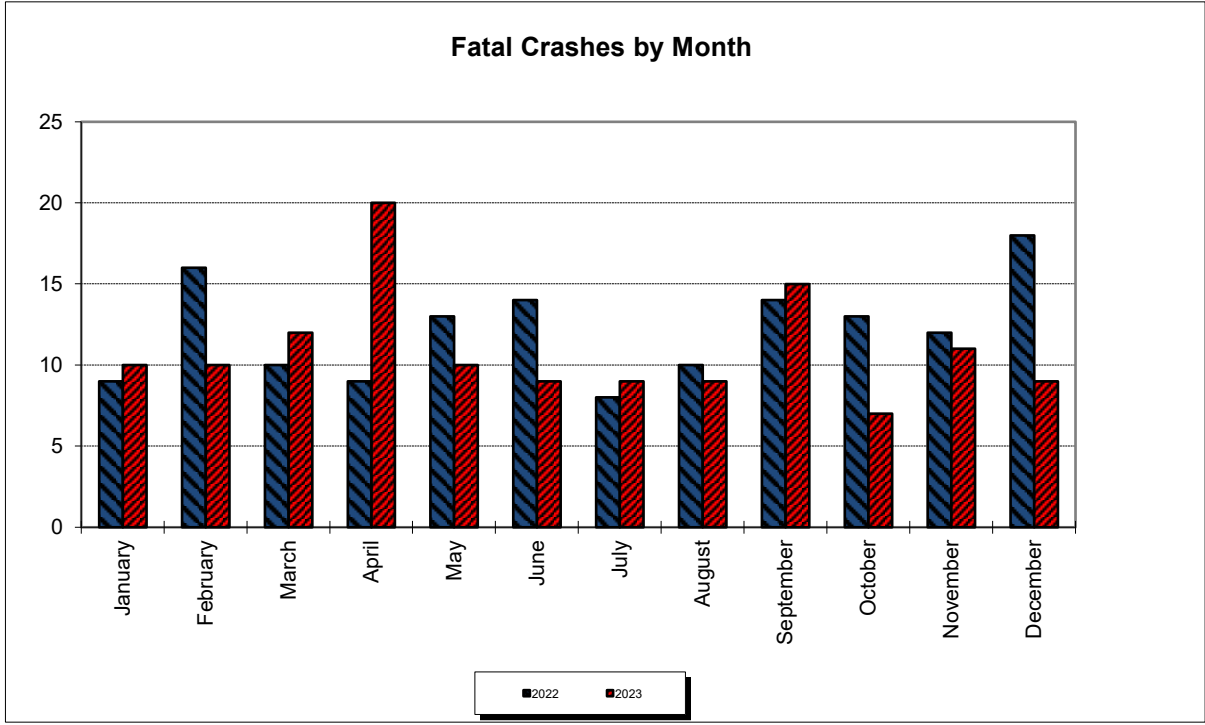
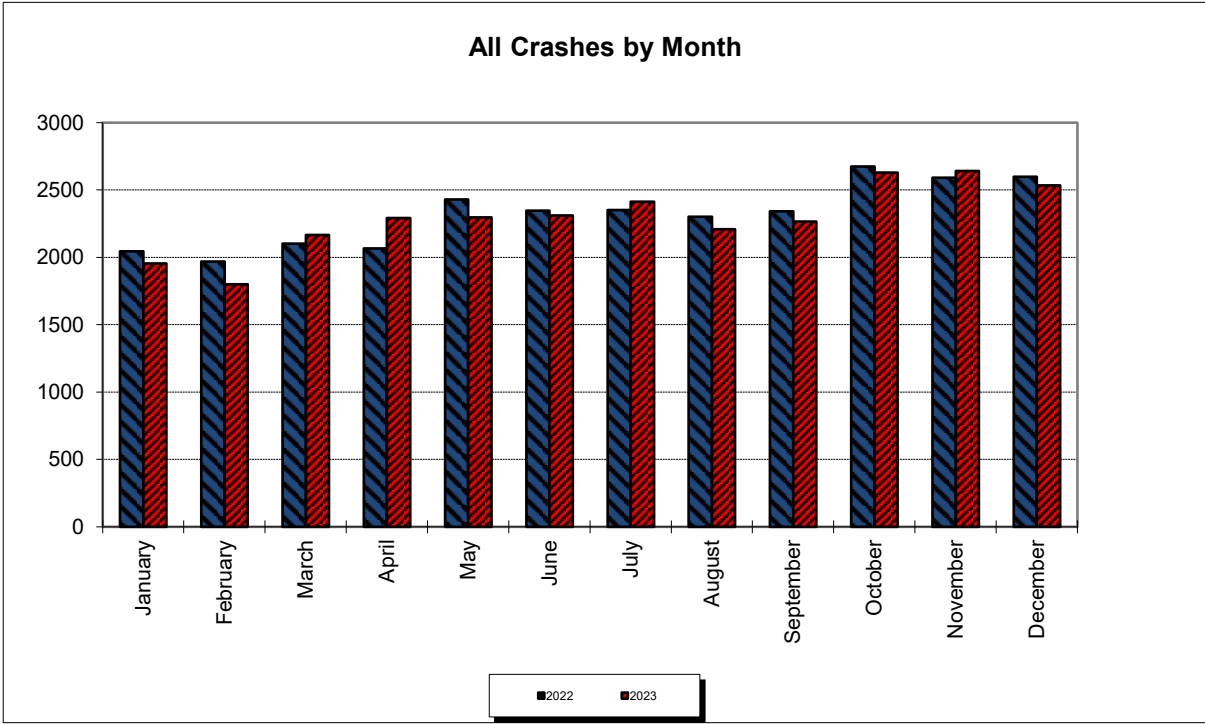
Time of Day	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
8 am - Noon	5034	5003	14	8
Noon - 4 pm	6979	6940	21	14
4 pm - 8 pm	7453	7428	30	36
8 pm - Midnight	3649	3573	41	39
Midnight - 4 am	1884	1734	17	25
4 am - 8 am	2832	2845	23	9
Not Stated	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27831</b>	<b>27523</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>131</b>



# CRASHES BY MONTH

## All Crashes and Fatal Crashes

Month	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
January	2046	1955	9	10
February	1971	1802	16	10
March	2102	2167	10	12
April	2068	2292	9	20
May	2432	2297	13	10
June	2348	2312	14	9
July	2352	2414	8	9
August	2302	2209	10	9
September	2343	2266	14	15
October	2675	2631	13	7
November	2592	2643	12	11
December	2600	2535	18	9
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27831</b>	<b>27523</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>131</b>

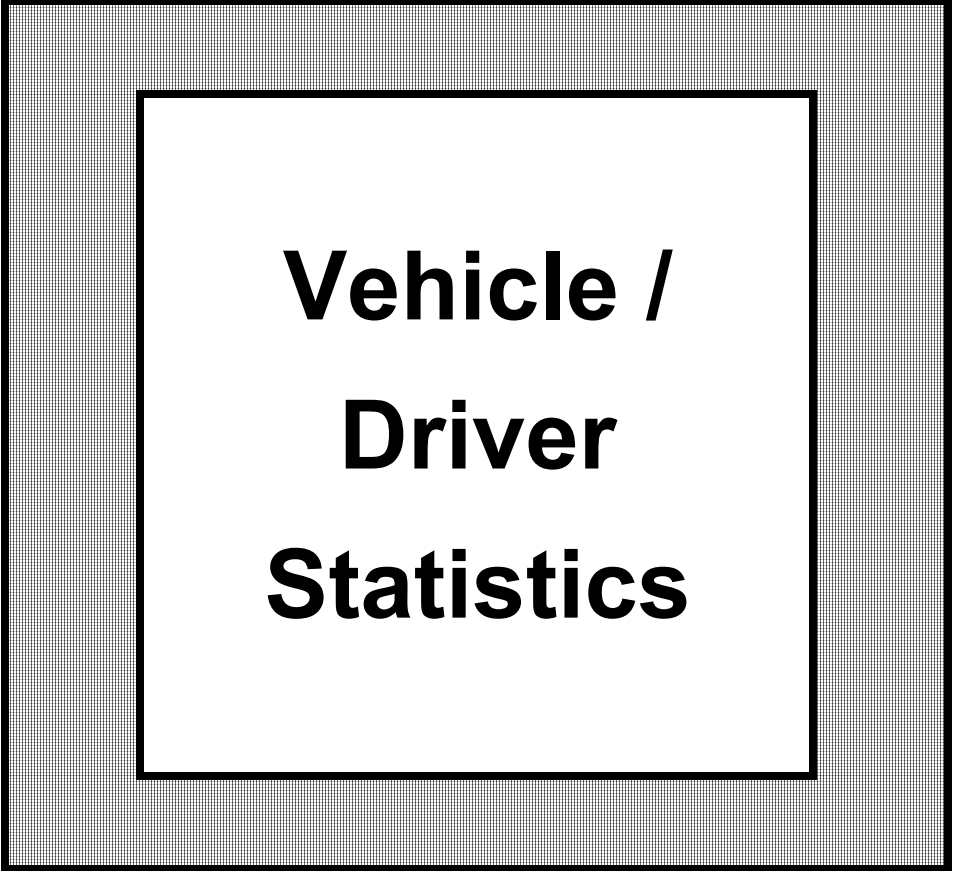


## CONTRIBUTING POLICE AGENCIES

Police Agency	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
Delaware State Police	17533	17179	123	110	3160	3092	14250	13977
Bethany Beach	44	43	0	0	9	7	35	36
Blades	10	16	0	0	1	4	9	12
Bridgeville	49	49	0	0	8	13	41	36
Camden	191	154	0	0	29	23	162	131
Cheswold	15	16	0	0	5	2	10	14
Clayton	34	44	0	0	5	5	29	39
Dagsboro	38	36	0	0	7	5	31	31
DE River & Bay Authority	242	236	2	0	42	47	198	189
Delaware City	12	11	0	0	3	2	9	9
Delmar	40	37	0	0	11	10	29	27
Dewey Beach	22	31	0	0	6	7	16	24
Dover	1215	1310	6	4	353	359	856	947
Elsmere	101	106	1	0	14	12	86	94
Felton	18	15	0	1	2	3	16	11
Fenwick	6	9	0	0	0	2	6	7
Georgetown	524	555	0	0	75	83	449	472
Greenwood	21	22	0	0	2	4	19	18
Harrington	55	45	0	0	14	9	41	36
Laurel	103	114	0	0	22	16	81	98

## CONTRIBUTING POLICE AGENCIES (cont.)

Police Agency	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
Lewes	38	59	0	0	3	10	35	49
Middletown	536	485	0	2	129	113	407	370
Milford	522	468	0	0	119	98	403	370
Millsboro	235	282	0	0	32	39	203	243
Milton	40	32	1	0	6	4	33	28
New Castle City	179	163	0	0	35	48	144	115
New Castle Co.	1531	1541	3	6	344	314	1184	1221
Newark	919	892	1	2	206	227	712	663
Newport	84	93	0	0	15	16	69	77
Ocean View	54	43	0	0	10	6	44	37
Rehoboth Beach	82	95	0	0	6	18	76	77
Seaford	336	411	2	1	68	69	266	341
Selbyville	65	47	0	0	12	16	53	31
Smyrna	208	266	0	1	44	50	164	215
South Bethany	12	10	0	0	2	5	10	5
Wilmington	2642	2439	7	4	615	550	2020	1885
Wyoming	23	32	0	0	6	3	17	29
Other	52	136	0	0	4	12	48	124
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>27831</b>	<b>27522</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>5424</b>	<b>5303</b>	<b>22261</b>	<b>22088</b>



**Vehicle /  
Driver  
Statistics**

# TYPE OF VEHICLE

Type of Vehicle	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Passenger Car	23875	90	4940	18845
Pickup Truck	5560	26	1012	4522
Truck Tractor & Semi	789	6	124	659
Other Truck Combo, or Commercial Van	1395	7	245	1143
Motorcycle / Scooter	395	16	284	95
Bus	159	1	41	117
School Bus	232	1	47	184
Farm Tractor &/or Farm Equipment	16	0	3	13
Sport Utility Vehicle	13005	57	2783	10165
Minivan / Passenger Van	1503	5	328	1170
Other	145	2	33	110
Not Stated	3788	6	325	3457
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>50862</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>10165</b>	<b>40480</b>

\* Shows number of vehicles, including unoccupied vehicles. Does not represent number of crashes.

\* 2023 data



# AGE OF DRIVER

Age of Driver	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
15 & Under	49	0	18	31
16	474	1	94	379
17	1066	3	214	849
18	1144	5	230	909
19	1068	5	229	834
20	1037	7	233	797
21 - 24	4074	26	880	3168
25 - 34	9187	52	2068	7067
35 - 44	7771	27	1763	5981
45 - 54	5967	24	1327	4616
55 - 64	5489	30	1274	4185
65 - 74	3615	11	783	2821
75 & Older	1998	12	482	1504
Not Stated	3790	0	246	3544
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>46729</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>9841</b>	<b>36685</b>

\* Shows number of drivers, not number of crashes.

\* 2023 data

## GENDER OF DRIVER

Gender of Driver	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Male	25500	145	5450	19905
Female	18491	58	4246	14187
Not Stated	2738	0	145	2593
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>46729</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>9841</b>	<b>36685</b>

## RESIDENCE OF DRIVER

Residence	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes
Local Residence	34419	157	7809	26453
Non-Residence of Delaware	8671	45	1794	6832
Not Stated	3639	1	238	3400
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>46729</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>9841</b>	<b>36685</b>

\* Shows number of drivers, not number of crashes.

\* 2023 data

# Motorcycle Crashes

***In 2023:***



- There were 382 traffic crashes which involved a motorcycle.
- 4% of the crashes were fatal crashes. Of the 16 fatal crashes involving motorcycles, 2 were alcohol related.
- 72% (274) of the crashes were personal injury crashes. Thirteen (13) of those were alcohol related.
- 24% (92) of the crashes were property damage crashes. Six (6) were alcohol related.
- Of the 16 motorcyclists killed in 2023, 6 were wearing a helmet.
- Of the 157 motorcycle operators killed in the last 10 years, 48% had been drinking alcohol & / or consuming drugs.
- The death rate for motorcyclists was 7.61 per 10,000 registrations -- compared to a death rate of 1.41 for all vehicles registered.

\*\* Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

# MOTORCYCLE CRASHES

## 2007 - 2023

Year	Reg. Motor-cycles	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Motor-cyclists Killed	Number Killed Wearing Helmets	Motor-cyclists Injured	Number Injured Wearing Helmets
2007	23,066	426	16	335	17	6	336	230
2008	24,660	368	16	273	16	7	286	178
2009	24,526	312	14	246	14	5	255	151
2010	24,498	358	9	282	9	6	305	192
2011	24,627	353	17	243	18	8	264	173
2012	24,332	353	17	247	17	12	257	169
2013	23,526	331	21	217	20	13	231	165
2014	22,816	377	13	266	15	8	287	163
2015	22,888	374	20	238	20	14	252	156
2016	22,425	327	14	201	14	10	229	159
2017*	22,115	354	11	230	10	5	249	154
2018	21,071	272	16	175	16	7	187	121
2019	20,903	328	16	192	19	11	213	127
2020	20,447	302	15	200	15	12	223	133
2021*	20,933	360	23	226	23	17	251	141
2022	21,337	365	19	259	20	12	273	155
<b>2023</b>	<b>21036</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>191</b>

\* In 2017 and 2021, one of the fatal crashes did not result in a motorcyclist's death. A pedestrian was killed in these crashes.

# MOTORCYCLE CRASHES & INJURIES

## by COUNTY

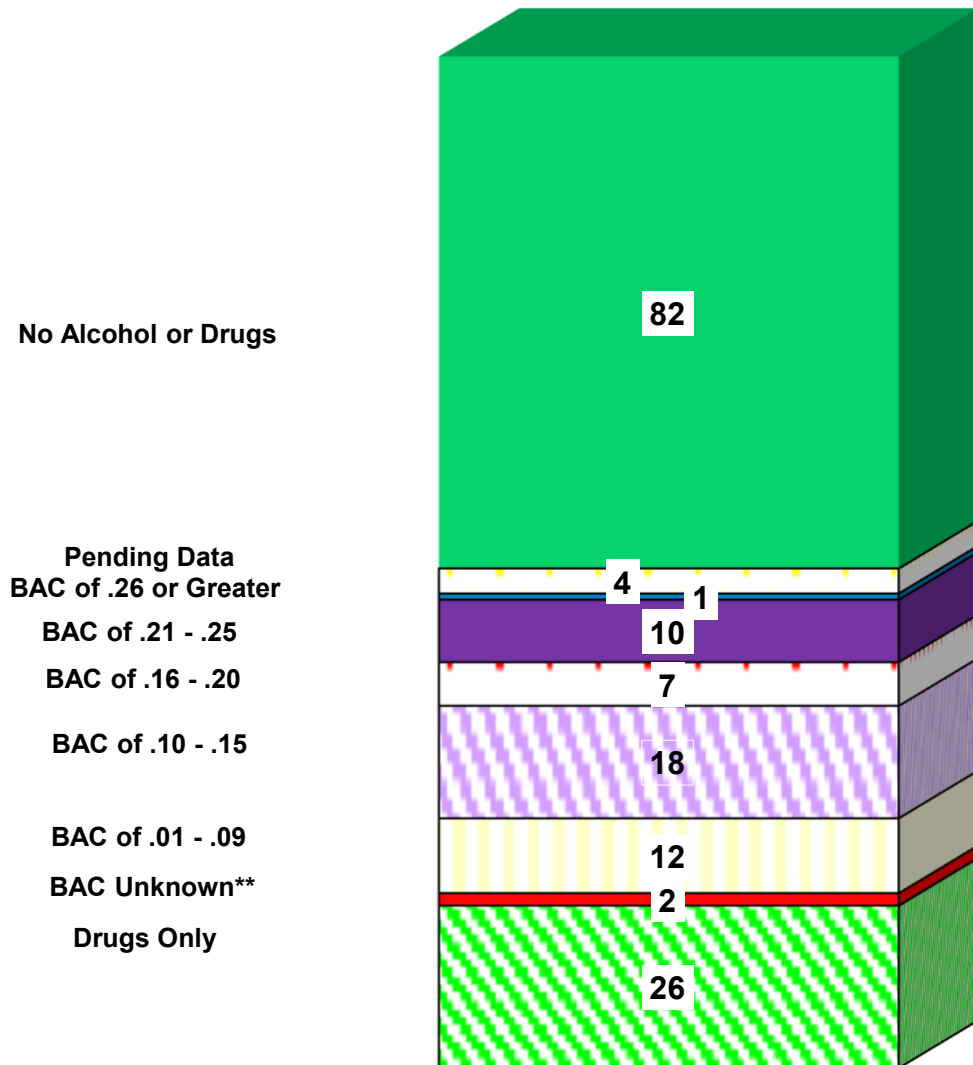
2020 - 2023

Year	County	All Crashes	Motorcyclist Fatalities	Motorcyclist Injuries
2020	New Castle Co.	181	11	127
	Kent Co.	53	4	44
	Sussex Co.	68	0	52
	Total	302	15	223
2021	New Castle Co.	185	12	126
	Kent Co.	74	7	53
	Sussex Co.	101	4	72
	Total	360	23	251
2022	New Castle Co.	183	14	126
	Kent Co.	75	4	50
	Sussex Co.	107	2	97
	Total	365	20	273
2023	New Castle Co.	180	10	138
	Kent Co.	78	3	58
	Sussex Co.	124	3	94
	Total	382	16	290

# Motorcycle Crashes

## BAC Information of Motorcycle Operators

Of the 162 motorcycle operators\* involved in fatal crashes in the last 10 years:



\*Motorcycle operators were not necessarily the fatality.

