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MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS

Calendar Year - 1979

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STATEWIDE - MOTORCYCLE CASUALTIES ONLY

AGE GROUP	KILLED					INJURED				
	TOTAL	OPERATOR		PASSENGER		TOTAL	OPERATOR		PASSENGER	
		MALE	FEM	MALE	FEM		MALE	FEM	MALE	FEM
6 & Under	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	28	9
7	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	1
8	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	3
9	0	0	0	0	0	15	4	0	10	1
10	1	1	0	0	0	32	17	1	9	5
11	2	2	0	0	0	29	14	1	11	3
12	1	1	0	0	0	53	33	3	12	5
13	1	1	0	0	0	87	48	6	29	4
14	2	0	0	2	0	127	67	5	32	22
15	7	5	0	1	1	357	253	14	52	38
16	11	6	0	2	3	539	418	15	58	47
17	18	11	0	3	4	502	369	10	62	60
18	27	25	0	1	1	628	493	17	50	67
19	18	14	1	0	3	731	586	11	57	76
20-24	124	101	2	3	18	3266	2742	62	194	255
25-34	105	93	1	4	7	2787	2444	82	91	161
35-44	25	22	0	0	3	621	540	26	8	45
45-54	6	6	0	0	0	218	194	12	2	9
55-64	5	4	0	0	1	70	65	0	2	3
65 & Over	2	1	0	0	1	31	28	1	1	1
Unk	0	0	0	0	0	158	48	1	35	39
TOTAL	356	293	4	17	42	10295	8363	267	746	854

MOTORCYCLE EQUIPMENT	KILLED	INJ
Crash Bars Only	5	151
Crash Bars and Windshield	1	76
Crash Bars and Footrest	62	1461
Crash Bars, Windshield and Footrest	30	1001
Windshield Only	1	50
Windshield and Footrest	14	473
Footrest Only	195	5151
Unknown	13	878
No Equipment Listed	35	1054
TOTAL	356	10295

COLOR OF CLOTHING	KILLED	INJ
White	52	1412
Yellow	8	332
Blue	96	2572
Brown	24	696
Black	30	577
Green	26	502
Red	18	453
Other	55	1623
Not Reported	47	2128
TOTAL	356	10295

HELMET INFORMATION	KILLED	INJ
Worn	100	4056
Not Worn	250	5576
Not Reported	6	663
TOTAL	356	10295

PART OF BODY INJURED	OPERATOR		PASSENGER	
	KILLED	INJ	KILLED	INJ
Head	78	668	20	126
Neck	4	38	1	10
Trunk or Torso	5	587	0	99
Arms	1	729	0	129
Legs	0	1809	2	360
Internal	17	43	3	10
Multiple Parts of Body	158	2626	25	426
Head and Neck	13	8	2	1
Head and Arms/Legs	11	755	5	109
Unknown	10	1424	1	338
TOTAL	297	8687	59	1608

EYE PROTECTION	KILLED	INJ
Faceshield Worn	46	1413
Goggles Worn	3	94
Other Protective Device Worn	2	114
No Eye Protection	278	6423
Not Reported	27	2251
TOTAL	356	10295

STATEWIDE - MOTORCYCLE OPERATORS ONLY

AGE OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
15 & YOUNGER	544	11	484
16	502	8	444
17	475	12	389
18 to 19	1339	44	1133
20 to 24	3479	126	2904
25 to 34	3058	108	2615
35 to 44	678	25	575
45 to 54	239	6	200
55 to 64	73	3	64
65 to 74	28	2	22
75 & OLDER	6	0	4
UNKNOWN	250	2	104
TOTAL DRIVERS	10671	347	8938

CONDITION OF DRIVER	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NORMAL	10641	347	8910
EYESIGHT DEFECTIVE	8	0	6
HEARING DEFECTIVE	0	0	0
LIMBS MISSING	0	0	0
OTHER PHYSICAL DEFECT	0	0	0
ILL	9	0	9
FATIGUED OR ASLEEP	13	0	13
OTHER HANDICAP	0	0	0
TOTAL DRIVERS	10671	347	8938

RESIDENCE & LICENSE	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSED	8426	280	7087
TEXAS RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	1227	38	1090
TEXAS RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK.	253	10	160
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSED	659	17	553
NON-RESIDENT, NOT LICENSED	5	0	3
NON-RESIDENT, LICENSE UNK.	7	0	5
NOT STATED	94	2	40
TOTAL DRIVERS	10671	347	8938

VEHICLE CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
NO DEFECTS REPORTED	10375	337	8680
DEFECTIVE BRAKES	51	0	43
DEFECTIVE STEERING	6	0	5
DEF OR IMPROPER LIGHT	70	4	54
DEFECTIVE TIRES	79	3	75
DEF TRAILER EQUIP.	0	0	0
DEF STOP OR TURN SIGNAL	5	1	4
WHEEL CAME OFF VEHICLE	3	0	3
OTHER DEFECTS	82	2	74
TOTAL VEHICLES	10671	347	8938

VIOLATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO ACCIDENT	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
SPEEDING OVER LIMIT	865	83	737
SPEED-UNDER LIMIT-UNSAFE	1982	52	1770
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO VEHICLE	513	12	392
DISREGARD STOP SIGN OR LIGHT	127	2	106
DISREGARD STOP AND GO SIGNAL	130	2	103
DISREGARD FLASHING YELLOW SIGNAL	1	0	1
IMPROPER TURN-WIDE RIGHT	43	0	34
IMPROPER TURN-CUT CORNER ON LEFT	9	0	7
IMPROPER TURN-WRONG LANE	28	0	24
WRONG SIDE-NOT PASSING	135	10	107
WRONG WAY ONE WAY ROAD	9	0	9
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	293	5	228
OVERTAKE & PASS-INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE	40	2	33
PASS IN NO PASSING ZONE	25	2	21
OTHER ILLEGAL PASSING	388	7	300
NO SIGNAL OR WRONG SIGNAL OF INTENTION	21	0	20
IMPROPER START FROM PARKED POSITION	11	0	10
FAIL TO YIELD ROW TO PEDESTRIAN	10	0	10
IMPROPER PARKING	8	0	4
DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE (liquor or drugs)	499	27	444
OTHER VIOLATIONS	242	3	208
TOTAL VIOLATIONS	5379	207	4568

