

Labor Day Holiday 2008 Fact Sheet

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Labor Day Holiday 2008									
Friday, August 29, 2008 (6 p.m.) through Monday, September 1, 2008 (Midnight)									
78 Hours									
	All Crashes		Alcohol-Related Crashes		Seat Belt Use Among Fatality Victims				
	Crashes	Persons	Crashes	Persons	Person Type	Unknown	In Use	Not in Use	Total
Fatal	7	9	1	1	Driver		3	1	4
Injury	183	296	32	40	Passenger	1	2		3
Total	536	1042	61	115	Total	1	5	1	7
Total includes property damage crashes. Uninjured passengers not included in DPS database.					Excludes one motorcyclist and one pedestrian.				

Fatal Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries

The Labor Day Holiday period for 2008 was a total of 78 hours which began at 6 p.m. on Friday, August 29 and ended at midnight on Monday, September 1. During this time period, nine persons were killed and 15 persons injured in seven fatal crashes.

Fatalities and Vehicle Type

Of the seven fatalities, five were drivers, three were passengers and one was a pedestrian. The table below shows the type of vehicle for occupant fatalities.

Fatalities in 2008 Labor Day Crashes			
Vehicle Type	Driver	Passenger	Total
Passenger Vehicle	2	3	5
Pickup Truck	2		2
Motorcycle	1		1
Total	5	8	8
One pedestrian excluded from table.			

Driver Age & Gender

Nine drivers were involved in seven fatal crashes during the 2008 Labor Day Holiday. Four of the drivers were between the ages of 21 and 50. Eight of the nine drivers were male.

Contributing Factors

Nine drivers were involved in the seven fatal crashes. Contributing factors included: one Failure to Yield, one Left of Center, one Improper Act/Movement, and one Unsafe Speed.