

## Key statistics

Between 1 January and 31 December 2007 there have been 57 fatalities and 559 serious injuries on Northern Territory roads.

### Summary of the 12 months to date fatalities and serious injuries compared with the same period in the preceding 12 months period:

57 fatalities (29.5% increase)

559 serious injuries (5.7% increase)

2 overseas visitor fatalities (100.0% increase)

25 overseas visitor serious injuries (16.7% decrease)

6 interstate visitor fatalities (50.0% increase)

58 interstate visitor serious injuries (3.3% decrease)

30 Indigenous fatalities (25.0% increase)

160 Indigenous serious injuries (20.3% increase)

12 pedestrian fatalities (7.7% decrease)

45 pedestrian serious injuries (25.0% increase)

11 pedestrian fatalities were Indigenous (91.7% of total pedestrians)

3 motorcycle fatalities (50.0% decrease)

62 motorcycle serious injuries (34.8% increase)

Of the 57 fatalities year to date, 3.5% were overseas visitors and 10.5% were interstate visitors. 52.6% were Indigenous people. 21.1% were pedestrians and 5.3% were motorcyclists.

### Summary of 12 months to date causal and compounding factors compared with the same period in the preceding 12 months period:

20 alcohol related fatalities (16.7% decrease)

71 alcohol related serious injuries (35.5% decrease)

14 speed related fatalities (100.0% increase)

80 speed related serious injuries (63.3% increase)

1 fatigue related fatality (50.0% decrease)

38 fatigue related serious injuries (30.0% increase)

22 seatbelt related fatalities (69.2% increase)

