

## Which days have more motor vehicle crash deaths?

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of job-related deaths, but many people don't know which days are the most dangerous to drive. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety compiled a list of the 10 days with the most crash deaths.

Days with the most crash deaths (listed in descending order):

1. July 4
2. July 3
3. December 23
4. August 3
5. January 1
6. August 6
7. August 4
8. August 12
9. July 2
10. September 2

Six of the 10 days with the most deaths are holidays or are near holidays. Allan Williams, the chief scientist at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety said, "While more deaths do occur on some of the holidays, the toll of fatalities is relentless every day, all year long."

### Deaths by type of crash

About three of every four crash fatalities are occupants of passenger vehicles. 13 percent are pedestrians and seven percent are motorcyclists. Although July 4 was the day with the highest average number of passenger vehicle occupant and motorcyclist deaths, January 1 and October 31 were when the most pedestrians were killed.

### Deaths by month and day of week

More miles are travelled in August than any other month, so August averaged the most crash deaths per day. January and February averaged the fewest miles traveled and the fewest deaths per day. The day of the week with the lowest average fatality count was Tuesday, followed by Monday and Wednesday. Saturday was the day with the highest average fatality count.

For more information, visit the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's website at [www.iihs.org](http://www.iihs.org), or contact CTSI at 303-861-0507.