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# MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

SUMMARY OF ALL REPORTED ACCIDENTS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS FOR FEBRUARY 1985

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STATISTICAL SERVICES

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON 03-20-85

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1. CURRENT PERIOD	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS											
	TOTAL				ON ROADWAY				OFF ROADWAY			
	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
A. TYPE OF ACCIDENT												
MOTOR VEHICLE WITH												
PEDESTRIAN	355	27	328	0	331	24	307	0	24	3	21	0
MOTOR VEHICLE IN TRAFFIC	23914	75	6780	17059	23710	73	6736	16901	204	2	44	158
RAILROAD TRAIN	51	1	21	29	51	1	21	29	0	0	0	0
PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	2345	2	304	2039	1834	0	198	1636	511	2	106	403
PEDALCYCLIST	133	2	127	4	127	2	121	4	6	0	6	0
ANIMAL	207	0	40	167	204	0	38	166	3	0	2	1
FIXED OBJECT	4993	57	1948	2988	185	2	58	125	4808	55	1890	2863
OTHER OBJECT	234	0	63	171	216	0	58	158	18	0	5	13
MOTOR VEH. OTHER ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OVERTURNED	888	14	498	376	161	3	102	56	727	11	396	320
OTHER NON-COLLISION	204	5	66	133	111	5	47	59	93	0	19	74
TOTALS	33324	183	10175	22966	26930	110	7686	19134	6394	73	2489	3832
B. LOCATION												
INTERSTATE ROUTES	4028	31	1404	2593	2966	16	953	1997	15	451	596	
US & STATE ROUTES	8932	81	2846	6005	7185	54	2168	4963	1747	27	678	1042
FARM TO MARKET ROADS	2595	30	925	1640	1960	17	626	1317	635	13	299	323
COUNTY ROADS	1385	9	529	847	881	6	287	588	504	3	242	259
CITY STREETS	16314	31	4454	11829	13903	16	3642	10245	2411	15	812	1584
OTHER	70	1	17	52	35	1	10	24	35	0	7	28
TOTALS	33324	183	10175	22966	26930	110	7686	19134	6394	73	2489	3832
C. POPULATION GROUP												
UNDER 2,500	5381	82	2039	3260	3311	45	1090	2176	2070	37	949	1084
2,500 to 5,000	748	4	184	560	633	4	151	478	115	0	33	82
5,000 to 10,000	1097	8	260	829	877	7	202	668	220	1	58	161
10,000 to 25,000	3318	12	844	2462	2757	10	664	2083	561	2	180	379
25,000 to 50,000	1939	4	470	1465	1675	1	384	1290	264	3	86	175
50,000 to 100,000	3584	9	1026	2549	3072	4	845	2223	512	5	181	326
100,000 to 250,000	3530	10	1094	2426	2982	7	876	2099	548	3	218	327
OVER 250,000	13727	54	4258	9415	11623	32	3474	8117	2104	22	784	1298
TOTALS	33324	183	10175	22966	26930	110	7686	19134	6394	73	2489	3832

NUMBER OF PERSONS	INJURY SEVERITY			
	KILLED	INJURED	INJURY SEVERITY	C
	28	358	93	159
	82	10914	887	3706
	1	27	6	11
	3	389	55	193
	2	133	30	73
	0	46	4	17
	64	2514	399	1353
	0	87	10	43
	0	0	0	0
	14	696	138	358
	5	71	13	36
	199	15235	1635	5989
	31	2050	223	740
	89	4488	531	1681
	30	1442	232	610
	14	780	129	336
	34	6455	516	2612
	1	20	4	10
	93	3219	636	1351
	4	270	30	110
	9	423	49	160
	12	1239	146	465
	4	704	58	285
	9	1552	144	581
	10	1641	151	588
	58	6187	421	2449
	199	15235	1635	5989

2. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	TOTAL						ON ROADWAY					
	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
A. TYPE OF ACCIDENT												
MOTOR VEHICLE WITH												
PEDESTRIAN	722	63	726	786	77	766	673	55	673	726	73	702
MOTOR VEHICLE IN TRAFFIC	49536	173	22498	44630	166	20752	49107	170	22348	44324	164	20641
RAILROAD TRAIN	110	3	55	140	13	79	108	3	54	140	13	79
PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	4822	9	786	4237	5	854	3792	0	492	3245	1	523
PEDALCYCLIST	282	3	289	289	2	297	271	3	278	279	2	287
ANIMAL	513	0	100	500	0	86	509	0	97	497	0	85
FIXED OBJECT	10684	112	5160	8238	108	4330	398	4	136	316	0	128
OTHER OBJECT	475	0	173	294	3	109	440	0	155	263	3	98
MOTOR VEH. OTHER ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OVERTURNED	1891	41	1361	2038	53	1527	369	7	276	425	10	333
OTHER NON-COLLISION	445	7	165	313	10	128	260	6	118	186	7	89
TOTALS	69484	411	31313	61465	437	28928	55927	248	24627	50401	273	22965
B. LOCATION												
INTERSTATE ROUTES	8733	71	4251	7064	63	3567	6310	42	2967	5379	34	2590
US & STATE ROUTES	19332	179	9524	17147	197	8951	15578	118	7689	14196	130	7285
FARM TO MARKET ROADS	5363	59	3007	4890	72	2711	4075	31	2238	3642	36	1915
COUNTY ROADS	2917	28	1602	2725	18	1468	1822	11	923	1689	8	821
CITY STREETS	32988	72	12900	29491	86	12184	28060	45	10792	25412	64	10324
OTHER	151	2	29	148	1	47	82	1	18	83	1	30
TOTALS	69484	411	31313	61465	437	28928	55927	248	24627	50401	273	22965
C. POPULATION GROUP												
UNDER 2,500	11737	203	6711	10478	218	5999	7233	108	4039	6579	117	3539
2,500 to 5,000	1708	8	628	1633	10	634	1425	7	539	1365	8	511
5,000 to 10,000	2406	16	898	2045	19	795	1930	14	726	1718	15	662
10,000 to 25,000	7051	27	2622	5879	23	2255	5853	22	2137	4983	14	1898
25,000 to 50,000	3855	4	1423	3091	6	1255	3314	1	1203	2701	6	1076
50,000 to 100,000	7393	22	3194	6164	31	2671	6358	13	2728	5325	22	2285
100,000 to 250,000	7166	22	3258	6697	32	3128	6046	15	2700	5687	20	2640
OVER 250,000	28166	109	12579	25478	98	12191	23768	68	10555	22043	71	10354
TOTALS	69484	411	31313	61465	437	28928	55927	248	24627	50401	273	22965

- INJURY SEVERITY**
- A. Incapacitating Injury - Severe injury which prevents continuation of normal activities. Includes broken or distorted limbs, internal injuries, crushed chest, etc.
  - B. Nonincapacitating Injury - Evident injury such as bruises, abrasions, minor lacerations which do not incapacitate.
  - C. Possible Injury - Injury which is claimed, reported or indicated by behavior but without visible wounds. Includes limping, momentary unconsciousness or complaint of pain.

MILEAGE RATES	THIS YEAR TO DATE	SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR	PER CENT CHANGE
REPORTED MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC DEATHS	411	437	- 6%
REPORTED MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC INJURIES	31,313	28,928	+ 8%
ESTIMATED VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (MILLIONS)	21,538	21,220	+ 1%
DEATH RATE PER 100,000,000 VEHICLE MILES	1.9	2.1	-10%
INJURY RATE PER 100,000,000 VEHICLE MILES	145.4	136.3	+ 7%

