

Portland 2025

Deadly Traffic Crash Report Summary



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In 2025, 39 people were killed in traffic crashes in Portland — lower than the record high of 69 deaths in 2023 and the lowest since 2018. Our city mourns the 39 individuals whose lives were cut short by preventable traffic violence.

The City of Portland, through its Vision Zero program, aims to eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries. Understanding the circumstances and factors behind each loss of life from traffic crashes is core to our work.

We take a data-driven, [Safe System approach](#) to address deadly traffic crashes.

Traffic deaths by mode of travel, 2025

People in motor vehicles	8
People on motorcycles	8
Pedestrians*	20
People on bicycles	3
Total	39

* Includes people walking, using mobility devices, riding skateboards, or on e-scooters.

Data: Portland Police Bureau

Deadly crash patterns and trends

38% fewer people were killed in traffic crashes compared to the prior four-year average.

72% of traffic deaths occurred in nighttime conditions, from dusk to dawn.

51% of people killed in traffic crashes were pedestrians. 2025 marked the third straight year of declining pedestrian deaths since the 2022 peak.

41% of traffic deaths involved speeding, a top contributing factor in deadly crashes year after year.

33% of people killed in traffic crashes were 65 or older, up from ranges between 10% and 14% in the previous four years.

20% of pedestrian deaths involved people experiencing homelessness, down from ranges between 36% and 74% in the previous four years.

Deadly crash locations

- 74% of deadly crashes occurred on the [High Crash Network](#), Portland's 30 deadliest streets and intersections.
- 69% of traffic deaths took place on wide city streets (four or more travel lanes), which make up 4% of all non-interstate roadways in Portland.
- 67% of deadly crashes occurred on city streets, and 33% occurred on state-owned roads and highways. Of the deadly crashes that happened on state-owned roads and highways, 77% took place on surface streets, including SE Powell Boulevard, N Lombard Street, and U.S. Highway 30 in Northwest Portland.
- Traffic deaths in East Portland fell 56% from the previous four-year average — exceeding the citywide decrease of 38%. In the previous year, the area's traffic death rate was triple that of the rest of the city.