



## Road Fatalities in the Northern Territory for the Period 01 January to 31 August 2003 Status Report

There were 37 road fatalities in the Northern Territory from 01 January to 31 August 2003 compared to 31 at the same time in 2002. The 37 deaths were a result of 32 fatal crashes compared to 24 for the same time in 2002.

### 32 fatal crashes:

- ◆ 5 occurred where the car ran off the road.
- ◆ 4 were angle collisions.
- ◆ 13 were single vehicle roll overs.
- ◆ 1 fell off a motorcycle.
- ◆ 6 hit pedestrians.
- ◆ 1 hit other animal.
- ◆ 1 side swipe.
- ◆ 1 head on collision.

### 32 fatal crashes:

- ◆ 22 occurred in rural areas and 10 in urban areas.
- ◆ 19 occurred on sealed-dry roads, 4 on unsealed-dry roads, 1 on sealed-wet road and 8 on unknown road conditions.

### 37 fatalities:

- ◆ 23 were males and 14 were females.
- ◆ 30 were NT residents (13 Aboriginals & 17 were non-Aboriginals).
- ◆ 4 were interstate visitors.
- ◆ 3 were overseas visitors.

### Of the 13 Aboriginal NT resident fatalities:

- ◆ 3 driver – 1 was wearing a seatbelt and 2 were not.
- ◆ 6 passengers – 1 was wearing a seatbelt and 5 were not.
- ◆ 4 pedestrians.

### Of the 17 non-Aboriginal NT resident fatalities:

- ◆ 7 drivers – 3 were wearing seatbelts, 3 were not and 1 unknown.
- ◆ 7 passengers – 4 were wearing seatbelts, 2 were not and 1 unknown.
- ◆ 1 motorcyclist.
- ◆ 2 pedestrians.

### Of the 4 interstate visitors:

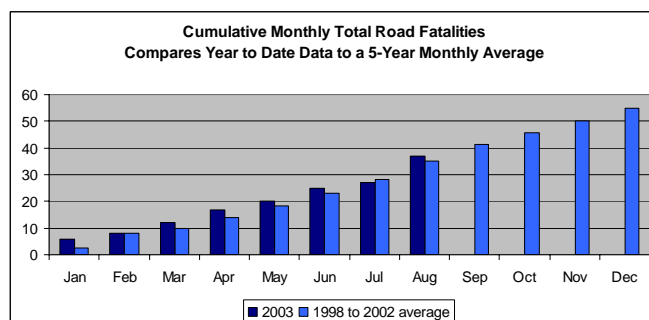
- ◆ 3 drivers – 3 were wearing seatbelts.
- ◆ 1 passenger – was not wearing a seatbelt.

### Of the 3 overseas visitor fatalities:

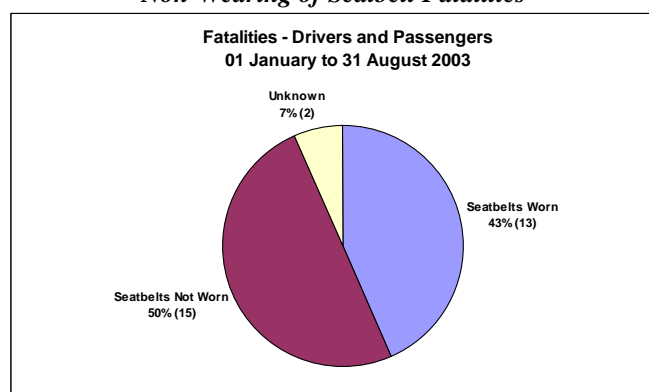
- ◆ 3 passengers – 1 was wearing a seatbelt and 2 were not.

### Road Fatalities: -

Year	NT	NT Per 100,000 Population	Australia Per 100,000 Population
2002	55	27.5	8.75
2001	50	25.3	9.06
2000	51	26.2	9.49



### Non-Wearing of Seatbelt Fatalities



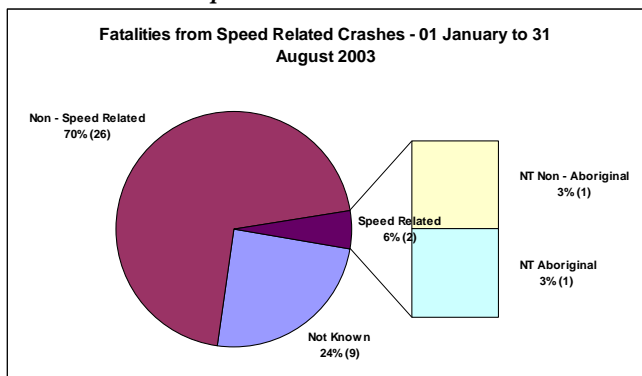
### Alcohol Related Fatalities





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*Speed Related Fatalities*



**Vehicle Crashes Involving Heavy Vehicles:**

Heavy Vehicles Involved Crashes 01 January to 31 August 2003	Driver Not Wearing Seatbelt	Driver BAC > 0	Speed Related	Fatigue Related
Fatal				
Serious Injury				
Minor Injury				
Non-injury				
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**01 January to 31 August 2003**

Highest Injury Level Crashes	Bus & Coach		Rigid Truck > 4.5 GVM		Articulated Vehicle (Semi)		Road Train (Double)		Road Train (Triple)		Total
	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	
Fatal		1						1			2
Serious	1		2		1						4
Minor	4		1	3		1	2		3		14
Non-injury	11		15	4	3	1		5	11	4	54
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>		<b>25</b>		<b>6</b>		<b>8</b>		<b>18</b>		<b>74</b>

Note: Int. = Interstate

Highest Injury Level Crashes	12 months to 31 August 2002		12 months to 31 August 2003		% Change	
	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	NT	Int.
Fatal	2		5	1	150.0%	N/A
Serious	6	3	6		0.0%	-100.0%
Minor	18	3	8	6	-55.6%	100.0%
Non-injury	53	14	44	18	-17.0%	28.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99</b>		<b>88</b>		<b>-11.1%</b>	

*This report is produced using the Vehicle Accident Database. Information is correct as at 31 August 2003.*

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**Annual Fatality Statistics**

Year	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Aboriginal NT Residents	17	18	24	28	13
Non - Aboriginal NT Residents	24	23	12	18	17
Interstate visitors	4	3	5	3	4
Overseas visitors	4	7	9	6	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>37</b>

	12 months to 31 August 2002	12 months to 31 August 2003	% Change
<b>Total Fatalities</b>	51	61	19.6%
<b>Total Injuries</b>	1101	996	-9.5%
<b>Total Fatal Crashes</b>	41	48	17.1%
<b>Total Injury Crashes</b>	754	694	-8.0%
<b>Total Non-injury Crashes</b>	1525	1450	-4.9%
<b>Seatbelt not Worn</b>			
Fatalities	18	24	33.3%
Injuries	57	59	3.5%
<b>Speed- Related</b>			
Fatal Crashes	9	4	-55.6%
Injury Crashes	79	66	-16.5%
Non-injury Crashes	99	96	-3.0%
<b>Alcohol-Related</b>			
Fatal Crashes	23	18	-21.7%
Injury Crashes	75	69	-8.0%
Non-injury Crashes	89	82	-7.9%

Accidents within the last four (4) weeks may not be reflected in the Vehicle Accident Database

