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# MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

SUMMARY OF ALL REPORTED ACCIDENTS IN \* RURAL AREAS OF TEXAS FOR SEPTEMBER 1988

Prepared by TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY \* INCLUDES TOWNS TO 5,000 POP.

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS 10-20-88 AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON 989

A. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS												NUMBER OF PERSONS					
	TOTAL				ON ROADWAY				OFF ROADWAY				KILLED	INJURED	INJURY SEVERITY			
	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY			A	B	C	
PEDESTRIAN	62	13	49	0	54	11	43	0	8	2	6	0	13	40	24	28	8	
MOTOR VEHICLE IN TRAFFIC	3329	45	1351	1933	3263	44	1322	1897	66	1	29	36	57	2460	267	779	1414	
RAILROAD TRAIN	20	3	11	6	20	3	11	6	0	0	0	0	4	14	0	5	9	
PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	168	2	32	134	92	0	11	81	76	2	21	53	2	50	10	22	18	
PEDALCYCLIST	28	5	21	2	26	5	19	2	2	0	2	0	5	26	5	17	4	
ANIMAL	252	1	56	195	250	1	56	193	2	0	0	2	1	79	5	35	39	
FIXED OBJECT	1297	47	631	619	29	0	13	16	1268	47	618	603	49	927	218	457	252	
OTHER OBJECT	19	0	7	12	14	0	5	9	5	0	2	3	0	11	1	4	6	
MOTOR VEH. OTHER ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
OVERTURNED	608	29	400	179	109	4	75	30	499	25	325	149	33	613	138	337	138	
OTHER NON-COLLISION	82	7	20	55	43	5	29	29	39	2	11	26	7	26	5	16	5	
TOTALS	5865	152	2578	3135	3900	73	1564	2263	1965	79	1014	872	171	4266	673	1700	1893	

B. LOCATION	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS												NUMBER OF PERSONS					
	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	KILLED	INJURED	A	B	C	
INTERSTATE ROUTES	542	15	239	288	332	8	141	183	210	7	98	105	15	416	83	173	160	
US & STATE ROUTES	2021	65	887	1069	1452	35	613	804	569	30	274	265	80	1575	246	625	704	
FARM TO MARKET ROADS	1329	42	608	679	869	16	351	502	460	26	257	177	45	965	148	385	432	
COUNTY ROADS	1415	23	664	728	831	11	339	481	584	12	325	247	23	1037	155	419	463	
CITY STREETS	547	7	177	363	407	3	117	287	140	4	60	76	8	269	40	95	134	
OTHER	11	0	3	8	9	0	3	6	2	0	0	2	0	4	1	3	0	
TOTALS	5865	152	2578	3135	3900	73	1564	2263	1965	79	1014	872	171	4266	673	1700	1893	
POPULATION GROUP	UNDER 2,500	5063	145	2294	2624	71	1334	1824	1834	74	964	800	164	3818	626	1554	1638	
2,500 to 5,000	802	7	284	511	671	2	230	439	131	5	54	72	7	448	47	146	255	
5,000 to 10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10,000 to 25,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
25,000 to 50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50,000 to 100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
100,000 to 250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
OVER 250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS	5865	152	2578	3135	3900	73	1564	2263	1965	79	1014	872	171	4266	673	1700	1893	

NOTE - NO TOTALS, EXCEPT FATAL ACCIDENTS AND DEATHS, CAN BE COMPARED TO YEARS PRIOR TO 1987 DUE TO CHANGES IN REPORT PROCESSING.

A. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	TOTAL						PERCENT CHANGE IN DEATHS	ON ROADWAY						INJURY SEVERITY			
	THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR				THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	
	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED		ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED				
	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED		ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	ACCIDENTS	KILLED	INJURED	A	B	C	
PEDESTRIAN	536	107	484	584	100	558	+ 7%	475	96	418	512	88	470	A. Incapacitating Injury - Severe injury which prevents continuation of normal activities. Includes broken or distorted limbs, internal injuries, crushed chest, etc.			
MOTOR VEHICLE IN TRAFFIC	33518	531	25149	33137	538	23224	- 1%	32799	517	24620	32474	523	22802	B. Nonincapacitating Injury - Evident injury such as bruises, abrasions, minor lacerations which do not incapacitate.			
RAILROAD TRAIN	177	36	119	141	20	84	+ 80%	174	36	116	137	20	84	C. Possible Injury - Injury which is claimed, reported or indicated by behavior but without visible wounds. Includes limping, momentary unconsciousness or complaint of pain.			
PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	1992	24	634	2104	25	681	+ 4%	1001	1	187	1043	0	169				
PEDALCYCLIST	469	38	458	416	19	421	+ 100%	433	34	424	388	16	393				
ANIMAL	1934	4	507	2047	7	537	+ 43%	1925	4	504	2032	7	536				
FIXED OBJECT	13764	373	8951	13206	294	8368	+ 27%	342	1	148	386	2	154				
OTHER OBJECT	329	4	158	435	8	202	+ 50%	252	3	95	355	4	157				
MOTOR VEH. OTHER ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
OVERTURNED	6880	270	6476	6528	246	6011	+ 10%	1117	60	1076	1156	40	1109				
OTHER NON-COLLISION	1036	32	414	1047	18	339	+ 78%	542	20	246	568	15	210				
TOTALS	60635	1419	43350	59645	1275	40425	+ 11%	39060	772	27834	39051	715	26084				
POPULATION GROUP	UNDER 2,500	52553	1365	39223	51420	1234	36445	+ 11%	32336	738	24353	32168	681	22748			
2,500 to 5,000	8082	54	4127	8225	41	3980	+ 32%	6724	34	3481	6883	34	3336				
5,000 to 10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
10,000 to 25,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
25,000 to 50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
50,000 to 100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
100,000 to 250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
OVER 250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	NC	0	0	0	0	0	0				
TOTALS	60635	1419	43350	59645	1275	40425	+ 11%	39060	772	27834	39051	715	26084				

3. TIME HOUR BEGINNING	TOTAL ACCIDENTS		SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		PEDESTRIAN		PEDALCYCLIST	
	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
MIDNIGHT	205	8	43	1	18	2	16	1	9	0	25	0	34	0	60	4	3	1	0	0
BEFORE NOON	166	9	56	3	10	1	6	1	12	0	13	1	22	0	47	3	5	2	0	0
1:00 A.M.	152	9	41	2	15	1	8	0	10	2	13	0	19	0	46	4	2	1	0	0
2:00 A.M.	101	6	18	1	16	1	6	1	5	2	12	1	16	0	28	0	1	0	0	0
3:00 A.M.	80	6	21	2	5	1	2	1	4	0	10	1	11	0	27	1	1	0	0	0
4:00 A.M.	87	5	20	4	7	0	11	1	10	0	14	0	10	0	15	0	2	1	0	0
5:00 A.M.	152	4	12	0	22	0	21	0	23	0	28	1	30	0	16	3	1	0	1	0
6:00 A.M.	289	3	6	0	39	1	49	1	49	0	62	1	68	0	16	0	5	2	0	0
7:00 A.M.	264	6	13	0	30	1	43	0	27	1	57	2	67	1	27	1	2	0	1	0
8:00 A.M.	185	3	23	0	19	1	30	0	22	0	40	2	28	0	23	0	0	0	0	0
9:00 A.M.	210	4	19	1	23	1	27	1	20	0	41	0	41	1	39	0	2	1	2	1
10:00 A.M.	236	4	17	0	23	1	27	0	29	1	39	1	53	1	48	0	0	0	1	0
11:00 A.M.	268	3	28	0	24	2	46	0	33	0	51	1	43	0	43	0	1	0	2	0
NOON	267	2	24	1	32	1	26	0	30	0	46	0	49	0	60	0	2	0	2	1
1:00 P.M.	292	5	31	2	42	1	33	0	37	1	50	0	56	2	54	0	2	0	1	0
2:00 P.M.	392	5	43	1	50	0	37	1	50	0	69	0	77	2	54	0	2	0	1	0
3:00 P.M.	416	5	47	2	41	0	54	1	52	2	77	0	83	0	62	0	4	0	3	0
4:00 P.M.	430	11	45	2	48	1	56	1	56	0	87	2	85	2	53	3	2	0	3	0
5:00 P.M.	400	7	39	1	45	1	63	1	45	0	66									



LOCATION: RURAL

4A. AGE OF CASUALTY (YEARS)	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED								
	TOTAL KILLED			PEDESTRIANS			PEDALCYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
0 to 4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 to 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 to 14	8	7	1	1	1	0	2	2	0
15 to 19	36	25	11	4	2	1	1	1	0
20 to 24	26	22	4	2	3	0	0	0	0
25 to 34	31	20	11	4	2	1	0	0	0
35 to 44	29	25	4	2	3	0	0	0	0
45 to 54	13	8	5	0	0	0	1	1	0
55 to 64	13	8	5	1	1	0	1	1	0
65 to 74	6	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
75 & OLDER	6	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOT STATED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	171	125	46	15	13	2	5	5	0