\*\* Had been drinking, impairment level unknown.

Data for years 2014 through 2023

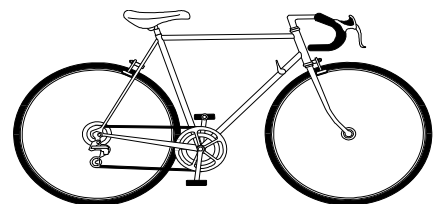
# Bicycle Crashes

## *In 2023:*

- There were 179 traffic crashes which involved at least one bicyclist in the collision.
- Five of the bicycle involved crashes were fatal.
- 76% (136) of the crashes were personal injury.
- 21% (38) of the crashes were property damage only crashes.
- 38% of the bicyclists injured were younger than 25 years old.
- The number of bicyclist crashes by county:

	Total Crashes	Fatal Crashes
New Castle County	86	2
Kent County	33	1
Sussex County	60	2

\*\* Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.



## BICYCLISTS KILLED & INJURED by AGE 2021 - 2023

Age of Bicyclist	2021		2022		2023	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
0 - 4	0	0	0	0	0	1
5 - 9	0	6	0	7	0	3
10 - 14	0	7	0	14	0	9
15 - 19	1	16	0	21	1	16
20 - 24	0	9	0	21	0	24
25 - 34	1	6	1	11	0	19
35 - 44	0	10	2	22	0	20
45 - 54	0	17	2	14	1	15
55 - 64	0	19	1	17	2	20
65 - 74	0	6	1	12	1	7
75 & Older	0	2	0	1	0	3
Not Stated	0	0	0	0	0	0

<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>137</b>
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\* Includes all bicyclists injured regardless of classification of crash.

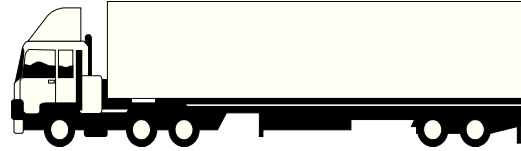


## BICYCLISTS KILLED & INJURED by COUNTY 2023

Age of Bicyclist	New Castle Co.		Kent Co.		Sussex Co.	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
0 - 4	0	1	0	0	0	0
5 - 9	0	2	0	1	0	0
10 - 14	0	4	0	3	0	2
15 - 19	1	8	0	3	0	5
20 - 24	0	10	0	4	0	10
25 - 34	0	13	0	2	0	4
35 - 44	0	9	0	2	0	9
45 - 54	0	9	0	4	1	2
55 - 64	1	10	1	4	0	6
65 - 74	0	6	0	0	1	1
75 & Older	0	1	0	1	0	1
Not Stated	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>40</b>

\* Includes all bicyclists injured regardless of classification of crash.

# Truck Crashes



## *In 2023:*

- There were 2,074 traffic crashes which involved a truck tractor and semi-trailer, other truck combination, and / or commercially used van.
- 11 (<1%) of the crashes were fatal crashes.
- 352 (17%) of the crashes were personal injury crashes.
- 1,711 (82%) of the crashes were property damage crashes.
- A total of 12 people were killed in traffic crashes involving a truck in 2023 -- 26 were killed in 2022.
- In 2023, 499 persons were injured in truck crashes -- 578 were injured in 2022.
- Of the 2,077 truck drivers involved in these crashes, 10 of them had consumed alcohol and / or drugs.

**CRASHES INVOLVING TRUCKS**  
**ALL CRASHES and FATAL CRASHES**

by  
**DAY OF WEEK**

Day of Week	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Monday	351	330	2	3
Tuesday	361	365	2	0
Wednesday	393	359	5	5
Thursday	375	413	4	0
Friday	418	361	5	2
Saturday	172	142	0	1
Sunday	110	104	4	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>2180</b>	<b>2074</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>

NOTE: Truck crashes involve a truck tractor and semi-trailer, other truck combination,  
and / or commercially used van.

**CRASHES INVOLVING TRUCKS**  
**ALL CRASHES and FATAL CRASHES**

by  
**TIME OF DAY**

Time of Day	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
8 am - Noon	622	566	4	2
Noon - 4 pm	644	627	2	3
4 pm - 8 pm	380	384	3	2
8 pm - Midnight	147	120	4	1
Midnight - 4 am	108	100	4	1
4 am - 8 am	279	277	5	2
Not Stated	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>2180</b>	<b>2074</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>

NOTE: Truck crashes involve a truck tractor and semi-trailer, other truck combination, and / or commercially used van.

# TRUCK DRIVERS INVOLVED IN CRASHES

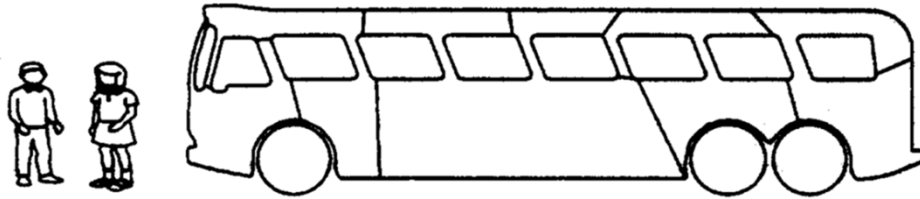
by  
**AGE**

Age	2020	2021	2022	2023
15 & Under	1	1	0	0
16 - 20	31	48	43	39
21 - 25	128	162	194	177
26 - 30	207	216	229	213
31 - 35	229	272	262	273
36 - 45	397	460	469	431
46 - 55	407	482	434	400
56 - 65	338	423	342	350
66 - 75	76	104	84	92
76 & Older	11	13	21	15
Unknown Age / Parked Vehicle	80	102	126	87
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1905</b>	<b>2283</b>	<b>2204</b>	<b>2077</b>

NOTE: Truck crashes involve a truck tractor and semi-trailer, other truck combination,  
and / or commercially used van.

Shows number of drivers, not number of crashes.

# School Bus Crashes



## ***In 2023:***

- There were 214 traffic crashes which involved a school bus.
- One of the school bus crashes was fatal.
- 21% (43) of the crashes were personal injury crashes.
- 79% (170) of the crashes were property damage only crashes.
- There were 106 persons injured and one person killed in school bus crashes.
- No occupants of the school bus were killed but 67 were injured.

# SCHOOL BUS CRASHES

## by COUNTY

2020-2023

Year	County	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Pers. Inj. Crashes	Prop. Dam. Crashes
2020	New Castle Co.	41	1	7	33
	Kent Co.	9	0	1	8
	Sussex Co.	8	0	2	6
	Total	58	1	10	47
2021	New Castle Co.	92	0	16	76
	Kent Co.	21	0	3	18
	Sussex Co.	25	0	4	21
	Total	138	0	23	115
2022	New Castle Co.	105	0	15	90
	Kent Co.	28	0	2	26
	Sussex Co.	27	0	8	19
	Total	160	0	25	135
2023	New Castle Co.	133	0	26	107
	Kent Co.	30	0	7	23
	Sussex Co.	51	1	10	40
	Total	214	1	43	170

# Pedestrian Crashes

## *In 2023:*

- There were 345 traffic crashes which involved at least one pedestrian.
- 8% (29) of the crashes were fatal crashes.
- 77% (265) of the crashes were personal injury crashes.
- 15% (51) of the crashes involving a pedestrian were property damage only.
- The number of pedestrian crashes by county:

	Total Crashes	Fatal Crashes
New Castle County	236	19
Kent County	47	5
Sussex County	62	5

\*\* Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.



**PEDESTRIANS KILLED & INJURED**  
**by AGE**  
**2021 - 2023**

Age of Pedestrian	2021		2022		2023	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
0 - 4	1	6	0	3	1	4
5 - 9	0	10	0	11	0	14
10 - 14	2	25	0	19	0	23
15 - 19	1	18	0	26	0	22
20 - 24	1	42	1	22	3	24
25 - 34	3	51	2	60	4	55
35 - 44	12	42	6	44	7	39
45 - 54	4	17	9	34	2	27
55 - 64	2	33	5	30	4	30
65 - 74	3	24	7	23	2	24
75 & Older	2	13	1	11	6	10
Not Stated	0	1	0	0	0	0

<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>272</b>
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\* Includes all pedestrians injured regardless of classification of crash.

# PEDESTRIANS KILLED & INJURED by COUNTY 2023

Age of Pedestrian	New Castle Co.		Kent Co.		Sussex Co.	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
0 - 4	0	3	1	1	0	0
5 - 9	0	10	0	1	0	3
10 - 14	0	16	0	3	0	4
15 - 19	0	14	0	3	0	5
20 - 24	2	19	0	4	1	1
25 - 34	1	43	2	7	1	5
35 - 44	7	25	0	8	0	6
45 - 54	2	17	0	6	0	4
55 - 64	3	20	1	3	0	7
65 - 74	2	16	0	4	0	4
75 & Older	2	7	1	0	3	3
Not Stated	0	0	0	0	0	0

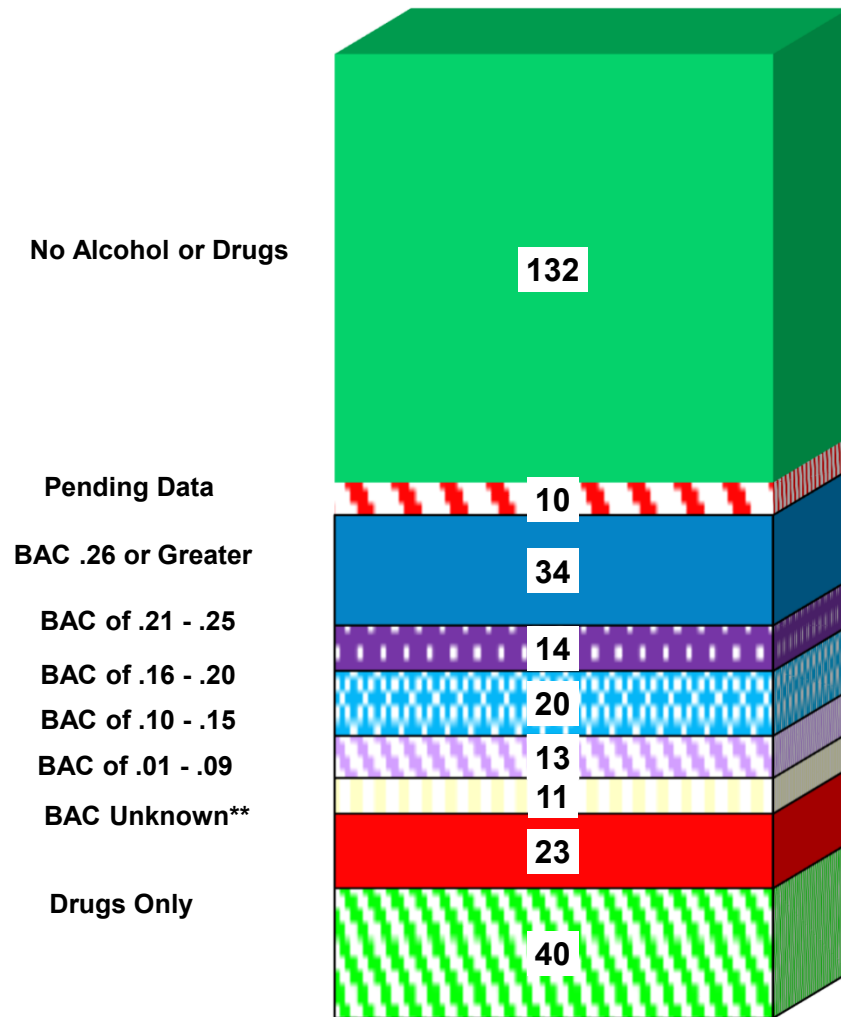
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>42</b>
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\* Includes all pedestrians injured regardless of classification of crash.

# Pedestrian Crashes

## BAC Information of Pedestrians Killed

Of the 297 pedestrians killed in the last 10 years:



52% of the pedestrians killed were under the influence of drugs &/or alcohol.

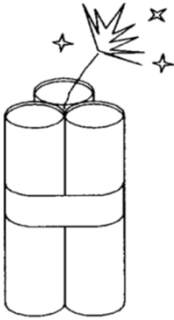
\*\* Had been drinking, impairment level unknown.

Data for years 2014 through 2023



**Other  
Special  
Topics**

# WATCH OUT!!!



## Dangerous Times To be on the Road in Delaware

*Most Dangerous Day:*

**Sunday**

**41%** of the Fatal Crashes  
were *ALCOHOL RELATED!*

*Most Dangerous Time:*

**8 pm - Midnight**

**36%** of the Fatal Crashes  
were *ALCOHOL RELATED!*

*Worst Day and Time to be on the Road:*

**Saturday night  
through early  
Sunday morning  
(8pm - 2am)**

**55%** of the Fatal Crashes  
were *ALCOHOL RELATED!*

(Based on 2023 Data)

## MAJOR HOLIDAY PERIODS CRASH STATISTICS

**2019-2023**

	Actual Holiday	Number of Hours	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Personal Injury Crashes	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
<b>NEW YEARS</b>							
'19 - '20	Wednesday**	48	119	2	24	2	33
'20 - '21	Friday	96	216	0	37	0	57
'21 - '22	Saturday	72	193	2	31	2	55
'22 - '23	Sunday	48	149	1	27	1	44
'23 - '24	Monday	72	160	1	28	1	42
<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>							
2019	Monday	96	332	4	69	5	96
2020	Monday	96	220	1	39	1	62
2021	Monday	96	345	4	64	5	101
2022	Monday	96	306	3	60	3	101
2023	Monday	96	295	0	63	0	91
<b>FOURTH OF JULY</b>							
2019	Thursday	120	385	3	64	3	97
2020	Saturday	72	201	6	13	8	88
2021	Sunday	96	377	0	76	0	109
2022	Monday	120	385	0	69	0	114
2023	Tuesday**	72	225	0	54	0	79
<b>LABOR DAY</b>							
2019	Monday	96	300	2	75	3	115
2020	Monday	96	276	4	68	4	108
2021	Monday	96	312	2	53	2	87
2022	Monday	96	332	4	78	4	118
2023	Monday	96	278	2	59	2	94
<b>THANKSGIVING</b>							
2019	Thursday	120	369	1	62	1	98
2020	Thursday	120	296	1	54	2	90
2021	Thursday	120	446	2	79	2	129
2022	Thursday	120	379	1	69	1	96
2023	Thursday	120	398	2	70	2	101
<b>CHRISTMAS</b>							
2019	Wednesday**	72	186	1	35	1	61
2020	Friday	96	246	3	34	3	47
2021	Saturday	72	171	0	34	0	57
2022	Sunday	96	243	2	38	4	74
2023	Monday	120	310	0	43	0	66

**NOTE: The number of crashes and injuries is influenced by the length of the Holiday weekend.**

\*\* - This holiday period does not include the weekend.

# SEAT BELT STUDY

Based on those persons who  
were injured on Delaware Roads

## Seat Belt Usage of Injured Persons\*

County	% of Persons who used a Seat Belt		
	<u>'21</u>	<u>'22</u>	<u>'23</u>
New Castle -----	86%	87%	86%
Kent County -----	88%	89%	91%
Sussex County -----	89%	87%	86%
Statewide -----	87%	87%	87%

\* Includes Fatalities

## Severity of Injury in 2023

- Of the persons who were not wearing their seat belts,  
1 out of 4 (28.3%) received a serious injury.
- Of the persons who were wearing their seat belts, only  
1 out of 21 (4.7%) received a serious injury.

