



## Driver Errors At Various BAC Levels And Drug Usage

This report lists driver errors and other driver related factors noted in the FARS (Fatal Analysis Reporting System) database. We have listed the number of drivers committing these errors according to alcohol and/or drug usage including drivers who used no alcohol or drugs.

What is interesting to note is that in no instance do we find driver errors that are committed only by drivers using drugs or alcohol. And in all cases the number of sober drivers committing these same errors far exceeds the number of drivers with drugs or alcohol that made the same mistakes. **Of the 57,803 drivers that committed driver errors , 80% of these errors were committed by SOBER drivers!**

It should be noted that in some cases drivers committed multiple errors. This report shows only the first such error listed in the fars database.

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| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Debris or Objects in Road</b>                                    | 29         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 30            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Ice, Water, Snow, Slush, Sand, Dirt, Oil, Wet Leaves on Road</b> | 218        | 5       | 0       | 3       | 2       | 2       | 8        | 12               | 6                 | 256           |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Live Animals in Road</b>   | 61         | 2       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 1        | 6                | 0                 | 71            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Pedestrian, Pedalcyclist, or Other Non-Motorist in Road</b>      | 53         | 1       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 1                 | 57            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Phantom Vehicle</b>  | 53         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0        | 2                | 0                 | 56            |

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| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Ruts, Holes, Bumps in Road</b>     | 3          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 0                | 0                 | 4             |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Severe Crosswind</b>               | 9          | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 2        | 0                | 0                 | 12            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Slippery or Loose Surface</b>      | 15         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 1                 | 17            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Tire Blow-Out or Flat</b>          | 79         | 6       | 1       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 4                | 1                 | 93            |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Trailer Fishtailing or Swaying</b> | 5          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 5             |
| <b>Avoiding, Swerving, or Sliding due to: Vehicle in Road</b>                | 192        | 3       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 4                | 2                 | 203           |
| <b>Driving Less than Posted Maximum</b>                                      | 31         | 0       | 1       | 0       | 3       | 1       | 5        | 1                | 0                 | 42            |
| <b>Driving on Wrong Side of Road (Intentionally or Unintentionally)</b>      | 333        | 8       | 7       | 3       | 8       | 9       | 122      | 22               | 28                | 540           |
| <b>Driving too Fast for Conditions or in Excess of Posted Speed Limit</b>    | 3495       | 163     | 78      | 97      | 103     | 163     | 884      | 230              | 290               | 5503          |

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| <b>Driving Wrong Way on One-Way Trafficway</b>  | 15         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 2       | 11       | 0                | 0                 | 29            |
| <b>Drowsy, Sleepy, Asleep, Fatigued</b>   | 812        | 21      | 9       | 9       | 7       | 11      | 56       | 57               | 32                | 1014          |
| <b>Drugs-Medication</b>   | 21         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 4        | 6                | 5                 | 36            |
| <b>Emotional (e.g. Depression, Angry, Disturbed)</b>  | 50         | 2       | 4       | 2       | 4       | 4       | 8        | 7                | 7                 | 88            |
| <b>Failing to Dim Lights or to Have Lights on when Required</b>   | 19         | 4       | 1       | 2       | 1       | 2       | 4        | 3                | 5                 | 41            |
| <b>Failure to keep in Proper Lane or Running off Road</b>   | 2891       | 116     | 44      | 42      | 74      | 77      | 434      | 271              | 146               | 4095          |
| <b>Failure to Obey Traffic Actual Signs, Traffic Control Devices or traffic Officers, Failure to Observe Safety Zone Traffic Laws</b> | 1415       | 42      | 11      | 18      | 21      | 21      | 148      | 70               | 39                | 1785          |
| <b>Failure to Observe Warnings or Instructions on Vehicle Displaying Them</b>   | 15         | 2       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 3                | 1                 | 23            |
| <b>Failure to Signal Intentions</b>   | 14         | 2       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 2                | 0                 | 19            |