TYPE SUMMARY: ALL REPORTED

4B. AGE OF CASUALTY (YEARS)	NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED								
	TOTAL INJURED			PEDESTRIANS			PEDALCYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
0 to 4	17	62	55	1	1	0	0	0	0
5 to 9	142	75	67	7	4	3	6	3	3
10 to 14	183	90	93	7	3	4	6	3	1
15 to 19	835	459	376	9	5	4	6	5	1
20 to 24	650	435	213	12	11	1	1	1	0
25 to 34	971	608	363	13	9	4	4	4	0
35 to 44	573	328	245	3	2	1	2	1	1
45 to 54	299	161	138	4	2	2	1	0	1
55 to 64	211	120	91	2	2	0	0	0	0
65 to 74	154	84	70	1	1	0	0	0	0
75 & OLDER	101	50	51	1	0	1	0	0	0
NOT STATED	30	12	16	1	0	1	1	0	0
TOTALS	4266	2484	1778	61	40	21	25	18	7

5A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS				
AT INTERSECTION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
ENTERING AT ANGLE	785	5	347	433
FROM SAME DIRECTION BOTH GOING STRAIGHT	83	1	36	46
SAME - ONE TURN, ONE STRAIGHT	163	1	52	110
SAME - ONE STOPPED	277	0	116	161
SAME - ALL OTHERS	17	0	2	15
FROM OPPOSITE DIRECTION-BOTH GOING STRAIGHT	18	1	10	7
SAME-ONE LEFT TURN, ONE STRAIGHT	223	2	105	116
SAME - ALL OTHERS	28	0	3	25
TOTALS	1594	10	671	913

5C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS							
MOTOR VEHICLE GOING STRAIGHT	TOTAL PED ACCIDENTS	FATAL			INJURY		
		TOTAL	INTER	NON-INT	TOTAL	INTERSECT	NON-INT
MOTOR VEHICLE GOING STRAIGHT	59	13	1	12	46	8	38
MOTOR VEHICLE TURNING RIGHT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE TURNING LEFT	2	0	0	0	1	1	0
MOTOR VEHICLE BACKING	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
ALL OTHERS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	62	13	1	12	49	9	40

5B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS				
NOT AT INTERSECTION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
GOING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION - HEAD ON	278	24	118	136
GOING SAME DIRECTION - REAR END	294	2	141	151
SAME-SIDESWIPE	166	2	48	116
ONE CAR PARKED IMPROPER LOCATION	18	1	12	5
ONE CAR STOPPED IN TRAFFIC	301	0	130	171
ONE CAR FORWARD FROM PARKING	14	0	3	11
ONE CAR BACKWARD FROM PARKING	16	0	0	16
ONE CAR ENTERING DRIVEWAY	272	4	105	163
ONE CAR LEAVING DRIVEWAY	240	1	76	163
ALL OTHERS	136	1	47	88
TOTALS	1735	35	680	1020

5D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS					
AT INTERSECTION	TOTAL	FATAL		INJURY	
		TOTAL	INTER	NON-INT	TOTAL
COLLISION WITH OTHER ROAD VEHICLE OR TRAIN	13	3	0	8	2
COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT	221	3	0	102	116
COLLISION WITH OTHER OBJECT	1	0	0	1	0
OVERTURNED	40	0	0	27	13
OTHER NON-COLLISION	11	0	0	2	9
COLLISION WITH OTHER ROAD VEHICLE OR TRAIN	35	5	24	6	2
COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT	1076	44	529	503	12
COLLISION WITH OTHER OBJECT	18	0	6	16	12
OVERTURNED	568	29	373	166	12
OTHER NON-COLLISION	71	7	18	46	12
COLLISION WITH ANIMAL	252	1	56	195	12
NOT STATED	168	2	32	134	12
TOTALS	2474	94	1178	1202	12

6. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE		TOTAL PEDES.	AGES OF PEDESTRIANS KILLED											AGES OF PEDESTRIANS INJURED										
			TOTAL	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-44	45-64	65&OV	UNK	TOTAL	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-44	45-64	65 & OV	UNK		
CROSSING AT INTERSECTION OR CROSSWALK	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0		
CROSSING NOT AT INTERSECTION OR CROSSWALK	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	5	3	1	3	3	2	1	0	0		
GETTING ON OR OFF OTHER VEHICLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
WALKING IN ROADWAY WITH TRAFFIC	15	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	6	3	0	0	1		
WALKING IN ROADWAY AGAINST TRAFFIC	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0		
STANDING IN ROADWAY	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0		
PUSHING OR WORKING ON VEHICLE	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0		
OTHER WORKING IN ROADWAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
PLAYING IN ROADWAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
OTHER IN ROADWAY	9	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0		
NOT IN ROADWAY	15	4	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	11	0	0	3	1	4	2	0	1	0	0		
NOT STATED	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0		
TOTALS	76	15	0	0	1	4	2	6	1	1	0	61	1	7	7	9	12	16	6	2	1	1		

