

## Key Statistics

Between 1 July and 30 September 2008 there have been 25 fatalities and 187 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:

78 fatalities (62.5% increase)

648 serious injuries (20.7% increase)

3 overseas visitor fatalities (no change)

33 overseas visitor serious injuries (26.9% increase)

5 interstate visitor fatalities (25.0% increase)

64 interstate visitor serious injuries (33.3% increase)

35 Indigenous fatalities (40.0% increase)

174 Indigenous serious injuries (8.1% increase)

16 pedestrian fatalities (45.5% increase)

49 pedestrian serious injuries (16.7% increase)

10 pedestrian fatalities were Indigenous (62.5% of total pedestrians)

9 motorcyclist fatalities (200.0% increase)

63 motorcyclist serious injuries (no change)

Of the 78 fatalities 12 months to date, 3.8% were overseas visitors and 6.4% were interstate visitors. 44.9% were Indigenous people. 20.5% were pedestrians and 11.5% were motorcyclists.

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

18 alcohol related fatalities (10.0% decrease)

97 alcohol related serious injuries (51.6% increase)

27 speed related fatalities (285.7% increase)

102 speed related serious injuries (25.9% increase)

3 fatigue related fatalities (200.0% increase)

36 fatigue related serious injuries (24.1% increase)

31 seatbelt related fatalities (93.8% increase)

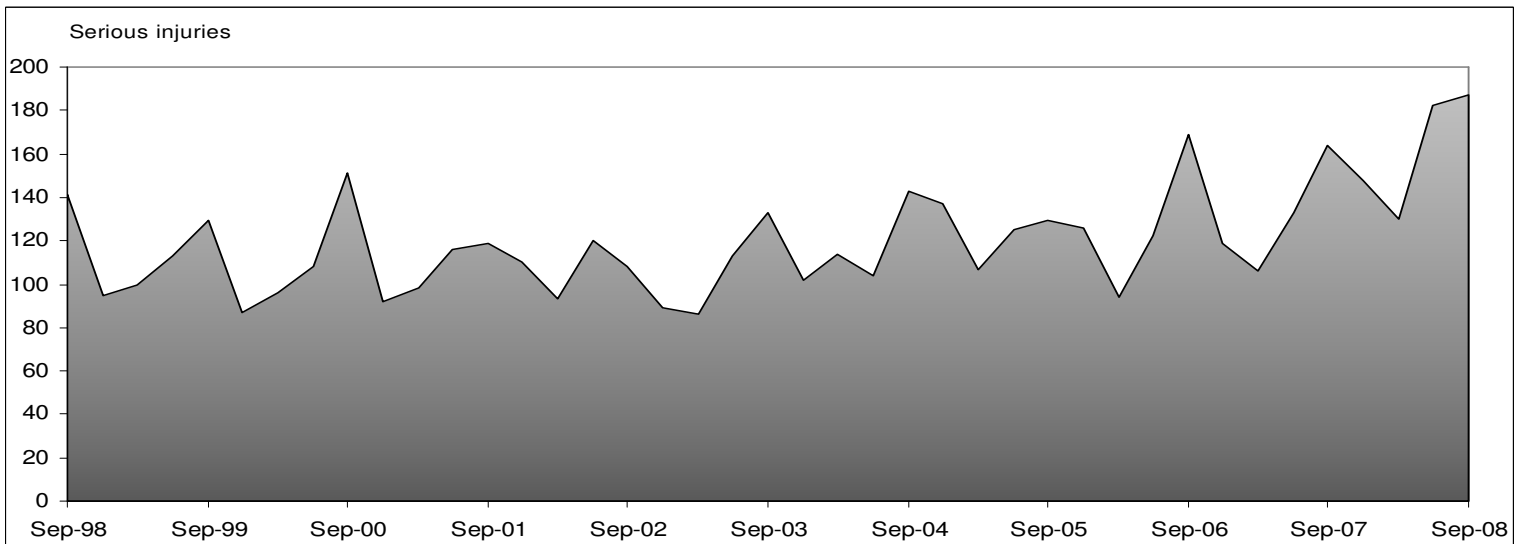
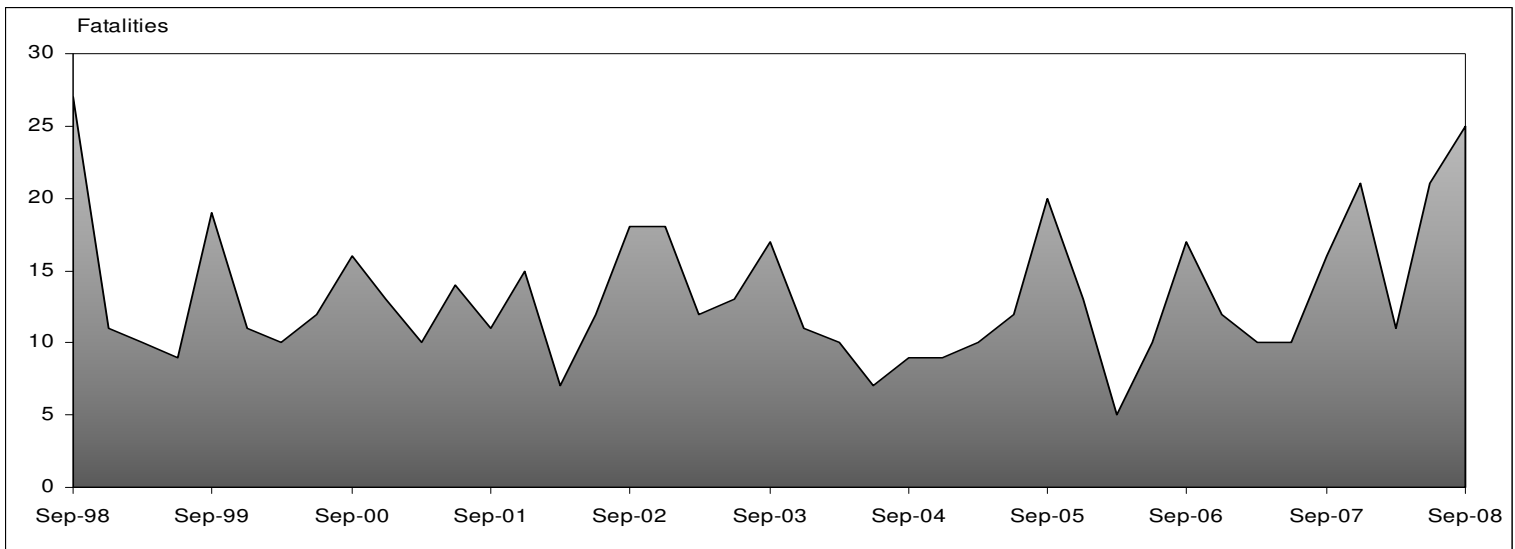
69 seatbelt related serious injuries (1.5% increase)

