

Oklahoma Highway Safety Fact Sheet

Labor Day Holiday 2004

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Labor Day Holiday 2004 September 3, 2004 (6 p.m.) through September 6, 2004 (Midnight)									
	All Crashes		Alcohol/Drug Related		Seat Belt Use Among Fatality Victims				
	Crashes	*Persons	Crashes	*Persons	Person Type	Unknown	In Use	Not in Use	Total
Fatal	9	9	2	2	Driver		2	2	4
Injury	186	155	30	45	Passenger	1		2	3
*Total	515	969	54	93	Total	1	2	4	7
*Includes uninjured persons and no injury crashes.					Two pedestrians not included in above.				

Crashes, Fatalities, & Injuries

The Labor Day Holiday period for 2004 was a total of 78 hours which began at 6 p.m. on September 3, 2004 and ended at midnight on September 6, 2004. During this time period, there were nine fatal crashes with nine persons killed.

Fatalities

Of the nine fatalities during the 2004 Labor Day Holiday, four were drivers, three were passengers, and two were pedestrians.

Fatalities in 2004 Labor Day Holiday Crashes			
Vehicle Type	Driver	Passenger	Total
Passenger Vehicle	3	1	4
Pickup Truck	1		1
Single Unit Truck		1	1
Motorcycle		1	1
Totals	4	3	7
Two pedestrians not included in this table.			

Safety Belt Use Among Fatalities

- 50% (2 of 4) of the driver fatalities were not using safety belts.
- Of the three passenger fatalities, safety equipment was not in use or unknown use.

Driver Age & Gender

Of the 13 drivers involved in fatal crashes, 30.8% were age 46-50, 23.1% were age 26-30, and 15.4% were age 51-55. Some 92.3% of the drivers involved in fatal crashes were male.

Causes

There were various causes for the nine fatal crashes during the Labor Day Holiday in 2004.

Labor Day 2004 Fatal Crashes by Cause of Crash	
Cause	Crashes
Failed To Stop	1
Improper Overtaking	1
Unknown/No Improper Action	1
Pedestrian Action	2
Unsafe Speed	1
Unsafe Vehicle	2
DUI-Alcohol	1
Total	9
A driver or pedestrian may have an Alcohol-Related Condition, but the cause of the crash may not be DUI-Alcohol.	