

Oklahoma Highway Safety Fact Sheet

Labor Day Holiday 2003

August 4, 2004

Labor Day Holiday 2003 August 29, 2003 (6 p.m.) through September 1, 2003 (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	5	5	0	0	Driver	0	2	3	5
Injury	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Total	0	2	3	5

N/A = Not Available

Crashes, Fatalities, & Injuries

The Labor Day Holiday period for 2003 was a total of 78 hours which began at 6 p.m. on August 29, 2003 and ended at midnight on September 1, 2003. During this time period, there were five fatal crashes with five persons killed.

Fatalities

All five of the fatalities during the 2003 Labor Day Holiday were drivers.

Fatalities in 2003 Labor Day Holiday Crashes			
Vehicle Type	Driver	Passenger	Total
Passenger Vehicle	4	0	4
Pickup Truck	1	0	1
Totals	5	0	5

Safety Belt Use Among Fatalities

- 50% (2 of 4) of the driver fatalities in passenger vehicles were not using safety belts.
- The one pickup truck driver fatality was not using a safety belt.

Driver Age & Gender

Of the 13 drivers involved in fatal crashes, 23.1% were age 51-55, 15.4% were age 16-20, and 15.4% were age 26-30. Some 53.8% of the drivers involved in fatal crashes were male.

Causes

There were various causes for the five fatal crashes during the Labor Day Holiday in 2003.

Labor Day 2003 Fatal Crashes by Cause of Crash		
Cause	Crashes	% of Total
Inattention	1	20.0
Other Improper Act/Movement	1	20.0
Unsafe Speed	3	60.0
Total Crashes	5	100.0

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