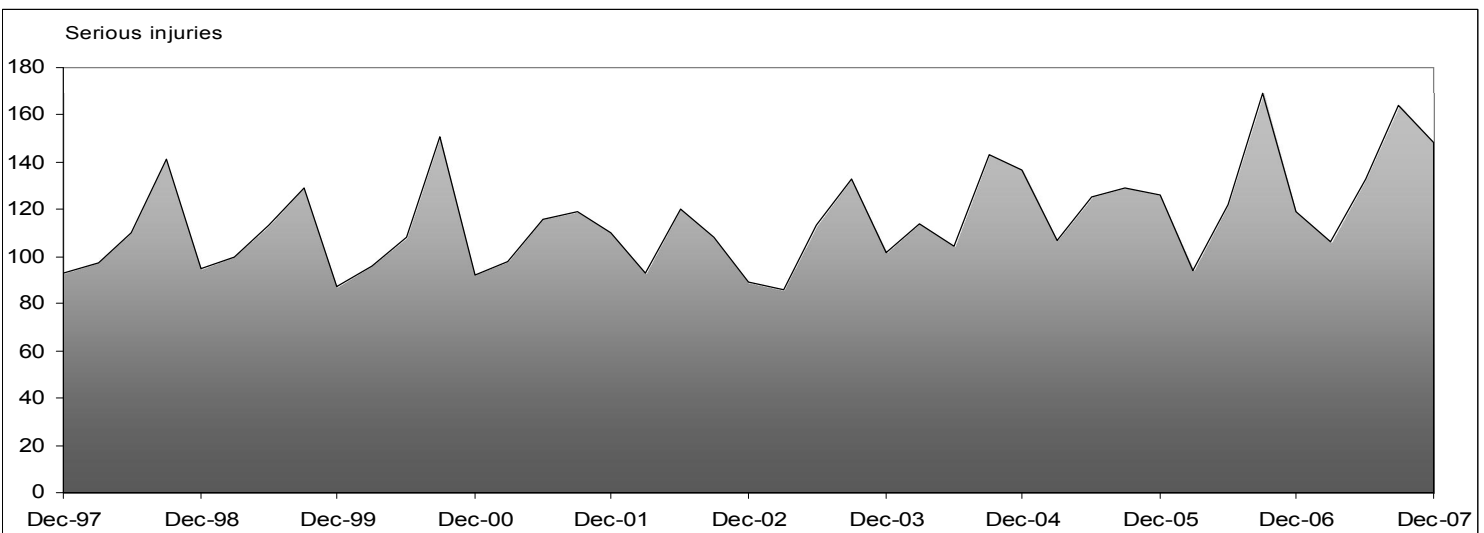
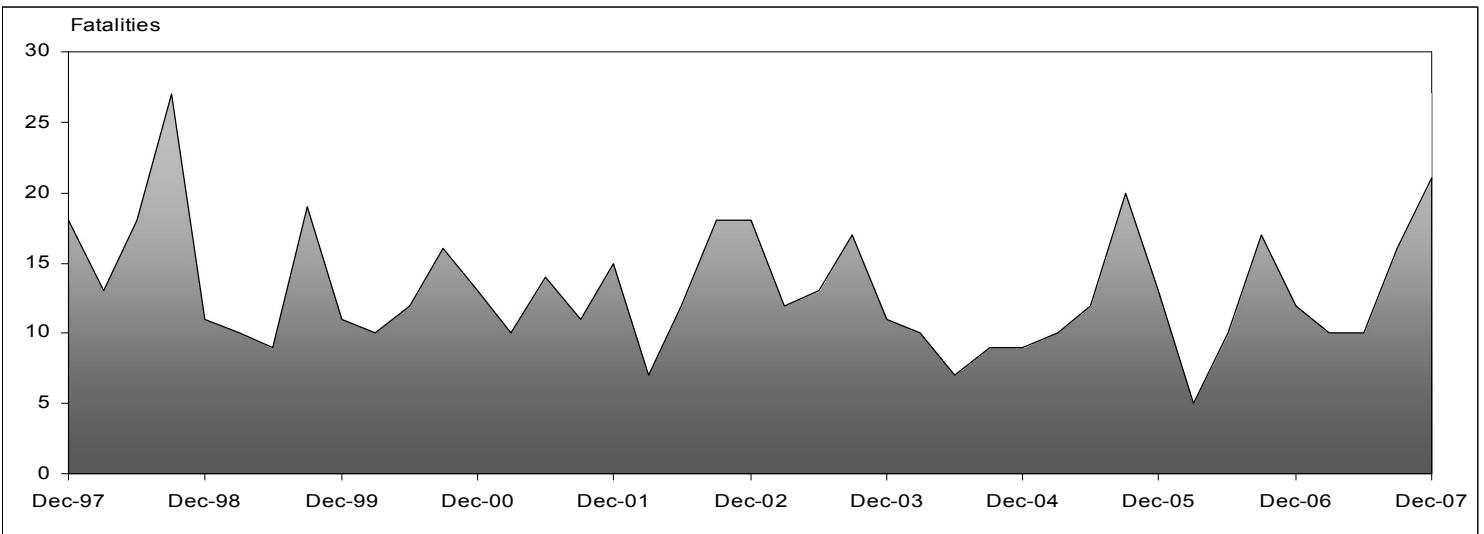
61 seatbelt related serious injuries (0.0% increase)

Of the 57 fatalities 12 months to date, alcohol related fatalities comprise 35.1%; speed related comprise 24.6%; fatigue related comprise 1.8% and seatbelt related comprise 38.6%.

Causal and compounding factors are not equal to the number of fatalities or serious injuries recorded. There may be more than one causal and/or compounding factor identified for each fatality or serious injury, or Police may not have identified a causal or compounding factor.

Speed related statistics more accurately refer to speeding rather than speed as a causal factor, where a driver was breaking the speed limit or travelling at a dangerous speed. Where there was no speed limit posted on Territory rural roads and highways, cause was likely to be attributed to a non-speed related cause such as 'driver inattention', notwithstanding that speed is a factor in any crash. Speed limits were introduced on rural roads and highways on 1 January 2007.

