

2026 Texas DWI Crash Report

Analysis of TxDOT's latest available
2025 DUI (Alcohol) crash data

22,194

ALCOHOL-INVOLVED CRASHES

906

PEOPLE KILLED

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Executive summary

Texas recorded 22,194 crashes in TxDOT's DUI (Alcohol) dataset during 2025. The crashes killed 906 people and caused 2,133 suspected serious injuries.

- 1. 906 people died and 2,133 suffered suspected serious injuries.
- 2. Fatalities declined from 1,053 in 2024 to 906 in 2025 - a decrease of 147, or approximately 14.0%.
- 3. Harris County recorded 3,090 crashes, about 13.9% of the statewide total.
- 4. Saturday and Sunday together accounted for approximately 47.9% of the statewide total.
- 5. The 2:00-2:59 a.m. hour recorded 2,441 crashes and 108 fatal crashes.

Statewide measures

Measure	2025 total
Total crashes	22,194
Fatal crashes	809
Fatalities	906
Suspected serious-injury crashes	1,547
Suspected serious injuries	2,133

Comparable fatality measure

Year	Fatalities
2024	1,053
2025	906
Change	-147 (-14.0%)

Counties with the most crashes

Official TxDOT county totals. Ranking is by total crashes.

Rank / county	Crashes	Fatal	Deaths	Serious injuries
1. Harris	3,090	126	138	224
2. Dallas	1,986	71	79	174
3. Bexar	1,621	44	46	99
4. Tarrant	1,449	31	31	122
5. Travis	1,140	33	34	38
6. Hidalgo	675	15	16	68
7. El Paso	648	21	22	44
8. Collin	629	20	25	39
9. Denton	553	10	10	33
10. Montgomery	426	13	14	46

Selected Texas cities

Official city totals from TxDOT. These are city totals, not metropolitan-area totals.

Rank / city	Crashes	Fatal crashes	Deaths	Serious injuries
1. Houston	1,860	75	86	125
2. San Antonio	1,347	38	40	75
3. Austin	879	23	23	23
4. Dallas	875	40	42	94
5. El Paso	486	16	17	28
6. Corpus Christi	295	8	9	22
7. Amarillo	246	4	4	33
8. Lubbock	241	3	4	15
9. Odessa	194	5	5	9
10. Brownsville	141	1	1	16
11. McAllen	137	4	4	20
12. Midland	134	5	5	12
13. Laredo	126	0	0	2

Selected-county market groupings

Calculated sums of the listed county totals. These editorial groupings are not official TxDOT metro definitions.

Market / counties	Calculated crashes
Dallas-Fort Worth: Dallas, Tarrant, Collin, Denton	4,617
Houston area: Harris, Montgomery, Fort Bend	3,809
San Antonio area: Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe	1,912
Austin corridor: Travis, Williamson, Hays	1,756
Rio Grande Valley: Hidalgo, Cameron	1,066
El Paso: El Paso County	648
Permian Basin: Ector, Midland	514
Corpus Christi: Nueces County	350
Amarillo area: Potter, Randall	318
Lubbock: Lubbock County	302
Laredo: Webb County	134

When crashes happen

Day or hour	Total crashes	Fatal crashes
Saturday	5,390	214
Sunday	5,242	194
Friday	3,462	118
2:00-2:59 a.m.	2,441	108
12:00-12:59 a.m.	1,875	55
11:00-11:59 p.m.	1,853	71

Day totals and hourly totals are separate views of the same statewide dataset and should not be added together.

Evidence checklist for injured people

- Police crash report and case number
- Blood or breath test records
- Body-camera and dash-camera video
- 911 audio and dispatch logs
- Photos, vehicle data and witness contacts
- Bar receipts and surveillance when relevant
- Medical records and bills
- Insurance declarations and UM/UIM coverage

Methodology and limitations

We transcribed published totals from TxDOT's 2025 statewide comparison, county, city, and hour/day tables, processed April 7, 2026. County and selected-city rankings use total crashes. Selected-county market totals are calculated sums of the counties expressly listed.

TxDOT crash data is administrative data and may be revised. Suspected serious injury is the severity label used in the source tables. Counts describe reported crashes and people; they do not establish civil liability, insurance coverage, compensation eligibility or settlement value.

The year-over-year comparison uses TxDOT's 2024 DUI-alcohol fatality total of 1,053 and comparable 2025 total of 906. We did not combine that measure with broader drug-or-alcohol statistics.

Source documents

- TxDOT 2025 Motor Vehicle Traffic Crash Data archive
- 2025 Total DUI (Alcohol) Fatal and Injury Crashes Comparison
- 2025 DUI (Alcohol) Crashes and Injuries by County
- 2025 DUI (Alcohol) Crashes and Injuries by City
- 2025 DUI (Alcohol) Crashes by Hour and Day of Week
- TxDOT 2024 Texas Motor Vehicle Traffic Crash Facts

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Important legal context

A statistical classification does not prove fault or determine claim value. A civil case turns on evidence about the driver, causation, injuries, insurance and any additional responsible party.

Exemplary damages

Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Section 41.003 requires clear and convincing evidence of fraud, malice or gross negligence. Intoxication does not make an award automatic.

Dram-shop claims

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code Section 2.02 creates a potential claim against a provider only when the statute's specific conditions are satisfied. It is not available in every DWI crash.

Crime Victims' Compensation

Eligible victims may seek help with certain crime-related costs through the Texas Attorney General's program; compensation is not guaranteed.

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