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| <b>Failure to Yield Right of Way</b>                                       | 3520       | 64      | 15      | 23      | 13      | 25      | 94       | 104              | 22                | 3880          |
| <b>Following Improperly</b>  | 279        | 5       | 4       | 0       | 3       | 5       | 29       | 15               | 6                 | 346           |
| <b>Getting Off/Out of or On/In to Moving Vehicle</b>                       | 31         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 2       | 1       | 9        | 0                | 1                 | 45            |
| <b>High Speed Chase with Police in Pursuit</b>                             | 49         | 1       | 0       | 2       | 2       | 1       | 21       | 17               | 9                 | 102           |
| <b>Hit-and-Run Vehicle Drive</b>   | 817        | 6       | 3       | 5       | 3       | 5       | 28       | 6                | 11                | 884           |
| <b>Ill, Passed Out/Blackout</b>  | 298        | 7       | 1       | 3       | 2       | 2       | 7        | 19               | 3                 | 342           |
| <b>Illegal Driving on Road Shoulder, in Ditch or Sidewalk or on Median</b> | 27         | 1       | 0       | 3       | 1       | 0       | 6        | 0                | 1                 | 39            |
| <b>Impaired Due to Previous Injury</b>                                     | 5          | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 2        | 1                | 1                 | 10            |
| <b>Improper or Erratic Lane Changing</b>                                   | 235        | 9       | 2       | 3       | 1       | 6       | 17       | 14               | 9                 | 296           |

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| <b>Inattentive (Talking, Eating, etc.)</b>  | 2219       | 85      | 29      | 33      | 44      | 50      | 285      | 137              | 72                | 2954          |
| <b>Legally Driving on Suspended or Revoked License</b>                                | 3          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 3             |
| <b>Locked Wheel</b>   | 49         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 2                | 1                 | 53            |
| <b>Making Improper Entry to or Exit from Trafficway</b>                               | 54         | 0       | 1       | 0       | 1       | 1       | 3        | 1                | 0                 | 61            |
| <b>Making Improper Turn</b>   | 297        | 4       | 5       | 6       | 2       | 6       | 30       | 18               | 8                 | 376           |
| <b>Making Right Turn from Left Turn Lane or Making Left Turn from Right Turn Lane</b> | 13         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 3        | 0                | 0                 | 16            |
| <b>Mentally Challenged</b>  | 8          | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 0                | 0                 | 10            |
| <b>Mother of Dead Fetus</b>   | 15         | 2       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 18            |
| <b>None</b>   | 18977      | 238     | 51      | 59      | 44      | 38      | 134      | 374              | 98                | 20013         |

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| <b>Non-Traffic Violation Charged - Manslaughter or Homicide or Other Assault</b>   | 230        | 8       | 16      | 14      | 10      | 14      | 58       | 10               | 7                 | 367           |
| <b>Opening Vehicle Closure into Moving Traffic or Vehicle is in Motion</b>   | 1          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 1             |
| <b>Operating the Vehicle in an Erratic, Reckless, Careless or Negligent Manner or Operating at erratic or Suddenly Changing Speeds</b> | 1304       | 71      | 43      | 44      | 56      | 62      | 309      | 71               | 61                | 2021          |
| <b>Operating without Required Equipment</b>  | 327        | 10      | 3       | 4       | 3       | 1       | 35       | 17               | 14                | 414           |
| <b>Operator Inexperience</b>   | 61         | 1       | 1       | 0       | 2       | 0       | 2        | 6                | 1                 | 74            |
| <b>Other Non-Moving Traffic Violation</b>  | 494        | 24      | 9       | 2       | 6       | 7       | 27       | 15               | 8                 | 592           |
| <b>Other Physical Impairment (Includes Paraplegic)</b>   | 20         | 2       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 0       | 2        | 1                | 2                 | 30            |
| <b>Over Correcting</b>   | 162        | 6       | 3       | 7       | 6       | 4       | 44       | 13               | 8                 | 253           |
| <b>Overloading or Improper Loading of Vehicle with Passengers or Cargo</b>   | 62         | 0       | 2       | 1       | 0       | 1       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 67            |

