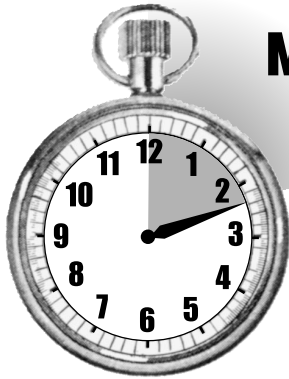


1995 QUICK FACTS

- Some exposure factor comparisons between 1995 and 1994 show motor vehicle registrations rose **1.1** percent, number of drivers increased **0.9** percent, and vehicle mileage increased **0.1** percent.
- The 1995 death rate rose to **1.8** deaths per 100 million miles of travel. Although it is an increase over the 1994 death rate of **1.7**, it is below the ten-year average of **1.9** (1986-1995).
- There were **1,537** persons killed and **146,303** persons injured in **421,073** reported motor vehicle traffic crashes in Michigan during 1995. Compared with 1994 experience, deaths increased **8.3** percent, injuries increased **2.9** percent, and total reported crashes showed a **5.8** percent increase.
- This year's death toll of **1,537** was up **8.3** percent from the 1994 figure of **1,419**.
- The **1,537** persons killed were the result of **1,386** fatal crashes for an average of **1.1** deaths per fatal crash.
- There were **421,073** reported crashes of which **1,386** were fatal, **100,207** were personal injury, and **319,480** were property damage only crashes.
- Of all fatal crashes, **31.2** percent occurred at intersections.
- Of all fatal crashes, **36.9** percent involved at least one drinking operator or pedestrian.
- Excessive speed was indicated as the hazardous action by **15.8** percent of the drivers involved in fatal crashes.
- In 1995 there were **124,599** single vehicle crashes, an increase of **13.6** percent over last year's count of **109,680**.
- Of the **421,073** total crashes, **124,599 (29.6%)** involved one vehicle.
- Of the **1,386** fatal crashes, **613 (44.2%)** involved one vehicle.
- Of the **512** alcohol-related fatal crashes, **311 (60.7%)** involved one vehicle.
- Of the **2,311** drivers involved in fatal crashes, **14.0** percent were under 21 years of age and **23.5** percent of all drivers involved in fatal crashes were under 25 years of age.
- In the last five years, **7,095** persons have been killed in Michigan traffic crashes. This is an average of **1,419** per year. During the previous five-year period, **7,121** persons were killed for an average of **1,424** per year.
- Of the **9,549,353** persons living in Michigan [1] one out of every **6,213** was killed in a traffic crash; one out of every **65** persons was injured.
- For each person killed there were **95.2** persons injured.
- There were **146,303** persons injured, crippled, or maimed in crashes.

- According to figures provided by the Michigan Department of Community Health [2], accidental death for children in motor vehicle crashes routinely outpaces the next two most frequent causes: fire and drowning.
- According to the Michigan Department of Community Health, five out of six accidental deaths for teenagers and young adults (ages 15-24) are due to motor vehicle crashes.
- The pedestrian death toll for Michigan stands at **190** persons. This represents an increase of **8** deaths over the 1994 figure.
- For each pedestrian killed, there were **18.4** pedestrians injured.
- Of the pedestrians killed, **33.7** percent were killed while crossing streets other than at intersections.
- Of all pedestrians killed, **20.0** percent were under the age of 21 years and **25.8** percent were 55 and older.
- During the past five years, a total of **893** pedestrians have been killed, an average of **179** per year.
- Children under the age of **16** accounted for **46.4** percent of the bicycle deaths.
- Of the **750,324** drivers and injured passengers involved in crashes, **596,413** or **79** percent were *reported* to have been using occupant restraints. Restraint usage among fatal victims was reported to be **38.7** percent in 1995.
- Motor vehicle occupants age 65 to 74 had the highest restraint use (**92.0%**) of any other age group.
- The economic loss in Michigan traffic crashes amounted to **\$9,998,650,000**.



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