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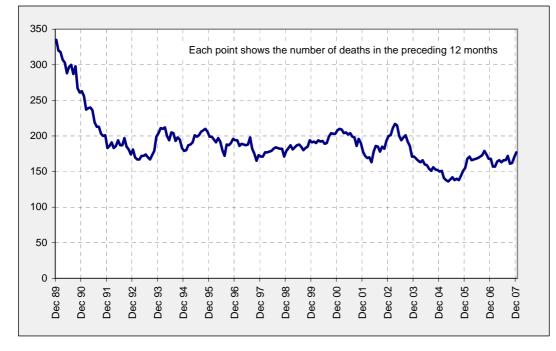
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# Fatal Heavy Vehicle Crashes Australia

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#### Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks, Australia, 12 month rolling total

#### Key figures

In Australia during the 12 months to the end of December 2007, there were:

- 177 deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks, up 5.4 per cent on the previous 12 months
- 58 deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks a
- 23 deaths from crashes involving buses, up 27.8 per cent on the previous 12 months.

<sup>a</sup> Excludes deaths in Victoria due to the unavailability of data.

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Road Safety Branch	<ul> <li>Roads and Traffic Authority, New South Wales</li> </ul>
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Internet: www.infrastructure.gov.au	<ul> <li>Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, Tasmania</li> </ul>
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## Articulated Trucks - Fatal Crashes

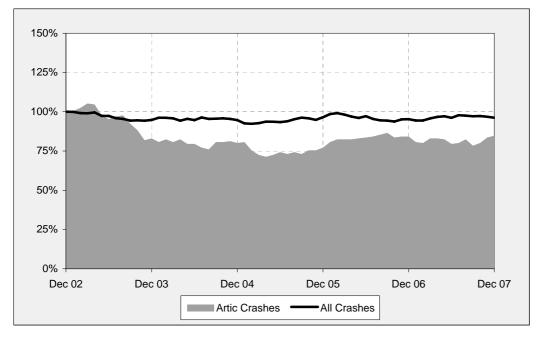
### Fatal crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory by quarter -

Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	12	12	8	7	5	0	1	0	45
Apr - Jun 2003	13	8	9	2	1	1	0	0	34
Jul - Sep 2003	11	6	6	3	2	0	0	0	28
Oct - Dec 2003	14	7	8	1	5	0	0	0	35
Jan - Mar 2004	16	13	3	1	6	2	0	0	41
Apr - Jun 2004	12	9	2	5	2	1	1	0	32
Jul - Sep 2004	11	5	5	2	5	1	1	0	30
Oct - Dec 2004	18	8	3	2	3	0	0	0	34
Jan - Mar 2005	10	7	4	5	1	1	0	0	28
Apr - Jun 2005	15	6	7	0	5	2	0	0	35
Jul - Sep 2005	7	5	7	7	2	0	0	0	28
Oct - Dec 2005	13	10	9	3	3	2	1	0	41
Jan - Mar 2006	18	5	6	3	1	3	1	0	37
Apr - Jun 2006	14	7	8	2	5	0	1	0	37
Jul - Sep 2006	8	8	12	1	1	3	0	0	33
Oct - Dec 2006	17	6	8	3	3	0	0	0	37
Jan - Mar 2007	16	9	4	0	4	1	1	0	35
Apr - Jun 2007	10	5	11	2	2	0	1	0	31
Jul - Sep 2007	10	6	11	2	2	0	0	0	31
Oct - Dec 2007	18	10	12	1	4	3	0	0	48
12 month periods to th	e end of Dec	ember 2	2007 and	l Decem	ber 2000	5			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	54	30	38	5	12	4	2	0	145
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	57	26	34	9	10	6	2	0	144
% change	-5.3	15.4	11.8	-44.4	20.0	-33.3	0.0	-	0.7

#### Annual count of fatal crashes involving articulated trucks in Australia -Five years to the end of December 2007

Each point shows the number of fatal crashes in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the number of fatal crashes in the 12 months to the end of December 2002.



