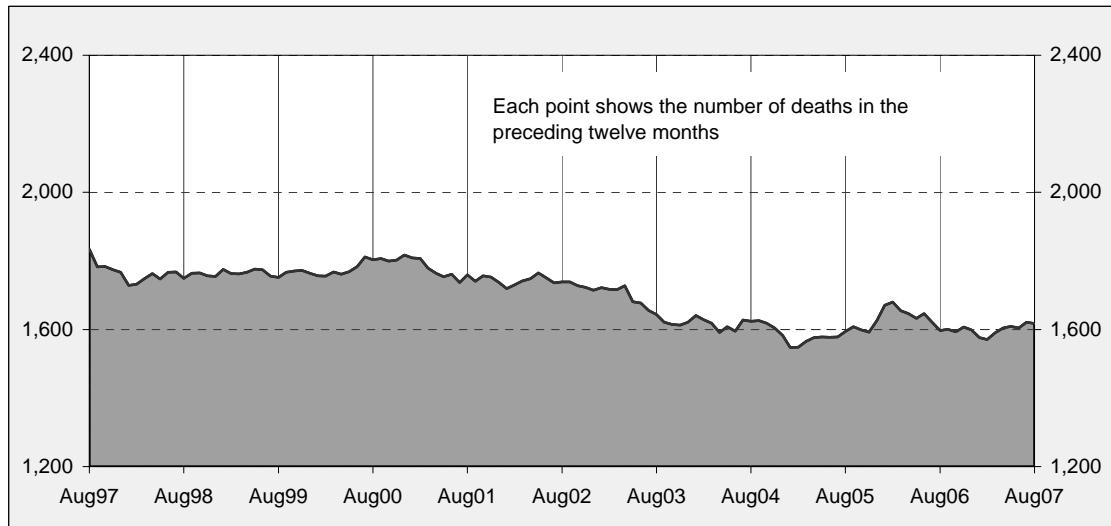




Australian road deaths for 12 months to date - last 10 years



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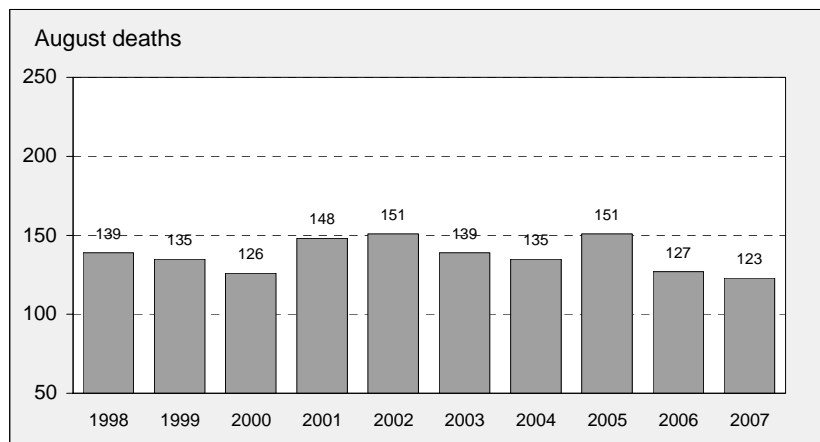
- Roads and Traffic Authority, NSW
- Vicroads
- Queensland Transport
- Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure, South Australia
- Western Australia Police
- Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, Tasmania
- Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Northern Territory
- Territory and Municipal Services, ACT

Note

Road death statistics for recent months are preliminary and subject to revision. They include any deaths occurring within 30 days of a crash stemming from injuries received in the crash.

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Australian road deaths for August - last 10 years



This month's key figures

There were a total of 123 road deaths in August 2007.
- this is a 3.1% decrease from the August 2006 figure.

There have been 1,064 road deaths in 2007 to the end of August.
- this is a 1.7% increase over the same 8 month period in 2006.

