

## 2020 Highway Safety Fact Sheet: Labor Day Crash Facts

The 2020 Labor Day holiday included a total of 78 hours, beginning at 6:00pm on Friday, September 4, and ending at 11:59pm on Monday, September 7

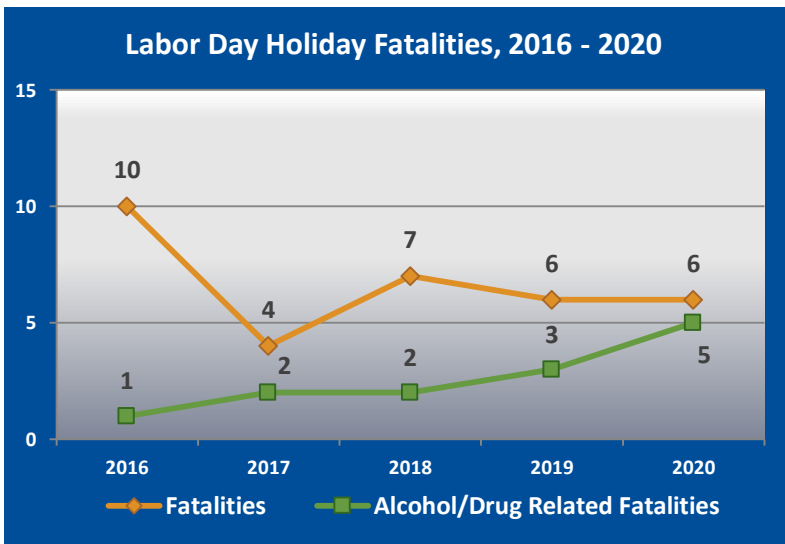
### Crashes & Fatalities

During the Labor Day holiday, 2020, there were a total of 502 crashes throughout the state of Oklahoma. Five of these crashes were fatal, resulting in the deaths of six persons. Five of these fatalities occurred in alcohol/drug related crashes.

Of the 502 total crashes, 53 were alcohol and/or drug related. This means that over 10% of the holiday crashes on Oklahoma roads involved a potentially impaired driver.

Labor Day 2020 Crashes in Oklahoma				
Crash Severity	All Crashes		Alcohol/Drug Related Crashes	
	Crashes	Persons	Crashes	Persons
Fatal	5	6	4	5
Injury	172	242	21	31
Non-Injury	325	926	28	66
Total	502	1174	53	102

Injury includes serious, minor, and possible injuries.  
Total includes all crashes (fatal, injury, and property damage only crashes)



### Labor Day Fatality Trends

Fatalities on Oklahoma roads over the Labor Day holiday decreased remained steady from the 2019 Labor Day period at six. 2017 saw the lowest number of fatalities over the holiday period out of any of the past five years.

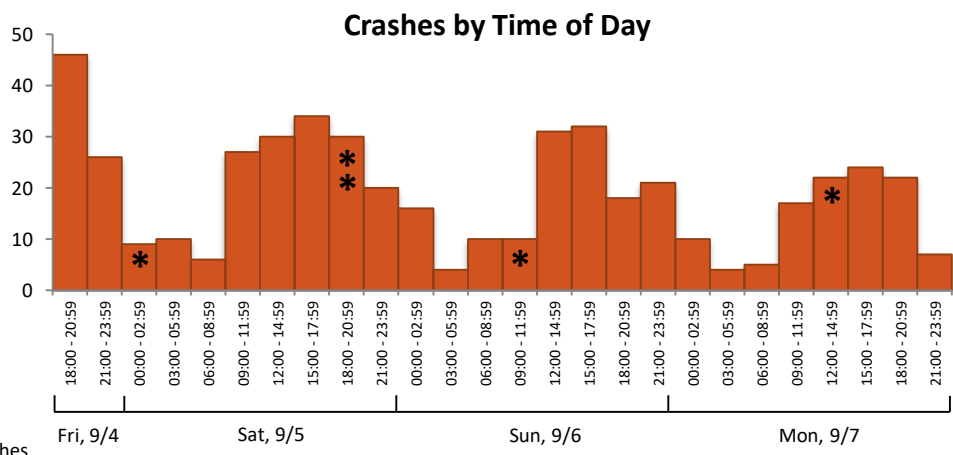
While the overall fatalities remained the same, the number of alcohol/drug related fatalities increased from 2019 to 2020. In fact, 2020 saw the highest number of alcohol/drug related fatalities in the last five years.

### Restraint Use among Fatalities

Of the six fatalities, one was the driver of a pickup truck, who was wearing a seat belt, and four were drivers of passenger cars/SUVs. Of those four, one was wearing a seat belt, one was not, and two were unknown. The other fatality was the passenger in a passenger van who was not restrained.

### Crash Timeline

As seen in the chart on the right, a large number of crashes occurred on Friday evening and during the daytime hours on Saturday and on Sunday of Labor Day weekend. The fatal crash that occurred shortly after midnight on Saturday (9/5) resulted in two deaths. We also saw two fatal crashes on Saturday evening, one on Sunday morning, and another Monday early afternoon.



\* Fatal crashes