

Road Deaths Australia - October 2025

This month's key figures

- There was a total of 117 road deaths during the month of October 2025. The current figure is 14.9% higher than the average for October over the previous 5 years (2020-2024).
- During the 12 months ending October 2025, there were 1,361 road deaths. This is a 6.9% increase compared to the 12-month period ending October 2024.
- Presently, the rate of annual deaths per 100,000 population stands at 4.9. This is a 5.2% increase compared to the rate for the 12-month period ending October 2024.

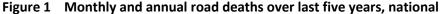


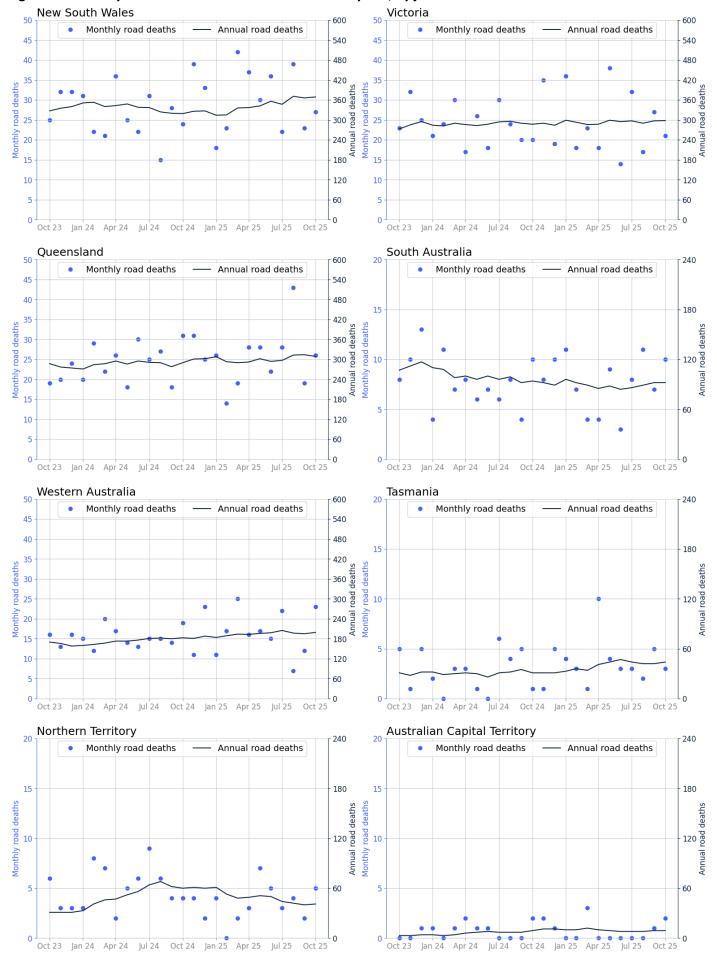


Table 1 Monthly fatalities over the last 5 years

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2020	82	93	102	80	82	82	96	96	83	104	102	95	1,097
2021	97	95	100	85	79	103	107	79	84	104	94	102	1,129
2022	93	111	95	101	104	93	76	93	120	88	103	105	1,182
2023	103	88	112	92	102	86	107	102	127	102	111	119	1,251
2024	97	106	111	111	96	97	122	99	93	111	131	118	1,292
2025	110	82	119	116	133	98	118	123	96	117	_	_	1,112

1. Monthly and annual deaths by jurisdiction – 2 years

Figure 2 Monthly and annual road deaths over last two years, by jurisdiction



2. Deaths by jurisdiction

Table 2.1 Current month

Current month	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Total
October 2024	24	20	31	10	19	1	4	2	111
October 2025	27	21	26	10	23	3	5	2	117
Latest per cent change	12.5%	5.0%	-16.1%	0.0%	21.1%	200.0%	25.0%	0.0%	5.4%

Table 2.2 Calendar year to date

Year to date	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Total
Jan to Oct 2024	255	230	246	71	154	25	54	8	1,043
Jan to Oct 2025	297	244	253	74	165	38	35	6	1,112
Latest per cent change	16.5%	6.1%	2.8%	4.2%	7.1%	52.0%	-35.2%	-25.0%	6.6%

Table 2.3 12 months ending October

12 months ending October	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Total
2021	267	214	295	105	168	34	37	10	1,130
2022	284	253	274	74	162	51	52	20	1,170
2023	327	273	287	107	170	31	31	3	1,229
2024	319	287	290	94	183	31	60	9	1,273
2025	369	298	309	92	199	44	41	9	1,361
Latest per cent change	15.7%	3.8%	6.6%	-2.1%	8.7%	41.9%	-31.7%	0.0%	6.9%

3. Annual deaths per 100,000 population

Table 3.1 12 months ending October

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12 months ending October	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Total
2021	3.3	3.3	5.7	5.8	6.1	6.0	14.9	2.2	4.4
2022	3.5	3.8	5.2	4.1	5.8	8.9	20.6	4.3	4.5
2023	3.9	4.0	5.3	5.8	5.9	5.4	12.1	0.6	4.6
2024	3.8	4.1	5.2	5.0	6.2	5.4	23.1	1.9	4.7
2025	4.3	4.2	5.5	4.8	6.6	7.6	15.5	1.9	4.9
Latest per cent change	14.2%	1.9%	4.7%	-3.2%	6.3%	41.6%	-32.6%	-1.4%	5.2%