NUMBER OF ROAD CRASH DEATHS IN EACH STATE / TERRITORY

Road deaths by State/Territory for month, year to date, and twelve months - period ended August 2007 and period ended August 2006

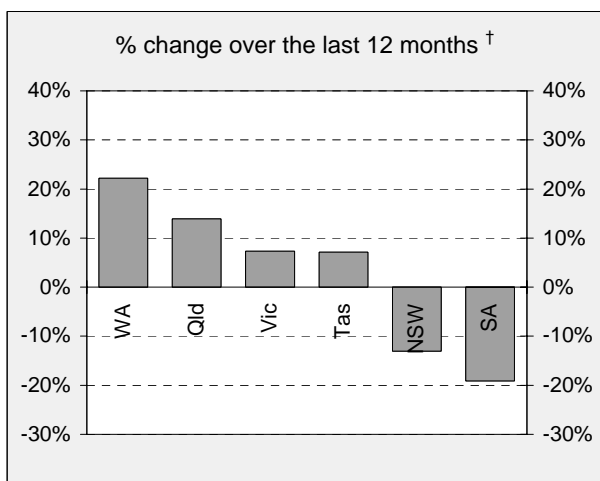
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Current month									
Aug 2007	26	21	36	11	19	2	6	2	123
Aug 2006	34	22	28	8	19	3	11	2	127
% change	-23.5	-4.5	28.6	37.5	0.0	-33.3	-45.5	0.0	-3.1
Year to date									
Jan 2007 - Aug 2007	298	205	251	76	153	39	31	11	1,064
Jan 2006 - Aug 2006	348	204	209	87	130	33	29	6	1,046
% change	-14.4	0.5	20.1	-12.6	17.7	18.2	6.9	83.3	1.7
12-months to date									
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	448	338	377	106	226	60	44	18	1,617
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	515	315	331	131	185	56	50	14	1,597
Difference	-67	23	46	-25	41	4	-6	4	20
% change	-13.0	7.3	13.9	-19.1	22.2	7.1	-12.0	28.6	1.3

Average annual % change over 5 years^a

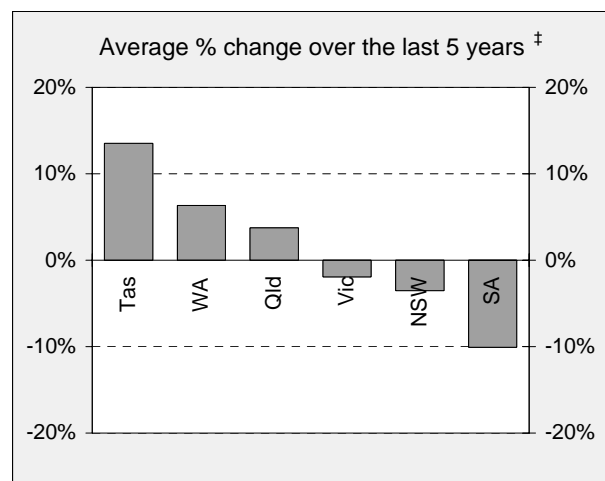
Sep 2002 to Aug 2007	-3.5	-1.9	3.7	-10.1	6.3	13.5	-3.8	18.8	-0.5
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^a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12 -month periods

Percentage change in deaths in each State



[†] Percentage change between the 12-month periods of Sep 2005 - Aug 2006 and Sep 2006 - Aug 2007



[‡] Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12-month periods

NUMBER OF DEATHS IN EACH ROAD USER GROUP

Road deaths by road user group and gender for twelve months ended August 2007 and twelve months ended August 2006

	Drivers	Passengers	Pedestrians	Motor-cyclists ^a	Cyclists	All road users ^b
Males						
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	625	178	120	223	39	1,185
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	570	191	155	221	35	1,173
% change	9.6	-6.8	-22.6	0.9	11.4	1.0
Females						
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	183	146	81	17	4	431
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	168	152	82	10	8	420
% change	8.9	-3.9	-1.2	70.0	-50.0	2.6
Persons^c						
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	809	324	201	240	43	1,617
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	739	346	237	231	43	1,597
% change	9.5	-6.4	-15.2	3.9	0.0	1.3
Average annual % change over 5 years^d						
Sep 2002 to Aug 2007	0.8	-5.9	-2.2	5.8	4.9	-0.5