Of the 78 fatalities 12 months to date, alcohol related fatalities comprise 23.1%; speed related comprise 34.6%; fatigue related comprise 3.8% and seatbelt related comprise 39.7%.

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 fatalities and serious injuries - last 10 years



QUARTERLY STATISTICS JULY - SEPTEMBER 2008

## Summary of fatalities, serious injuries and crashes

Total	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Fatalities	25	16	56.3%	57	36	58.3%	78	48	62.5%
Serious injuries	187	166	12.7%	499	412	21.1%	648	537	20.7%

Total crashes	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Apr-Jun 08	Apr-Jun 07	% change	Apr-Jun 08	Apr-Jun 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Fatal	22	13	69.2%	53	32	65.6%	68	43	58.1%
Serious injuries	123	127	-3.1%	340	296	14.9%	448	379	18.2%

## Causal and compounding factors

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	2	5	-60.0%	14	16	-12.5%	18	20	-10.0%
Speed	12	5	140.0%	19	6	216.7%	27	7	285.7%
Fatigue	1	0	-	2	0	-	3	1	200.0%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	10	4	150.0%	19	10	90.0%	31	16	93.8%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	17	15	13.3%	70	47	48.9%	97	64	51.6%
Speed	24	26	-7.7%	73	58	25.9%	102	81	25.9%
Fatigue	14	17	-17.6%	25	27	-7.4%	36	29	24.1%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	18	28	-35.7%	57	50	14.0%	69	68	1.5%

## Residency status

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Northern Territory	20	13	53.8%	49	29	69.0%	68	41	65.9%
Overseas visitor	2	1	100.0%	3	3	0.0%	3	3	0.0%
Interstate visitor	2	2	0.0%	3	4	-25.0%	5	4	25.0%
Not stated	1	0	-	2	0	-	2	0	-

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Northern Territory	141	136	3.7%	384	345	11.3%	495	449	10.2%
Overseas visitor	6	4	50.0%	27	19	42.1%	33	26	26.9%
Interstate visitor	13	19	-31.6%	43	38	13.2%	64	48	33.3%
Not stated	27	7	285.7%	45	10	350.0%	56	14	300.0%

# Territory Road Crash Overview

QUARTERLY STATISTICS JULY - SEPTEMBER 2008

## Non-Indigenous and Indigenous

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	11	6	83.3%	34	17	100.0%	43	23	87.0%
Indigenous	14	10	40.0%	23	19	21.1%	35	25	40.0%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	139	104	33.7%	342	288	18.8%	448	375	19.5%
Indigenous	44	61	-27.9%	136	123	10.6%	174	161	8.1%
Not stated	4	1	300.0%	21	1	2000.0%	26	1	2500.0%

