

2010 Michigan Traffic Crash FACT SHEET

Motorcycles

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

- The 2010 death rate for motorcyclists was 15.62 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled compared to the overall mileage death rate of 0.96 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled.

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

- There were 3,362 motorcycle-involved crashes in which 125 motorcyclists were killed and 2,664 injured.

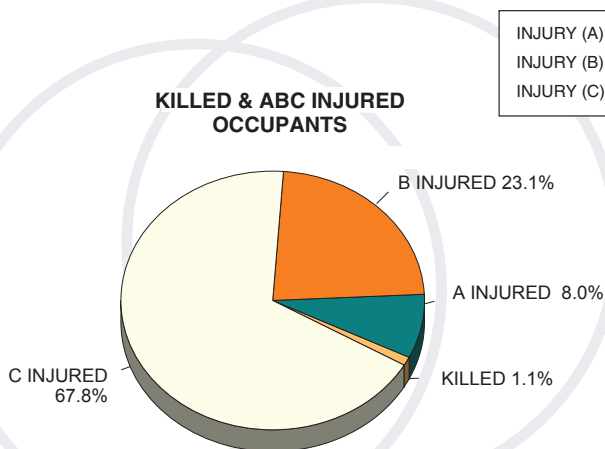
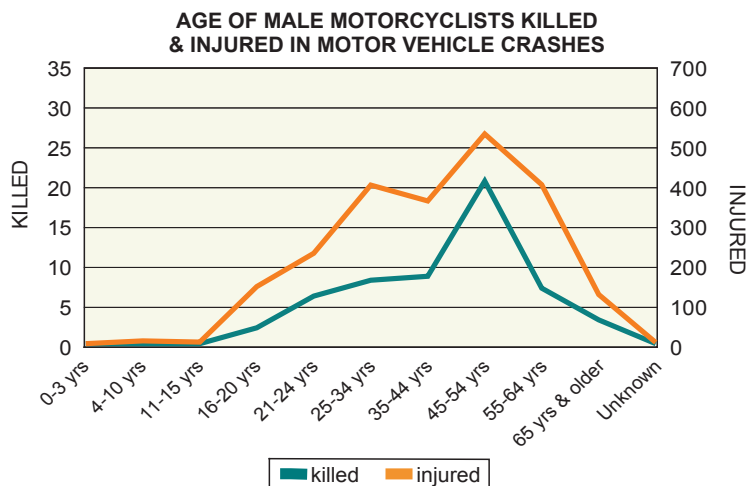
- Motorcycles were involved in 1.2 percent of all traffic crashes in Michigan in 2010.

- Because motorcycles have a low profile, they tend to be less visible than other motor vehicles. 108 (86.4%) of the 125 motorcyclists killed were reported by police as "going straight ahead" just prior to crash.

- Of the motorcyclists killed in traffic crashes in 2010, 88.0 percent were male.

- Of the motorcyclists killed in 2010, 24 deaths were the result of a had-been-drinking crash and 22 (91.7%) of these motorcyclists had been drinking.

- Of the male motorcyclists injured, 529 (24.0%) were 45 - 54 years old.



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