**In 2023, the occurrence of a serious injury was reduced  
by 27% when the person was wearing an occupant restraint.**

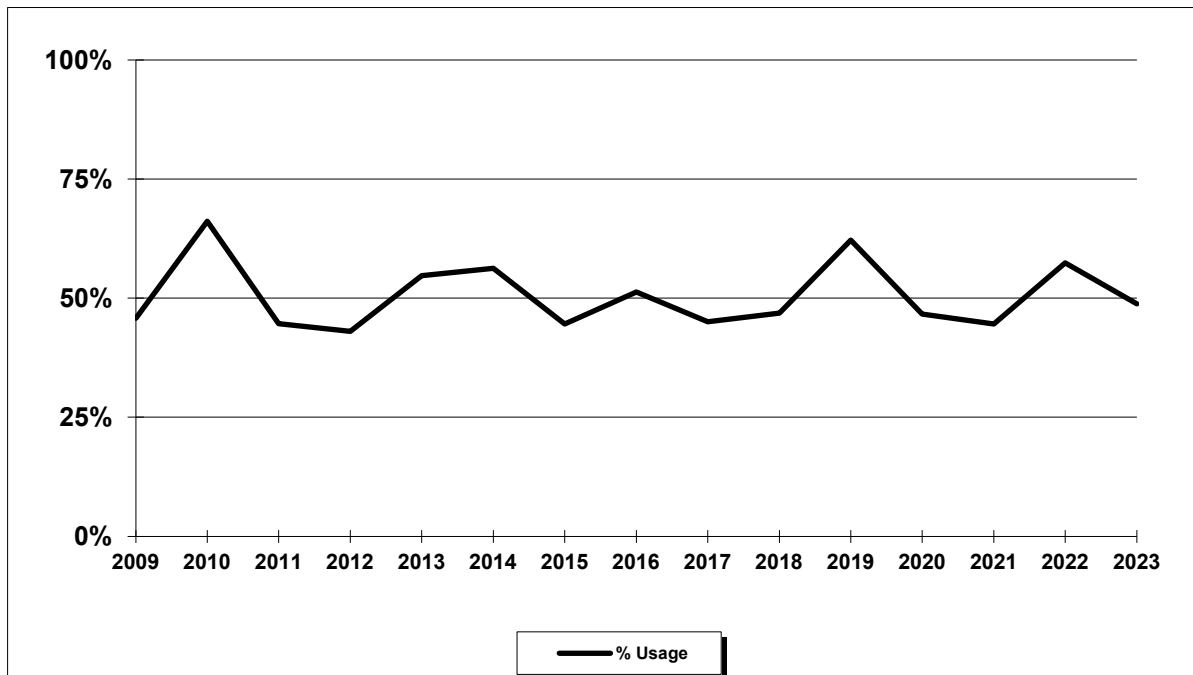
A Serious Injury: An injury that results in death; or one that causes lacerations,  
broken or distorted limbs, skull, chest or abdominal injuries.

# SEAT BELT USAGE in Occupant Fatalities

2009 - 2023

Year	Total Occupants Killed	Number Wearing Seat Belts	% Usage
2009	83	38	46%
2010	68	45	66%
2011	65	29	45%
2012	65	28	43%
2013	53	29	55%
2014	80	45	56%
2015	74	33	45%
2016	76	39	51%
2017	71	32	45%
2018	64	30	47%
2019	74	46	62%
2020	75	35	47%
2021	83	37	45%
2022	108	62	57%
2023	86	42	49%

Percentage of Fatally Injured Occupants Using Seat Belts



Note: The primary seat belt law went into effect October 2003.

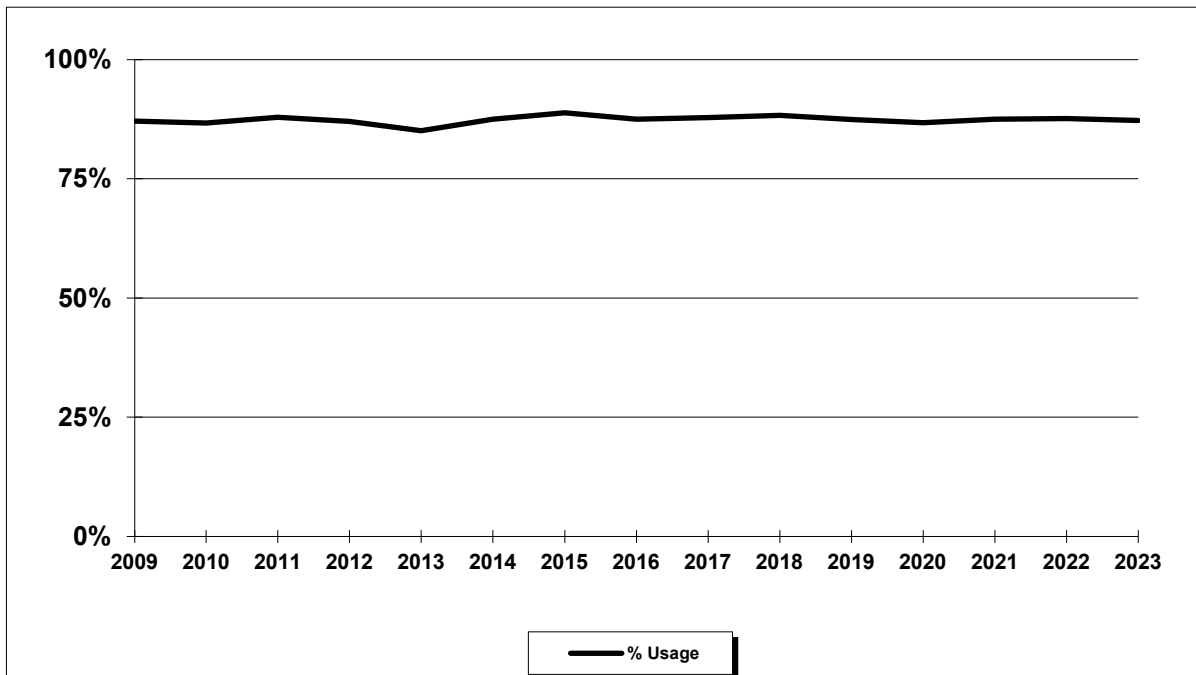


# SEAT BELT USAGE in Occupant Injuries

2009 - 2023

Year	Total Occupants Injured	Number Wearing Seat Belts	% Usage
2009	6525	5682	87%
2010	7127	6180	87%
2011	6856	6027	88%
2012	6888	5994	87%
2013	7065	6016	85%
2014	6754	5908	87%
2015	7339	6522	89%
2016	7800	6825	88%
2017	7657	6726	88%
2018	7555	6673	88%
2019	7840	6854	87%
2020	6641	5763	87%
2021	7571	6626	88%
2022	7163	6277	88%
2023	7092	6186	87%

**Percentage of Injured Occupants Using Seat Belts**



Note: The primary seat belt law went into effect October 2003.

# SEAT BELT USAGE by County

## Fatalities

	Year	Total Occupants Killed	Number Wearing Seat Belts	% Usage
<b>New Castle County</b>	2021	37	18	49%
	2022	46	25	54%
	2023	30	15	50%
<b>Kent County</b>	2021	25	11	44%
	2022	21	13	62%
	2023	22	14	64%
<b>Sussex County</b>	2021	21	8	38%
	2022	41	24	59%
	2023	34	13	38%

## Injuries

	Year	Total Occupants Injured	Number Wearing Seat Belts	% Usage
<b>New Castle County</b>	2021	4364	3777	87%
	2022	3997	3483	87%
	2023	3978	3417	86%
<b>Kent County</b>	2021	1410	1247	88%
	2022	1316	1181	90%
	2023	1311	1197	91%
<b>Sussex County</b>	2021	1797	1602	89%
	2022	1850	1613	87%
	2023	1803	1572	87%

# SEAT BELT USAGE for Occupant Fatalities by Age

Age of Occupant	2022				2023			
	Total Occupants Killed	Number Using Restraint	Number Not Using Restraint	Number Unknown Restraint	Total Occupants Killed	Number Using Restraint	Number Not Using Restraint	Number Unknown Restraint
0 - 4	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	1
5 - 9	4	2	2	0	1	1	0	0
10 - 14	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
15 - 19	13	5	7	1	5	3	1	1
20 - 24	6	4	2	0	8	4	2	2
25 - 34	19	6	11	2	22	8	11	3
35 - 44	12	8	3	1	12	3	8	1
45 - 54	12	5	7	0	8	4	3	1
55 - 64	14	8	4	2	11	7	4	0
65 - 74	14	10	3	1	5	2	2	1
75 & Older	10	10	0	0	11	9	1	1
Not Stated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>11</b>

Unknown restraint use includes those vehicles not equipped with restraints.

# SEAT BELT USAGE for Occupant Injuries by Age

Age of Occupant	2022				2023			
	Total Occupants Injured	Number Using Restraint	Number Not Using Restraint	Number Unknown Restraint	Total Occupants Injured	Number Using Restraint	Number Not Using Restraint	Number Unknown Restraint
0 - 4	135	116	8	11	132	121	3	8
5 - 9	174	151	6	17	218	174	10	34
10 - 14	197	169	6	22	209	152	17	40
15 - 19	732	620	38	74	698	578	52	68
20 - 24	928	800	46	82	770	642	57	71
25 - 34	1405	1187	82	136	1335	1166	48	121
35 - 44	1052	923	39	90	1082	951	45	86
45 - 54	840	766	14	60	856	771	21	64
55 - 64	824	742	15	67	882	781	21	80
65 - 74	531	485	11	35	557	519	9	29
75 & Older	343	318	6	19	350	329	4	17
Not Stated	2	0	0	2	3	2	1	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7163</b>	<b>6277</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>7092</b>	<b>6186</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>618</b>

Unknown restraint use includes those vehicles not equipped with restraints.

# Alcohol Involvement in Traffic Crashes



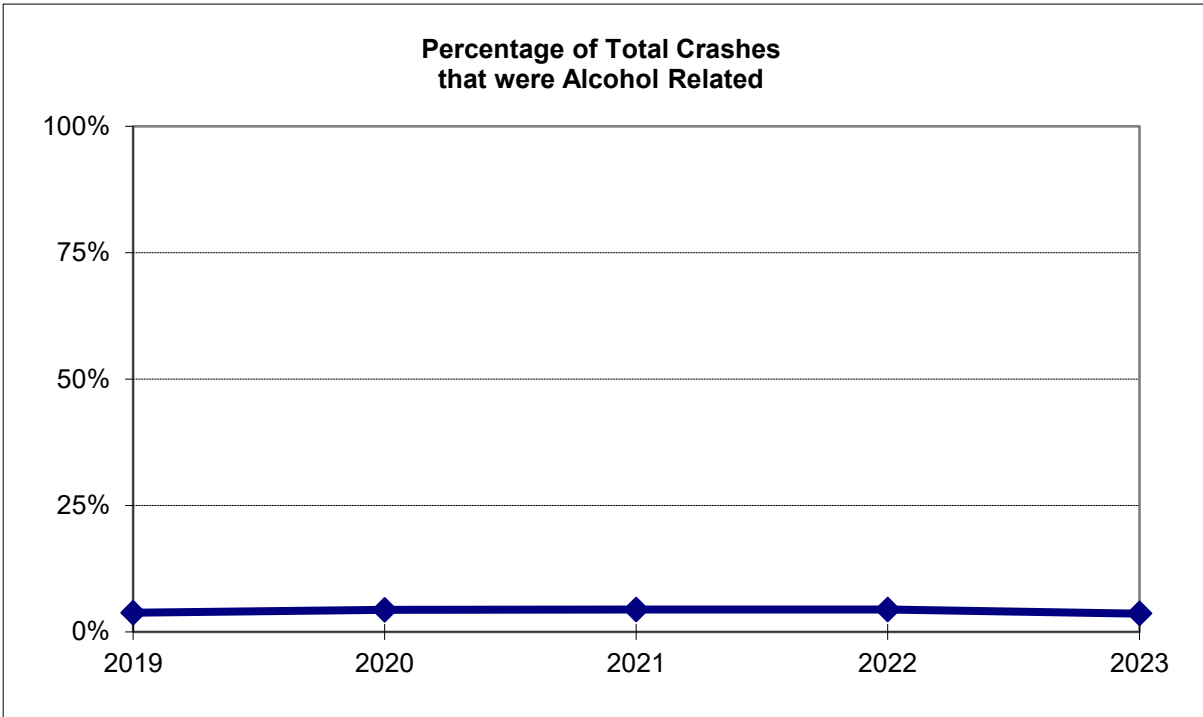
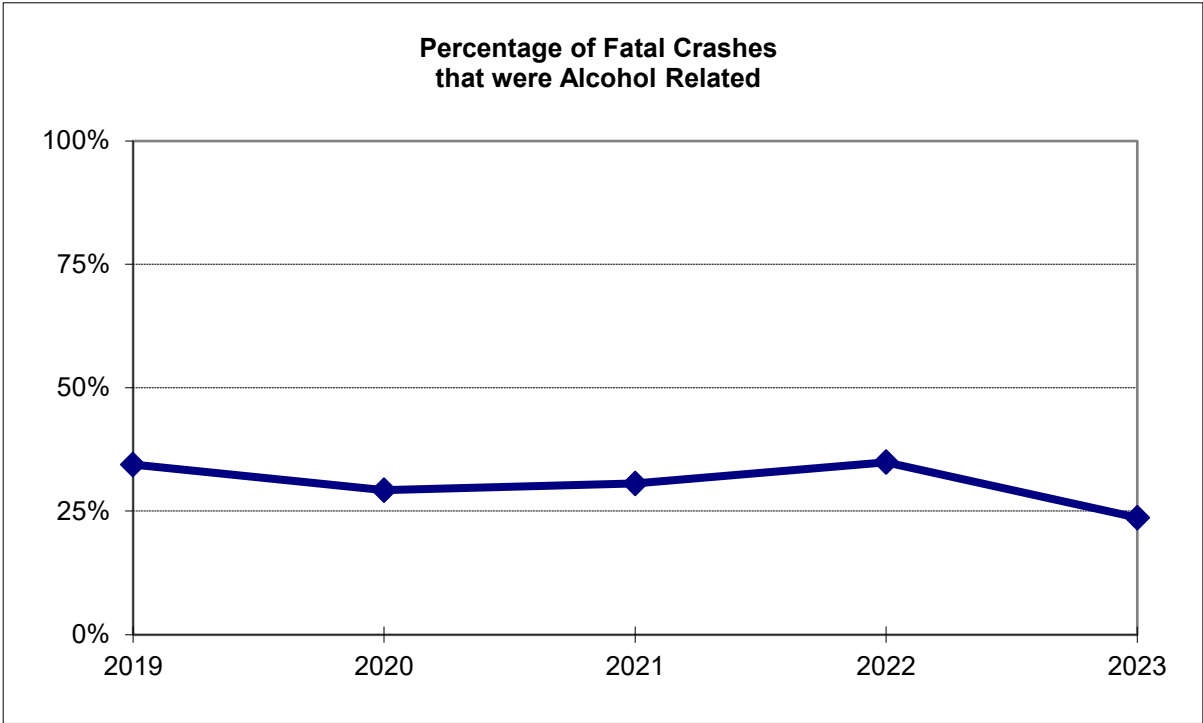
**Definition:**

A crash is considered alcohol related if at least one driver or non-motorist involved in the crash has consumed alcohol -- regardless of the level of blood alcohol concentration.

<b>ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT</b> in <b>TRAFFIC CRASHES</b>
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	Total Crashes	Alcohol Related Crashes	% of Total
<b>Fatals</b>			
2019	122	42	34%
2020	106	31	29%
2021	134	41	31%
2022	146	51	35%
2023	131	31	24%
<b>Personal Injury</b>			
2019	5490	336	6%
2020	4700	334	7%
2021	5261	384	7%
2022	5424	424	8%
2023	5303	277	5%
<b>Property Damage</b>			
2019	23525	719	6%
2020	19355	686	6%
2021	23074	819	5%
2022	22261	752	5%
2023	22088	691	3%
<b>All Crashes</b>			
2019	29137	1097	4%
2020	24161	1051	4%
2021	28469	1244	4%
2022	27831	1227	4%
2023	27522	999	4%

