

## Impaired Driving

An impaired driving crash is identified by information provided on the crash report. A law enforcement officer determines whether the driver was alcohol or drug impaired or whether alcohol or drugs contributed to the crash, regardless of whether a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) test was given or not. Crashes where a sober driver collided with an impaired pedestrian or bicyclist are also included.

<b>Table 21</b>							
<b>Impaired Driving Crashes: 2017-2021</b>							
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Change 2020-2021</b>	<b>Avg. Change 2017-2020</b>
Impaired Driving Crashes	1,529	1,456	1,501	1,513	1,729	14.3%	-0.3%
Fatalities	80	78	99	92	108	17.4%	5.8%
Suspected Serious Injury	218	212	217	234	272	16.2%	2.5%
Suspected Minor Injury	338	334	329	385	437	13.5%	4.8%
Possible Injuries	489	523	525	548	496	-9.5%	3.9%
Impaired Driving Crashes as a % of All Crashes	5.9%	6.1%	5.6%	6.7%	6.3%	-6.5%	5.0%
Impaired Driving Fatalities as a % of All Fatalities	32.7%	33.3%	44.2%	43.0%	39.9%	-7.3%	10.6%
Impaired Driving Injuries as a % of All Injuries	8.1%	8.0%	8.0%	10.2%	9.6%	-6.2%	8.8%
All Fatal and Injury Crashes	9,042	9,298	9,354	8,110	8,909	9.9%	-3.3%
Impaired Fatal/Injury Crashes	764	808	789	831	904	8.8%	2.9%
% Impaired Driving	8.4%	8.7%	8.4%	10.2%	10.1%	-1.0%	7.1%
Impaired Driving Fatality and Serious Injury Rate per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Of Travel	1.72	1.64	1.75	1.88	1.97	4.8%	3.1%
Annual DUI Arrests by Agency*							
Idaho State Police	1,400	1,518	1,555	1,410	1,497	6.2%	0.5%
Local Agencies	5,927	6,412	6,529	5,529	5,951	7.6%	-1.8%
Total Arrests	7,327	7,930	8,084	6,939	7,448	7.3%	-1.3%
DUI Enforcement Rate**	0.61	0.63	0.63	0.53	0.55	3.7%	-4.1%

\*Source: Idaho State Police, Bureau of Criminal Identification

\*\*DUI Arrests per 100 Licensed Drivers per Year.

In 2021, impaired driving crashes increased by 14%, while fatalities resulting from impaired driving crashes decreased by 17%. Just under 10% of all fatal and injury crashes involved an impaired driver, an impaired pedestrian, or an impaired bicyclist. In 2021, 40% of all fatalities were the result of an impaired driving crash. Only 33% of the passenger motor vehicle occupants killed in impaired driving crashes were wearing a seatbelt.

Table 21 also presents a five-year summary of annual DUI arrests by the Idaho State Police (ISP) and local agencies. Both local agency DUI arrests and ISP DUI arrests increased in 2021. Overall, DUI arrests decreased by 7% from 2020 levels.

## Economic Costs of Impaired Driving Crashes

Table 22 contains the estimated economic costs for impaired driving-related motor vehicle crashes in 2021. The estimated cost of Idaho impaired driving crashes in 2021 was more than \$1.5 billion dollars. This estimate represents 29% of the total cost of Idaho crashes (as shown in Table 4).

Incident Description	Total Occurrences	Cost Per Occurrence	Cost Per Category
Fatalities	108	\$11,800,000	\$1,274,400,000
Suspected Serious Injury	272	\$564,335	\$153,499,216
Suspected Minor Injury	437	\$153,707	\$67,170,026
Possible Injuries	496	\$78,488	\$38,929,958
No Injuries	1,964	\$3,976	\$7,809,115
<b>Total Estimate of Economic Cost</b>			<b>\$1,541,808,316</b>

## Victims of Fatal Crashes Involving Impaired Drivers

Impaired Status*	Passenger Vehicles		Commercial Vehic	Motorcycle	Pedestrian	ATV	
	Driver	Passenger	Driver	Driver		Driver	Passenger
Impaired	52	16	2	10	3	5	3
Not Impaired	9	8	0	0	0	0	0

\* For drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians, impaired status implies whether the person killed was impaired or not. For passengers, it implies whether the passenger killed was riding with an impaired driver.

Of the 108 people killed in impaired driving crashes, 91 (or 84%) were impaired drivers, impaired pedestrians, or passengers of a motor vehicle riding with an impaired driver.

