# Alberta traffic collision facts 2019

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# **Collision facts**

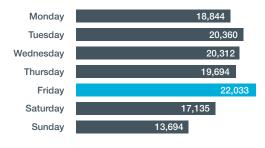
Total Number of Collisions				
Fatal	215			
Injury	11,738			
PDO	120,119			
Total	132,072			

PDO means 'Property Damage Only';
in other words, nobody was hurt

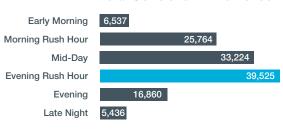
Total Number of Casualties					
Fatalities	233				
Major Injuries	2,267				
Minor Injuries	13,097				
Total	15,597				

Urban	Rural			
Fatal Collisions				
34%	66%			
Injury Collisions				
76%	24%			
PDO Collisions				
85%	15%			

Total Collisions - Day of Week



Total Collisions - Time Period

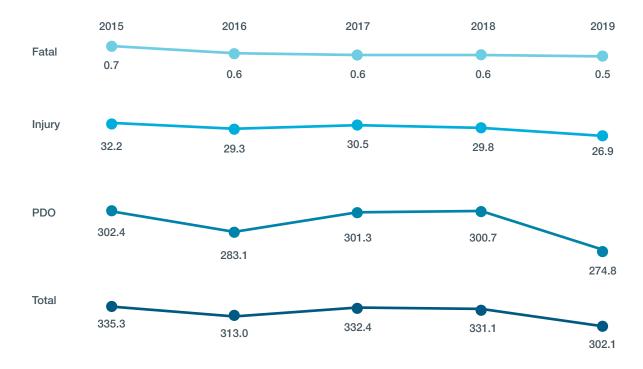


#### Month of Collision Occurrence

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Fatal	16	16	14	20	13	14	26	19	21	12	24	20
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Injury	1,166	1,104	868	751	826	892	919	952	1,004	1,064	1,125	1,067
PDO	11,158	15,105	9,908	7,670	8,192	8,862	8,524	8,055	8,719	9,903	12,748	11,275
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# **Rates**

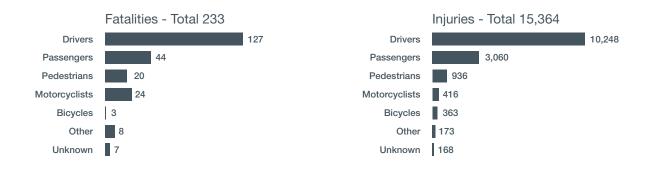
#### Collision Rates per 10,000 Population



#### Casualty Rates per 10,000 Population



# **Victims**



#### Casualty Rate per 10,000 Population by Age

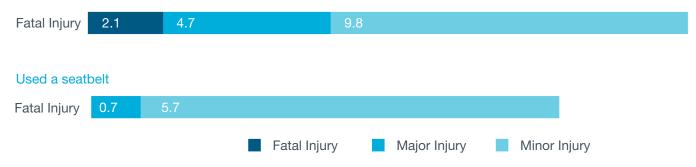




The Alberta seat belt wearing rate was 97.4% in 2017\*

Seatbelt users had a much lower injury rate (6.5%) than those not using seatbelts (16.7%)

#### Did not use a seatbelt



# **Drivers**



**82.5**% of total collisions involved at least one driver who committed a driving error

The crash factors that lead to deaths and injuries include things like speeding, 'tailgating' and impaired driving



# Speeding Increases Collision Severity

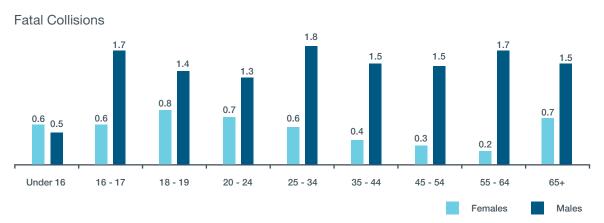
1 in 4 drivers in fatal collisions (23.1%) and 1 in 13 drivers in injury crashes (7.7%) were driving at an unsafe speed



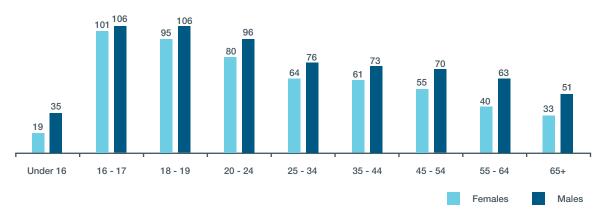
**59**% of crashes on rural highways involved an animal

Of these crashes, **5**% resulted in human casualties

#### **Involvement Rates per 10,000 Licensed Drivers**



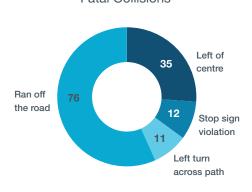




# **Drivers**

#### **Most Common Driver Errors**

Fatal Collisions





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#### **Impaired Drivers**

1 in 9 drivers in fatal collisions was legally impaired (11.8%)



1 in 63 drivers in injury collisions was legally impaired (1.6%)



326 legally impaired drivers in fatal and injury crashes

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Road users sustained

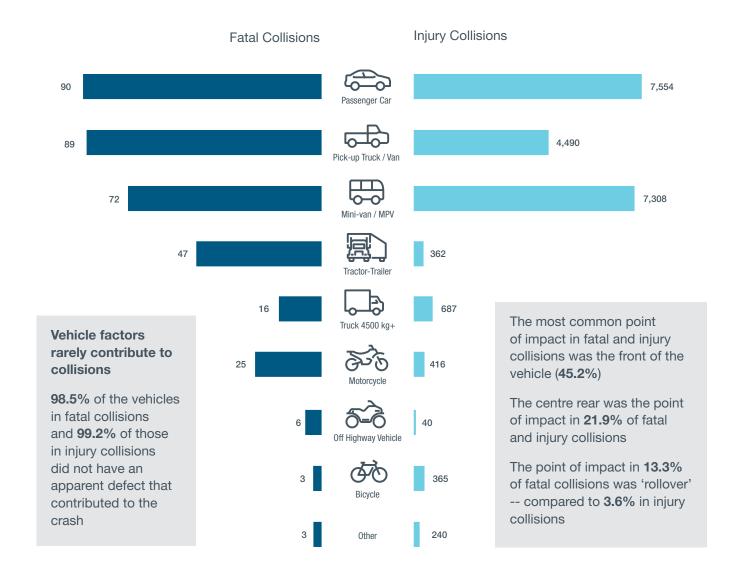
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Fatalities	Major Injuries	Minor Injuries

Involvement rates per 1,000 licensed drivers show that:

Males aged 25 to 29 were most likely to have been legally impaired

Almost three times more males than females were legally impaired

### **Vehicles**



Visit alberta.ca/collision-vehicle-licence-statistics.aspx for more information on motor vehicle collisions in Alberta

\*Visit transportation.alberta.ca/Content/docType48/Production/Seat\_Belt\_Use\_2006-2017.pdf for more information on seatbelt wearing rates in Alberta.

Note: The information presented in this fact sheet is based on those cases where the respective information was specified on the Alberta Collision Report Form. For more information on the categories presented in this report and motor vehicle collisions in Alberta, please refer to the annual Alberta Traffic Collision Statistics report, available at the above website.

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