7. AGE OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
15 & YOUNGER	80	3	44
16	327	3	142
17	407	10	164
18 to 19	810	16	398
20 to 24	1359	33	610
25 to 34	2437	46	1096
35 to 44	1624	37	701
45 to 54	881	21	371
55 to 64	632	16	258
65 to 74	390	6	150
75 & OLDER	275	7	106
UNKNOWN	278	5	84
TOTAL DRIVERS	9500	203	4124

11. VEHICLE CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NO DEFECTS REPORTED	9200	195	3997
DEFECTIVE BRAKES	67	0	32
DEFECTIVE STEERING	29	0	19
DEF OR IMPROPER LIGHT	17	1	10
DEFECTIVE TIRES	113	6	45
DEF TRAILER EQUIP.	18	0	2
DEF STOP OR TURN SIGNAL	27	0	10
WHEEL CAME OFF VEHICLE	11	1	1
OTHER DEFECTS	18	0	8
TOTAL VEHICLES	9500	203	4124

15. TYPE OF VEHICLE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
PASSENGER CAR	5367	92	2322
PASSENGER CAR & TRAILER	12	0	3
PASSENGER CAR & HOUSE TRAILER	0	0	0
TRUCK	3314	74	1439
TRUCK & TRAILER	123	0	48
TRUCK-TRACTOR & SEMI TRAILER	365	19	132
TRUCK & HOUSE TRAILER	7	0	1
OTHER TRUCK COMBINATIONS	26	0	9
FARM TRACTOR	15	0	6
ROAD MACHINERY	3	0	1
BUS	15	0	7
SCHOOL BUS	29	1	8
MOTORCYCLE	148	14	119
MOTOR SCOOTER OR MOTOR BIKE	6	0	5
MOPED	2	0	2
OTHER & UNKNOWN	68	3	22
TOTAL VEHICLES	9500	203	4124

8. SEX OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
MALE	6219	159	2738
FEMALE	3045	39	1309
NOT STATED	236	5	77
TOTAL DRIVERS	9500	203	4124

12. LIGHT CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
DAYLIGHT	3827	67	1581
DAWN	70	0	43
DARKNESS- No Street Lt.	1481	68	733
DARKNESS-Street Lt.	410	13	180
DUSK	77	4	41
UNKNOWN	0	0	0
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	5865	152	2578

16. VIOLATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO ACCIDENT	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
SPEEDING OVER LIMIT	414	46	246
SPEED-UNDER LIMIT-UNSAFE	1902	24	924
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO VEHICLE	1186	8	498
DISREGARD STOP SIGN OR LIGHT	72	2	38
DISREGARD STOP AND GO SIGNAL	81	0	50
DISREGARD FLASHING YELLOW SIGNAL	0	0	0
IMPROPER TURN-WIDE RIGHT	39	0	9
IMPROPER TURN-CUT CORNER ON LEFT	27	1	7
IMPROPER TURN-WRONG LANE	42	0	19
WRONG SIDE-NOT PASSING	172	18	73
WRONG WAY ONE WAY ROAD	5	0	4
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	134	0	53
OVERTAKE & PASS-INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE	9	0	3
PASS IN NO PASSING ZONE	30	2	10
OTHER ILLEGAL PASSING	136	0	22
NO SIGNAL OR WRONG SIGNAL OF INTENTION	54	0	15
IMPROPER START FROM PARKED POSITION	37	0	8
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO PEDESTRIAN	1	0	1
IMPROPER PARKING	21	0	11
DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE (liquor or drugs)	915	72	522
OTHER VIOLATIONS	824	17	267
TOTAL VIOLATIONS	6101	190	2780

9. CONDITION OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NORMAL	9161	175	3941
EYESIGHT DEFECTIVE	5	1	2
HEARING DEFECTIVE	1	0	0
LIMBS MISSING	1	0	0
OTHER PHYSICAL DEFECT	5	0	5
ILL	31	1	24
FATIGUED OR ASLEEP	295	26	152
OTHER HANDICAP	1	0	0
TOTAL DRIVERS	9500	203	4124

13. WEATHER CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
CLEAR	5180	143	2291
RAIN	630	4	264
SNOW	0	0	0
FOG	46	3	21
OTHER & UNKNOWN	9	2	2
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	5865	152	2578

10. RESIDENCE & LICENSE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSED	8340	159	3616
TEXAS RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	394	9	217
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK.	19	1	9
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSED	476	18	199
NON-RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	4	1	2
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK.	0	0	0
NOT STATED	267	5	81
TOTAL DRIVERS	9500	203	4124

14. ROAD SURFACE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
DRY	4960	141	2199
WET	892	11	373
MUDDY	13	0	6
SNOWY OR ICY	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	0	0	0
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	5865	152	2578