## Impaired Driving by Age

Table 24 shows the number and percent of licensed drivers, DUI arrests, and impaired drivers in crashes by age. Drivers, ages 21 to 25, were the most over-represented in impaired driving crashes in 2021. They are involved in 2.5 times as many impaired driving crashes as you would expect them to be. Drivers, ages 26 to 30 years-old, were the next most over-represented ages. They are involved in 1.8 times as many impaired driving crashes as you would expect them to be. In 2021, 9% of the impaired drivers involved in crashes were under 21 years of age.

Age	Licensed Drivers		DUI Arrests		Impaired Drivers in Crashes	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0 to 15	4,231	0.3%	11	0.1%	7	0.4%
16-20	94,206	6.9%	503	6.8%	147	8.6%
21-25	111,734	8.2%	1,350	18.1%	348	20.4%
26-30	113,630	8.3%	1,192	16.0%	261	15.3%
31-35	113,298	8.3%	1,017	13.7%	188	11.0%
36-40	115,980	8.5%	877	11.8%	183	10.7%
41-45	110,627	8.1%	689	9.2%	146	8.5%
46-50	99,527	7.3%	499	6.7%	100	5.8%
51-55	100,036	7.3%	442	5.9%	89	5.2%
56-60	106,079	7.8%	429	5.8%	82	4.8%
61-65	110,619	8.1%	258	3.5%	57	3.3%
66 +	282,227	20.7%	182	2.4%	72	4.2%
Missing or Unknown				0.0%	30	1.8%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,362,194</b>		<b>7,449</b>		<b>1,710</b>	

Males comprised 73% of the drivers involved in impaired driving crashes in 2021.

## Impaired Driving by Counties and Cities

Table 25 presents information on impaired driving crashes for Idaho counties by population groupings. Population numbers are based on 2021 U.S. Census estimates for counties.

<b>Table 25</b>							
<b>Impaired Driving Crashes by County: 2021</b>							
	<b>2021 Population (in 1,000s)</b>	<b>Number of Crashes</b>			<b>Number of Persons</b>		<b>Impaired Driving Fatal and Injury Crash Rate Per 1,000 Population</b>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>Fatal</b>	<b>Injury</b>	<b>Killed</b>	<b>Injured</b>	
<b>50,000 and over</b>							
Ada	511.9	393	11	180	11	254	0.4
Bannock	88.3	113	3	50	5	88	0.6
Bonneville	127.9	92	5	47	5	68	0.4
Canyon	243.1	199	5	94	6	147	0.4
Kootenai	179.8	180	10	76	10	119	0.5
Madison	53.9	15	0	8	0	12	0.1
Twin Falls	92.2	108	1	48	1	63	0.5
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.4</b>
<b>20,000 - 49,999</b>							
Bingham	48.9	52	3	21	6	26	0.5
Blaine	24.8	19	2	4	2	5	0.2
Bonner	49.5	43	4	20	4	33	0.5
Cassia	25.2	38	3	23	4	34	1.0
Elmore	28.8	40	2	20	4	26	0.8
Jefferson	32.2	11	1	7	1	8	0.2
Jerome	24.7	45	7	23	7	42	1.2
Latah	40.3	28	5	11	6	17	0.4
Minidoka	22.0	18	1	9	1	12	0.5
Nez Perce	42.5	69	4	33	4	44	0.9
Payette	26.4	21	1	11	1	13	0.5
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.6</b>
<b>10,000 - 19,999</b>							
Boundary	12.6	14	1	8	1	11	0.7
Franklin	14.7	2	0	2	0	2	0.1
Fremont	13.6	13	2	7	2	14	0.7
Gem	19.8	16	2	4	3	5	0.3
Gooding	15.8	17	3	6	3	8	0.6
Idaho	17.0	25	1	12	1	18	0.8
Owyhee	12.3	11	2	7	5	15	0.7
Shoshone	13.6	14	0	10	0	13	0.7
Teton	12.3	3	0	2	0	2	0.2
Valley	12.2	13	0	7	0	10	0.6
Washington	10.9	8	0	3	0	3	0.3
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.5</b>

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	2021 Population (in 1,000s)	Number of Crashes			Number of Persons		Impaired Driving Fatal and Injury Crash Rate Per 1,000 Population
		Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured	
<b>5,000 - 9,999</b>							
Bear Lake	6.5	5	0	3	0	5	0.5
Benewah	9.9	5	1	3	1	5	0.4
Boise	8.1	19	4	11	4	15	1.9
Caribou	7.1	1	0	1	0	1	0.1
Clearwater	8.9	7	0	5	0	6	0.6
Lemhi	8.2	12	1	3	1	5	0.5
Lincoln	5.3	6	1	4	2	5	0.9
Power	8.0	15	0	11	0	15	1.4
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.8</b>
<b>0 - 4,999</b>							
Adams	4.6	8	0	4	0	9	0.9
Butte	2.7	4	1	0	1	1	0.4
Camas	1.1	2	1	0	2	3	0.9
Clark	0.8	6	0	4	0	7	5.1
Custer	4.4	10	3	6	3	9	2.0
Lewis	3.7	5	1	2	1	5	0.8
Oneida	4.6	4	0	2	0	2	0.4
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>1.1</b>
<b>Statewide Totals</b>	<b>1,900.9</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>0.5</b>

Table 26 presents information on impaired driving crashes for cities with populations exceeding 2,000 people by population groupings. Population figures are from the U. S. Census Bureau's estimates for cities for 2021.

