



Unbelted Driver Fatalities (2009) In Passenger Vehicles/Pickup Trucks

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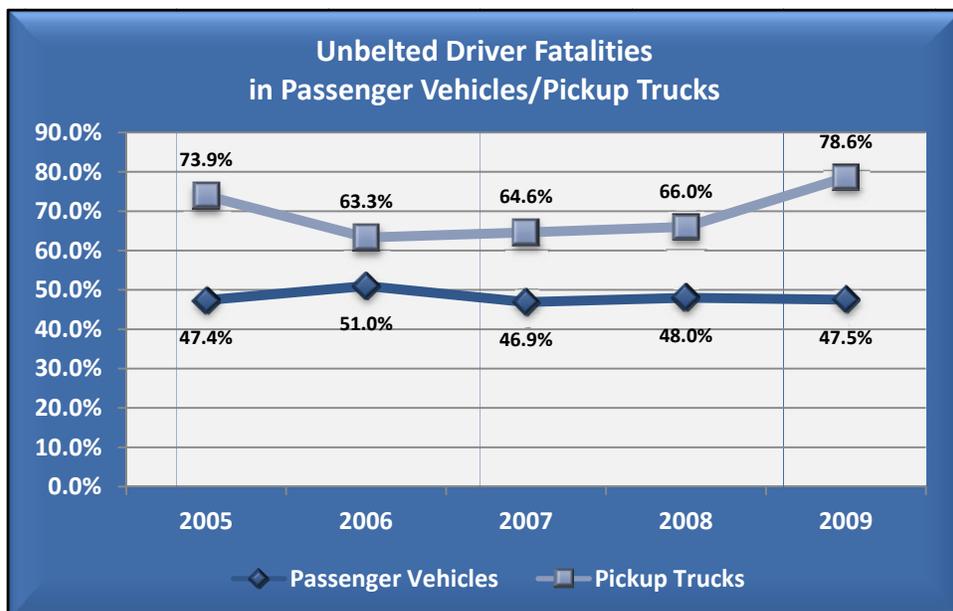
Five-Year Trend Unbelted Driver Fatalities In Passenger Vehicles/Pickup Trucks					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Passenger Vehicles					
Number of Unbelted Driver Fatalities in Passenger Vehicles	144	149	119	120	112
Total Driver Fatalities in Passenger Vehicles	304	292	254	250	257
Unbelted Driver Fatalities as Percentage of Total Driver Fatalities in Passenger Vehicles	47.4%	51.0%	46.9%	48.0%	43.6%
Seat Belt Use Rates	86.9%	86.4%	86.3%	88.0%	87.7%
Pickup Trucks					
Number of Unbelted Driver Fatalities in Pickup Trucks	102	88	84	97	99
Total Driver Fatalities in Pickup Trucks	138	139	130	147	133
Unbelted Driver Fatalities as Percentage of Total Driver Fatalities in Pickup Trucks	73.9%	63.3%	64.6%	66.0%	74.4%
Seat Belt Use Rates	73.0%	75.9%	75.3%	74.9%	76.7%

