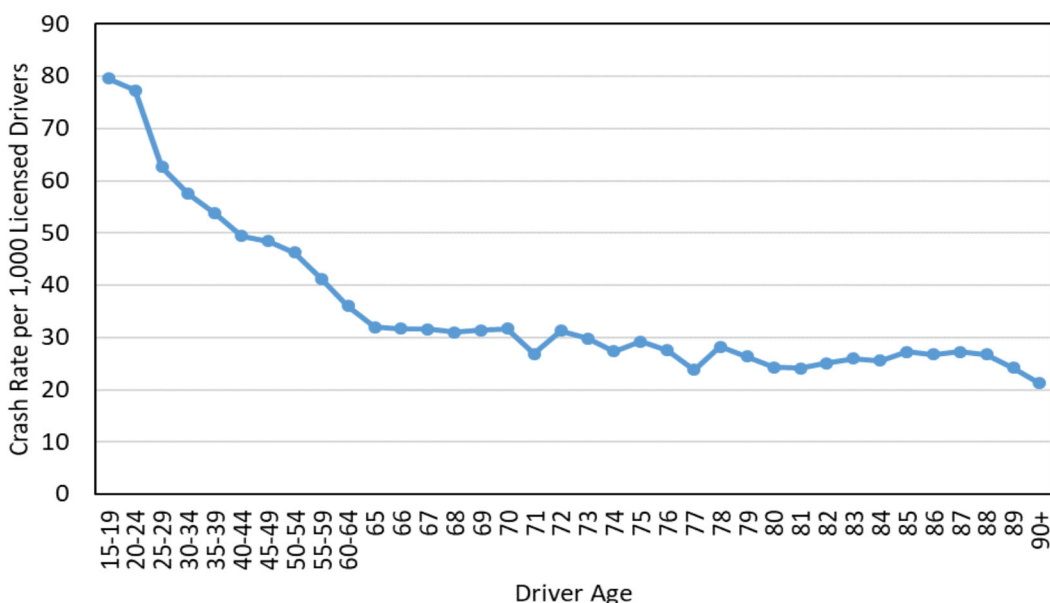# Older Drivers
(Age 65+)

- Older drivers were involved in 8,252 motor vehicle crashes (13% of all crashes), which resulted in 3,955 injuries and 63 deaths.

- Senior drivers have the lowest crash rates of any drivers and represented 7% of people in crashes, but 21% of the total deaths.

Fatal older driver crashes have increased by 87% since 2008 and by 26% since 2013.

Crash Rates per Licensed Driver by Age (Utah 2017)

- The older the driver, the less likely they were in a crash per licensed driver.

Leading Contributing Factors of Older Driver Crashes Compared to All Drivers (Utah 2017)

Drivers Age Less than 65 Years in Crashes

1. Followed Too Closely (23%)
2. Failed to Yield the Right of Way (16%)
3. Too Fast for Conditions (14%)
4. Failed to Keep in Proper Lane (12%)
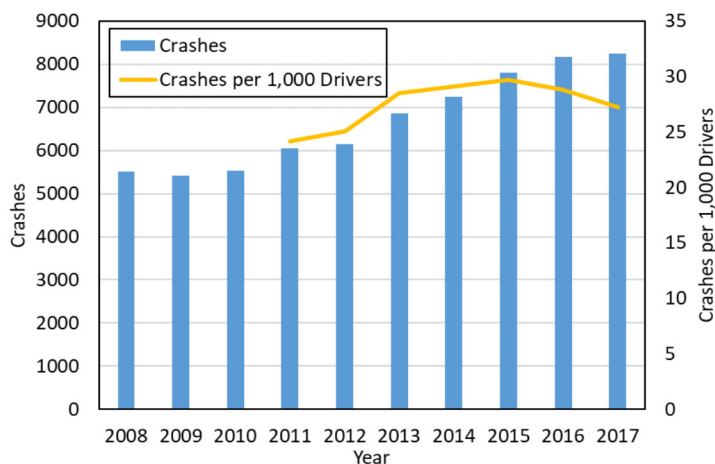5. Improper Turn (4%)

Drivers Age 65+ Years in Crashes

1. Failed to Yield the Right of Way (28%)
2. Followed Too Closely (15%)
3. Failed to Keep in Proper Lane (10%)
4. Improper Turn (7%)
5. Improper Lane Change (7%)

- The leading contributing factor for older drivers was "Failing to Yield the Right of Way", whereas for younger drivers it was "Following too Closely".

