

Labor Day Holiday 2007

Fatal Crashes

Fact Sheet

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Labor Day Holiday 2007									
Friday, August 31, 2007 (6 p.m.) through Monday, September 3, 2007 (Midnight)									
78 Hours									
	All Crashes		Alcohol/Drug Crashes		Seat Belt Use Among Fatality Victims				
	Crashes	Persons	Crashes	Persons	Person Type	Unknown	In Use	Not in Use	Total
Fatal	4	4			Driver		2		2
Injury					Passenger				
Total					Total		2		2
Total includes property damage crashes. Uninjured passengers not included in DPS database.					Excludes one motorcyclist and one pedestrian fatality.				

Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries

The Labor Day Holiday period for 2007 was a total of 78 hours which began at 6 p.m. on Friday, August 31 and ended at midnight on Monday, September 3. During this time period, four persons were killed and two persons were injured in four fatal crashes.

Fatalities and Restraint Use

Of the four fatalities, three were drivers and one was a pedestrian. The fatalities in the passenger vehicle and the pickup truck were using restraints. The motorcyclist fatality was not wearing a helmet.

Fatalities in 2007 Labor Day Crashes			
Vehicle Type	Driver	Passenger	Total
Passenger Vehicle	1		1
Pickup Truck	1		1
Motorcycle	1		1
Total	3		3
One pedestrian excluded from table.			

Driver Age & Gender

Eight drivers were involved in fatal crashes during the 2007 Labor Day Holiday. Some 50% of the drivers were age 36-45 and 75% of the drivers were male.

Contributing Factors

Of the eight drivers in the four fatal crashes during the 2007 Labor Day Holiday period, three drivers were speeding and one driver failed to stop.

Alcohol was not a factor in any of the fatal crashes.

Rural vs. Urban

Three of the four fatal crashes during the 2007 Labor Day Holiday occurred in rural areas. Two of the rural fatal crashes involved one vehicle and one involved three vehicles. The one urban crash involved three vehicles.