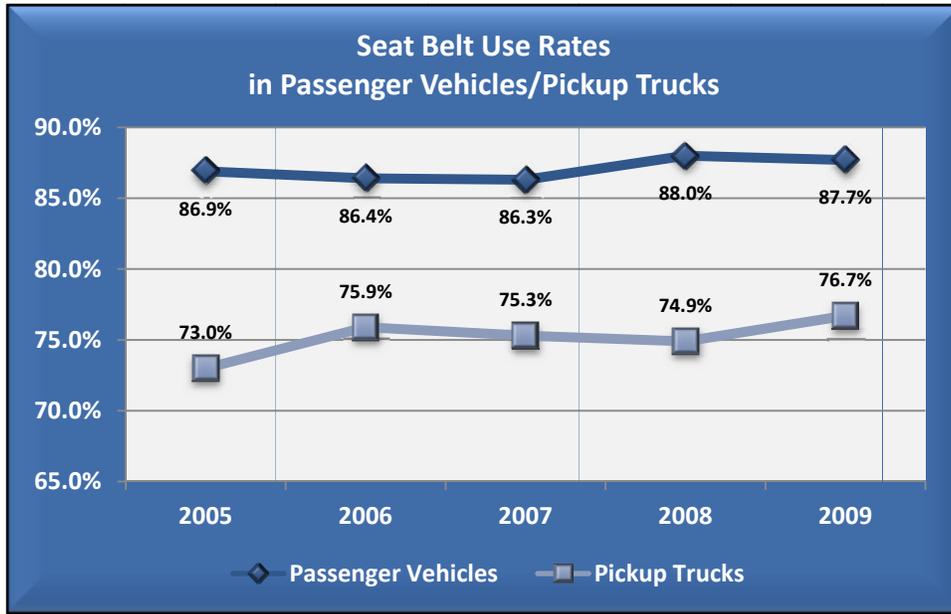
Each year seat belt use is unknown for approximately 8.0% to 3.0% of the driver fatalities in passenger vehicles/pickup trucks.

Comparison

Comparison of driver fatalities in passenger vehicles and pickup trucks shows that drivers of pickup trucks are more likely to be unbelted than drivers of passenger vehicles. This is further supported by Oklahoma's *Seat Belt Observation Study: Summer 2010* report which states: "The difference in safety belt use between automobiles (cars, vans, SUVs, Jeeps) and pickup trucks continues to be substantial. Statewide safety belt use in automobiles was 88.9 percent, while only 78.4 percent of drivers and front-seat outboard passengers were belted in pickups."

The chart titled "Unbelted Driver Fatalities" illustrates the difference each year between the percentage of unbelted driver fatalities in passenger vehicles and pickup trucks. The chart titled "Seat Belt Use Rates" shows the significant disparity between passenger vehicle and pickup truck occupants in seat belt use each year.





Driver Age

Of the 112 unbelted driver fatalities in passenger vehicles, 25.0% were age 16-24, 22.3% were age 25-34 and 17.9% were age 45-54. Some 67.0% of the unbelted driver fatalities in passenger vehicles were male.

Of the 99 unbelted driver fatalities in pickup trucks, 21.2% were age 16-24, 21.2% were age 45-54 and 17.2% were age 25-34. Some 86.9% of the unbelted driver fatalities in pickup trucks were male.

Driver Age	Unbelted Driver Fatalities				Total Driver Fatalities	
	Passenger Vehicle		Pickup Truck		Number	% of Total
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Under 16			1	1.0%	1	.5%
16 - 24	28	25.0%	21	21.2%	49	23.2%
25 - 34	25	22.3%	17	17.2%	42	19.9%
35 - 44	17	15.2%	12	12.1%	29	13.7%
45 - 54	20	17.9%	21	21.2%	41	19.4%
55 - 64	8	7.1%	10	10.1%	18	8.5%
65 - 74	10	8.9%	13	13.1%	23	10.9%
75+	4	3.6%	4	4.0%	8	3.8%
Total	112	100.0%	99	100.0%	211	100.0%

Alcohol-Related Driver Condition

Of the 211 unrestrained driver fatalities in passenger vehicles/pickup trucks, 20.9% had an alcohol-related driver condition.

Of the unbelted driver fatalities in passenger vehicles, 34.4% were age 46-55, 25.0% were age 16-25, 18.8% were age 26-35 and 18.8% were age 36-45. Some 75.0% of the unbelted driver fatalities in passenger vehicles were male.

Of the unbelted driver fatalities in pickup trucks, 27.3% were age 16-25, 25.0% were age 46-55 and 20.5% were age 36-45. Some 81.8% of the unrestrained driver fatalities in pickup trucks were male.

Driver Age	Passenger Vehicle			Pickup Truck		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
Under 16						
16 - 25	2	6	8	3	9	12
26 - 35	1	5	6	1	5	6
36 - 45	2	4	6	1	8	9
46 - 55	2	9	11	3	8	11
56 - 65	1		1		4	4
66 - 75					2	2
76+						
Total	8	24	32	8	36	44