

Road Type

In 2006, 515 people died on Georgia county roads compared to 418 on interstates and city streets combined.

Non-interstate state routes and county roads have much higher fatality rates than interstates.

VMT on county roads has increased 14% from 2000 to 2006 while fatalities have increased by 16%. No other road classification has seen that large of an increase in VMT or fatalities.

Crash Outcomes by Road Type and Year (Number and Rate per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled)								
Road Type	#s & Rates	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Interstates	Fatalities	230	262	216	228	248	256	237
	Fatality Rate	0.83	0.93	0.76	0.76	0.81	0.84	0.77
	Injuries	13,987	15,103	14,294	14,152	14,665	15,279	14,363
	Injury Rate	50.7	53.7	50.5	47.5	47.9	50.2	46.9
	Crashes	34,024	35,995	37,106	37,503	39,162	39,991	38,780
	Crash Rate	123.4	128.1	131.1	125.7	127.9	131.4	126.7
Other State Roads	Fatalities	707	756	717	723	769	776	770
	Fatality Rate	1.80	1.88	1.81	1.84	1.90	1.99	1.94
	Injuries	48,070	48,229	49,971	49,504	51,844	51,581	48,787
	Injury Rate	122.4	120.0	125.9	125.8	128.1	132.1	123.2
	Crashes	96,157	98,152	103,930	103,685	108,344	109,378	105,781
	Crash Rate	244.9	244.2	261.9	263.5	267.7	280.2	267.1
County Road	Fatalities	442	460	456	497	467	549	515
	Fatality Rate	1.55	1.51	1.48	1.59	1.37	1.68	1.58
	Injuries	33,950	35,731	36,602	37,411	39,686	39,984	38,783
	Injury Rate	119.2	117.5	118.5	119.8	116.1	122.5	119.2
	Crashes	85,024	90,204	95,407	99,802	104,422	106,185	105,025
	Crash Rate	298.6	296.7	308.9	319.7	305.5	325.3	322.7
City Street	Fatalities	170	178	142	162	157	163	181
	Fatality Rate	2.06	2.20	1.79	2.04	2.17	1.90	2.13
	Injuries	34,601	33,242	31,756	31,812	31,798	32,209	31,466
	Injury Rate	419.2	410.6	400.6	400.3	439.7	375.4	369.7
	Crashes	94,563	93,500	91,331	90,622	90,703	92,098	92,570
	Crash Rate	1,145.6	1,154.8	1,152.1	1,140.3	1,254.1	1,073.3	1,087.6

Crashes, Injuries and Fatalities by County Population Size (3yr. Averages - 03' - 05')						
County Category*	Crashes		Injuries		Fatalities	
	#	Rate	#	Rate	#	Rate
Pop > 100,000 (13)	211,311	420.4	74,145	147.5	591	1.18
Pop 25,000 to 99,999 (39)	92,461	279.2	42,428	128.1	550	1.66
Pop <25,000 (107)	36,751	136.6	20,030	74.4	523	1.94
*Number of counties in each category in parenthesis						

Table shows Georgia's 159 counties grouped into 'urban,' 'suburban,' and 'rural' categories based upon population.

Fatalities almost evenly distributed among three categories.

While only 18% of the Georgia population lives in the 107 rural counties, 32% of fatalities occur there.

On average, rural counties characterized by very high fatality rates, but relatively low crash rates.