

--Fatal Crashes **September 12, 2017 – September 18, 2017:**

- 9/13/17: Salisbury, Dewey Rd. Single vehicle ran off road into telephone pole. Driver fatality. Seatbelt not used. Alcohol suspected.
- 9/18/17: Maidstone, VT 102. Multiple motorcycle crash. Single driver fatality. Helmets worn.

--2017 Fatalities: **47** Total – **32** vehicle operators, **10** passengers, **5** pedestrians

As of **September 18 in each calendar year:**

Year	Fatalities (people)	Fatal Crashes
2017	47	42
2016	42	39
2015	39	34
2014	31	30

--2017 Fatal Crash data **known to-date (September 18, 2017):**

- 2** Double fatality crashes.
- 0** Triple fatality crashes.
- 1** Quadruple fatality crash.
- 5** operators suspected as driving under the influence of alcohol only.
- 8** operators suspected as driving under the influence of drugs only.
- 6** operators suspected as driving under the influence of both alcohol & drugs
  - 9 Active Cannabis – Delta 9 THC confirmed**
- 17** operators suspected to be speeding.
- 9** operator(s) under suspended license.
- 0** person operating without a license.
- 9** Motorcyclist Fatalities
- 10** “Older Drivers” involved (Older Driver is defined as any person age 65 or older. & “involved” does **not** imply “fault”)
- 1** Junior License operators involved in fatal crashes.
- 3** Crashes *involving* a Commercial Motor Vehicle (“*involving*” does **not** imply “fault”)

--Total **47** Fatalities:

- 5 Pedestrians
- 0 Bicyclists
- 13 Belted
- 18 Unbelted
- 7 Wearing Helmet/DOT Approved Helmet (Motor-Driven Cycles & ATV)
- 1 Not wearing Helmet/DOT Approved Helmet (Motor-Driven Cycles)
- 0 Improperly Restrained/Incorrect use of Belt or Child Safety Seat
- 3 Unknown Restraint Use

**58%** **Of all fatalities: involving vehicles with seatbelts available were Unbelted. This percentage does not consider the 2 unknown restraint cases. (Sum of “Belted” & “Unbelted”, divided into “Unbelted”)**

**\*The above-mentioned data is preliminary as final investigation reports and toxicology are still pending in many cases.**

**If you wish to see additional statewide crash information, please go to the Vermont Highway Safety Alliance web page at: <http://vermonthighwaysafety.org>. The opening page counts are updated as soon as we are notified of a fatal crash. If you wish further detailed queries, just let me know.**

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