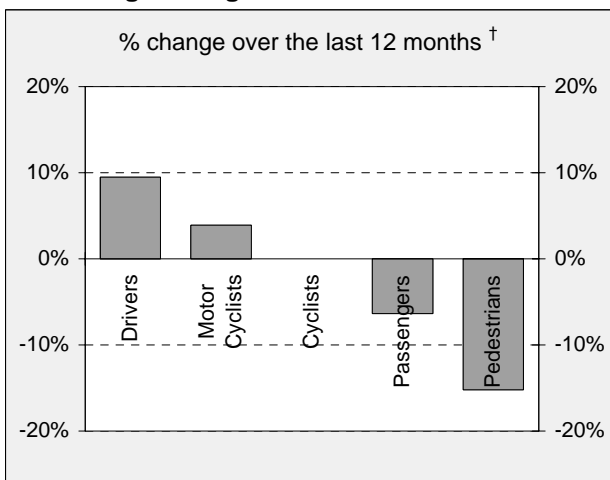
a Includes pillion passengers

b Includes road users not separately specified

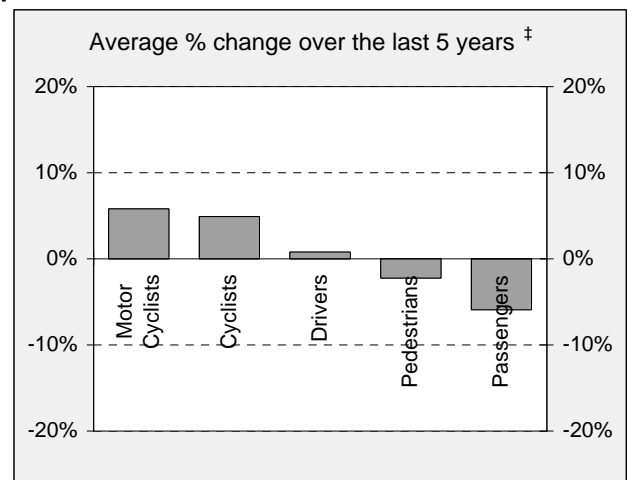
c Includes road users with unstated gender

d Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12-month period.

Percentage change in deaths in each road user group



† Percentage change between the 12-month periods of Sep 2005 - Aug 2006 and Sep 2006 - Aug 2007