**Table 26**  
**Impaired Driving Crashes by City: 2021**

	2021 Population (in 1,000s)	Number of Crashes			Number of Persons		Impaired Driving Fatal and Injury Crash Rate Per 1,000 Population
		Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured	
<b>40,000 and over</b>							
Boise	237.4	215	3	101	3	140	0.4
Caldwell	63.6	55	2	27	2	41	0.5
Coeur d'Alene	55.9	58	0	20	0	29	0.4
Idaho Falls	66.9	51	3	27	3	36	0.4
Meridian	126.0	82	1	38	1	56	0.3
Nampa	106.2	79	0	32	0	43	0.3
Pocatello	57.1	81	1	33	1	56	0.6
Post Falls	42.6	29	2	10	2	12	0.3
Twin Falls	53.2	59	0	24	0	36	0.5
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.4</b>

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		Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured	
<b>15,000 - 39,999</b>							
Ammon	18.7	3	0	2	0	2	0.1
Chubbuck	15.8	12	0	7	0	7	0.4
Eagle	32.1	18	2	8	2	14	0.3
Hayden	16.2	13	2	2	2	5	0.2
Kuna	26.7	16	2	4	2	6	0.2
Lewiston	34.4	42	2	16	2	23	0.5
Moscow	25.9	12	1	3	1	4	0.2
Mountain Home	16.2	19	0	7	0	8	0.4
Rexburg	35.3	5	0	3	0	4	0.1
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.1</b>
<b>5,000 - 14,999</b>							
Blackfoot	12.3	20	0	9	0	9	0.7
Burley	11.9	16	1	5	1	6	0.5
Emmett	7.8	4	0	1	0	1	0.1
Fruitland	6.5	4	0	2	0	2	0.3
Garden City	12.3	10	1	3	1	4	0.3
Hailey	9.5	8	0	1	0	1	0.1
Jerome	12.6	8	1	1	1	2	0.2
Middleton	10.2	5	0	1	0	1	0.1
Payette	8.4	3	0	1	0	1	0.1
Preston	5.8	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Rathdrum	10.2	10	1	0	1	0	0.1
Rigby	5.2	2	0	1	0	1	0.2
Rupert	6.1	5	0	3	0	4	0.5
Sandpoint	9.0	4	1	2	1	2	0.3
Shelley	5.0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Star	12.9	13	0	6	0	6	0.5
Weiser	5.8	2	0	1	0	1	0.2
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.3</b>

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		<b>Total</b>	<b>Fatal</b>	<b>Injury</b>	<b>Killed</b>	<b>Injured</b>	
<b>2,000 - 4,999</b>							
American Falls	4.6	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bellevue	2.6	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bonnars Ferry	2.6	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Buhl	4.7	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Dalton Gardens	2.6	0	0	0	0	1	0.0
Driggs	2.1	1	0	1	0	0	0.5
Filer	2.8	0	0	0	0	3	0.0
Gooding	3.7	3	0	2	0	0	0.5
Grangeville	3.4	1	0	0	0	2	0.0
Heyburn	3.7	1	0	1	0	0	0.3
Homedale	3.0	0	0	0	0	5	0.0
Iona	2.9	1	0	1	0	2	0.3
Kellogg	2.4	3	0	2	0	0	0.8
Ketchum	3.6	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Kimberly	4.8	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Malad	2.3	0	0	0	0	1	0.0
McCall	3.8	1	0	1	0	1	0.3
Montpelier	2.7	1	0	1	0	2	0.4
Orofino	3.3	1	0	1	0	0	0.3
Parma	2.1	1	0	0	1	6	0.0
St. Anthony	3.2	1	1	0	0	2	0.3
St. Maries	3.1	1	0	1	0	0	0.3
Salmon	2.5	4	0	0	0	1	0.0
Soda Springs	3.8	1	0	1	0	0	0.3
Spirit Lake	2.4	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Sugar City	2.6	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Victor	2.2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wendell	2.9	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Mean Crash Rate</b>							<b>0.2</b>