

Motorcycles

In a crash, motorcyclists lack the protection of an enclosed vehicle.



The 2004 death rate for motorcyclists was 12.0 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled compared to the overall mileage death rate of 1.1 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled.



Injuries to motorcyclists were proportionately more severe than injuries to persons in other motor vehicles.



There were 3,276 motorcycle-involved crashes in which 79 motorcyclists were killed and 2,679 injured.



Motorcycles were involved in 0.88 percent of all traffic crashes in Michigan in 2004.



Because motorcycles have a low profile, they tend to be less visible than other motor vehicles. 63 (79.7%) of the 79 motorcyclists killed were reported by police as "going straight ahead" just prior to crash.



Of the motorcyclists killed in traffic crashes in 2004, 95.0 percent were male.

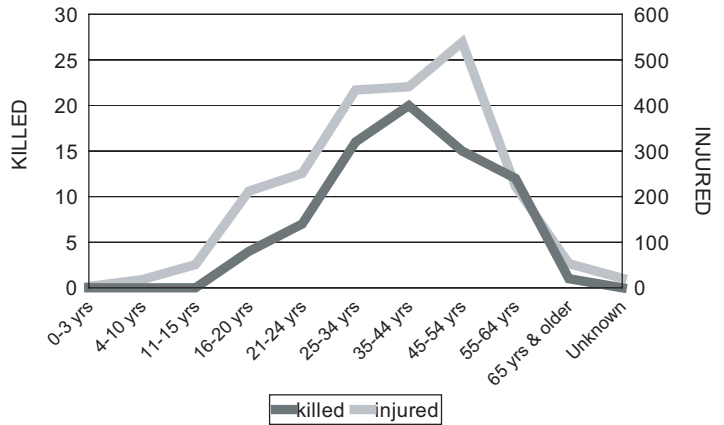


Of the motorcyclists killed in 2004, 25 deaths were the result of a had-been-drinking crash and 22 (88.0%) of these motorcyclists had been drinking.

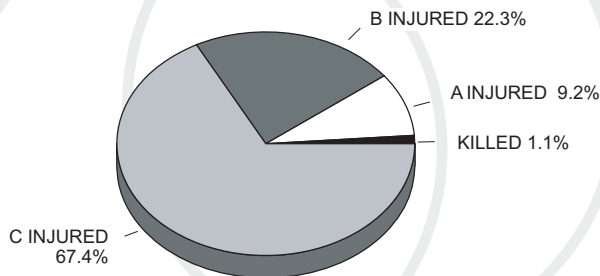


Of the male motorcyclists injured, 434 (19.3%) were 25 - 34 years old.

AGE OF MALE MOTORCYCLISTS KILLED & INJURED IN MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES



KILLED & ABC INJURED OCCUPANTS



INJURY (A) - Incapacitating
 INJURY (B) - Nonincapacitating
 INJURY (C) - Possible Injury

KILLED & ABC INJURED MOTORCYCLISTS