- "Too Fast for Conditions" was not in the top 5 contributing factors for older drivers, but "Improper Lane Change" was.
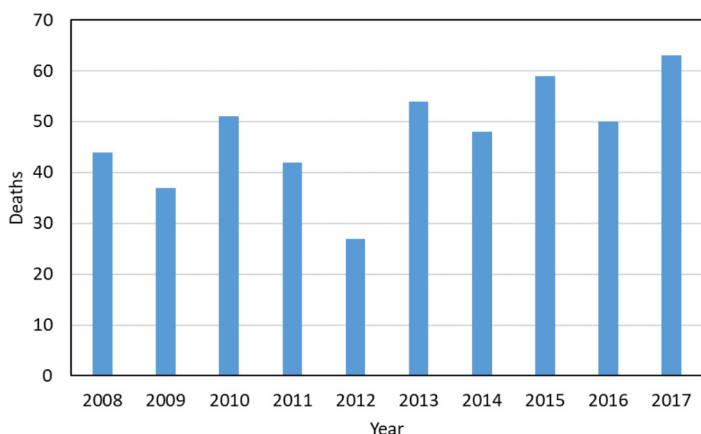
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Older Driver Crashes by Year
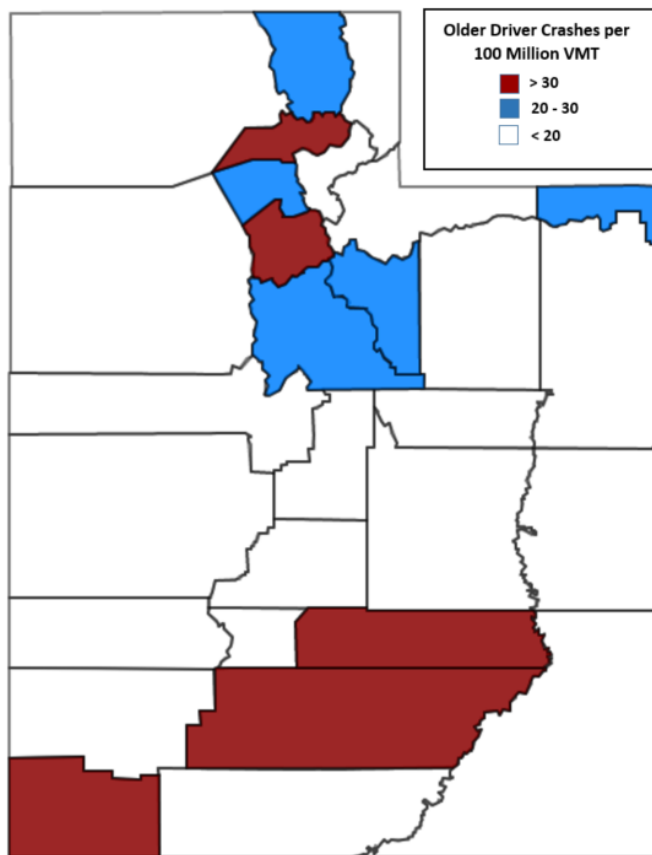## (Utah 2008-2017)

- Older driver crashes per year have increased by 20% in the last five years, compared to an increase of 13% in the total number of crashes during the same time period.

- However, the number of older driver crashes per 1,000 drivers in the same age group is at similar levels as in 2013. This indicates a faster growth in registered older drivers compared to other age groups.

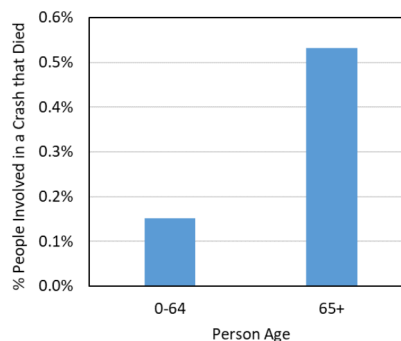## Older Driver Crash Deaths by Year
(Utah 2008-2017)

- The total number of older driver crash deaths in 2017 was the highest in the last 10 years.

Older Driver Crashes by County
(Utah 2017)

Older Driver Crashes per 100 Million VMT
- > 30
- 20 - 30
- < 20

- Washington, Garfield, Weber, Salt Lake, and Wayne counties (in that order) had the highest older driver crash rates per miles traveled.

Older Drivers in Crashes

- People age 65+ were 3.5 times more likely to be killed in a crash than younger people.