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
	BEFORE NOON																			
MIDNIGHT	906	11	239	3	72	1	84	0	70	3	75	1	102	1	264	2	6	1	2	0
1:00 A.M.	734	14	215	2	49	0	44	0	42	1	67	2	84	2	233	7	8	3	0	0
2:00 A.M.	742	7	212	3	61	0	43	0	52	1	57	2	76	0	241	1	8	1	0	0
3:00 A.M.	380	3	112	0	29	0	33	3	22	0	32	0	39	0	114	0	1	0	0	0
4:00 A.M.	210	2	52	0	26	1	22	0	11	0	23	0	21	1	55	0	0	0	0	0
5:00 A.M.	263	5	36	0	31	0	56	1	29	1	32	2	27	0	52	1	4	2	0	1
6:00 A.M.	715	15	32	0	104	3	178	4	108	1	124	3	102	3	67	1	10	2	2	1
7:00 A.M.	1905	4	38	0	393	0	449	1	301	2	294	0	331	1	99	0	22	0	6	0
8:00 A.M.	1935	4	55	1	465	1	336	0	311	1	264	0	355	1	149	0	14	0	0	0
9:00 A.M.	1270	2	107	0	214	0	186	0	145	0	174	0	243	2	201	0	7	0	2	0
10:00 A.M.	1340	2	120	0	200	0	177	0	169	0	170	0	230	1	274	1	2	0	0	0
11:00 A.M.	1573	7	150	0	229	1	200	1	194	1	214	0	288	3	298	1	7	1	5	0
NOON	1886	2	172	0																

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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	4	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
5 to 9	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
10 to 14	4	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
15 to 19	19	12	7	3	3	0	0	0	0
20 to 24	42	37	5	5	5	0	0	0	0
25 to 34	52	40	11	4	3	1	0	0	0
35 to 44	21	17	4	4	4	0	0	0	0
45 to 54	17	12	5	4	3	1	1	1	0
55 to 64	16	13	3	4	4	0	0	0	0
65 to 74	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
75 & OLDER	10	6	4	3	2	1	0	0	0
NOT STATED	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	199	153	44	29	25	4	2	2	0

5A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS		TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
AT INTERSECTION	ENTERING AT ANGLE	6991	17	2176	4798
	FROM SAME DIRECTION BOTH GOING STRAIGHT	987	4	238	745
	SAME ONE TURN, ONE STRAIGHT	1011	0	178	833
	SAME ONE STOPPED	2588	0	843	1745
	SAME ALL OTHERS	212	0	15	197
	FROM OPPOSITE DIRECTION-BOTH GOING STRAIGHT	125	0	52	73
	SAME ONE LEFT TURN ONE STRAIGHT	1797	6	669	1122
	SAME ALL OTHERS	315	2	36	277
	TOTALS	14026	29	4207	9790

5B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS		TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
NOT AT INTERSECTION	GOING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION - HEAD ON	964	27	298	539
	GOING SAME DIRECTION REAR END	1805	5	590	1210
	SAME SIDESWIPE	1774	3	277	1494
	ONE CAR PARKED IMPROPER LOCATION	125	1	35	89
	ONE CAR STOPPED IN TRAFFIC	1744	1	518	1225
	ONE CAR FORWARD FROM PARKING	149	1	21	127
	ONE CAR BACKWARD FROM PARKING	83	0	5	78
	ONE CAR ENTERING DRIVEWAY	1201	2	310	889
	ONE CAR LEAVING DRIVEWAY	1642	3	328	1311
	ALL OTHERS	401	3	91	307
	TOTALS	9888	46	2573	7269

6. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	TOTAL PEDES	AGES OF PEDESTRIANS KILLED										TOTAL	AGES OF PEDESTRIANS INJURED									
		0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-44	45-64	65-84	85-0V	UNK		0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-44	45-64	65 & OV	UNK	
CROSSING AT INTERSECTION OR CROSSWALK	68	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	67	2	11	10	3	4	22	10	3	2	
CROSSING NOT AT INTERSECTION OR CROSSWALK	188	16	0	1	1	1	2	4	5	2	0	172	20	51	20	13	18	19	11	6	14	
GETTING ON OR OFF OTHER VEHICLE	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	0	1	
WALKING IN ROADWAY WITH TRAFFIC	30	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	26	2	2	2	5	8	5	0	0	2	
WALKING IN ROADWAY AGAINST TRAFFIC	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	
STANDING IN ROADWAY	18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	1	1	5	8	0	0	2	
PUSHING OR WORKING ON VEHICLE	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	2	4	5	4	1	3	
OTHER WORKING IN ROADWAY	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	
PLAYING IN ROADWAY	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
OTHER IN ROADWAY	22	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	21	0	2	2	3	3	9	2	0	0	
NOT IN ROADWAY	35	4	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	31	0	0	6	3	6	9	4	2	1	
NOT STATED	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	1	1	1	1	4	2	0	0	0	
TOTALS	419	25	0	1	1	3	5	8	8	3	0	390	28	70	43	32	54	91	32	13	27	

7. AGE OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
15 & YOUNGER	72	0	30
16	280	3	89
17	1302	2	397
18 to 19	3624	8	1123
20 to 24	10558	59	3335
25 to 34	16187	85	5211
35 to 44	8898	43	2798
45 to 54	4632	32	1425
55 to 64	3417	16	1096
65 to 74	1995	10	650
75 & OLDER	1173	6	373
UNKNOWN	5463	10	775
TOTAL DRIVERS	57601	274	17302

11. VEHICLE CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NO DEFECTS REPORTED	56837	268	17031
DEFECTIVE BRAKES	325	2	116
DEFECTIVE STEERING	30	0	12
DEF OR IMPROPER LIGHT	59	2	22
DEFECTIVE TIRES	112	1	47
DEF TRAILER EQUIP	29	1	6
DEF STOP OR TURN SIGNAL	24	0	8
WHEEL CAME OFF VEHICLE	48	0	10
OTHER DEFECTS	137	0	50
TOTAL VEHICLES	57601	274	17302

15. TYPE OF VEHICLE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
PASSENGER CAR	38581	145	11962
PASSENGER CAR & TRAILER	38	0	8
PASSENGER CAR & HOUSE TRAILER	1	0	0
TRUCK	15683	85	4347
TRUCK & TRAILER	154	3	32
TRUCK-TRACTOR & SEMI TRAILER	1327	22	383
TRUCK & HOUSE TRAILER	5	0	2
OTHER TRUCK COMBINATIONS	47	0	17
FARM TRACTOR	7	0	0
ROAD MACHINERY	6	0	1
BUS	122	2	39
SCHOOL BUS	130	2	29
MOTORCYCLE	431	9	364
MOTOR SCOOTER OR MOTOR BIKE	11	0	11
MOPEL	6	0	4
OTHER & UNKNOWN	1052	6	103
TOTAL VEHICLES	57601	274	17302

8. SEX OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
MALE	34962	219	10664
FEMALE	18061	45	5981
NOT STATED	4578	10	657
TOTAL DRIVERS	57601	274	17302

12. LIGHT CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
DAYLIGHT	21991	55	6275
DAWN	204	1	86
DARKNESS- No Street Lt	7443	90	2558
DARKNESS-Street Lt	3194	35	1125
DUSK	492	2	131
UNKNOWN	0	0	0
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	33324	183	10175

16. VIOLATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO ACCIDENT	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
SPEEDING OVER LIMIT	1209	43	566
SPEED-UNDER LIMIT-UNSAFE	10206	26	3343
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO VEHICLE	7769	17	2316
DISREGARD STOP SIGN OR LIGHT	767	6	291
DISREGARD STOP AND GO SIGNAL	1697	5	656
DISREGARD FLASHING YELLOW SIGNAL	2	0	1
IMPROPER TURN-WIDE RIGHT	314	0	45
IMPROPER TURN-CUT CORNER ON LEFT	125	0	16
IMPROPER TURN-WRONG LANE	639	0	108
WRONG SIDE-NOT PASSING	637	19	238
WRONG WAY ONE WAY ROAD	81	0	31
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	2355	0	713
OVERTAKE & PASS-INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE	111	0	18
PASS IN NO PASSING ZONE	40	0	16
OTHER ILLEGAL PASSING	467	0	74
NO SIGNAL OR WRONG SIGNAL OF INTENTION	110	0	21
IMPROPER START FROM PARKED POSITION	544	1	48
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO PEDESTRIAN	52	1	50
IMPROPER PARKING	156	1	41
DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE (Alcohol or drugs)	2311	51	1136
OTHER VIOLATIONS	3348	11	521
TOTAL VIOLATIONS	32940	181	10249

