

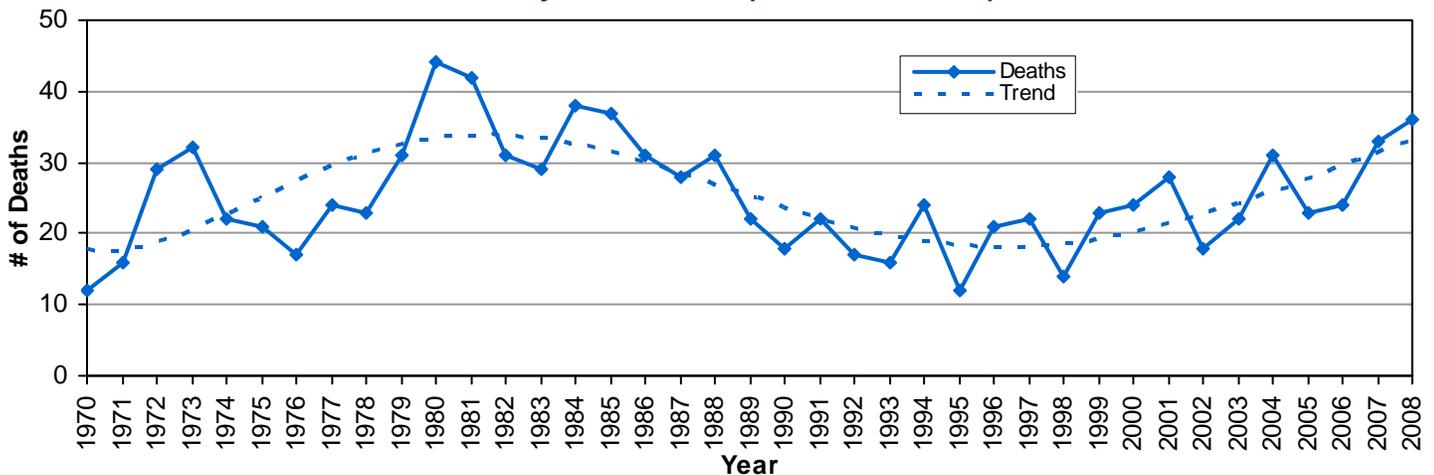
Motorcycles



Did you know in 2008:

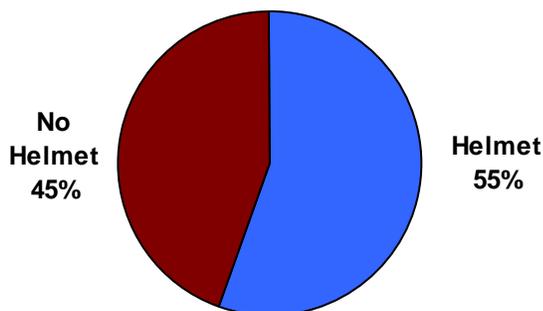
- There were 1,405 motorcycle crashes in Utah, resulting in 1,301 injured motorcyclists and 36 motorcyclist deaths.
- Motorcyclists accounted for 1% of persons in crashes and 13% of deaths.
- Compared to 2007, there was a 16% increase in the number of motorcycle crashes.
- Motorcycle crashes were 7 times more likely to result in a death than other crashes.

Motorcyclist Deaths (Utah 1970-2008)



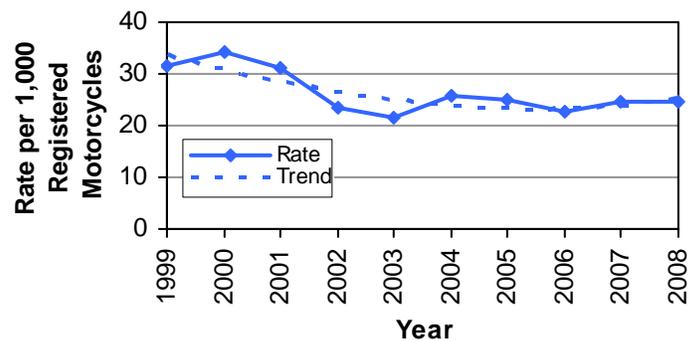
- Motorcyclist deaths are on the rise after seeing declining motorcyclist deaths in the 1990s.
- The 36 motorcyclist deaths in 2008 were the highest total since 1985.

Helmet Use of Motorcyclists in Crashes (Utah 2008)



- Only 55% of motorcyclists wore a helmet.
- Utah law requires anyone under the age of 18 years riding a motorcycle to wear a helmet.

Motorcyclist Crash Rates per Registered Motorcycles (Utah 1999-2008)



- The rate of motorcyclists in crashes per registered motorcycles increased for the second year in a row.