Table 3.2 Calendar year period

Calendar year	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Total
2020	3.5	3.2	5.4	5.2	5.7	6.8	12.5	1.6	4.3
2021	3.4	3.5	5.3	5.5	6.0	6.2	14.1	2.4	4.4
2022	3.4	3.6	5.6	3.9	6.3	8.7	20.5	3.9	4.5
2023	4.1	4.3	5.0	6.3	5.5	5.6	12.0	0.8	4.7
2024	3.9	4.1	5.4	4.7	6.3	5.4	23.0	2.3	4.8
Latest per cent change	-5.4%	-5.9%	7.8%	-24.9%	15.5%	-3.3%	91.1%	170.8%	1.3%

4. Deaths by road user, age group, gender and remoteness area

Table 4.1 By road user

12 months ending October	Driver	Passenger	Pedestrian	Motorcyclist	Pedal cyclist	Total
2021	530	188	132	233	40	1,130
2022	551	182	152	241	33	1,170
2023	572	203	162	246	40	1,229
2024	561	203	170	285	34	1,273
2025	618	211	201	261	47	1,361
Latest per cent change	10.2%	3.9%	18.2%	-8.4%	38.2%	6.9%

Motorcyclist and Pedal cyclist categories include pillion passengers

Totals may include unknown values

Table 4.2 By age group (years)

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12 months ending October	0 to 7	8 to 16	17 to 25	26 to 39	40 to 64	65 to 74	≥ 75	Total
2021	21	45	214	253	349	102	144	1,130
2022	17	49	228	251	366	123	132	1,170
2023	14	45	233	283	363	131	159	1,229
2024	20	47	246	274	395	130	159	1,273
2025	24	41	219	286	427	156	201	1,361
Latest per cent change	20.0%	-12.8%	-11.0%	4.4%	8.1%	20.0%	26.4%	6.9%

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Table 4.3 By gender

12 months ending October	Male	Female	Total
2021	844	285	1,130
2022	890	280	1,170
2023	907	321	1,229
2024	973	298	1,273
2025	1,015	345	1,361
Latest per cent change	4.3%	15.8%	6.9%

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Table 4.4 By remoteness

12 months ending October	Major	Inner	Outer	Remote	Very	Unknown	Total
	cities	regional	regional		remote		
2021	381	353	263	53	63	17	1,130
2022	394	381	256	70	60	9	1,170
2023	448	432	249	45	48	7	1,229
2024	393	362	266	58	33	161	1,273
2025	390	382	258	35	23	273	1,361
Latest per cent change	-0.8%	5.5%	-3.0%	-39.7%	-30.3%	69.6%	6.9%

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5. Fatal crashes: counts and characteristics

Table 5.1 By number of vehicles involved in a crash

12 months ending October	Single	Multiple	Total
2021	600	446	1,046
2022	663	434	1,097
2023	614	511	1,129
2024	631	526	1,159
2025	686	580	1,269
Latest per cent change	8.7%	10.3%	9.5%

Totals may include unknown values

Table 5.2 By posted speed limit (km/h)

12 months ending October	≤ 40	50	60 to 75	80 to 90	100	≥ 110	Total
2021	15	130	249	155	340	143	1,046
2022	20	117	274	193	352	136	1,097
2023	38	143	302	184	324	133	1,129
2024	28	132	300	209	339	140	1,159
2025	31	156	309	202	347	141	1,269
Latest per cent change	10.7%	18.2%	3.0%	-3.3%	2.4%	0.7%	9.5%

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Table 5.3 By day of week

12 months ending October	Weekday	Weekend	Total
2021	610	436	1,046
2022	677	420	1,097
2023	708	421	1,129
2024	743	416	1,159
2025	786	483	1,269
Latest per cent change	5.8%	16.1%	9.5%

^{&#}x27;Weekday' refers to 6am Monday through to 5:59pm Friday Totals may include unknown values

Table 5.4 By time of day

12 months ending October	Day	Night	Total
2021	646	400	1,046
2022	630	467	1,097
2023	688	441	1,129
2024	729	430	1,159
2025	783	486	1,269
Latest per cent change	7.4%	13.0%	9.5%

'Day' refers to 6am through to 5:59pm Totals may include unknown values

Appendix

Road deaths from recent months are preliminary and subject to revision.

Road death

The road safety agencies in each jurisdiction use detailed criteria to define road crashes and road deaths. Briefly, a death is classified as resulting from a road crash if the crash occurred on a public road, is unintentional and the death occurred within 30 days from injuries sustained in the crash.

Fatality rates

Fatality rates per population are based on road deaths over the last 12-months, and the population at the midpoint of that period. Population estimates are sourced from ABS' National, state and territory population statistics. The midpoint population is interpolated if necessary.

Other sources for tables in this bulletin

The underlying database used to produce this bulletin — the Australian Road Deaths Database — is available for data extraction at https://catalogue.data.infrastructure.gov.au/dataset/australian-road-deaths-database

Data sources

Data are obtained from:

- Transport for NSW
- Department of Transport, Victoria
- Department of Transport and Main Roads, Queensland
- Department for Infrastructure and Transport, SA
- Western Australia Police
- Department of State Growth, Tasmania
- Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, NT
- Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate, ACT
- Australian Bureau of Statistics (National, state and territory population)

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