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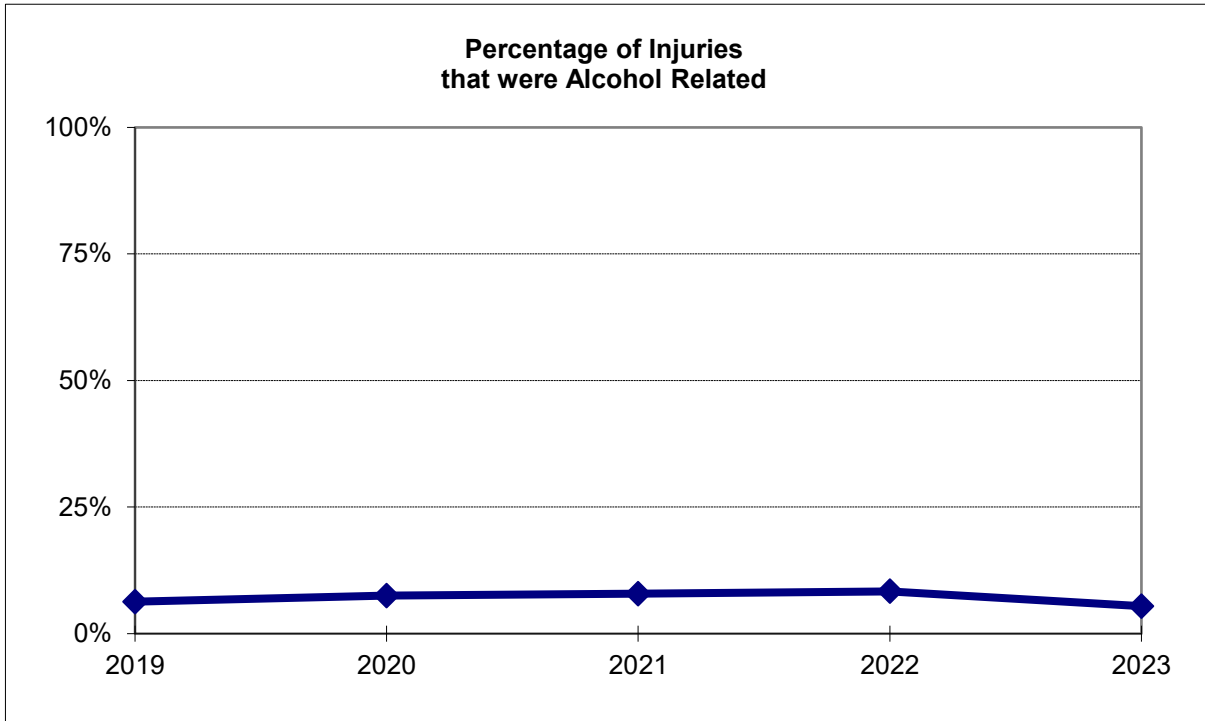
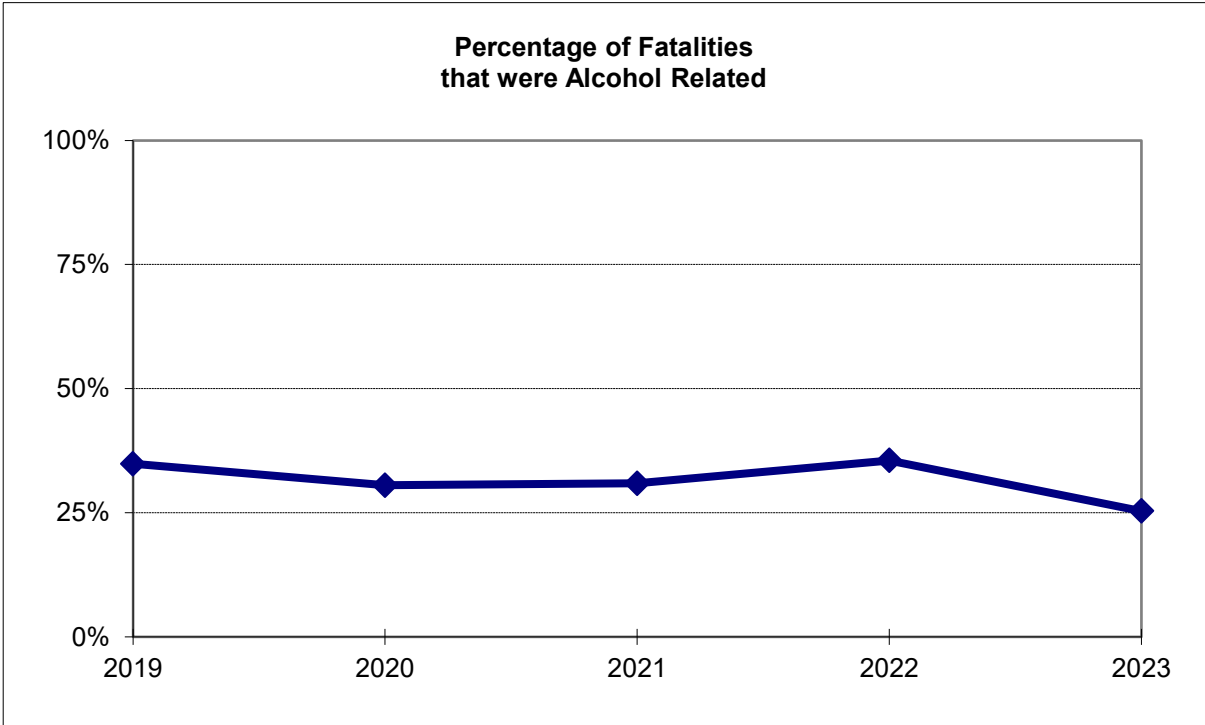
<b>ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT</b> in <b>TRAFFIC FATALITIES &amp; INJURIES</b>
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	Total Fatalities	Alcohol Related Fatalities	% of Total
2019	132	46	35%
2020	118	36	31%
2021	139	43	31%
2022	166	59	36%
2023	138	35	25%

	Total Injuries	Alcohol Related Injuries	% of Total
2019	8522	536	6%
2020	7258	545	8%
2021	8257	653	8%
2022	7889	660	8%
2023	7815	424	5%

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<p><b>TRAFFIC CRASH FATALITIES</b>  <b>by</b>  <b>AGE and GENDER</b>  <b>2023</b></p>
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Age	Male	Female	Total
0 - 4	3	1	4
5 - 9	0	1	1
10 - 14	0	0	0
15	0	0	0
16	0	0	0
17	1	0	1
18	4	1	5
19	0	1	1
20	3	0	3
21	3	1	4
22 - 24	4	3	7
25 - 29	16	7	23
30 - 34	4	5	9
35 - 44	20	0	20
45 - 54	9	5	14
55 - 64	13	5	18
65 - 74	5	4	9
75 & Older	14	5	19
Unknown Age	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>138</b>

**ALCOHOL RELATED  
TRAFFIC CRASH FATALITIES**  
by  
**AGE and GENDER**  
2023

Age	Male	Female	Total
0 - 4	0	1	1
5 - 9	0	1	1
10 - 14	0	0	0
15	0	0	0
16	0	0	0
17	0	0	0
18	1	0	1
19	0	0	0
20	2	0	2
21	0	0	0
22 - 24	0	0	0
25 - 29	4	3	7
30 - 34	2	1	3
35 - 44	7	0	7
45 - 54	6	1	7
55 - 64	3	1	4
65 - 74	0	0	0
75 & Older	0	2	2
Unknown Age	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>35</b>

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**TRAFFIC CRASH INJURIES**  
by  
**AGE and GENDER**  
2023

Age	Male	Female	Unk. Gender	Total
0 - 4	71	66	0	137
5 - 9	115	122	0	237
10 - 14	120	119	8	247
15	24	42	0	66
16	67	72	0	139
17	90	90	0	180
18	80	92	0	172
19	91	103	0	194
20	98	82	0	180
21	107	104	0	211
22 - 24	238	244	1	483
25 - 29	335	377	0	712
30 - 34	368	405	0	773
35 - 44	552	646	0	1198
45 - 54	450	492	0	942
55 - 64	452	521	0	973
65 - 74	258	342	1	601
75 & Older	172	195	0	367
Unknown Age	2	1	0	3
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>3690</b>	<b>4115</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7815</b>

**ALCOHOL RELATED  
TRAFFIC CRASH INJURIES  
by  
AGE and GENDER  
2023**

Age	Male	Female	Unk. Sex	Total
0 - 4	3	2	0	5
5 - 9	6	11	0	17
10 - 14	8	8	0	16
15	0	3	0	3
16	3	4	0	7
17	5	5	0	10
18	0	2	0	2
19	5	4	0	9
20	6	4	0	10
21	11	2	0	13
22 - 24	26	11	0	37
25 - 29	27	15	0	42
30 - 34	31	18	0	49
35 - 44	37	28	0	65
45 - 54	32	20	0	52
55 - 64	32	16	0	48
65 - 74	18	13	0	31
75 & Older	6	1	0	7
Unknown Age	1	0	0	1
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>424</b>

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**DRIVERS KILLED\***  
by  
**AGE and GENDER**  
2023

Age	Male	Female	Total
15 & Under	0	0	0
16	0	0	0
17	1	0	1
18	3	0	3
19	0	0	0
20	3	0	3
21	3	0	3
22 - 24	2	0	2
25 - 29	13	4	17
30 - 34	4	2	6
35 - 44	13	0	13
45 - 54	5	4	9
55 - 64	6	4	10
65 - 74	2	2	4
75 & Older	8	2	10
Unknown Age	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>81</b>

\*NOTE: Drivers include motorcycle and ATV operators.

**DRIVERS UNDER THE INFLUENCE KILLED**  
by  
**AGE and GENDER**  
2023

Age	Male	Female	Total
15 & Under	0	0	0
16	0	0	0
17	0	0	0
18	1	0	1
19	0	0	0
20	2	0	2
21	1	0	1
22 - 24	0	0	0
25 - 29	3	3	6
30 - 34	3	1	4
35 - 44	9	0	9
45 - 54	3	1	4
55 - 64	1	0	1
65 - 74	0	0	0
75 & Older	1	1	2
Unknown Age	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>

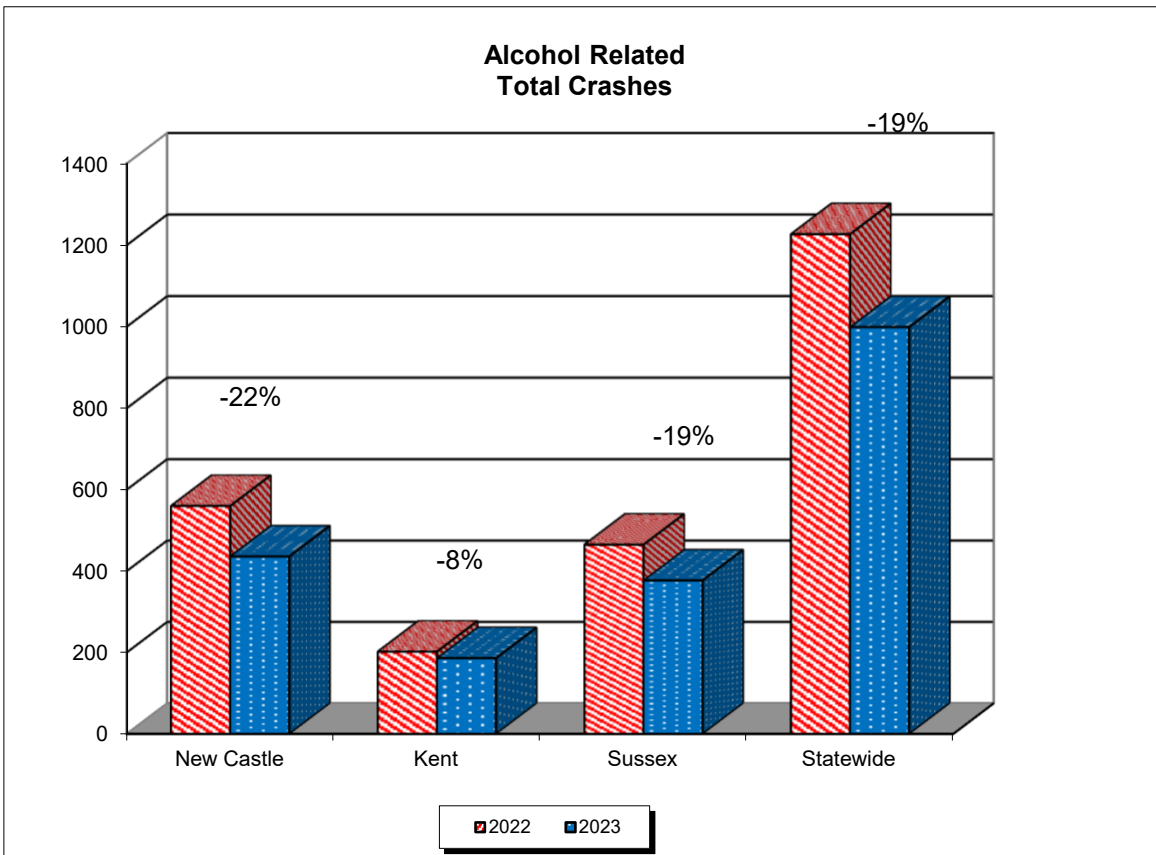
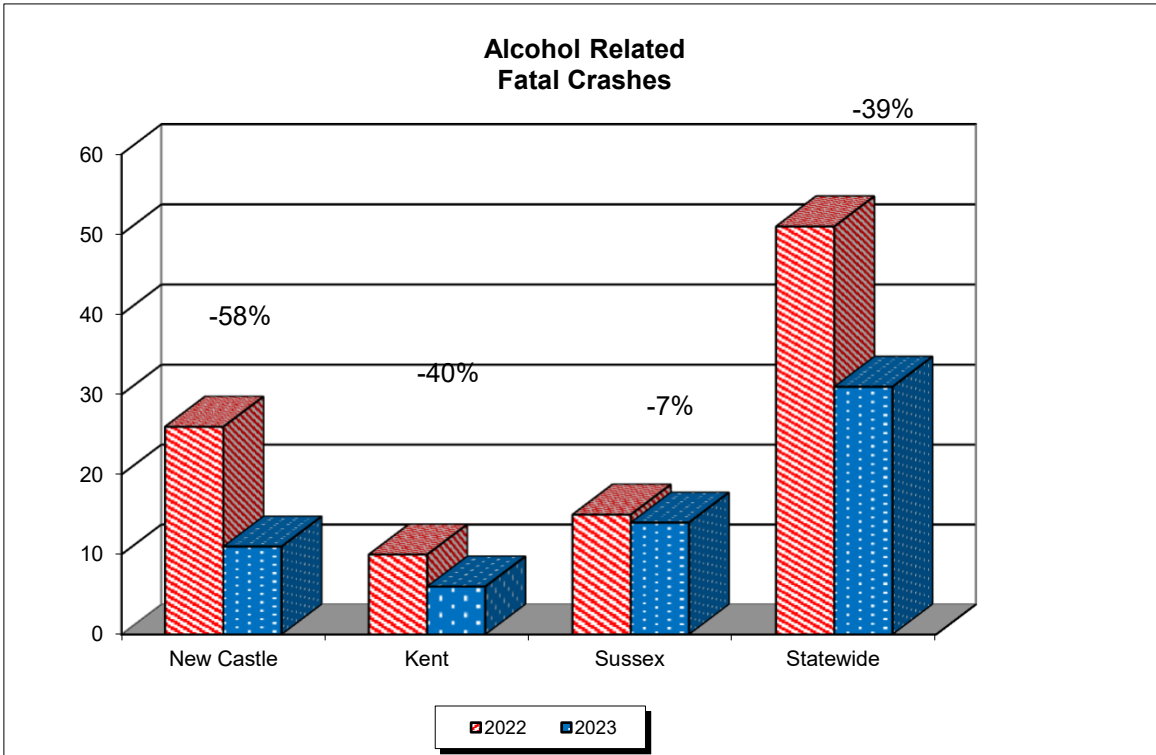
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# **ALCOHOL RELATED CRASH COMPARISON by County\***

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>% CHANGE</b>
<b>NEW CASTLE COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	26	11	-58%
Personal Injury Crashes	201	129	-36%
Property Damage Crashes	333	296	-11%
 Total Crashes	 560	 436	 -22%
 Fatalities	 31	 11	 -65%
Injuries	300	198	-34%
 <b>KENT COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	10	6	-40%
Personal Injury Crashes	74	55	-26%
Property Damage Crashes	118	125	6%
 Total Crashes	 202	 186	 -8%
 Fatalities	 11	 7	 -36%
Injuries	119	92	-23%
 <b>SUSSEX COUNTY</b>			
Fatal Crashes	15	14	-7%
Personal Injury Crashes	149	94	-37%
Property Damage Crashes	301	269	-11%
 Total Crashes	 465	 377	 -19%
 Fatalities	 17	 17	 0%
Injuries	241	134	-44%
 <b>STATEWIDE</b>			
Fatal Crashes	51	31	-39%
Personal Injury Crashes	424	278	-34%
Property Damage Crashes	752	690	-8%
 Total Crashes	 1227	 999	 -19%
 Fatalities	 59	 35	 -41%
Injuries	660	424	-36%

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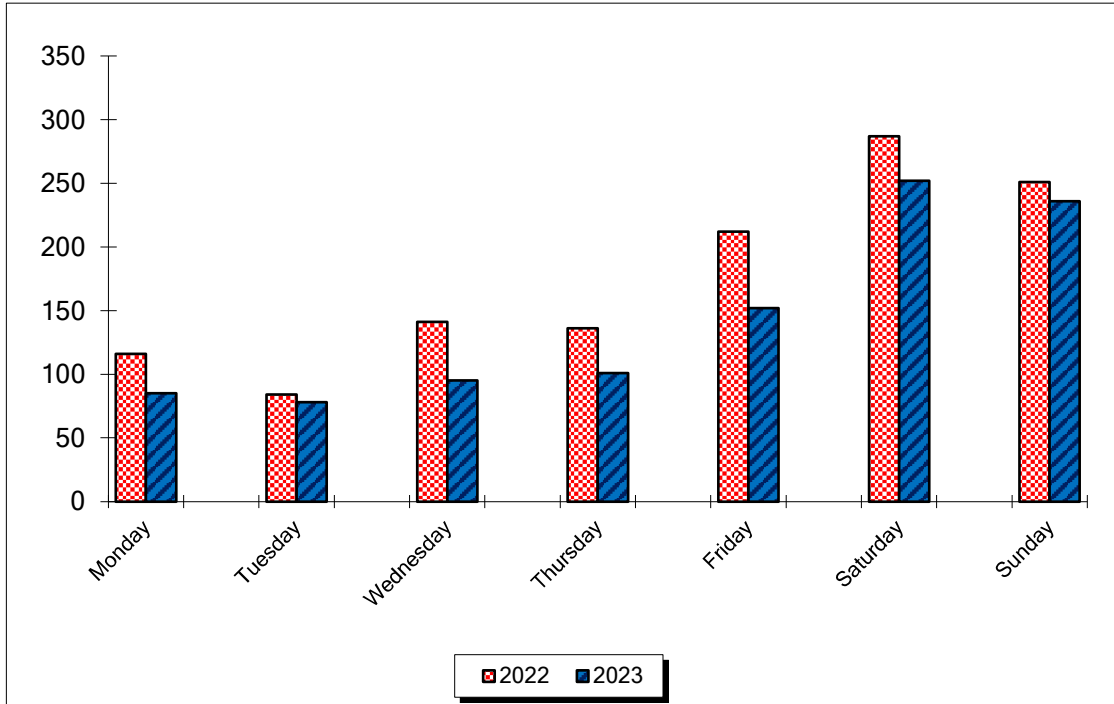