## Northern Territory quarterly fatalities and serious injuries – last 10 years



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## Summary of fatalities, serious injuries and crashes

Total	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Fatalities	21	12	75.0%	57	44	29.5%	57	44	29.5%
Serious injuries	148	125	18.4%	559	529	5.7%	559	529	5.7%

Total crashes	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Fatal	15	11	36.4%	47	41	14.6%	47	41	14.6%
Serious injury	108	83	30.1%	403	373	8.0%	403	373	8.0%

## Causal and compounding factors

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	4	4	0.0%	20	24	-16.7%	20	24	-16.7%
Speed	8	1	700.0%	14	7	100.0%	14	7	100.0%
Fatigue	1	1	0.0%	1	2	-50.0%	1	2	-50.0%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	12	6	100.0%	22	13	69.2%	22	13	69.2%

Serious injuries	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	24	17	41.2%	71	110	-35.5%	71	110	-35.5%
Speed	27	22	22.7%	80	49	63.3%	80	49	63.3%
Fatigue	11	2	450.0%	38	20	90.0%	38	20	90.0%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	11	18	-38.9%	61	61	0.0%	61	61	0.0%

## Residency status

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Northern Territory	18	12	50.0%	46	39	17.9%	46	39	17.9%
Overseas visitor	0	0	-	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%
Interstate visitor	2	0	-	6	4	50.0%	6	4	50.0%
Not Stated	1	0	-	3	0	-	3	0	-

Serious injuries	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Northern Territory	111	103	7.8%	454	430	5.6%	454	430	5.6%
Overseas visitor	6	7	-14.3%	25	30	-16.7%	25	30	-16.7%
Interstate visitor	20	10	100.0%	58	60	-3.3%	58	60	-3.3%
Not Stated	11	5	120.0%	22	9	144.4%	22	9	144.4%

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## Non-Indigenous and Indigenous

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Non Indigenous	9	6	50.0%	26	20	30.0%	26	20	30.0%
Indigenous	12	6	100.0%	30	24	25.0%	30	24	25.0%
Not stated	0	0	-	1	0	-	1	0	-

Serious injuries	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Non Indigenous	105	87	20.7%	393	396	-0.8%	393	396	-0.8%
Indigenous	38	38	0.0%	160	133	20.3%	160	133	20.3%
Not stated	5	0	-	6	0	-	6	0	-

## Road users

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Driver	7	7	0.0%	23	16	43.8%	23	16	43.8%
Passenger	10	2	400.0%	19	9	111.1%	19	9	111.1%
Pedestrian	3	2	50.0%	12	13	-7.7%	12	13	-7.7%
Motorcyclist	1	1	0.0%	3	6	-50.0%	3	6	-50.0%

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	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Driver	76	54	40.7%	250	258	-3.1%	250	258	-3.1%
Passenger	34	49	-30.6%	158	164	-3.7%	158	164	-3.7%
Pedestrian	12	8	50.0%	45	36	25.0%	45	36	25.0%
Motorcyclist	13	12	8.3%	62	46	34.8%	62	46	34.8%
Motorcycle pillion	4	0	-	8	2	300.0%	8	2	300.0%
Scooter rider	0	0	-	1	0	-	1	0	-
Bicyclist	5	2	150.0%	27	18	50.0%	27	18	50.0%
Bicycle pillion	0	0	-	1	0	-	1	0	-
Not known	4	0	-	7	5	40.0%	7	5	40.0%

## Pedestrians

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Non Indigenous	0	0	-	1	3	-66.7%	1	3	-66.7%
Indigenous	3	2	50.0%	11	10	10.0%	11	10	10.0%

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	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Non Indigenous	2	2	0.0%	9	10	-10.0%	9	10	-10.0%
Indigenous	10	6	66.7%	36	26	38.5%	36	26	38.5%

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## Gender

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Male	14	9	55.6%	41	32	28.1%	41	32	28.1%
Female	7	3	133.3%	16	12	33.3%	16	12	33.3%