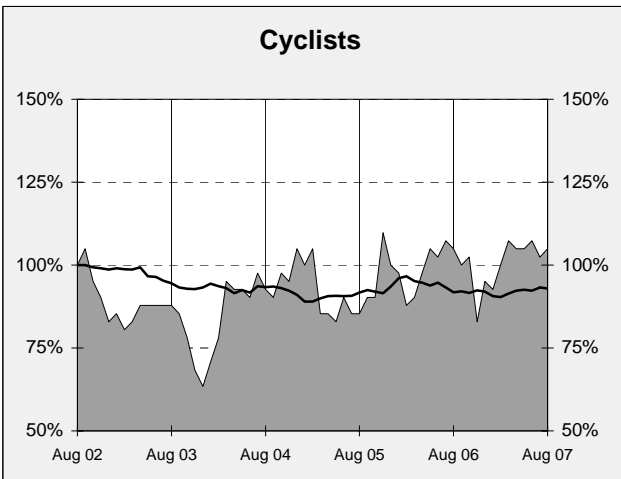
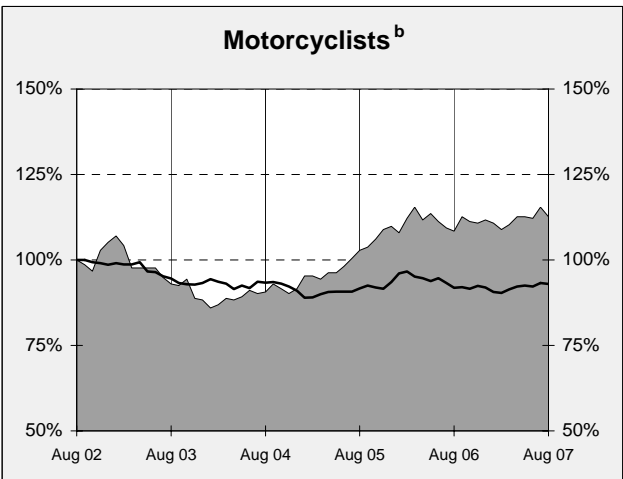
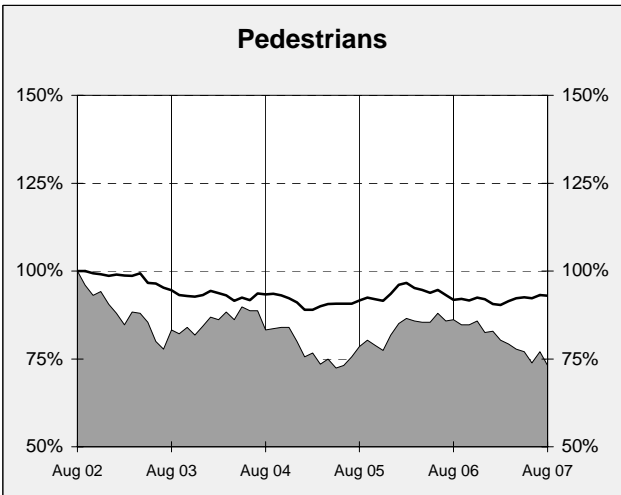
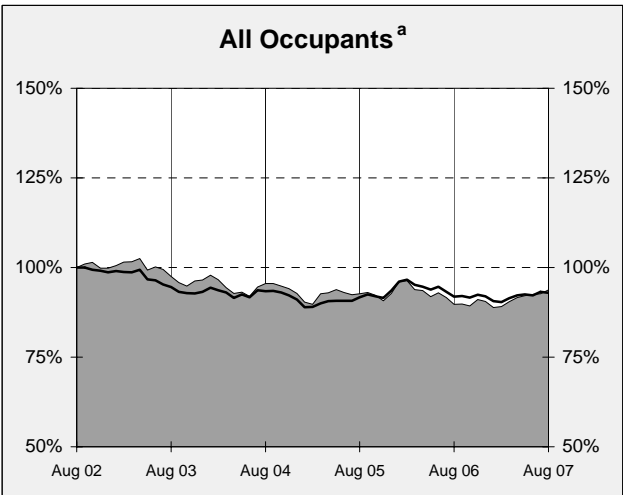
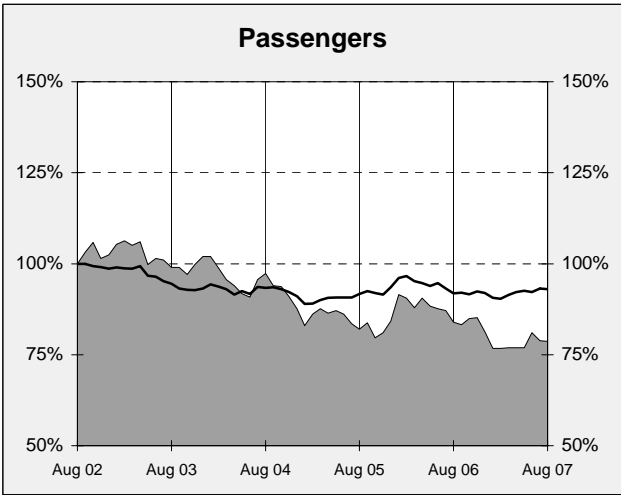
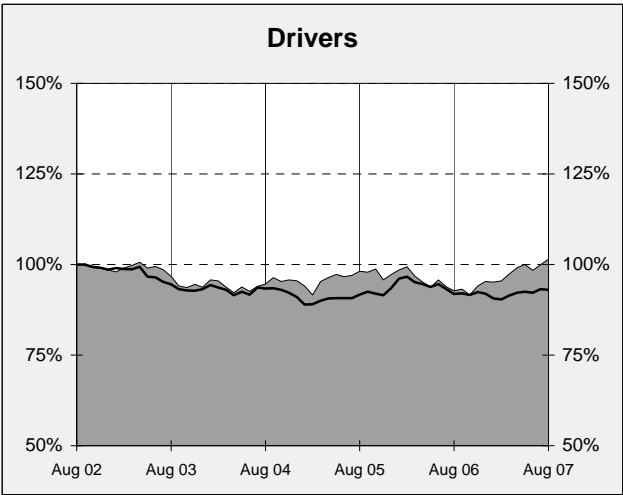
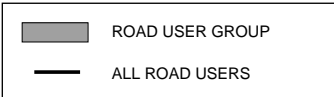


‡ Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12-month periods

DEATHS IN EACH ROAD USER GROUP - TRENDS

Annual deaths in each road user group - last 6 years

The number shown at each month represents the number of deaths in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the number of deaths in the 12 months to August 2002.