9. CONDITION OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NORMAL	57306	269	17136
EYESIGHT DEFECTIVE	27	1	10
HEARING DEFECTIVE	0	0	0
LIMBS MISSING	1	0	0
OTHER PHYSICAL DEFECT	8	0	3
ILL	0	0	45
FATIGUED OR ASLEEP	197	4	107
OTHER HANDICAP	2	0	1
TOTAL DRIVERS	57601	274	17302

13. WEATHER CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
CLEAR	25590	148	7910
RAIN	5140	19	1648
SNOW	1563	2	289
FOG	539	12	189
OTHER & UNKNOWN	492	2	139
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	33324	183	10175

10. RESIDENCE & LICENSE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSED	47519	232	14883
TEXAS RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	2268	12	824
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK	1917	1	313
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSED	2707	19	817
NON-RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	3	0	1
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK	37	0	6
NOT STATED	3150	10	458
TOTAL DRIVERS	57601	274	17302

14. ROAD SURFACE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
DRY	20978	139	6784
WET	6917	33	2216
MUDDY	61	0	19
SNOWY OR ICY	5368	11	1156
UNKNOWN	0	0	0
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	33324	183	10175

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	373	194	179	28	19	9	7	7	0
5 to 9	513	270	243	70	47	23	29	24	5
10 to 14	505	237	268	43	26	17	42	33	9
15 to 19	1918	983	931	32	19	13	11	10	1
20 to 24	2893	1670	1214	54	40	14	19	16	3
25 to 34	3906	2120	1777	55	32	23	11	8	3
35 to 44	2136	1077	1052	36	24	12	4	3	1
45 to 54	1079	523	554	18	14	4	1	1	0
55 to 64	821	422	395	14	11	3	1	1	0
65 to 74	530	226	304	6	3	3	1	1	0
75 & OLDER	313	136	177	7	3	4	0	0	0
NOT STATED	248	110	94	27	22	4	1	1	0
TOTALS	15235	7968	7188	390	260	129	127	105	22

5C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS		TOTAL PED ACCIDENTS	FATAL		INJURY			
		TOTAL	INTER	NON-INT	TOTAL	INTERSECT	NON-INT	
MOTOR VEHICLE GOING STRAIGHT		310	27	2	25	283	45	238
MOTOR VEHICLE TURNING RIGHT		17	0	0	0	17	14	3
MOTOR VEHICLE TURNING LEFT		22	0	0	0	22	20	2
MOTOR VEHICLE BACKING		6	0	0	0	6	1	5
ALL OTHERS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		355	27	2	25	328	80	248

5D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY	NON-INJURY
AT INTERSECTION	COLLISION WITH OTHER ROAD VEHICLE OR TRAIN	62	1	58	3
	COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT	1083	5	353	725
	COLLISION WITH OTHER OBJECT	54	0	10	44
	OVERTURNED	123	2	66	55
	OTHER NON-COLLISION	27	1	6	20
NOT AT INTERSECTION	COLLISION WITH OTHER ROAD VEHICLE OR TRAIN	122	2	90	30
	COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT	3910	52	1595	2263
	COLLISION WITH OTHER OBJECT	180	0	53	127
	OVERTURNED	765	12	432	321
	OTHER NON-COLLISION	177	4	60	113
	COLLISION WITH ANIMAL	207	0	40	167
	NOT STATED	2345	2	304	2039
	TOTALS	9055	81	3067	5907