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| <b>Passing on Wrong Side</b>  | 25         | 2       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 4        | 1                | 2                 | 38            |
| <b>Passing Through or Around Barrier</b>  | 2          | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 3             |
| <b>Passing where Prohibited by Posted Signs, Pavement Markings, Hill or Curve, or School Bus Displaying Warning not to Pass</b> | 89         | 2       | 0       | 2       | 2       | 2       | 16       | 9                | 5                 | 127           |
| <b>Passing with insufficient Distance or Inadequate Visibility or Failing to Yield to Overtaking Vehicle</b>                    | 197        | 4       | 6       | 4       | 5       | 3       | 27       | 9                | 8                 | 263           |
| <b>Police or Law Enforcement Officer</b>  | 44         | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 45            |
| <b>Possible Distractions Inside Vehicle: Cellular Telephone</b>   | 345        | 3       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 2                | 0                 | 352           |
| <b>Possible Distractions Inside Vehicle: Computer Fax Machines/Printers</b>   | 1          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 1             |
| <b>Possible Distractions Inside Vehicle: Fax Machine</b>  | 12         | 3       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 2                 | 17            |
| <b>Possible Distractions Inside Vehicle: Heads-up Display</b>   | 2          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 2             |

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| <b>Possible Distractions Inside Vehicle:<br/>Two-Way Radio</b> | 1          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 1             |
| <b>Racing</b>  | 19         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 4        | 1                | 1                 | 26            |
| <b>Restricted to Wheelchair</b>                                | 1          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 2             |
| <b>Running off Road</b>  | 4646       | 253     | 126     | 140     | 199     | 203     | 1472     | 414              | 460               | 7913          |
| <b>Seat Back Not in Normal Position, Seat Back Reclined</b>    | 2          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 2             |
| <b>Starting or Backing Improperly</b>                          | 76         | 1       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 0       | 2        | 1                | 0                 | 83            |
| <b>Stopping in Roadway (Vehicle not Abandoned)</b>             | 117        | 3       | 1       | 1       | 0       | 2       | 16       | 8                | 1                 | 149           |
| <b>Towing or Pushing Vehicle Improperly</b>                    | 15         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 17            |
| <b>Traveling on Prohibited Trafficways</b>                     | 16         | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 17            |

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| <b>Underriding a Parked Truck</b>  | 1          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 1             |
| <b>Unfamiliar with Roadway</b>   | 14         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 15            |
| <b>Unknown</b>   | 753        | 17      | 6       | 11      | 7       | 3       | 27       | 17               | 13                | 854           |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Broken or Improperly Cleaned Windshield</b>                                     | 3          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 3             |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Building, Billboard, etc.</b>   | 9          | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0                | 0                 | 9             |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Curve, Hill, Or Other Design Features (including Traffic signs, Embankment)</b> | 50         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 3                | 0                 | 54            |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Inadequate Lighting System</b>  | 12         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1        | 1                | 0                 | 14            |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Motor Vehicle (including load)</b>  | 73         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 2                | 0                 | 76            |
| <b>Vision Obscured By: Obstructing Angles on Vehicle</b>   | 13         | 1       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1                | 0                 | 15            |

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| Vision Obscured By: Other Obstruction                            | 13           | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0                | 0                 | 13            |
| Vision Obscured By: Parked Vehicle                               | 15           | 0           | 0          | 0          | 2          | 0          | 0           | 0                | 0                 | 17            |
| Vision Obscured By: Rain, Snow, Fog, Smoke, Sand, Dust           | 273          | 2           | 0          | 2          | 0          | 0          | 2           | 2                | 0                 | 281           |
| Vision Obscured By: Reflected Glare, Bright Sunlight, Headlights | 68           | 2           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 5                | 1                 | 76            |
| Vision Obscured By: Splash or Spray or Passing Vehicle           | 1            | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0                | 0                 | 1             |
| Vision Obscured By: Trees, Crops, Vegetation                     | 29           | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 1                | 0                 | 30            |
| <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>46322</b> | <b>1225</b> | <b>488</b> | <b>554</b> | <b>643</b> | <b>737</b> | <b>4409</b> | <b>2025</b>      | <b>1400</b>       | <b>57803</b>  |