**Leading Motorcyclist
Contributing Factors in Crashes
(Utah 2008)**

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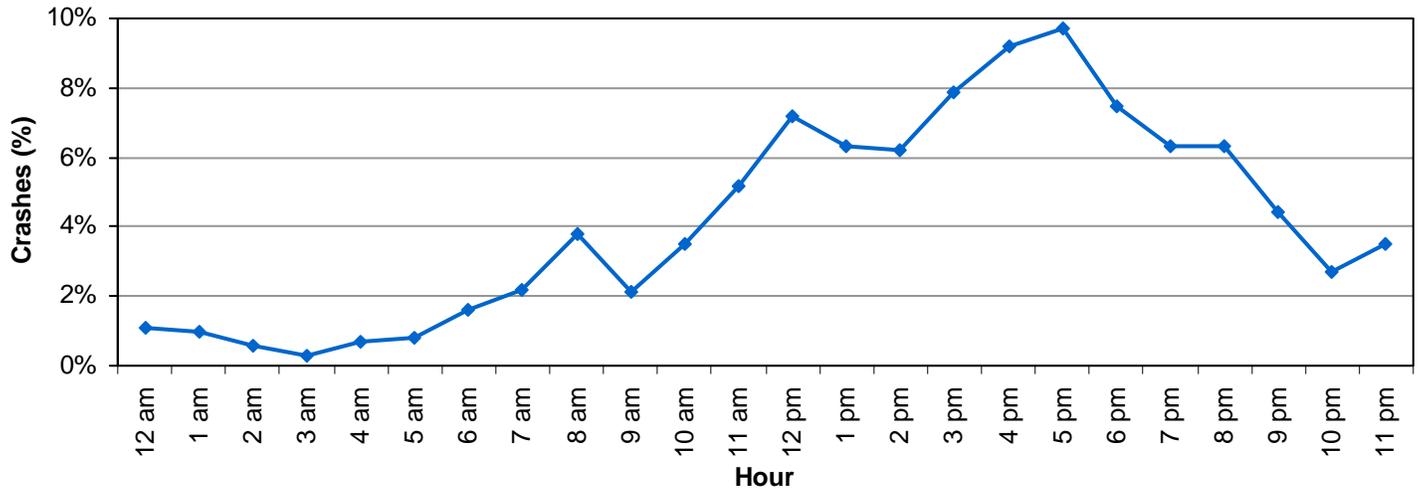


1. Speed Too Fast (13%)
2. Followed Too Closely (9%)
3. Failed to Keep in Proper Lane (9%)
4. Ran Off Road (6%)
5. Swerved or Evasive Action (6%)



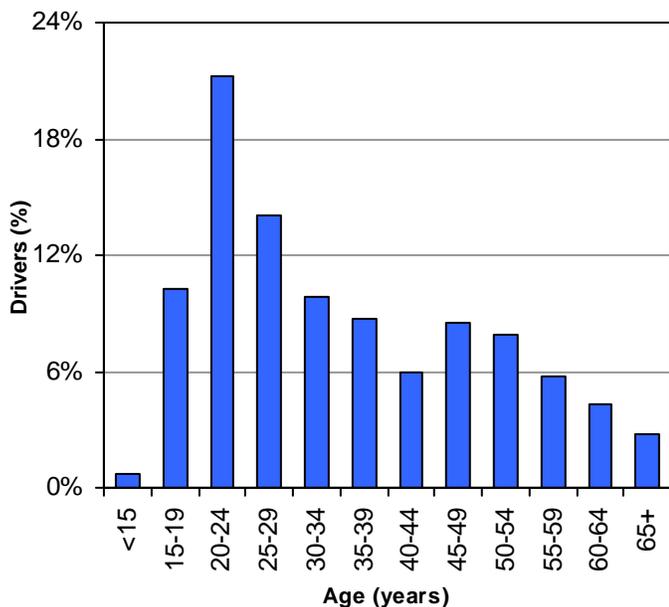
Left Turns
 Nearly one-third (32%) of drivers who hit motorcycles were turning left. Drivers need to watch for motorcycles before turning.

Motorcycle Crashes by Hour of Day (Utah 2008)

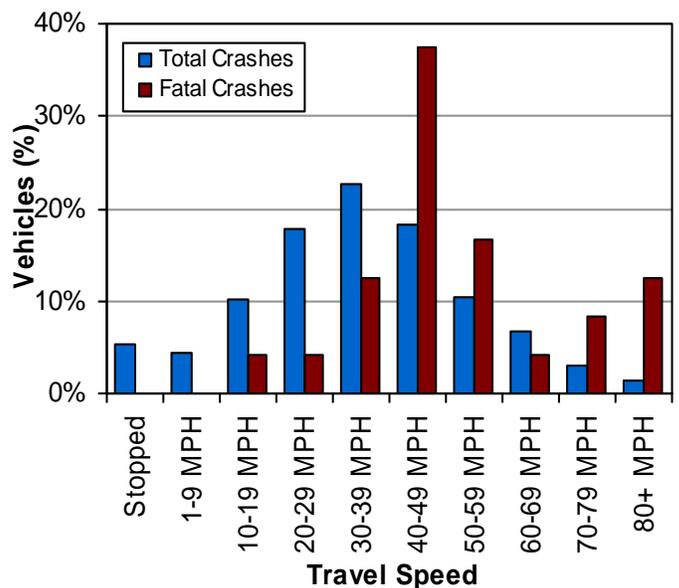


- Two-thirds (67%) of total motorcycle crashes occurred between 12:00 p.m. and 8:59 p.m.

**Age of Motorcycle Drivers in All Crashes
(Utah 2008)**



**Travel Speed of Motorcycles in Crashes
(Utah 2008)**



- Over one-half (56%) of motorcycle drivers in crashes were under the age of 35 years.

- Most (79%) of the motorcycles in fatal crashes were traveling 40 MPH or higher.