



Oklahoma Highway Safety Fact Sheet

Memorial Day 2005

May 19, 2006

Memorial Holiday 2005 Friday, May 27, 2005 (6 p.m.) through Monday, May 30, 2005 (Midnight)									
	All Crashes		Alcohol/Drug Related		Seat Belt Use Among Fatality Victims				
	Crashes	Persons ¹	Crashes	Persons	Person Type	Unknown	In Use	Not in Use	Total
Fatal	5	7	2	2	Driver		1	2	3
Injury	188	296	33	44	Passenger		1	2	3
Total	514	965	68	110	Total		2	4	6
Total includes property damage only crashes.					One pedestrian excluded from above.				

Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries

The Memorial Day Holiday period for 2005 was a total of 78 hours which began at 6 p. m. on May 27, 2005 and ended at midnight on May 30, 2005.

During this time period, there were 965 persons involved in 514 crashes, seven persons killed in five fatal crashes, and 296 persons injured.

Fatalities

Of the seven fatalities, three were drivers, three were passengers, and one was a pedestrian.

Fatalities in 2005 Memorial Holiday Crashes			
Vehicle Type	Driver	Passenger	Total
Passenger Vehicle	2	3	5
Pickup Truck	1		1
Total	3	3	6
One pedestrian not included in above totals.			

Safety Equipment Use Among Fatalities

Of the drivers and passengers killed in passenger vehicles/pickup trucks, 66.7% were not using safety equipment.

Persons Ejected

All four of the fatalities not using safety equipment were ejected from their vehicle.

Driver Age & Gender

There were 845 drivers involved in crashes during the 2005 Memorial Holiday period. The top three driver age groups involved in crashes were: ages 16-20 (19.4%), ages 21-25 (15.7%), and ages 36-40 (9.0%).

Causes

The top three causes of crashes during the 2005 Memorial Holiday period were: Failed To Yield (13.6%), Unsafe Speed (13.4%), and Other Improper Act/Movement (13.0%).

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¹ Uninjured passengers are not entered into the DPS database.