You Drink & Drive. YOU LOSE

Alcohol-Related Fatalities in 2002

17,419 people died in 15,626 alcohol-related crashes in 2002.

15,626 Alcohol-Related Crashes

- 13,530 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because a driver had a positive BAC.
- 11,581 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because a driver had a BAC of .08 or above.
- 1,626 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because a nonoccupant (pedestrian or bicyclist) had a positive BAC.
- 1,461 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because a nonoccupant (pedestrian or bicyclist) had a BAC of .08 or above.
- 434 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because both a driver and a nonoccupant (pedestrian or bicyclist) had a positive BAC.
- 423 of the total 15,626 crashes were designated as alcohol-related because both a driver and a nonoccupant (pedestrian or bicyclist) had a BAC of .08 or above.
- No crashes were designated alcohol-related if only a passenger had positive BAC.
- Note that the above numbers add to 15,590 rather than 15,626 because the specific roles of participants in 36 alcohol-related crashes could not be identified.

17,419 Alcohol-Related Fatalities

- 10,933 of the total 17,419 were drivers. 9,728 of these drivers had positive BAC. 8,571 drivers had a BAC of .08 or above. 1,204 drivers had 0 BAC.
- 3,929 of the total 17,419 were passengers. The BAC level of these passengers is unknown.
- 2,541 of the total 17,419 were nonoccupants (pedestrians or bicyclists). 1,975 nonoccupants had a positive BAC. 1,804 nonoccupants had a BAC of .08 or above. 567 nonoccupants had 0 BAC.
- 16 of the 17,419 were other nonoccupants (occupant of motor vehicle parked by the roadside or in non motor vehicle such as horse-drawn carriage). The BAC level of these other nonoccupants is unknown.