

MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND FATALITY RATES, 1899-2009							
Year	Total Fatalities	Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Millions	Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT	Year	Total Fatalities	Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Millions	Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT
1899	26			1954	33,890	561,963	6.03
1900	36			1955	36,688	605,646	6.06
1901	54			1956	37,965	627,843	6.05
1902	79			1957	36,932	647,004	5.71
1903	117			1958	35,331	664,653	5.32
1904	172			1959	36,223	700,480	5.17
1905	252			1960	36,399	718,762	5.06
1906	338			1961	36,285	737,421	4.92
1907	581			1962	38,980	766,734	5.08
1908	751			1963	41,723	805,249	5.18
1909	1,174			1964	45,645	846,298	5.39
1910	1,599			1965	47,089	887,812	5.30
1911	2,043			1966	50,894	925,899	5.50
1912	2,968			1967	50,724	964,005	5.26
1913	4,079			1968	52,725	1,015,869	5.19
1914	4,468			1969	53,543	1,061,791	5.04
1915	6,779			1970	52,627	1,109,724	4.74
1916	7,766			1971	52,542	1,178,811	4.46
1917	9,630			1972	54,589	1,259,786	4.33
1918	10,390			1973	54,052	1,313,110	4.12
1919	10,896			1974	45,196	1,280,544	3.53
1920	12,155			1975	44,525	1,327,664	3.35
1921	13,253	55,027	24.08	1976	45,523	1,402,380	3.25
1922	14,859	67,697	21.95	1977	47,878	1,467,027	3.26
1923	17,870	84,995	21.02	1978	50,331	1,544,704	3.26
1924	18,400	104,838	17.55	1979	51,093	1,529,133	3.34
1925	20,771	122,346	16.98	1980	51,091	1,527,295	3.35
1926	22,194	140,735	15.77	1981	49,301	1,555,308	3.17
1927	24,470	158,453	15.44	1982	43,945	1,595,010	2.76
1928	26,557	172,856	15.36	1983	42,589	1,652,788	2.58
1929	29,592	197,720	14.97	1984	44,257	1,720,269	2.57
1930	31,204	206,320	15.12	1985	43,825	1,774,826	2.47
1931	31,963	216,151	14.79	1986	46,087	1,834,872	2.51
1932	27,979	200,517	13.95	1987	46,390	1,921,204	2.41
1933	29,746	200,642	14.83	1988	47,087	2,025,962	2.32
1934	34,240	215,563	15.88	1989	45,582	2,096,487	2.17
1935	34,494	228,568	15.09	1990	44,599	2,144,362	2.08
1936	36,126	252,128	14.33	1991	41,508	2,172,050	1.91
1937	37,819	270,110	14.00	1992	39,250	2,247,151	1.75
1938	31,083	271,177	11.46	1993	40,150	2,296,378	1.75
1939	30,895	285,402	10.83	1994	40,716	2,357,588	1.73
1940	32,914	302,188	10.89	1995	41,817	2,422,696	1.73
1941	38,142	333,612	11.43	1996	42,065	2,485,848	1.69
1942	27,007	268,224	10.07	1997	42,013	2,561,695	1.64
1943	22,727	208,192	10.92	1998	41,501	2,631,522	1.58
1944	23,165	212,713	10.89	1999	41,717	2,691,056	1.55
1945	26,785	250,173	10.71	2000	41,945	2,746,925	1.53
1946	31,874	340,880	9.35	2001	42,196	2,797,287	1.51
1947	31,193	370,894	8.41	2002	43,005	2,855,508	1.51
1948	30,775	397,957	7.73	2003	42,884	2,890,450	1.48
1949	30,246	424,461	7.13	2004	42,836	2,964,788	1.44
1950	33,186	458,246	7.24	2005	43,510	2,989,430	1.46
1951	35,309	491,093	7.19	2006	42,708	3,014,371	1.42
1952	36,088	513,581	7.03	2007	41,259	3,032,399	1.36
1953	36,190	544,433	6.65	2008	37,423	2,973,509	1.26
				2009	33,808	2,979,321	1.13
Total Traffic Fatalities to Date:					3,481,925		

DEATHS: Traffic Fatalities That Occur Within 30 days of the crash

1899-1974 - National Center for Health Statistics, HEW and State Accident Summaries (Adjusted to 30-Day Traffic Deaths by NHTSA)

1975-2009 - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS)

Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) - Federal Highway Administration - Not Available for Years 1899 - 1920

2009 VMT - FHWA's Traffic Volume Trends (April 2010)