**ALCOHOL RELATED**  
**ALL CRASHES and FATAL CRASHES**  
 by  
**DAY OF WEEK**

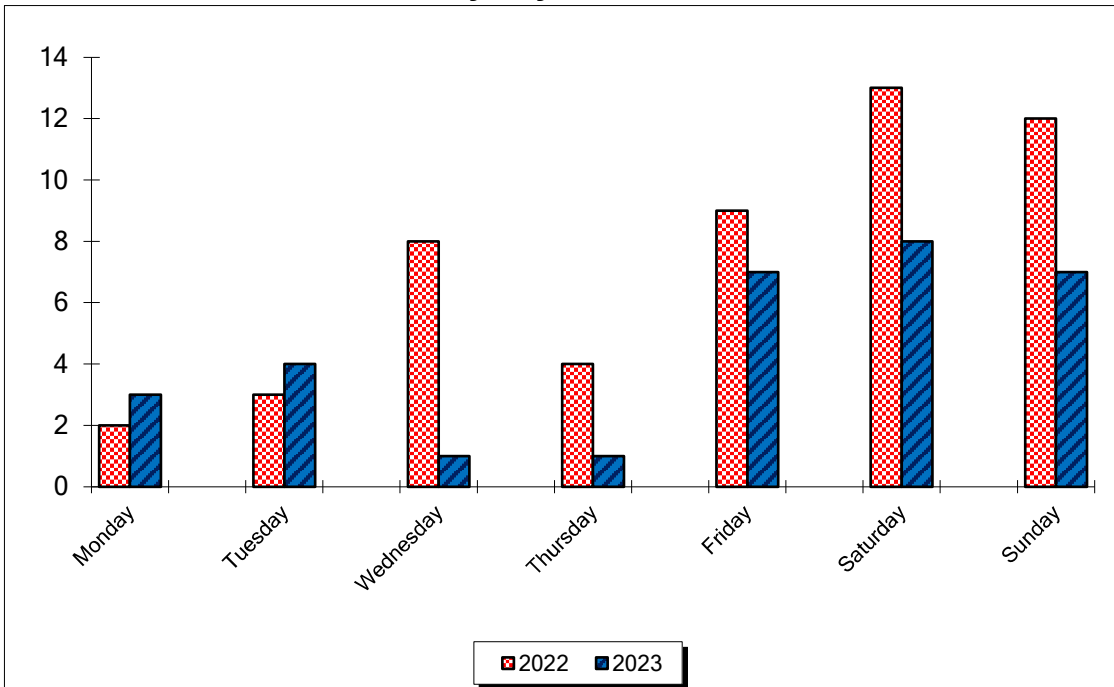
Day of Week	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Monday	116	85	2	3
Tuesday	84	78	3	4
Wednesday	141	95	8	1
Thursday	136	101	4	1
Friday	212	152	9	7
Saturday	287	252	13	8
Sunday	251	236	12	7
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1227</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>31</b>

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**ALCOHOL RELATED  
All Crashes  
by Day of Week**



**ALCOHOL RELATED  
Fatal Crashes  
by Day of Week**

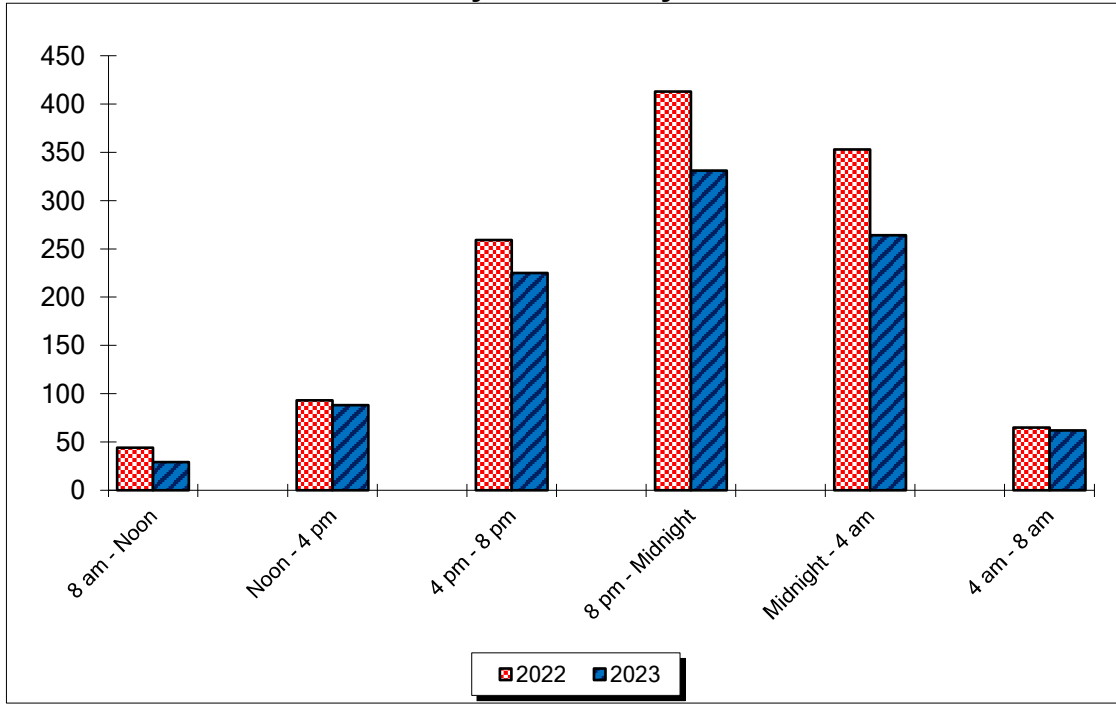


**ALCOHOL RELATED**  
**ALL CRASHES and FATAL CRASHES**  
 by  
**TIME OF DAY**

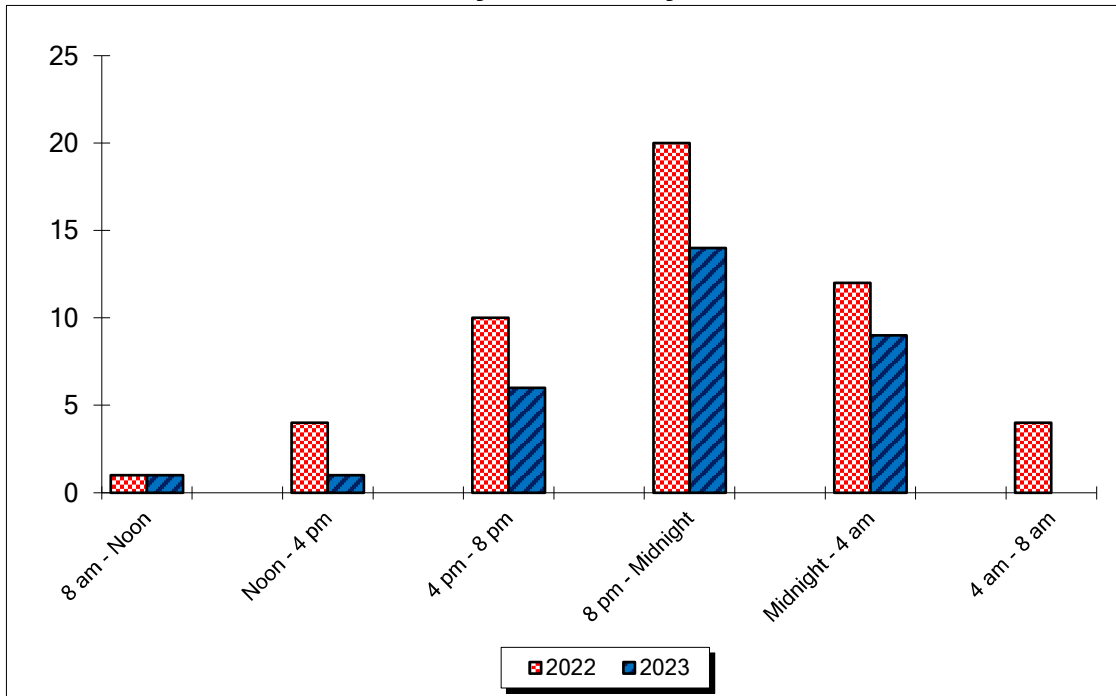
Time of Day	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
8 am - Noon	44	29	1	1
Noon - 4 pm	93	88	4	1
4 pm - 8 pm	259	225	10	6
8 pm - Midnight	413	331	20	14
Midnight - 4 am	353	264	12	9
4 am - 8 am	65	62	4	0
Not Stated	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1227</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>31</b>

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**ALCOHOL RELATED  
All Crashes  
by Time of Day**



**ALCOHOL RELATED  
Fatal Crashes  
by Time of Day**



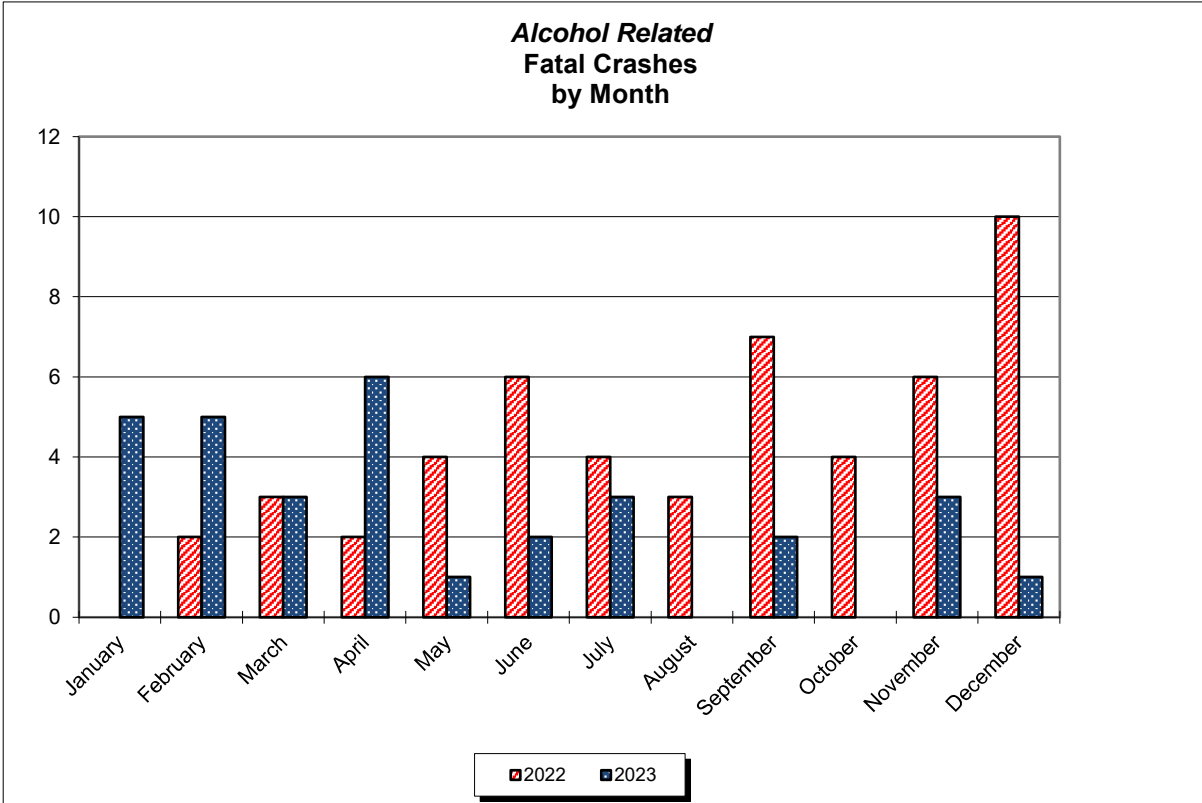
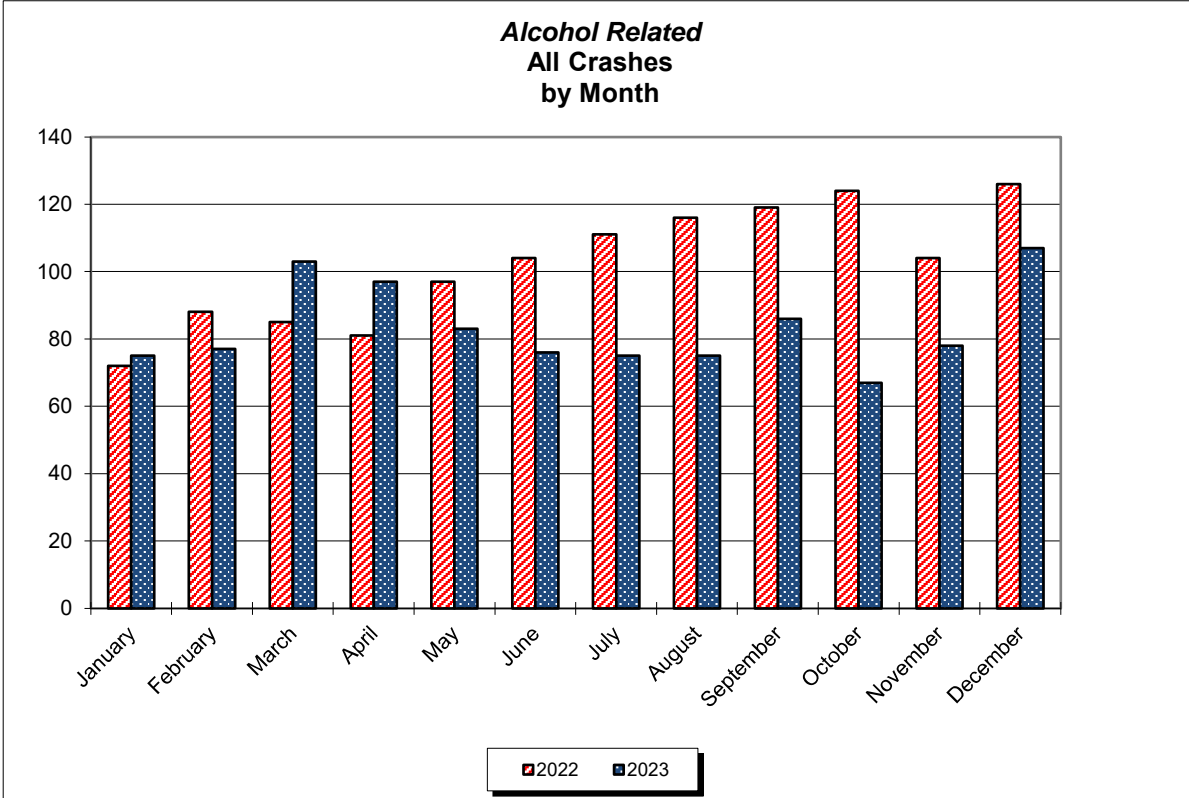
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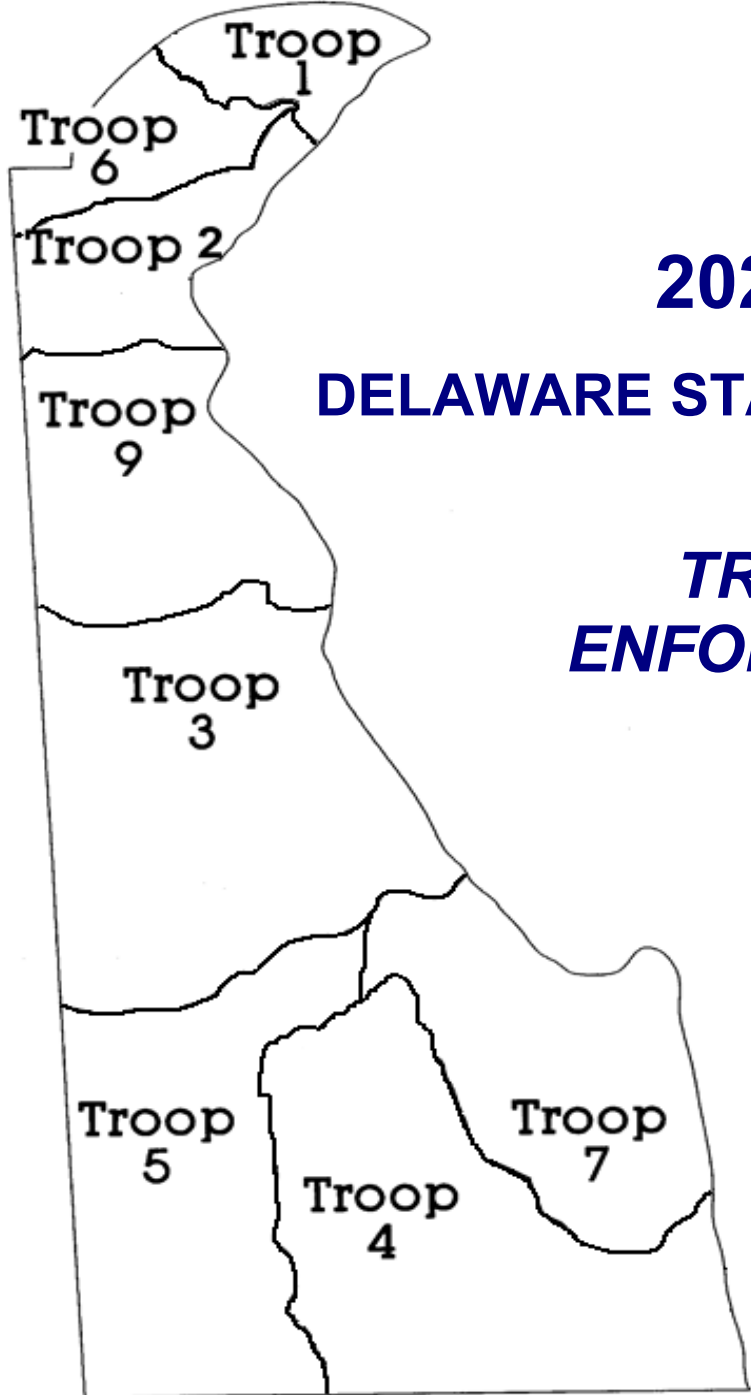
## **CRASHES BY MONTH**

### **All Crashes and Fatal Crashes**

Month	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
January	72	75	0	5
February	88	77	2	5
March	85	103	3	3
April	81	97	2	6
May	97	83	4	1
June	104	76	6	2
July	111	75	4	3
August	116	75	3	0
September	119	86	7	2
October	124	67	4	0
November	104	78	6	3
December	126	107	10	1
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1227</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>31</b>

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**2023**

**DELAWARE STATE POLICE**

***TRAFFIC  
ENFORCEMENT***

Statistics in this section are based on Delaware State Police data only unless otherwise noted.