a Comprises drivers and passengers

b Includes pillion passengers

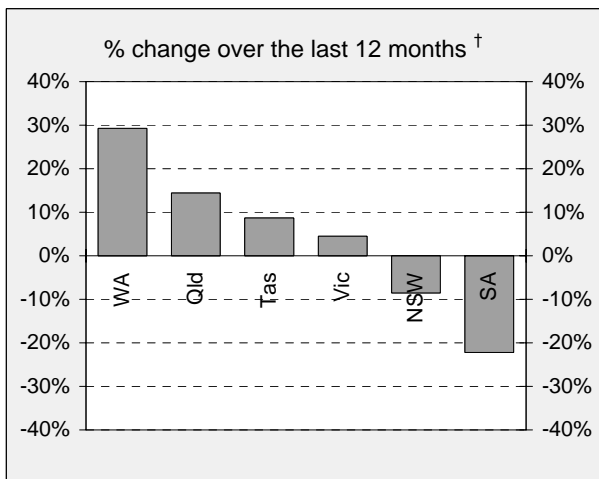
NUMBER OF FATAL ROAD CRASHES IN EACH STATE / TERRITORY

Fatal crashes by State/Territory for month, year to date and twelve month-period ended August 2007 and period ended August 2006

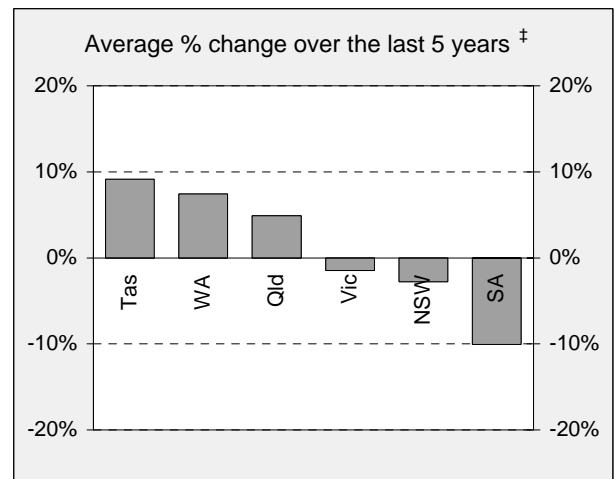
	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Current month									
Aug 2007	26	19	34	9	14	2	4	2	110
Aug 2006	31	21	27	8	19	3	9	2	120
% change	-16.1	-9.5	25.9	12.5	-26.3	-33.3	-55.6	0.0	-8.3
Year to date									
Jan 2007 - Aug 2007	278	180	233	66	141	33	27	11	969
Jan 2006 - Aug 2006	311	186	196	79	113	25	27	6	943
% change	-10.6	-3.2	18.9	-16.5	24.8	32.0	0.0	83.3	2.8
12 months to date									
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	418	303	350	91	212	50	39	17	1,480
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	457	290	306	117	164	46	47	14	1,441
% change	-8.5	4.5	14.4	-22.2	29.3	8.7	-17.0	21.4	2.7
Average annual % change over 5 years^a									
Sep 2002 to Aug 2007	-2.8	-1.5	4.9	-10.1	7.4	9.1	-1.0	20.2	0.2

a Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12-month periods

Percentage change in fatal crashes in each State



† Percentage change between the 12-month periods of Sep 2005 - Aug 2006 and Sep 2006 - Aug 2007



‡ Average annual percentage change based on the exponential trend for the last five 12-month periods

