



Older Population

United States

- *Twelve percent of the population is 65 years old or older but the older population accounted for 16 percent of the fatalities in 2003.*
- There were 6,630 people killed who were 65 years old or older, a one percent decrease from 2002.
- Eighty-four percent of the older population fatalities were occupants of motor vehicles while 15 percent were pedestrians, and one percent were bicyclists.
- The older population accounted for 15 percent of all drivers, 15 percent of all passengers, 21 percent of all pedestrians, and seven percent of all bicyclists who were killed.
- There were 6,388 older drivers involved in fatal crashes. Older drivers accounted for 11 percent of all drivers involved in fatal crashes.

Wisconsin

- *Thirteen percent of the population is 65 years or older but the older population accounted for 16 percent of the fatalities in 2003.*
- There were 137 people killed who were above the age of 65, an eight percent increase from 2002.
- Eighty-seven percent of the older population fatalities were occupants of motor vehicles while 12 percent were pedestrians, and one percent were bicyclists.
- The older population accounted for 14 percent of all drivers, 17 percent of all passengers, 31 percent of all pedestrians, and eight percent of all bicyclists who were killed.
- There were 132 older drivers involved in fatal crashes. Older drivers accounted for 12 percent of all the drivers involved in fatal crashes.

Data from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System and the United States Census.

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