## Articulated Trucks - Deaths

#### Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory by quarter -Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	13	17	9	7	7	0	1	0	54
Apr - Jun 2003	17	9	10	2	1	1	0	0	40
Jul - Sep 2003	16	8	7	3	2	0	0	0	36
Oct - Dec 2003	17	7	9	1	7	0	0	0	41
Jan - Mar 2004	19	14	3	1	7	2	0	0	46
Apr - Jun 2004	15	9	2	6	2	1	1	0	36
Jul - Sep 2004	12	5	5	4	5	1	1	0	33
Oct - Dec 2004	18	9	3	2	3	0	0	0	35
Jan - Mar 2005	11	9	5	7	1	1	0	0	34
Apr - Jun 2005	18	6	7	0	7	2	0	0	40
Jul - Sep 2005	7	5	8	7	2	0	0	0	29
Oct - Dec 2005	16	12	15	3	3	2	1	0	52
Jan - Mar 2006	25	6	6	3	1	3	1	0	45
Apr - Jun 2006	16	9	9	2	6	0	1	0	43
Jul - Sep 2006	9	9	14	1	1	5	0	0	39
Oct - Dec 2006	19	7	8	4	3	0	0	0	41
Jan - Mar 2007	16	13	5	0	4	2	1	0	41
Apr - Jun 2007	11	16	12	3	2	0	1	0	45
Jul - Sep 2007	10	7	11	2	4	0	0	0	34
Oct - Dec 2007	23	12	13	1	5	3	0	0	57
12 month periods to the	end of Dec	ember 2	007 and	Decem	ber 2006	5			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	60	48	41	6	15	5	2	0	177
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	69	31	37	10	11	8	2	0	168
% change	-13.0	54.8	10.8	-40.0	36.4	-37.5	0.0	-	5.4

# Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory by road user - 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers <sup>a</sup>	32	26	29	4	7	3	1	0	102
Passengers <sup>a</sup>	11	18	4	1	5	1	1	0	41
Pedestrians	9	2	4	0	3	1	0	0	19
Motor cyclists <sup>b</sup>	5	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	10
Cyclists	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
All road users <sup>c</sup>	60	48	41	6	15	5	2	0	177

<sup>a</sup> Includes drivers/passengers of light vehicles

<sup>b</sup> Includes pillion passengers

<sup>c</sup> Includes road users not separately specified

# Deaths from crashes involving articulated trucks by State/Territory by crash type - 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	9	2	4	0	3	1	0	0	19
Other single vehicle crashes	10	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	32
Multiple vehicle crashes	41	36	25	6	12	4	2	0	126
All crash types	60	48	41	6	15	5	2	0	177

## Heavy Rigid Trucks - Fatal Crashes

### Fatal crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by quarter -

Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	2	N/A	4	2	N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A
Apr - Jun 2003	4	N/A	6	3	N/A	N/A	1	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2003	3	N/A	2	2	N/A	N/A	1	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2003	10	N/A	5	1	N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A
Jan - Mar 2004	8	6	5	2	3	3	0	0	27
Apr - Jun 2004	6	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	16
Jul - Sep 2004	6	3	6	3	2	1	0	0	21
Oct - Dec 2004	10	4	5	1	2	0	0	0	22
Jan - Mar 2005	5	11	1	1	N/A	0	1	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2005	8	7	4	0	N/A	2	0	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2005	7	4	3	2	N/A	0	0	1	N/A
Oct - Dec 2005	6	2	2	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A
Jan - Mar 2006	5	N/A	3	1	1	1	0	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2006	5	N/A	3	2	2	0	1	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2006	4	N/A	5	2	2	1	0	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2006	10	N/A	4	0	3	1	0	0	N/A
Jan - Mar 2007	2	N/A	2	3	3	0	0	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2007	7	N/A	5	0	1	2	0	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2007	8	N/A	2	1	3	0	1	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2007	10	N/A	1	1	3	0	0	0	N/A
12 month periods to th	e end of Dec	ember 2	2007 and	Decem	ber 2000	6			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	27	N/A	10	5	10	2	1	0	N/A
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	24	N/A	15	5	8	3	1	0	N/A
% change	12.5	N/A	-33.3	0.0	25.0	-33.3	0.0	-	N/A

## Heavy Rigid Trucks - Deaths

#### Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by quarter -Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	3	N/A	4	2	N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A
Apr - Jun 2003	4	N/A	6	3	N/A	N/A	1	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2003	3	N/A	2	2	N/A	N/A	1	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2003	13	N/A	6	1	N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A
Jan - Mar 2004	10	6	5	2	3	3	0	0	29
Apr - Jun 2004	8	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	19
Jul - Sep 2004	10	3	7	3	2	1	0	0	26
Oct - Dec 2004	10	4	6	1	2	0	0	0	23
Jan - Mar 2005	5	13	1	1	N/A	0	1	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2005	9	7	5	0	N/A	2	0	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2005	7	5	4	2	N/A	0	0	1	N/A
Oct - Dec 2005	7	2	3	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A
Jan - Mar 2006	7	N/A	3	1	1	1	0	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2006	7	N/A	3	2	2	0	1	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2006	4	N/A	5	2	3	1	0	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2006	12	N/A	5	0	3	1	0	0	N/A
Jan - Mar 2007	2	N/A	2	3	3	0	0	0	N/A
Apr - Jun 2007	8	N/A	5	0	1	2	0	0	N/A
Jul - Sep 2007	8	N/A	3	1	3	0	2	0	N/A
Oct - Dec 2007	10	N/A	1	1	3	0	0	0	N/A
12 month periods to the	end of Dec	ember 2	007 and	Deceml	ber 2006	5			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	28	N/A	11	5	10	2	2	0	N/A
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	30	N/A	16	5	9	3	1	0	N/A
% change	-6.7	N/A	-31.3	0.0	11.1	-33.3	100.0	-	N/A

# Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by road user - 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers <sup>a</sup>	12	N/A	9	2	8	1	2	0	N/A
Passengers <sup>a</sup>	6	N/A	1	0	0	1	0	0	N/A
Pedestrians	5	N/A	0	1	1	0	0	0	N/A
Motor cyclists <sup>b</sup>	2	N/A	0	0	1	0	0	0	N/A
Cyclists	3	N/A	1	2	0	0	0	0	N/A
All road users <sup>c</sup>	28	N/A	11	5	10	2	2	0	N/A

<sup>a</sup> Includes drivers/passengers of light vehicles

<sup>b</sup> Includes pillion passengers

<sup>c</sup> Includes road users not separately specified

# Deaths from crashes involving heavy rigid trucks by State/Territory by crash type - 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	5	N/A	0	1	1	0	0	0	N/A
Other single vehicle crashes	1	N/A	3	2	0	0	0	0	N/A
Multiple vehicle crashes	22	N/A	8	2	9	2	2	0	N/A
All crash types	28	N/A	11	5	10	2	2	0	N/A

### **Buses - Fatal Crashes**

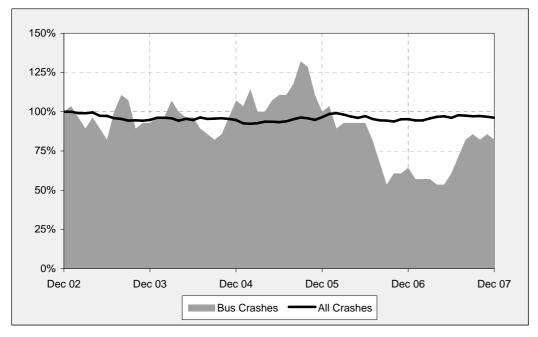
#### Fatal crashes involving buses by State/Territory by quarter -

Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Apr - Jun 2003	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	7
Jul - Sep 2003	3	1	1	2	2	0	1	0	10
Oct - Dec 2003	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Jan - Mar 2004	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	9
Apr - Jun 2004	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
Jul - Sep 2004	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Oct - Dec 2004	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Jan - Mar 2005	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Apr - Jun 2005	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
Jul - Sep 2005	4	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	12
Oct - Dec 2005	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Jan - Mar 2006	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Apr - Jun 2006	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	7
Jul - Sep 2006	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oct - Dec 2006	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	5
Jan - Mar 2007	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Apr - Jun 2007	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	8
Jul - Sep 2007	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	8
Oct - Dec 2007	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
12 month periods to th	e end of Dec	ember 2	2007 and	Decen	1ber 200	6			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	11	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	23
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	7	3	5	1	1	1	0	0	18
% change	57.1	33.3	40.0	0.0	-100.0	-100.0	-	-	27.8

#### Annual count of fatal crashes involving buses in Australia -Five years to the end of December 2007

Each point shows the number of fatal crashes in the preceding 12 months expressed as a percentage of the number of fatal crashes in the 12 months to the end of December 2002.



### **Buses - Deaths**

#### Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory by quarter -Five years to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Jan - Mar 2003	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Apr - Jun 2003	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	7
Jul - Sep 2003	4	1	1	3	2	0	1	0	12
Oct - Dec 2003	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Jan - Mar 2004	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	9
Apr - Jun 2004	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
Jul - Sep 2004	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Oct - Dec 2004	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Jan - Mar 2005	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Apr - Jun 2005	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	11
Jul - Sep 2005	6	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	16
Oct - Dec 2005	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Jan - Mar 2006	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Apr - Jun 2006	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	7
Jul - Sep 2006	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oct - Dec 2006	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	5
Jan - Mar 2007	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Apr - Jun 2007	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	8
Jul - Sep 2007	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	8
Oct - Dec 2007	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
12 month periods to the	end of Dec	ember 2	007 and	Decem	ber 200	6			
Jan 2007 - Dec 2007	11	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	23
Jan 2006 - Dec 2006	7	3	5	1	1	1	0	0	18
% change	57.1	33.3	40.0	0.0	-100.0	-100.0	-	-	27.8

### Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory by road user -

### 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers <sup>a</sup>	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	8
Passengers <sup>a</sup>	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Pedestrians	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
Motor cyclists <sup>b</sup>	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Cyclists	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
All road users <sup>c</sup>	11	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	23

<sup>a</sup> Includes drivers/passengers of light vehicles

<sup>b</sup> Includes pillion passengers

<sup>c</sup> Includes road users not separately specified

# Deaths from crashes involving buses by State/Territory by crash type - 12 months to the end of December 2007

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia
Pedestrian crashes	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
Other single vehicle crashes	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Multiple vehicle crashes	7	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	15
All crash types	11	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	23