FATAL CRASHES INVOLVING TRUCKS OR BUSES

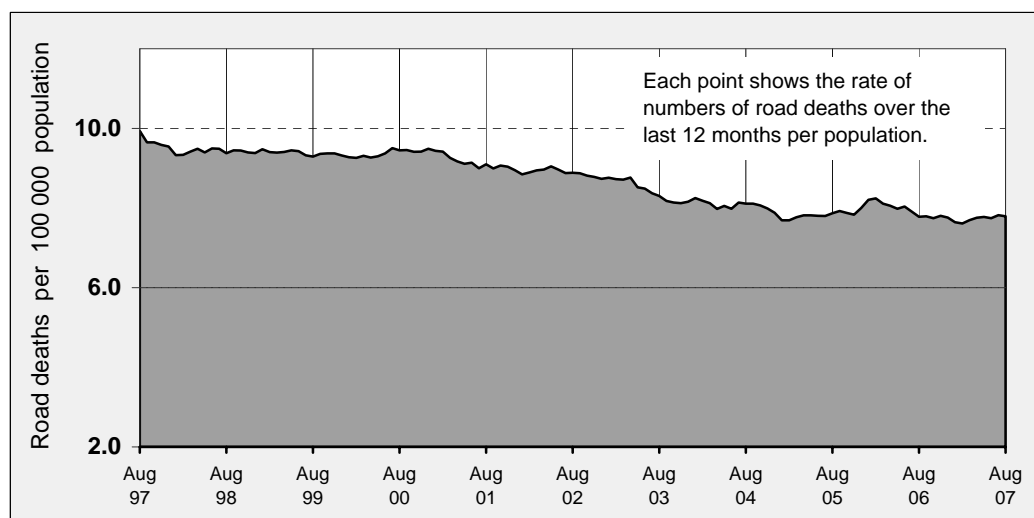
Analysis of fatal crashes involving heavy vehicles is now published in a separate quarterly bulletin on the ATSB website at www.atsb.gov.au.

ROAD DEATH RATES

Road deaths per 100 000 population

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
12-months to date									
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	6.5	6.6	9.2	6.8	10.9	12.2	21.1	5.4	7.8
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	7.6	6.2	8.2	8.4	9.1	11.5	24.3	4.3	7.8
Calendar year									
2006	7.3	6.6	8.3	7.5	9.9	11.0	20.3	4.0	7.8
2001	8.0	9.2	8.9	10.1	8.7	12.9	25.3	5.0	8.9

Australian road deaths per year per 100 000 population - moving 12-monthly data



CHARACTERISTICS OF FATAL CRASHES

Proportion (per cent) of fatal crashes by speed limit, crash type, time of day, and time of week. Two years ended August 2007 and two years ended August 2002

	Speed limit (km/h) ^a			Time of Day	
	Up to 60	65-95	100+	Day	Night ^b
Sep 2005 - Aug 2007	33.5%	21.5%	45.1%	55.9%	44.1%
Sep 2000 - Aug 2002	33.0%	20.7%	46.3%	56.1%	43.9%
	Crash Type			Time of week	
	Pedestrian crash	Other single veh. Crash	Other multiple veh. crash	Week day	Week-end ^c
Sep 2005 - Aug 2007	14.8%	46.2%	39.1%	58.4%	41.6%
Sep 2000 - Aug 2002	17.2%	43.1%	39.6%	60.1%	39.9%

^a Excludes ACT

^b 6:00 pm to 5:59 am

^c 6:00 pm Friday to 5:59 am Monday

ROAD DEATHS BY AGE, GENDER AND ROAD USER GROUP

Road deaths by age and gender

	0-16 years	17-20 years	21-25 years	26-39 years	40-59 years	60+ years	All deaths^a
Males							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	65	153	149	333	284	193	1,185
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	73	170	174	323	256	174	1,173
% change	-11.0	-10.0	-14.4	3.1	10.9	10.9	1.0
Females							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	45	48	44	76	97	113	431
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	54	45	43	76	98	103	420
% change	-16.7	6.7	2.3	0.0	-1.0	9.7	2.6
Persons^b							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	111	201	193	409	381	306	1,617
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	131	215	217	399	354	277	1,597
% change	-15.3	-6.5	-11.1	2.5	7.6	10.5	1.3

a Includes road users with unstated age

b Includes road users with unstated gender

Road deaths by age for each main road user group

	0-16 years	17-20 years	21-25 years	26-39 years	40-59 years	60+ years	All deaths^a
Occupants^b							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	75	170	133	275	246	222	1,133
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	87	171	154	261	238	172	1,085
% change	-13.8	-0.6	-13.6	5.4	3.4	29.1	4.4
Motorcyclists^c							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	10	14	43	88	70	14	240
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	2	27	48	84	60	10	231
% change	400.0	-48.1	-10.4	4.8	16.7	40.0	3.9
Pedestrians							
Sep 2006 - Aug 2007	19	15	14	36	48	66	201
Sep 2005 - Aug 2006	34	14	15	46	43	83	237
% change	-44.1	7.1	-6.7	-21.7	11.6	-20.5	-15.2

a Includes road users with unstated age

b Comprises drivers and passengers

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