

# 2012 MOTORCYCLE FATALITIES IN UTAH

## FATAL CRASHES

Fatal Motorcycle Crashes in Utah 2002-2012			
Year	Fatal		
	All #	Motorcycle #	%
2002	274	18	6.6%
2003	262	21	8.0%
2004	260	29	11.2%
2005	235	23	9.8%
2006	249	23	9.2%
2007	258	32	12.4%
2008	245	36	14.7%
2009	217	30	13.8%
2010	218	20	9.2%
2011	224	27	12.1%
2012	217	32	14.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,659</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>10.9%</b>

While overall traffic-related fatalities in Utah decreased in 2012, motorcycle fatalities increased for the second year in a row. Motorcycles represent only 3% of registered vehicles in Utah, but accounted for nearly 15% of traffic-related fatalities in 2012.

## CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Contributing Factors in Fatal Motorcycle Crashes by Vehicle/Entity, Utah 2012		
Vehicle/Entity	#	%
Motorcycle	22	69%
Other Vehicle	7	22%
Both	2	6%
Animal	1	3%

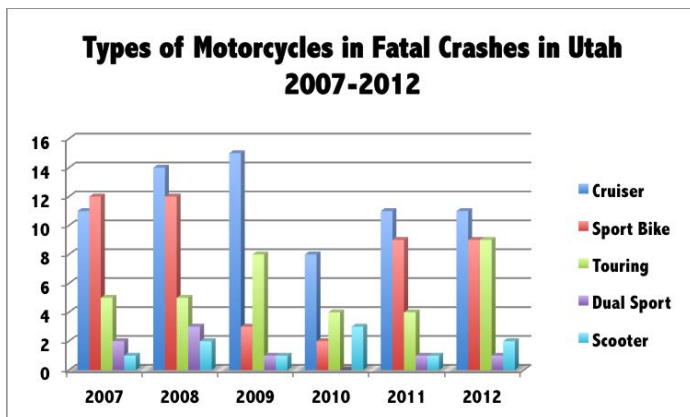
- In 24 of the 32 motorcyclist deaths the motorcyclist had a contributing factor (75%)
- In 9 of the 32 motorcyclist deaths, the other vehicle had a contributing factor (28%)

Contributing factors are actions or conditions that may have played a significant part in the crash.

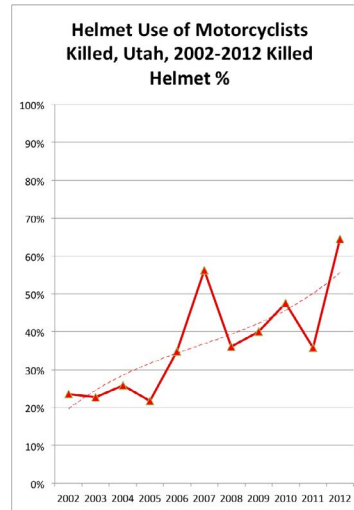
## RIDER SKILLS TRAINING

Utah's Driver License Division coordinates the motorcycle rider training program, which teaches riders life-saving skills. Only 3 of 22 operators with Utah driver's licenses in 2012 fatal crashes completed the training. Find courses at [utahmotorcyclesafety.com](http://utahmotorcyclesafety.com)

## TYPE OF MOTORCYCLE



## HELMET USE



Although wearing a motorcycle helmet will not prevent a crash, it can save a rider's life. Helmets reduce the risk of head injury by 69% and unhelmeted riders are 40% more likely to die of a head injury than someone wearing a helmet.

## AGE AND GENDER

Males accounted for 92% of motorcycle fatalities from 2007-2012.



MALES

2012:

29

2007-2012: 164

FEMALES

2012:

3

2007-2012:

14



Age of Motorcyclists Killed, Utah, 2002-2012

Year	Killed Mean Age
2002	39.56
2003	40.09
2004	39.97
2005	38.04
2006	35.38
2007	42.88
2008	36.14
2009	47.80
2010	43.43
2011	46.18
2012	40.50
<b>Average</b>	<b>40.91</b>

## DRIVER'S LICENSE MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT

To ride a motorcycle or scooter in Utah, you are required to have a motorcycle endorsement on your driver's license. 17 of 26 operators in 2012 fatal crashes were endorsed. (65%)

Totals 2007-2012



Cruiser: 70



Sport Bike: 47



Touring: 35



Dual Sport: 8



Scooter: 10

## 2012 Motorcycle Fatalities in Utah



1998 Harley-Davidson XST  
March 21 - Male, 57  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: St. George  
Factor: Speed, following improperly



