

--Fatal Crashes **September 27, 2021 – October 4, 2021:**

- 10/1/21: Sheffield, VT 122. Single vehicle ran off road into utility pole. Driver fatality. No seatbelt used and speed suspected.

--2021 Fatalities: **54** Total – **43** vehicle operators, **6** passengers, **5** pedestrians, **0** bicyclists

As of <b>October 4</b> in each calendar year shown:		
Year	Fatalities (People)	Fatal Crashes
2021	54	49
2020	52	48
2019	26	24
2018	51	44
2017	56	50

Fatal Crash Data	2021*	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total Fatal Crashes	49	57	44	61	64	59	50
Total Fatalities (People)	54	61	47	69	70	64	57
Double Fatality Crashes	5	4	3	8	3	2	5
Triple Fatality Crashes	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Quadruple Fatality Crashes	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Operators Suspected as Driving under the Influence of Alcohol Only	7	11	5	5	6	14	4
Operators Suspected as Driving under the Influence of Drugs Only	5	14	15	13	18	10	11
Operators Suspected as Driving under the Influence of both Alcohol & Drugs	5	6	2	10	11	10	9
Active Cannabis - Delta 9 THC Confirmed**	7	12	13	14	16	19	11
Operators Suspected of Speeding	12	15	14	22	27	29	16
Operators with Suspended License/ No License	7	13	5	7	11	10	5
Junior License Operators involved in fatal crashes	2	2	1	4	2	0	1
"Older Drivers" involved in fatal Crashes (Older Driver is defined as any person age 65 or older. & "involved" does not imply "fault")	10	15	16	14	15	14	11
Crashes involving a Large Truck/Bus ("involving" does not imply "fault")	2	4	10	6	3	5	4
Motorcyclist Fatalities	15	10	8	7	13	11	11

2021 data is as of the date of this report. These numbers are subject to change.

\*\*Active Cannabis - Delta-9 THC Confirmed is counted in the number of operators that had drugs only or alcohol & drugs.

Fatalities by Vehicle Type and Restraint/Safety Equipment Used							
Road User Type	Restraint/Safety Equipment	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Motor Vehicle Occupant	Unbelted	21	24	17	34	24	21
	- Driver	19	19	14	25	17	11
	- Passenger	2	5	2	9	6	10
	- UTV Driver				0	1	0
	Belted	11	17	18	21	22	23
	- Driver	8	12	14	15	15	20
	- Passenger	3	5	4	6	7	3
	Improper Belt Use/Child Restraint		0	0	0	1	1
Motorcyclist/ATV	Wearing Helmet	8	10	5	5	11	10
	Non-DOT Compliant Helmet/Improper		0	1	1	1	1
	No Helmet	2	2	2	1	2	1
Vulnerable Users	Pedestrians	5	7	3	6	9	5
	Bicyclists		1	0	0	0	1
Unknown	Unknown Belt/Helmet Use	7	0	1	1	1	2
<b>% Unbelted*</b>		<b>65%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>48%</b>
<b>Total Fatalities</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>64</b>

\*Of all fatalities: only occupants in vehicles equipped with seatbelts are used in the calculation for unbelted percentage. Excludes: motorcycles, ATVs, pedestrians, bicyclists and unknowns. (Sum of Belted" & "Unbelted", divided into "Unbelted")

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