# CRASH INVESTIGATION

by

## DELAWARE STATE POLICE

All Crashes	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change Over 2022
<b>Total Crashes</b>	18,668	15,217	17,874	17,533	17,179	-2%
Fatal	101	91	109	123	110	-11%
Personal Injury	3,339	2,868	3,140	3,160	3,092	-2%
Property Damage	15,228	12,258	14,625	14,250	13,977	-2%
<b>Fatalities</b>	109	102	112	141	117	-17%
<b>Injuries</b>	5,228	4,417	4,899	4,735	4,593	-3%

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Alcohol Related	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change Over 2022
<b>Total Crashes</b>	717	747	844	829	693	-16%
Fatal	35	26	31	46	26	-43%
Personal Injury	219	244	272	274	186	-32%
Property Damage	463	477	541	509	481	-6%
<b>Fatalities</b>	38	31	31	54	30	-44%
<b>Injuries</b>	245	388	427	446	283	-37%

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Insurance Requests	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change Over 2022
<b>Requests Processed</b>	17,108	14,226	16,121	17,105	17,816	4%

**Delaware State Police  
Crash Investigation  
by Troop & by County**

Troop	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
1	2435	2186	11	10	375	396	2049	1780
2	3076	3040	26	16	593	568	2457	2456
3	1783	1718	22	18	334	338	1427	1362
4	1730	1678	10	12	308	302	1412	1364
5	1482	1388	15	17	402	354	1065	1017
6	3724	3863	15	11	550	530	3159	3322
7	1940	1902	14	11	300	292	1626	1599
9	1363	1404	10	15	298	312	1055	1077
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>17533</b>	<b>17179</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>3160</b>	<b>3092</b>	<b>14250</b>	<b>13977</b>

County	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
New Castle	10126	10028	60	45	1700	1696	8366	8287
Kent	2255	2183	24	25	450	448	1781	1710
Sussex	5152	4968	39	40	1010	948	4103	3980
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>17533</b>	<b>17179</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>3160</b>	<b>3092</b>	<b>14250</b>	<b>13977</b>

**Delaware State Police**  
**Alcohol Related Crash Investigation**  
**by Troop & by County**

Troop	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
1	96	85	5	1	30	34	61	50
2	103	69	10	2	36	14	57	53
3	93	89	6	3	29	20	58	66
4	111	108	3	6	33	29	75	73
5	93	77	4	4	45	25	44	48
6	112	105	6	4	33	23	73	78
7	150	117	6	4	43	26	101	87
9	71	43	6	2	24	15	41	26
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>481</b>

County	All Crashes		Fatal Crashes		Personal Injury Crashes		Property Damage Crashes	
	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23	'22	'23
New Castle	360	288	25	9	114	83	221	196
Kent	115	103	8	3	38	23	69	77
Sussex	354	302	13	14	121	80	220	208
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>481</b>

# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

by

## DELAWARE STATE POLICE

Traffic Arrests	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change over 2022
<b>Total Arrests</b>	117,311	86,401	96,077	98,165	113,373	15%
<b>DUI Arrests</b>	2,657	2,478	2,872	2,843	2,816	-1%
<b>Speed Arrests</b>	33,932	22,093	22,167	21,378	27,819	30%
<b>55 MPH Speed Arrests</b>	12,370	7,704	7,018	8,615	12,877	49%
<b>65 MPH Speed Arrests</b>	7,519	5,256	4,101	3,541	5,537	56%
<b>D.M.V. Arrests*</b>	66,512	46,993	50,645	49,974	58,084	16%
<b>Aggressive Driving Related Arrests**</b>	49,571	34,448	36,501	35,752	43,668	22%
<b>Primary Seatbelt Arrests</b>	1,936	1,162	1,051	1,002	1,332	33%
<b>License &amp; Registration Arrests</b>	39,509	30,879	35,484	38,068	44,600	17%

\* D. M.V. = Dangerous Moving Violations include speeding arrests and DUI arrests as well as other moving violations.

\*\* Aggressive Driving Related Arrests include the following Sections of Delaware Law, Title 21: 4107a; 4117, 4120b; 4122-1; 4123; 4132; 4133; 4155; 4164; 4168; 4169; 4175a; and 4175A.

# TRUCK ENFORCEMENT

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## DELAWARE STATE POLICE

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change over 2022
<b># Commercial Licensed Drivers</b>	30,856	31,402	31,720	32,105	32,465	1%
<b># of Registered Large Commercial Vehicles**</b>	9,843	9,744	9,920	9,909	9,669	-2%
<b># Weighed (fixed &amp; portable scales)</b>	10,908	20,326	26,856	17,946	15,376	-14%
<b>Weight Arrests</b>	1,286	1,277	1,554	1,371	1,215	-11%
<b>Motor Fuel Tax Arrests</b>	30	39	59	40	24	-40%
<b>DUI Arrests of Truck Drivers</b>	30	31	45	41	26	-37%
<b>Equipment Arrests</b>	96	67	134	109	113	4%
<b>Federal Safety Regulations</b>						
Equipment (393)	195	245	316	215	320	49%
Log Book (395)	105	170	182	131	65	-50%
General	33	45	60	35	31	-11%
Maintenance (396)						
<b>Total Truck Arrests</b>	4,606	4,106	5,279	4,700	4,850	3%

\*\* Above 26,000 lbs.

## Blood Alcohol Content Data Drivers Arrested for DUI

	2021	2022	2023
<b># of DUI Arrests</b>	2872	2843	2816
<b>Arrests with No BAC applicable**</b>	759	668	621
<b># of BAC's Obtained</b>	1857	1891	1963
<b># of BAC's Not Obtained</b>	38	35	31
<b>Implied Consent</b>	218	249	201

\*\* Arrests for drugs only and arrests for consuming alcohol while driving

## Drivers Arrested for DUI by Age and Sex

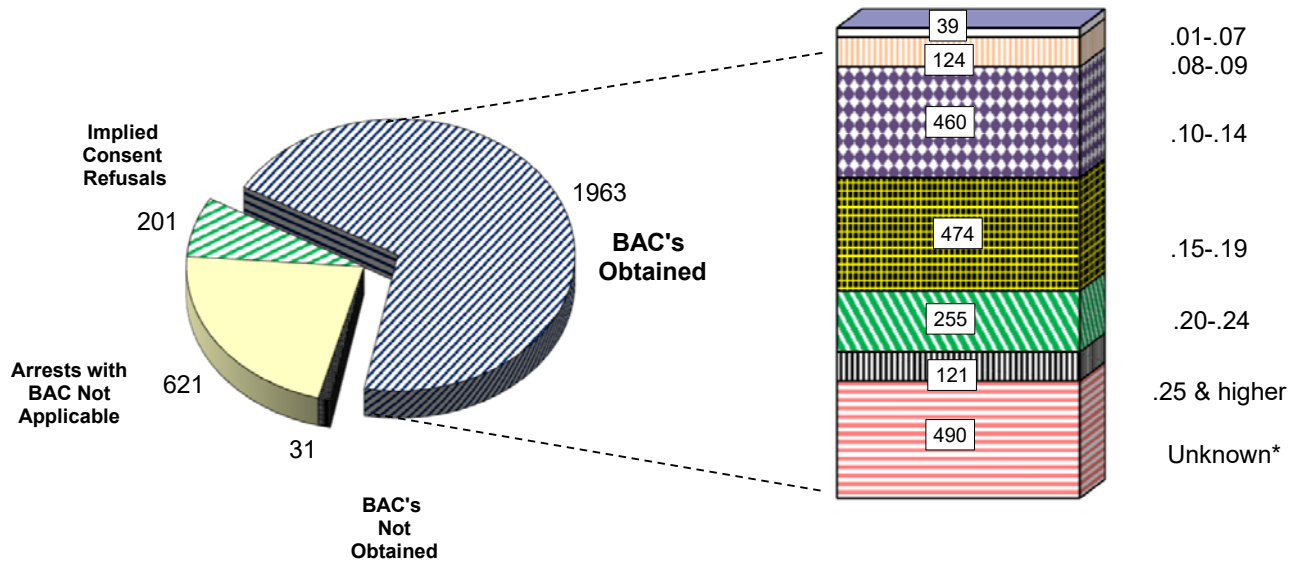
	Males	Females	Unknown	Total
<b>15 &amp; Under</b>	1	0	0	1
<b>16</b>	3	2	0	5
<b>17</b>	10	3	0	13
<b>18</b>	23	7	0	30
<b>19</b>	46	5	0	51
<b>20</b>	43	9	0	52
<b>21 - 24</b>	279	74	0	353
<b>25 - 34</b>	637	236	1	874
<b>35 - 44</b>	491	165	0	656
<b>45 - 54</b>	298	90	0	388
<b>55 - 64</b>	208	66	1	275
<b>65 &amp; Older</b>	88	30	0	118
<b>Unknown</b>	0	0	0	0
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<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2127</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2816</b>

Based on 2023 data for Delaware State Police only.

# Blood Alcohol Content Data

## Drivers Arrested for DUI

### 2023



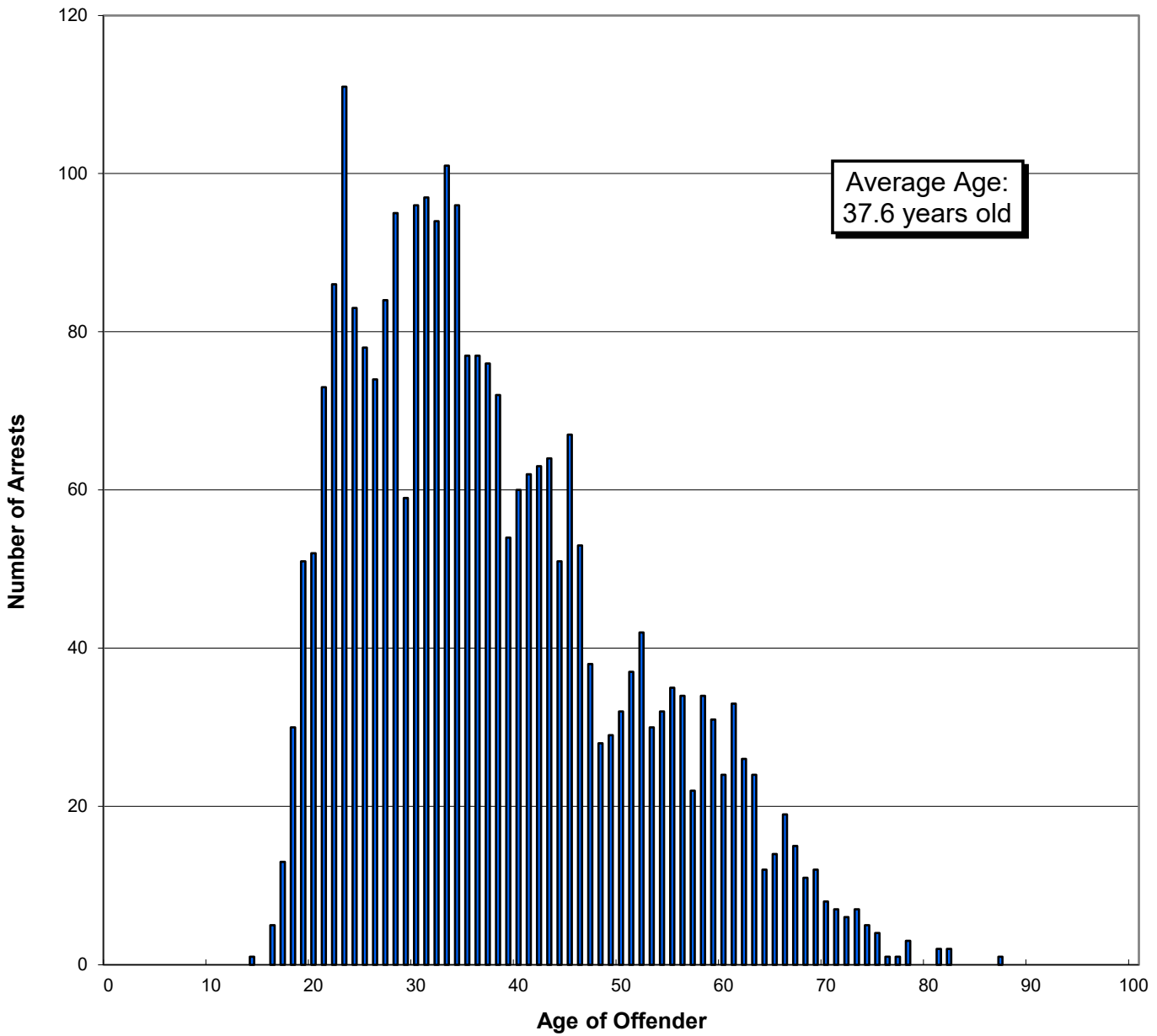
Total DUI Arrests:  
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Breakdown of the  
BAC's Obtained

\* Samples taken but BAC results not reported.

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# Persons Arrested for DUI by Age

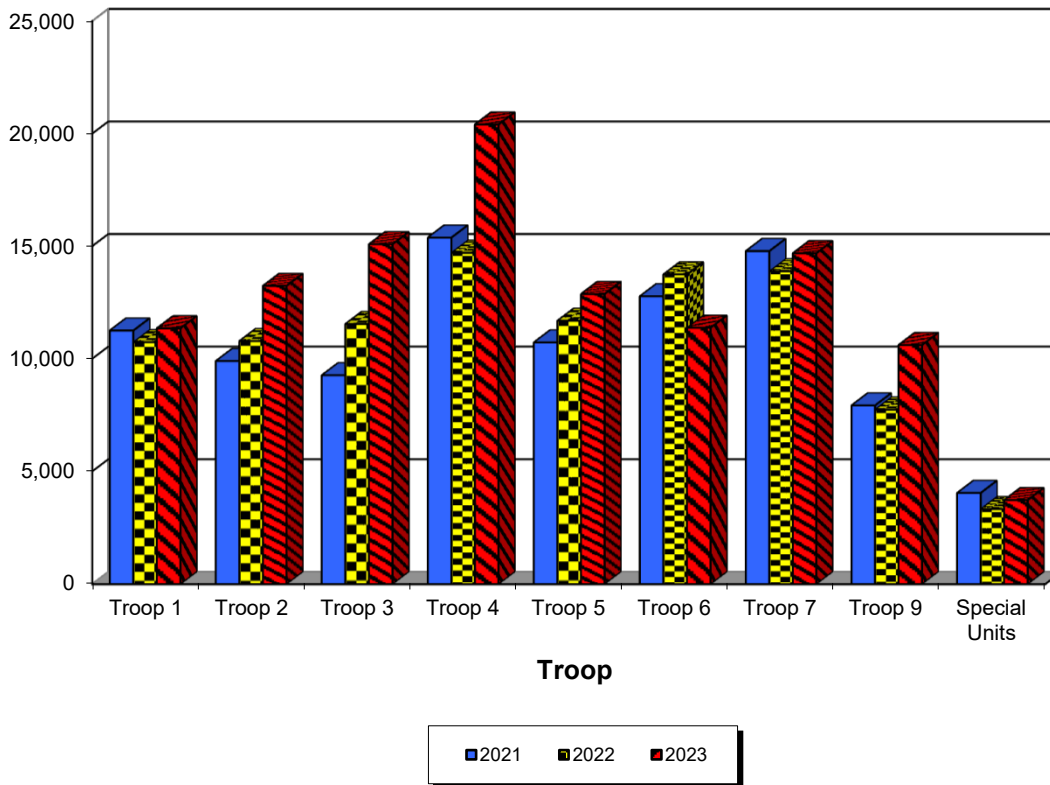


Based on Year 2023 DSP arrests for which the age was known.