2001 Suzuki GX6  
March 25 - Male, 27  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Salt Lake City  
Factor: Speed, driver distracted by vehicle controls



2009 Suzuki 650-DR  
April 13 - Male, 50  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Marriott-Slatersville  
Factor: Other vehicle failure to yield



2011 Harley-Davidson FHX  
April 15 - Male, 56  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Salt Lake City  
Factor: Failure to keep in proper lane



1987 Honda Goldwing G12  
April 19 - Male, 48  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Circleville  
Factor: Collision with animal



2007 Yamaha R6L  
May 3 - Male, 57  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Lehi  
Factor: Following improperly, improper passing



2004 HD IUA  
May 13 - Male, 54  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Salt Lake City  
Factor: Speed, failure to keep in proper lane



2003 Harley-Davidson IUA  
May 19 - Male, 30  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Hinckley  
Factor: Speed, failure to keep in proper lane



1982 Suzuki S1L  
June 4 - Male, 46  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Willard  
Factor: Other vehicle, improper loading of vehicle



2011 Harley-Davidson STC  
June 16 - Male, 63  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Kamas  
Factor: Driving on wrong side of road, speed



2011 Harley-Davidson STC  
June 16 - Female, 60  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Training: N/A  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Kamas  
Factor: Driving on wrong side of road, speed



2007 Harley-Davidson Ultralight  
June 21 - Male, 66  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Blanding  
Factor: Speed



2005 Harley-Davidson X88  
June 30 - Male, 37  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Laketown  
Factor: DUI, fail to keep in proper lane



1987 Kawasaki ZG1200  
July 19 - Male, 62  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Unknown  
Location: St. George  
Factor: Failure to keep in proper lane



2005 Yamaha FZ6-S  
July 8 - Male, 23  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Provo  
Factor: Speed, vision obscured, construction zone



2005 Yamaha FZ6-S  
July 8 - Female, 18  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Training: N/A  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Provo  
Factor: Speed, vision obscured, construction zone

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2005 Kawasaki E5D  
July 10 - Male, 21  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Provo  
Factor: Speed, vision obscured by other motor veh.



2008 Yamaha YZF-R6S  
August 3 - Male, 36  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: West Valley City  
Factor: Speed, failed to obey traffic signal



2003 Harley-Davidson FLHTC  
August 4 - Female, 55  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Roosevelt  
Factor: Other vehicle, improper lane change



1977 Kawasaki KZ900  
August 5 - Male, 1  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Training: N/A  
Helmet: No  
Location: Taylorsville  
Factor: Speed



2006 Taiz Scooter  
August 6 - Male, 21  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Provo  
Factor: Rider failed to yield right of way



2012 HD Electra Glide  
August 19 - Male, 42  
Endorsement: Unknown  
Training: Unknown  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Elwood  
Factor: Failure to keep in lane



2003 Honda Shadow  
August 20 - Male, 24  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: North Salt Lake  
Factor:



1998 HD FXSTS  
August 24 - Male, 55  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Layton  
Factor: Other vehicle failed to yield



2001 Kawasaki ZXJ  
September 14 - Male, 31  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Training: N/A  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Lindon  
Factor: Other vehicle speed, DUI, following improperly



2002 Harley Davidson LRI  
September 21 - Male, 28  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Springville  
Factor: Other vehicle failure to yield



2006 HD FLHX1  
September 22 - Male, 33  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: Yes  
Helmet: No  
Location: Heber  
Factor: Speed, failure to keep in proper lane



2007 MP 150 LK  
September 25 - Male, 22  
Endorsement: No  
Training: No  
Helmet: No  
Location: Springville  
Factor: Failure to keep in proper lane



2005 Harley Davidson FLU  
October 6 - Female, 60  
Endorsement: Passenger  
Training: N/A  
Helmet: No  
Location: Veyo  
Factor: Speed



2013 Kawasaki EX300ADFK  
November 4 - Female, 40  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: Yes  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Mountain Green  
Factor: Failure to keep in proper lane



2010 Honda Goldwing GL8  
November 7 - Male, 55  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Dutch John  
Factor: Failure to keep in proper lane



2004 Suzuki XR1  
November 13 - Male, 22  
Endorsement: Yes  
Training: No  
Helmet: Yes  
Location: Clearfield  
Factor: Reckless driving, speed