



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

There were 53 road fatalities in the Northern Territory from 01 January to 31 December 2003 compared to 55 at the same time in 2002. The 53 fatalities were a result of 44 fatal crashes compared to 40 for the same time in 2002.

44 fatal crashes:

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

44 fatal crashes:

- ◆ 32 occurred in rural areas and 12 in urban areas.
- ◆ 31 occurred on sealed-dry roads, 11 on unsealed-dry roads, 1 on sealed-wet road and 1 on unknown road condition.

53 fatalities:

- ◆ 36 were males and 17 were females.
- ◆ 44 were NT residents (23 Aboriginals & 21 were non-Aboriginals).
- ◆ 6 were interstate visitors.
- ◆ 3 were overseas visitors.

Of the 23 Aboriginal NT resident fatalities:

- ◆ 6 drivers – 2 were wearing seatbelts and 4 were not.
- ◆ 10 passengers – 1 was wearing a seatbelt, 1 was unknown and 8 were not.
- ◆ 1 rear tray passenger – no restrain fitted.
- ◆ 6 pedestrians.

Of the 21 non-Aboriginal NT resident fatalities:

- ◆ 9 drivers – 4 were wearing seatbelts and 5 were not.
- ◆ 9 passengers – 4 were wearing seatbelts, 4 were not and 1 was unknown.
- ◆ 1 motorcyclist.
- ◆ 2 pedestrians.

Of the 6 interstate visitors:

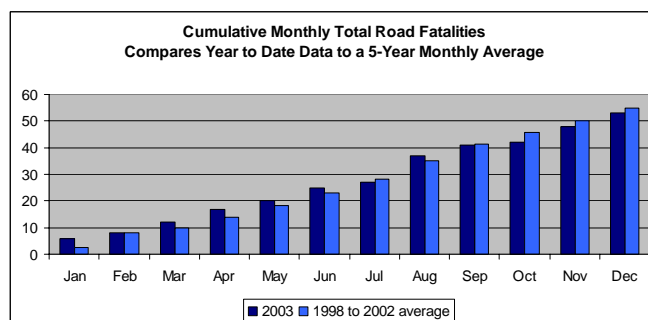
- ◆ 3 drivers – 3 were wearing seatbelts.
- ◆ 3 passengers – 3 were not wearing seatbelts.

Of the 3 overseas visitor fatalities:

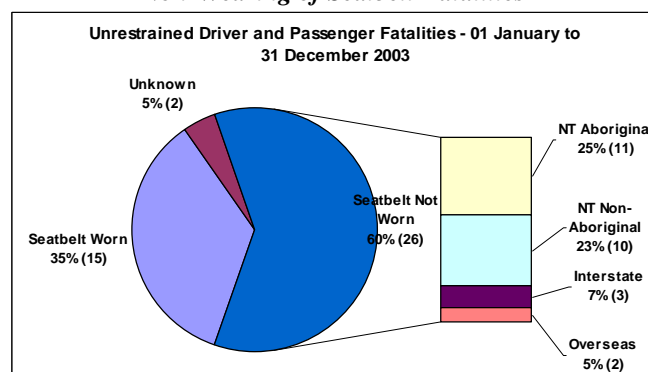
- ◆ 3 passengers – 1 was wearing a seatbelt and 2 were not.

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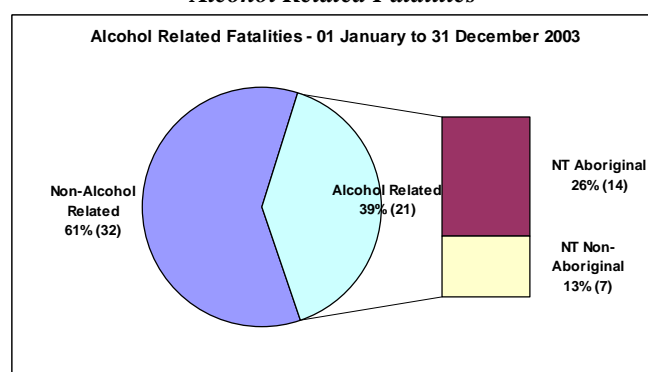
Year	NT	NT Per 100,000 Population	Australia Per 100,000 Population
2002	55	27.5	8.75
2001	50	25.3	9.06
2000	51	26.2	9.49



Non-Wearing of Seatbelt Fatalities



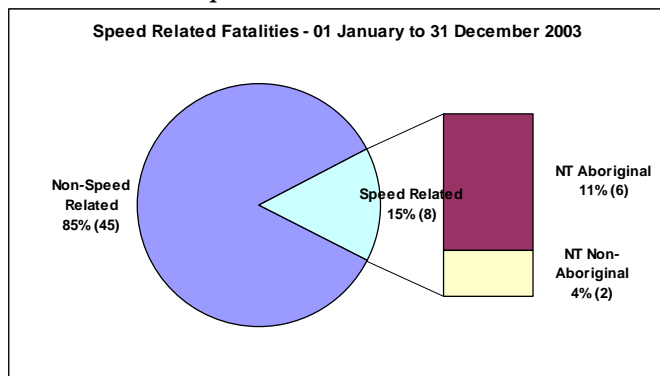
Alcohol Related Fatalities





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Speed Related Fatalities



Vehicle Crashes Involving Heavy Vehicles:

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

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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				1	1			4
Serious	1		2		1						4
Minor	6	2	7	3	1	1	2	1	4		27
Non-injury	16	1	28	6	4	1	5	5	18	6	90
Total	27		47		8		15		28		125

Note: Int. = Interstate

Highest Injury Level Crashes	12 months to 31 December 2002		12 months to 31 December 2003		% Change	
	NT	Int.	NT	Int.	NT	Int.
Fatal	6		2	1	-67%	N/A
Serious	7	1	3		-57%	-100%
Minor	13	5	14	5	8%	0%
Non-injury	45	14	55	18	22%	29%
Total	91		98		8%	

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

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Annual Fatality Statistics

Year	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Aboriginal NT Residents	17	18	24	28	23
Non - Aboriginal NT Residents	24	23	12	18	21
Interstate visitors	4	3	5	3	6
Overseas visitors	4	7	9	6	3
Total	49	51	50	55	53

	12 months to 31 December 2002	12 months to 31 December 2003	% Change
Total Fatalities	55	53	-3.6%
Total Injuries	1069	1058	-1.0%
Total Fatal Crashes	40	44	10.0%
Total Injury Crashes	732	730	-0.3%
Total Non-injury Crashes	1462	1563	6.9%
Seatbelt not Worn			
Fatalities	19	26	36.8%
Injuries	62	63	1.6%
Speed- Related			
Fatal Crashes	9	6	-33.3%
Injury Crashes	75	74	-1.3%
Non-injury Crashes	95	110	15.8%
Alcohol-Related			
Fatal Crashes	25	20	-20.0%
Injury Crashes	80	72	-10.0%
Non-injury Crashes	88	111	26.1%

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