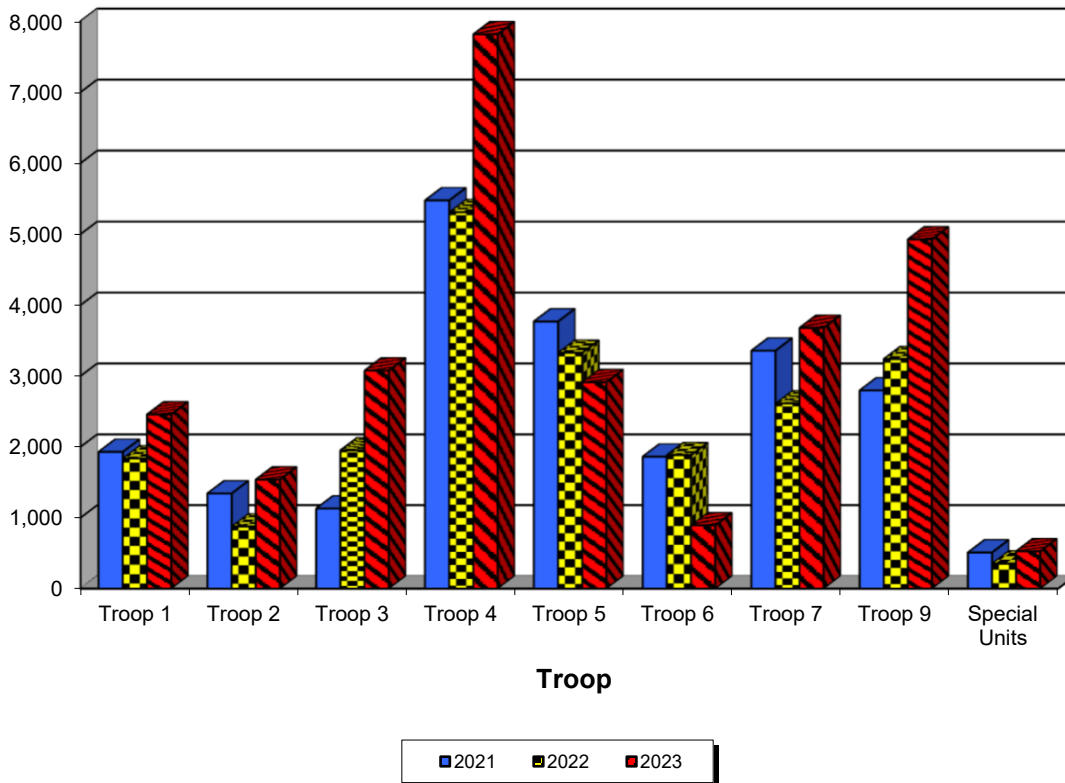
# All Traffic Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	11,256	10,738	11,356
Troop 2	9,900	10,786	13,238
Troop 3	9,271	11,544	15,090
Troop 4	15,384	14,707	20,410
Troop 5	10,727	11,687	12,876
Troop 6	12,776	13,746	11,377
Troop 7	14,785	13,882	14,688
Troop 9	7,931	7,744	10,610
Special Units	4,047	3,331	3,728
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>96,077</b>	<b>98,165</b>	<b>113,373</b>



# Speed Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	1,929	1,835	2,456
Troop 2	1,342	875	1,538
Troop 3	1,129	1,950	3,076
Troop 4	5,475	5,308	7,815
Troop 5	3,769	3,327	2,912
Troop 6	1,861	1,882	892
Troop 7	3,357	2,611	3,679
Troop 9	2,796	3,238	4,926
Special Units	509	352	525
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>22,167</b>	<b>21,378</b>	<b>27,819</b>

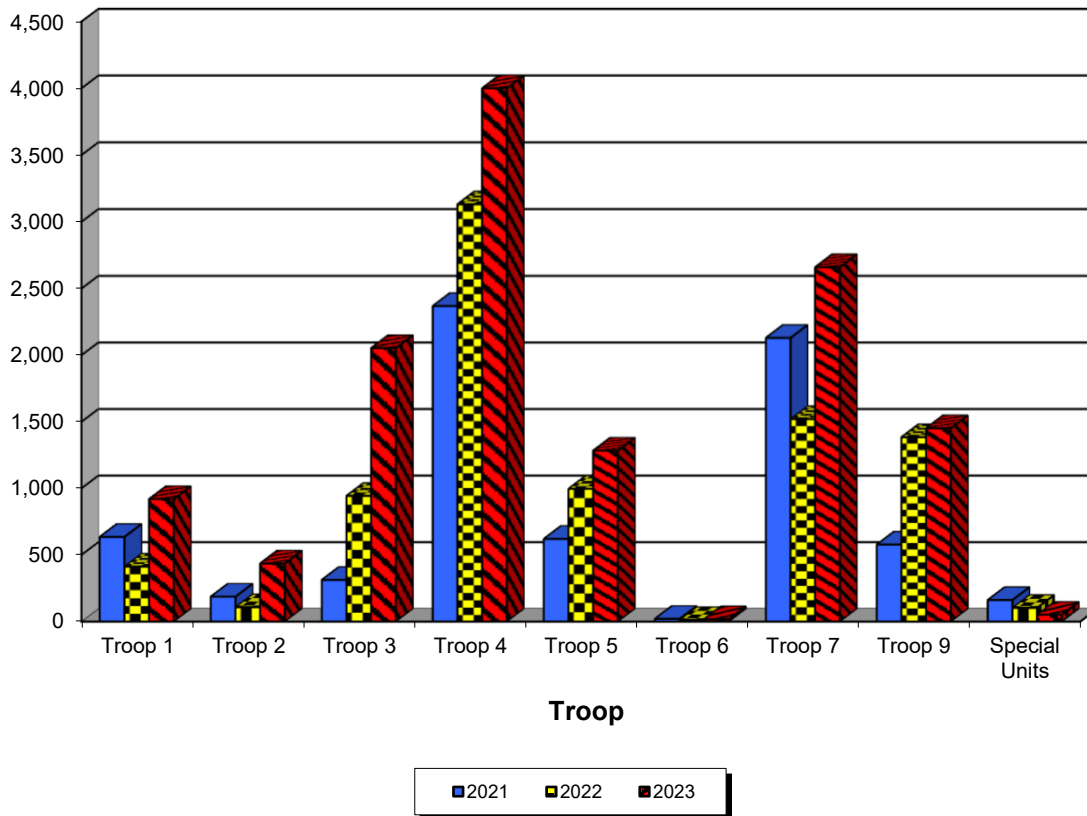


# 55 MPH Speed Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	636	413	920
Troop 2	187	108	436
Troop 3	313	944	2,054
Troop 4	2,370	3,132	4,001
Troop 5	621	997	1,284
Troop 6	20	12	18
Troop 7	2,131	1,521	2,661
Troop 9	578	1,385	1,452
Special Units	162	103	51

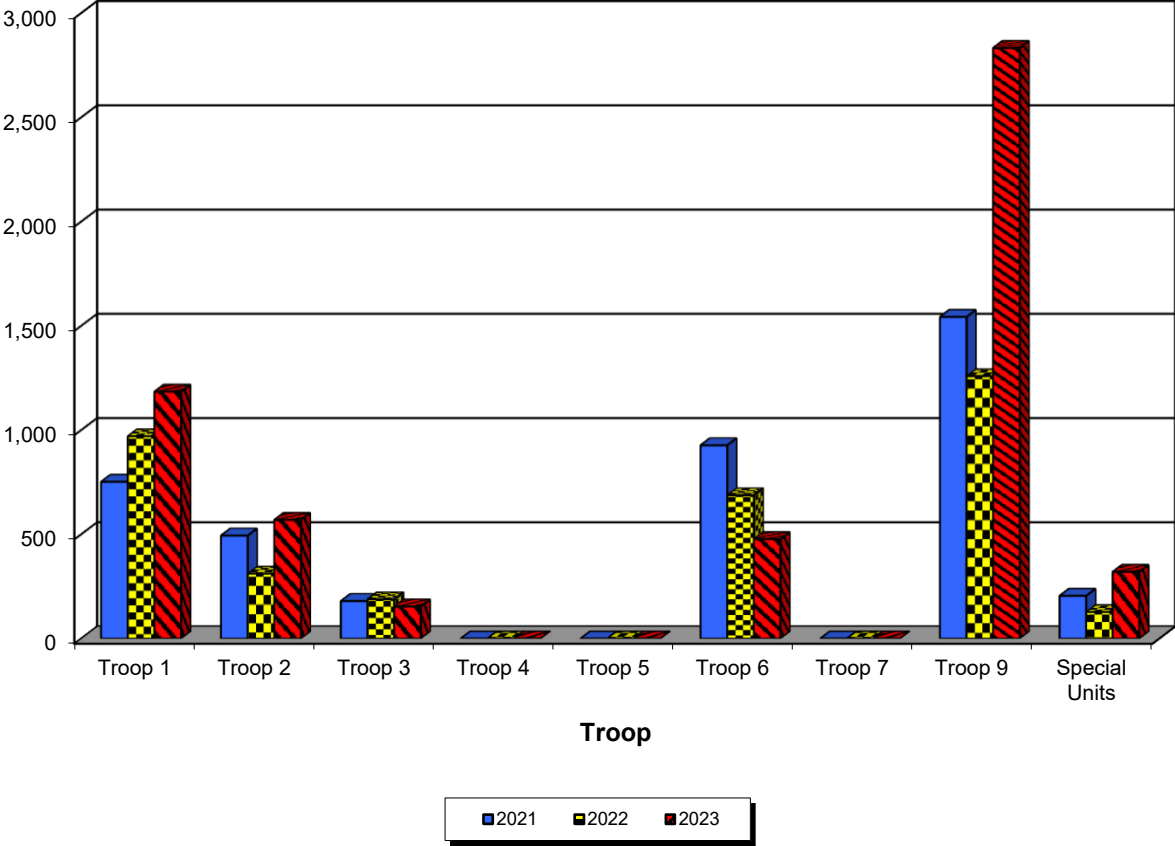
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<b>Totals:</b>	<b>7,018</b>	<b>8,615</b>	<b>12,877</b>
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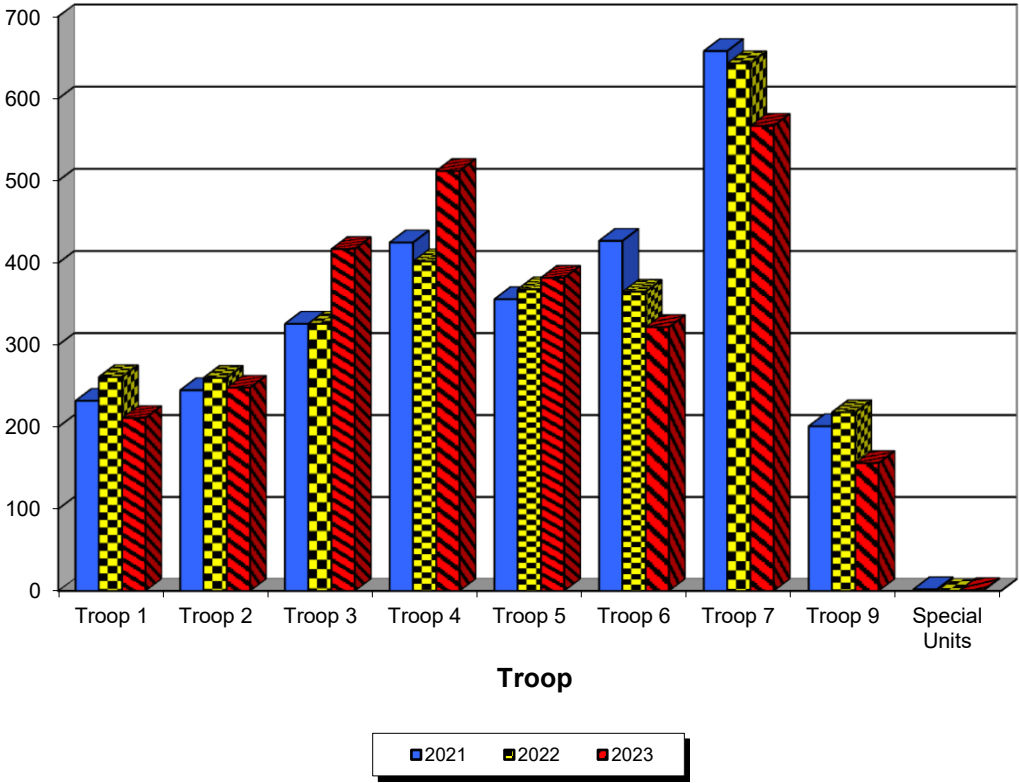
# 65 MPH Speed Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	752	970	1,184
Troop 2	494	311	569
Troop 3	180	188	154
Troop 4	0	0	0
Troop 5	0	0	0
Troop 6	927	687	477
Troop 7	0	0	0
Troop 9	1,543	1,258	2,833
Special Units	205	127	320
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>4,101</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>5,537</b>



# DUI Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	232	261	211
Troop 2	245	260	248
Troop 3	326	326	417
Troop 4	425	402	512
Troop 5	356	368	382
Troop 6	427	365	322
Troop 7	658	643	567
Troop 9	201	218	156
Special Units	2	0	1
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2,872</b>	<b>2,843</b>	<b>2,816</b>

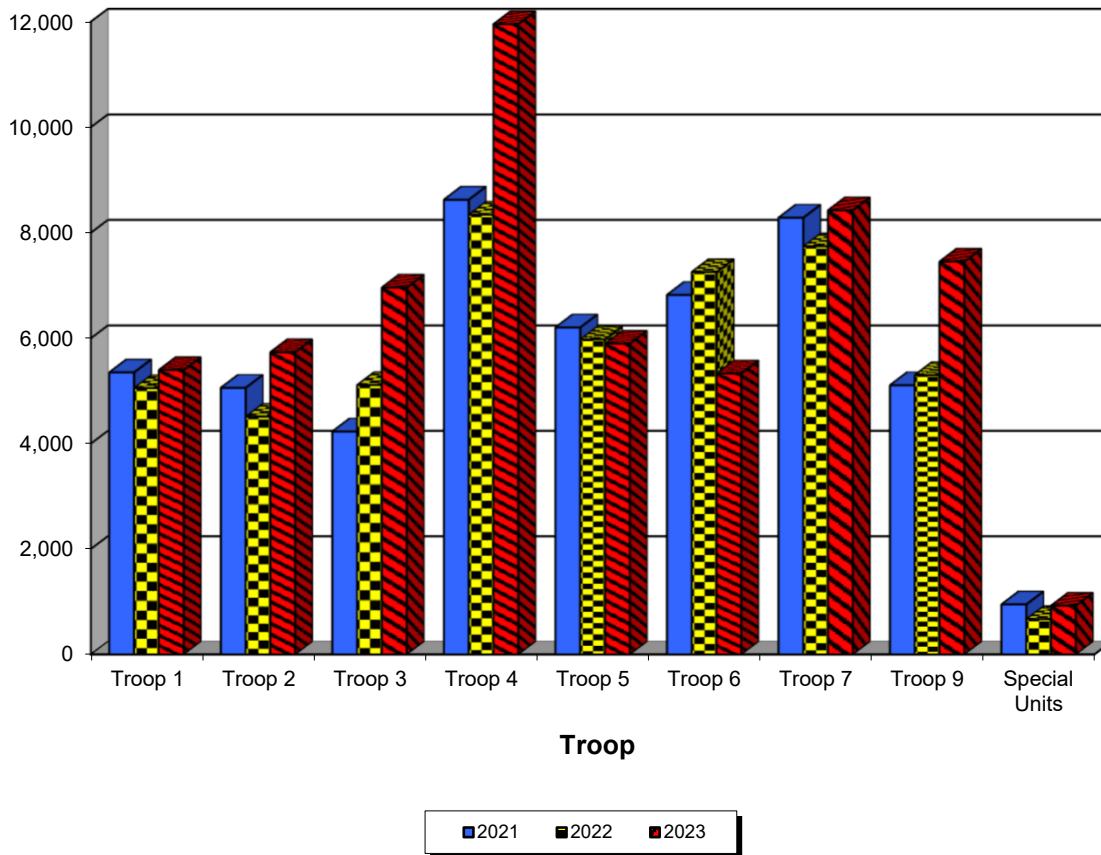


# Dangerous Moving Violation Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	5,353	5,056	5,398
Troop 2	5,060	4,513	5,736
Troop 3	4,231	5,111	6,963
Troop 4	8,627	8,344	11,952
Troop 5	6,206	5,980	5,898
Troop 6	6,823	7,256	5,333
Troop 7	8,286	7,743	8,427
Troop 9	5,110	5,301	7,453
Special Units	949	670	924

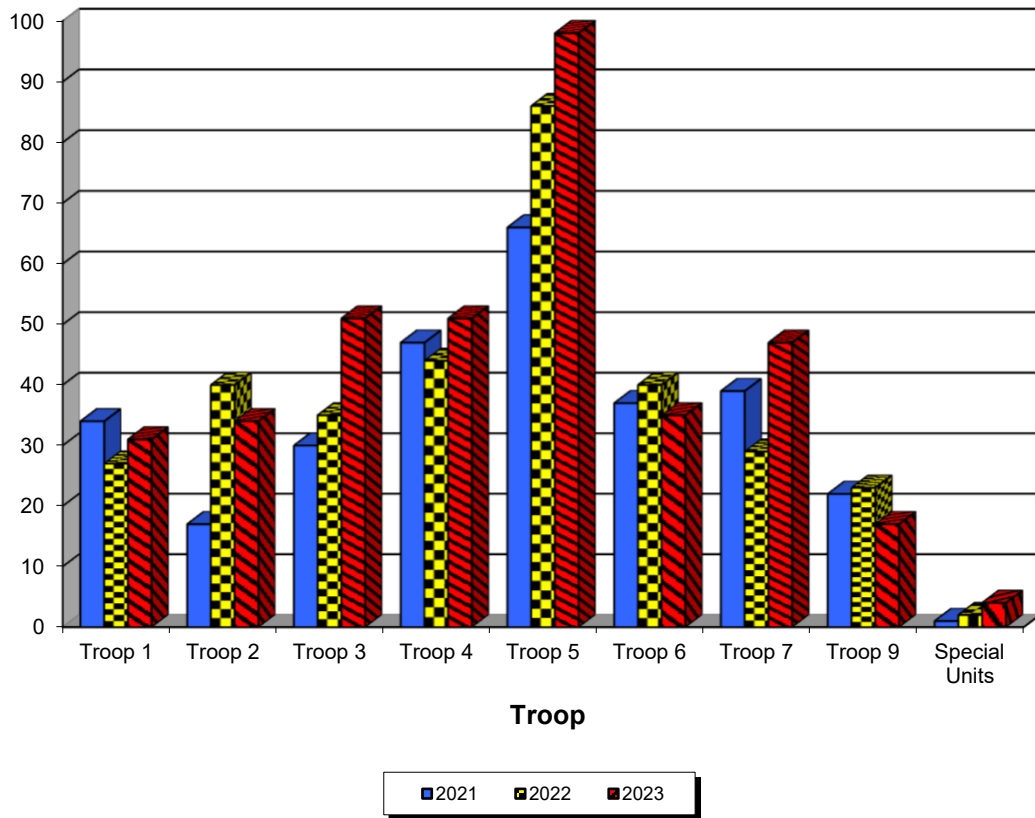
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<b>Totals:</b>	<b>50,645</b>	<b>49,974</b>	<b>58,084</b>
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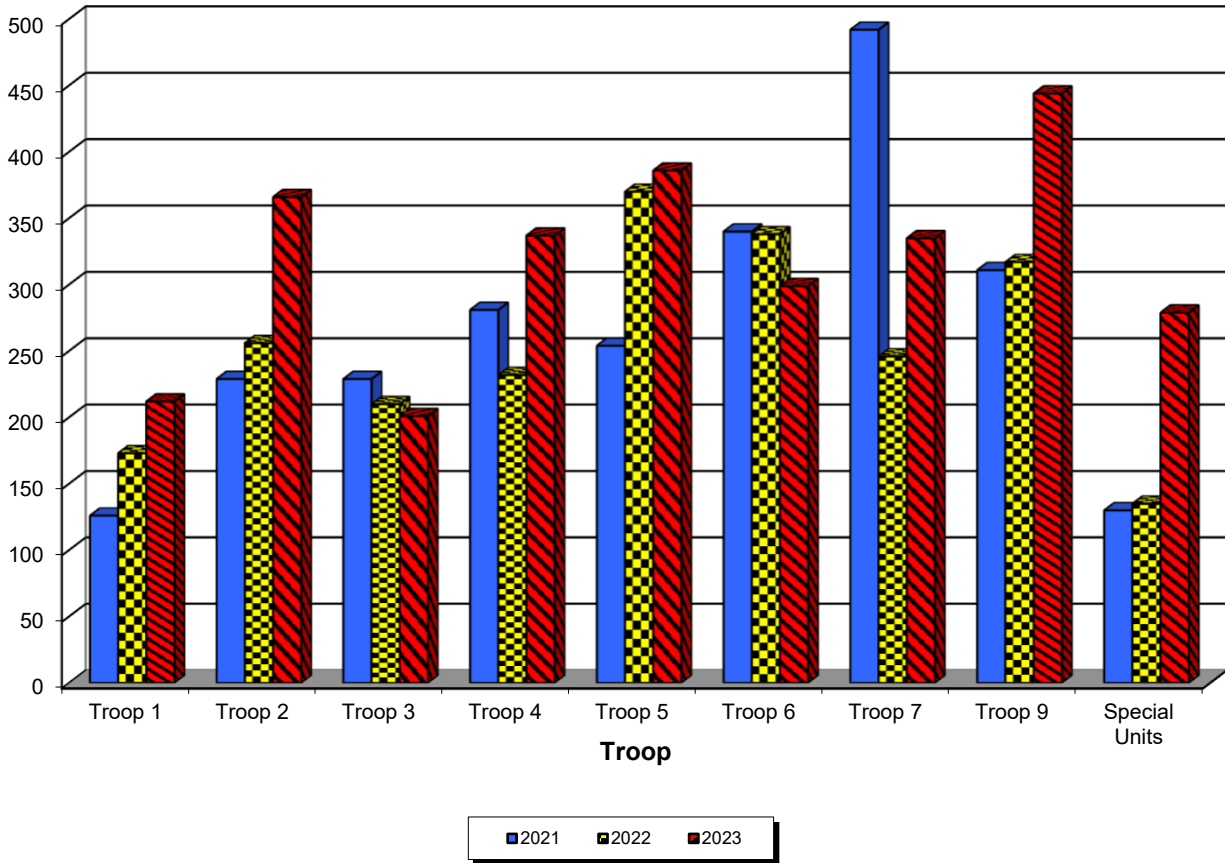
# Child Restraint Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	34	27	31
Troop 2	17	40	34
Troop 3	30	35	51
Troop 4	47	44	51
Troop 5	66	86	98
Troop 6	37	40	35
Troop 7	39	29	47
Troop 9	22	23	17
Special Units	1	2	4
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>368</b>