Serious injuries	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Male	94	79	19.0%	373	332	12.3%	373	332	12.3%
Female	54	46	17.4%	185	197	-6.1%	185	197	-6.1%
Unknown	0	0	-	1	0	-	1	0	-

## Age group by years

Fatalities	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
0-4	0	0	-	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%
5-9	0	0	-	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%
10-14	1	0	-	2	0	-	2	0	-
15-19	2	3	-33.3%	3	5	-40.0%	3	5	-40.0%
20-24	5	0	-	11	9	22.2%	11	9	22.2%
25-29	5	0	-	10	4	150.0%	10	4	150.0%
30-34	1	3	-66.7%	4	6	-33.3%	4	6	-33.3%
35-39	3	2	50.0%	7	5	40.0%	7	5	40.0%
40-44	0	1	-100.0%	5	5	0.0%	5	5	0.0%
45-49	2	1	100.0%	4	2	100.0%	4	2	100.0%
50+	1	2	-50.0%	6	6	0.0%	6	6	0.0%
unknown	1	0	-	3	0	-	3	0	-

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0-4	0	4	-100.0%	4	13	-69.2%	4	13	-69.2%
5-9	3	2	50.0%	7	11	-36.4%	7	11	-36.4%
10-14	4	5	-20.0%	11	8	37.5%	11	8	37.5%
15-19	23	13	76.9%	97	56	73.2%	97	56	73.2%
20-24	17	12	41.7%	76	73	4.1%	76	73	4.1%
25-29	11	19	-42.1%	59	69	-14.5%	59	69	-14.5%
30-34	18	16	12.5%	51	61	-16.4%	51	61	-16.4%
35-39	17	15	13.3%	65	58	12.1%	65	58	12.1%
40-44	14	10	40.0%	52	56	-7.1%	52	56	-7.1%
45-49	9	5	80.0%	36	34	5.9%	36	34	5.9%
50+	27	22	22.7%	85	80	6.3%	85	80	6.3%
unknown	5	2	150.0%	16	10	60.0%	16	10	60.0%

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## Crash type

Fatal crashes	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Single vehicle	9	5	80.0%	25	17	47.1%	25	17	47.1%
Multiple vehicle	5	6	-16.7%	19	24	-20.8%	19	24	-20.8%
Other	1	0	-	3	0	-	3	0	-

Serious injury crashes	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Single vehicle	61	50	22.0%	213	207	2.9%	213	207	2.9%
Multiple vehicle	43	32	34.4%	176	155	13.5%	176	155	13.5%
Other	3	0	-	7	5	40.0%	7	5	40.0%
Hit animal	1	1	0.0%	8	6	33.3%	8	6	33.3%

## Crashes by region

Fatal crashes	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Darwin	5	3	66.7%	13	17	-23.5%	13	17	-23.5%
Central Australia	6	2	200.0%	21	11	90.9%	21	11	90.9%
Katherine	2	3	-33.3%	8	7	14.3%	8	7	14.3%
Tennant Creek	2	2	0.0%	5	2	150.0%	5	2	150.0%
East Arnhem	0	1	-100.0%	0	4	-100.0%	0	4	-100.0%

Serious injury crashes	4th quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Oct-Dec 07	Oct-Dec 06	% change	Jan-Dec 07	Jan-Dec 06	% change	Jan 07-Dec 07	Jan 06-Dec 06	% change
Darwin	61	49	24.5%	249	218	14.2%	249	218	14.2%
Central Australia	19	12	58.3%	69	67	3.0%	69	67	3.0%
Katherine	14	10	40.0%	37	46	-19.6%	37	46	-19.6%
Tennant Creek	9	9	0.0%	29	31	-6.5%	29	31	-6.5%
East Arnhem	5	3	66.7%	20	11	81.8%	20	11	81.8%

The statistics presented in this report reflect data recorded on the Northern Territory Vehicle Accident Database at the date of publication (9 July 2008). All figures may be subject to revision as crash information or detail is updated.

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