

# Oklahoma Highway Safety Fact Sheet

Children Age 1-12 in Crashes

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## Children Age 1-12 in 2004 Crashes

### Involvement

In 2004 there were 2,907 children injured or killed in crashes. There were 95 bicyclists, 29 drivers, 111 pedestrians, and 2,672 passengers<sup>1</sup>. There were a total of 40 fatalities: two bicyclists, one driver, three pedestrians, and 34 passengers.

Person Injury Severity	Person Type				Total
	Bicycle	Driver	Pedestrian	Passenger	
Fatal	2	1	3	34	40
Incapacitating	15	2	29	137	183
Non-incapacitating	39	7	45	839	930
Possible	32	2	28	1662	1724
None	5	16	3		24
Unknown	2	1	3		6
Total	95	29	111	2672	2907

### Bicyclists

Some 70.5% of the bicyclist involved in crashes had a cause of "Unknown/No Improper Action".

Of the bicyclists involved in crashes, 15.8% were age 11, 15.8% were age 12, and 14.7% were age seven.

Some 89.5% of crashes involving a bicyclist occurred on city streets.

### Drivers

Some 24.1% of the drivers involved in crashes had a cause of "Failed To Yield", 20.7% were "Unsafe Speed", and 17.2% were "Other Improper Act/Movement."

Of the drivers involved in crashes, 37.9% were age 12, 24.1% were age 11, and 17.2% were age nine.

Some 60.9% of crashes involving a driver age 1-12 were on city streets.

### Pedestrians

Some 56.8% of the pedestrians involved in crashes had a cause of "Pedestrian Action", 15.3% were "Failed To Yield", 8.1% were "Unknown/No Improper Action", and 8.1% were "Other Improper Act/Movement."

Of the pedestrians involved in crashes, 13.5% were age five, 13.5% were age 11, and 13.5% were age 12.

Some 87.4% of the pedestrian involved in crashes occurred on city streets.

### Passengers

Some 22.8% of the passengers involved in crashes had a cause of "Failure To Yield", 13.0% were "Inattention", and 12.7% were "Unsafe Speed."

Of the passengers involved in crashes, 11.2% were age one, 9.1% were age 12, and 9.1% were age nine.

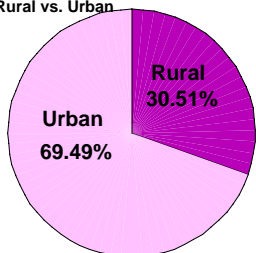
Some 45.7% of the crashes involving a passenger occurred on city streets.

<sup>1</sup> Only injured passengers are entered into the Department of Public Safety database.

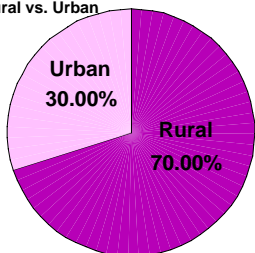
## Rural vs. Urban

Some 69.5% of the children involved in crashes are in urban areas. However, 70.0% of the children fatalities are in rural areas.

Children Age 1-12 in Crashes 2004  
Rural vs. Urban

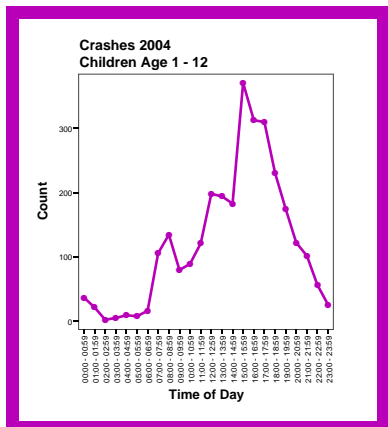
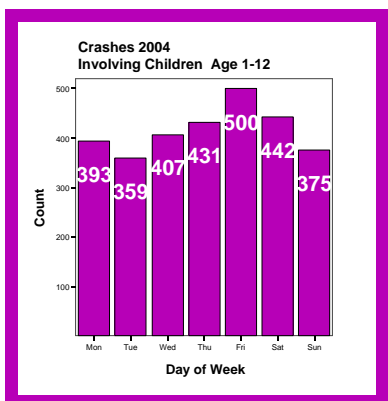


Children Age 1-12 Killed in Crashes 2004  
Rural vs. Urban



## Time & Day

Friday had more children involved in crashes than any other day of the week.



Children age 1-12 were involved in crashes more often between the hours of 3:00 p.m (1500) and 6:00 p.m. (1800).

## Safety Equipment

There were 34 child passenger fatalities in motor vehicles. Some 60.0% of these passenger fatalities were not using any type of safety equipment.

## Ejection

Of the child passengers in motor vehicles, 50 were ejected. Some 76.0% of the child passengers ejected were not using any type of safety equipment. Some 22.0% of the child passengers ejected were using some type of safety equipment.

Some 30.0% of the children ejected were killed. Of those killed, 80.0% were not using any type of safety equipment.

## Alcohol/Drug-Related

Some 15.0% of the child fatalities were in an Alcohol/Drug-Related crash.

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