# Seat Belt Assessments\* by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	126	173	212
Troop 2	229	256	366
Troop 3	229	210	201
Troop 4	281	232	337
Troop 5	254	370	386
Troop 6	340	338	299
Troop 7	492	246	335
Troop 9	311	317	444
Special Units	130	135	279
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2,392</b>	<b>2,277</b>	<b>2,859</b>

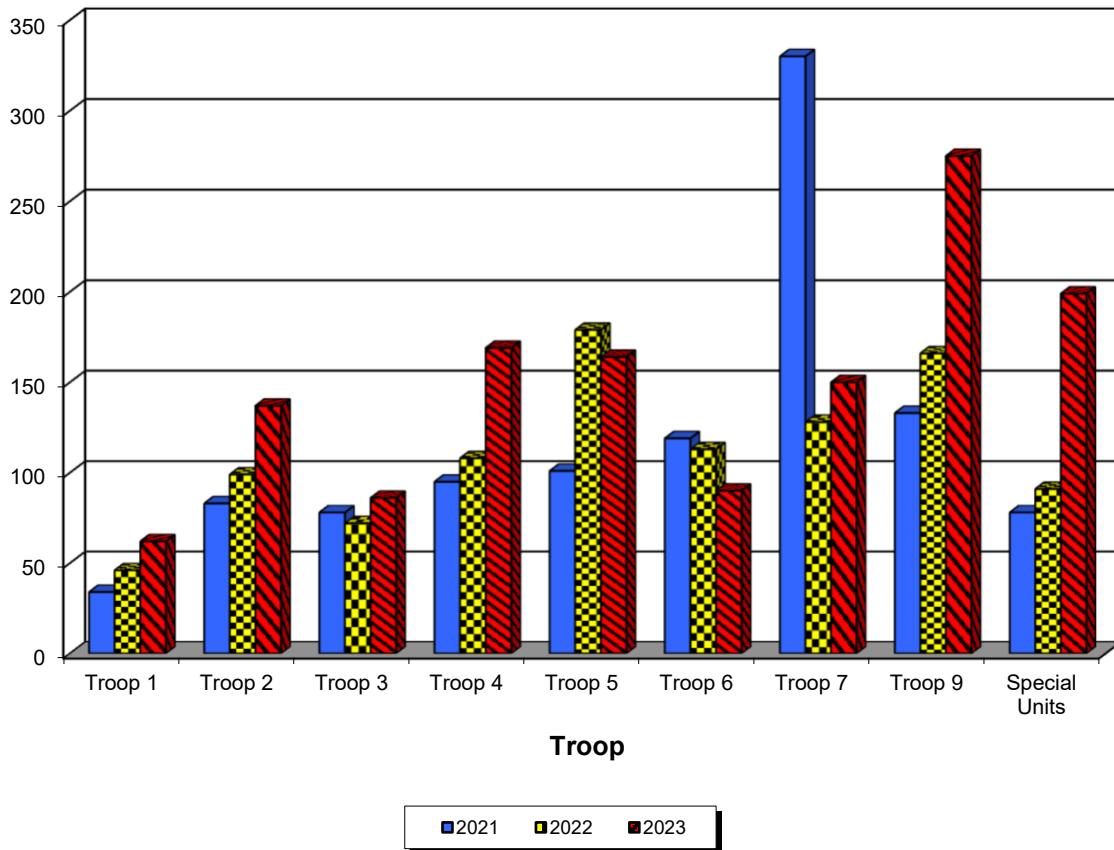


\* Secondary Violation



# Primary Seatbelt Arrests\* by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	34	46	62
Troop 2	83	99	137
Troop 3	78	72	86
Troop 4	95	108	169
Troop 5	101	179	164
Troop 6	119	113	90
Troop 7	330	128	150
Troop 9	133	166	275
Special Units	78	91	199
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>1,332</b>



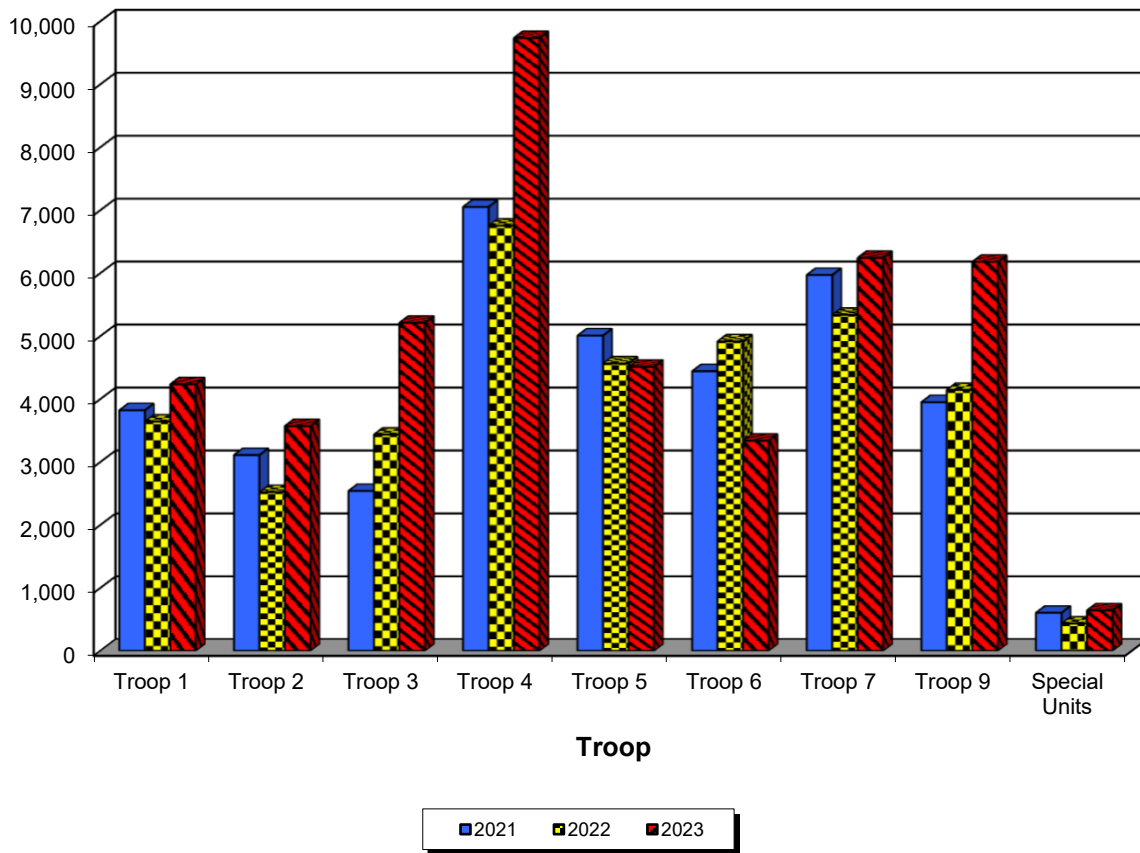
\* Initiated October 2003.

# Aggressive Driving Related Arrests by Troops

Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	3,822	3,644	4,235
Troop 2	3,110	2,520	3,571
Troop 3	2,540	3,435	5,211
Troop 4	7,052	6,754	9,736
Troop 5	5,009	4,566	4,512
Troop 6	4,442	4,916	3,339
Troop 7	5,971	5,338	6,243
Troop 9	3,950	4,145	6,179
Special Units	605	434	642

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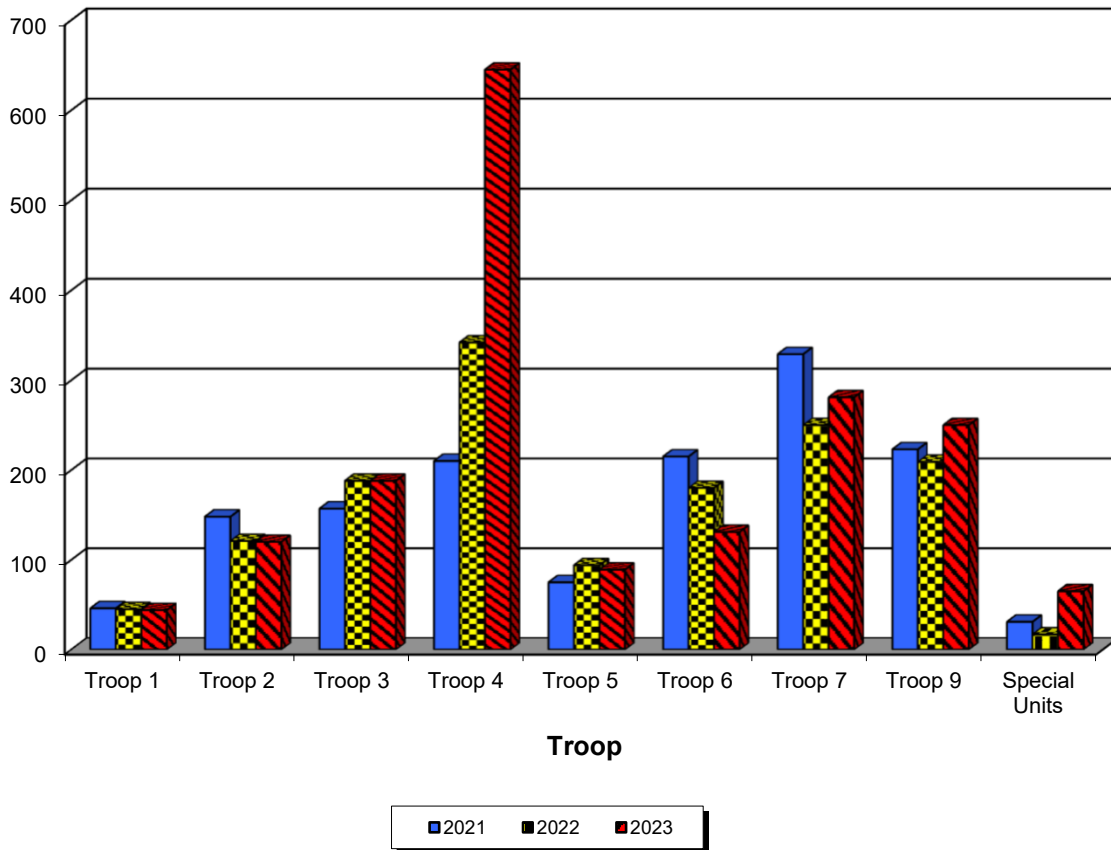
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>36,501</b>	<b>35,752</b>	<b>43,668</b>
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Aggressive Driving Related Arrests include the following Sections of Delaware Law, Title 21: 4107a; 4117; 4120b; 4122-1; 4123; 4132; 4133; 4155; 4164; 4168; 4169; 4175a; and 4175A.

# Cell Phone Arrests by Troops

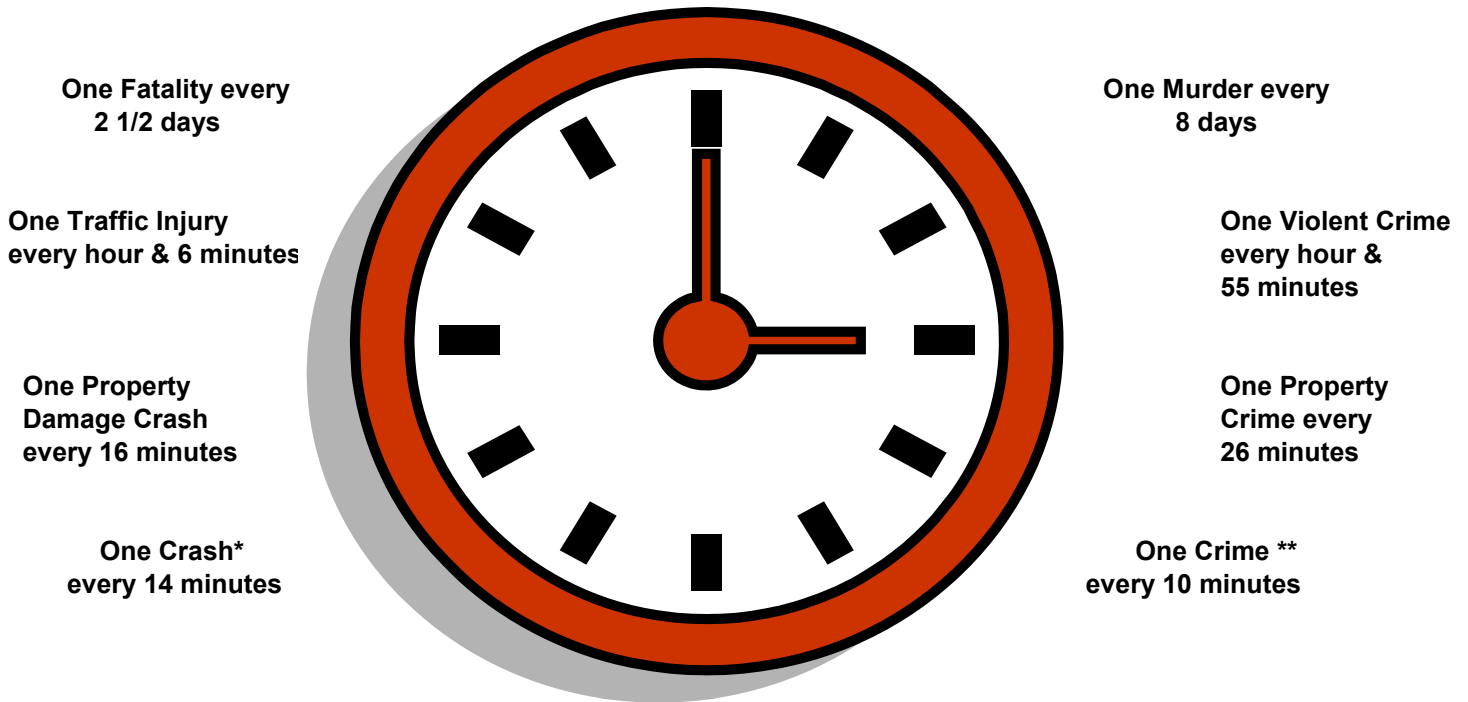
Troop	2021	2022	2023
Troop 1	46	45	44
Troop 2	148	121	120
Troop 3	157	188	188
Troop 4	210	342	645
Troop 5	75	94	89
Troop 6	215	180	131
Troop 7	329	250	281
Troop 9	223	209	250
Special Units	31	17	65
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1,434</b>	<b>1,446</b>	<b>1,813</b>



\* Initiated January 2011.

# Delaware

## Crash - Crime Clock



### Delaware Crash - Crime Clock

The Delaware Crash - Crime Clock compares 2023 crash data to crime data from 2023 -- crime data reported as of 03/11/2024. For purposes of this clock, the definition of a violent crime is a crime that involves homicide, human trafficking, kidnap and abduction, forcible sex offense, robbery, or aggravated assault and a property crime is a crime that involves burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, or arson.

\* Total crashes include non-reportable crashes, i.e. non-injury crashes with property damage estimates less than the property damage threshold, crashes occurring on private property, etc.

\*\* Total crimes include Group A crime complaints only from National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Report.