## Road users

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Driver	7	8	-12.5%	19	16	18.8%	27	23	17.4%
Passenger	12	5	140.0%	17	9	88.9%	26	11	136.4%
Pedestrian	2	3	-33.3%	13	9	44.4%	16	11	45.5%
Motorcyclist	4	0	-	8	2	300.0%	9	3	200.0%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Driver	86	78	10.3%	230	173	32.9%	306	227	34.8%
Passenger	53	49	8.2%	145	124	16.9%	180	173	4.0%
Pedestrian	9	12	-25.0%	37	34	8.8%	49	42	16.7%
Motorcyclist	18	20	-10.0%	50	51	-2.0%	63	63	0.0%
Motorcycle pillion	2	0	-	3	4	-25.0%	7	4	75.0%
Bicyclist	8	7	14.3%	17	22	-22.7%	22	24	-8.3%
Bicycle pillion	0	0	-	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%
Not known	11	0	-	17	3	466.7%	21	3	600.0%

## Pedestrians

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	0	0	-	6	1	500.0%	6	1	500.0%
Indigenous	2	3	-33.3%	7	8	-12.5%	10	10	0.0%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	4	1	300.0%	12	7	71.4%	14	9	55.6%
Indigenous	5	11	-54.5%	23	27	-14.8%	33	33	0.0%
Not stated	0	0	-	2	0	-	2	0	-

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## Gender

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Male	17	12	41.7%	40	28	42.9%	54	37	45.9%
Female	8	4	100.0%	17	8	112.5%	24	11	118.2%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Male	118	111	6.3%	316	281	12.5%	411	360	14.2%
Female	69	55	25.5%	183	131	39.7%	237	177	33.9%

## Age group by years

Fatalities	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
0-4	0	1	-100.0%	3	2	50.0%	3	2	50.0%
5-9	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0	-
10-14	0	0	-	0	1	-100.0%	1	1	0.0%
15-19	2	0	-	8	1	700.0%	10	4	150.0%
20-24	3	4	-25.0%	8	6	33.3%	14	6	133.3%
25-29	3	2	50.0%	4	5	-20.0%	9	5	80.0%
30-34	5	2	150.0%	7	5	40.0%	8	8	0.0%
35-39	3	2	50.0%	3	4	-25.0%	6	6	0.0%
40-44	1	2	-50.0%	6	5	20.0%	6	6	0.0%
45-49	4	0	-	5	2	150.0%	7	3	133.3%
50+	4	3	33.3%	13	5	160.0%	14	7	100.0%

Serious injuries	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
0-4	2	0	-	7	4	75.0%	7	8	-12.5%
5-9	7	1	600.0%	16	4	300.0%	19	6	216.7%
10-14	4	2	100.0%	18	7	157.1%	22	12	83.3%
15-19	30	31	-3.2%	70	75	-6.7%	93	88	5.7%
20-24	33	21	57.1%	92	59	55.9%	109	71	53.5%
25-29	20	20	0.0%	53	48	10.4%	65	67	-3.0%
30-34	11	14	-21.4%	36	34	5.9%	54	50	8.0%
35-39	15	20	-25.0%	47	48	-2.1%	64	63	1.6%
40-44	14	15	-6.7%	38	38	0.0%	52	48	8.3%
45-49	16	11	45.5%	39	27	44.4%	48	32	50.0%
50+	29	29	0.0%	70	58	20.7%	97	80	21.3%
Unknown	6	2	200.0%	13	10	30.0%	18	12	50.0%

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## Crash type

Fatal crashes	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Single vehicle	16	7	128.6%	32	16	100.0%	41	21	95.2%
Multiple vehicle	5	5	0.0%	19	14	35.7%	24	20	20.0%
Other accident	0	1	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	1	2	-50.0%
Hit animal	1	0	-	2	0	-	2	0	-

Serious injury crashes	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Single vehicle	63	73	-13.7%	179	152	17.8%	240	202	18.8%
Multiple vehicle	51	49	4.1%	141	133	6.0%	184	165	11.5%
Other accident	2	1	100.0%	4	4	0.0%	7	4	75.0%
Hit animal	4	4	0.0%	9	7	28.6%	10	8	25.0%
Unknown	3	0	-	7	0	-	7	0	-

## Crashes by region

Fatal crashes	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Darwin	15	4	275.0%	35	8	337.5%	40	11	263.6%
Central Australia	4	6	-33.3%	11	15	-26.7%	17	17	0.0%
Katherine	0	2	-100.0%	4	6	-33.3%	6	9	-33.3%
Tennant Creek	2	1	100.0%	2	3	-33.3%	4	5	-20.0%
East Arnhem	1	0	-	1	0	-	1	1	0.0%

Serious injury crashes	3rd quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jul-Sep 08	Jul-Sep 07	% change	Jan-Sep 08	Jan-Sep 07	% change	Oct 07-Sep 08	Oct 06-Sep 07	% change
Darwin	74	79	-6.3%	201	188	6.9%	262	237	10.5%
Central Australia	26	24	8.3%	77	49	57.1%	96	61	57.4%
Katherine	10	10	0.0%	29	23	26.1%	43	33	30.3%
Tennant Creek	10	10	0.0%	23	20	15.0%	32	29	10.3%
East Arnhem	3	4	-25.0%	10	16	-37.5%	15	19	-21.1%

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

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