1982-2018 Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Crashes

Total driving fatalities have declined 17% since 1982.
Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities have decreased 50% since 1982.

Source: 2018 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 2019. Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities represent the total number of fatalities (occupants and nonoccupants) in motor vehicle traffic crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher, Fatal Analysis Reporting System (FARS).
Alcohol-impaired driving fatalities fell to the lowest percentage of overall fatalities since 1982.

Source: 2018 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 2019. Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities represent the total number of fatalities (occupants and nonoccupants) in motor vehicle traffic crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher, Fatal Analysis Reporting System (FARS).
1982-2018 Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Crashes by Highest Driver BAC in Crash

Most driving fatalities do not involve a drinking driver.

2018 Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes by Driver BAC

Most driving fatalities do not involve an alcohol-impaired driver..

Most alcohol impaired-driving fatalities involve high-BAC drivers (.15+).

2018 Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes by Driver BAC

Most driving fatalities do not involve an alcohol-impaired driver.
Most alcohol impaired-driving fatalities involve high-BAC drivers (.15+).

Most impaired-driving fatalities involve high-BAC drivers (.15+).

In 2018, the average BAC among alcohol impaired drivers involved in fatal crashes was 0.18.
Total alcohol impaired-driving fatalities per billion vehicle miles traveled declined 76% since 1982 and 4% in the past five years.
1982-2018 Total Alcohol Impaired-Driving Fatalities vs. Vehicle Miles Traveled

Vehicle miles traveled have increased 103% since 1982.

Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities have decreased 50% since 1982.


1982-2018 Total Alcohol Impaired-Driving Fatalities vs. Licensed Drivers

Licensed drivers have increased 51% since 1982.

Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities have decreased 50% since 1982.

1982-2018 Total Alcohol Impaired-Driving Fatalities vs. U.S. Population

The U.S. population has increased 41% since 1982.

Alcohol impaired-driving fatalities have decreased 50% since 1982.

Total fatalities involving a teen driver have declined 59% since 1982 and increased 3% in the past five years.

Fatalities involving a teen alcohol impaired-driver have decreased 83% since 1982 and 8% in the past five years.

Source: 2018 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 2019. Teen driving fatalities represent the total number of fatalities (occupants and nonoccupants) in motor vehicle traffic crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider ages 16-20. Teen impaired-driving fatalities represent the total number of fatalities (occupants and nonoccupants) in motor vehicle traffic crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider ages 16-20 with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher, Fatal Analysis Reporting System (FARS).
2017 Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes Involving Various Factors

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