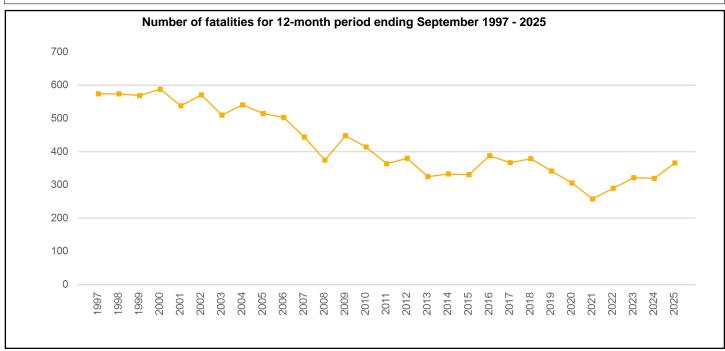


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Fatality rates for 12-month period ending September 2025

Year	No of fatalities	Fatality rate per 100,000 population	Fatality rate per 10,000 vehicles	Fatality rate per 10,000 licence holders
2025	366	4.27	0.57	0.6



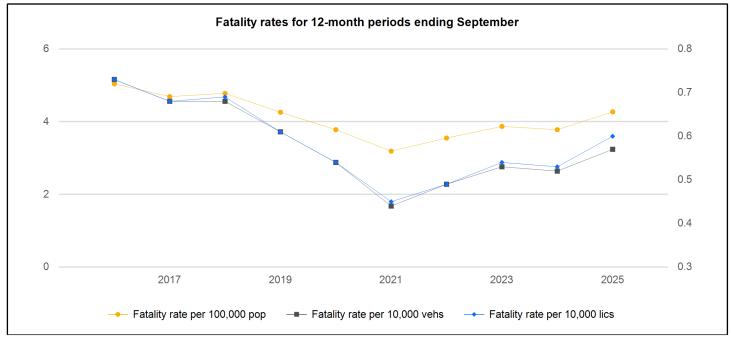


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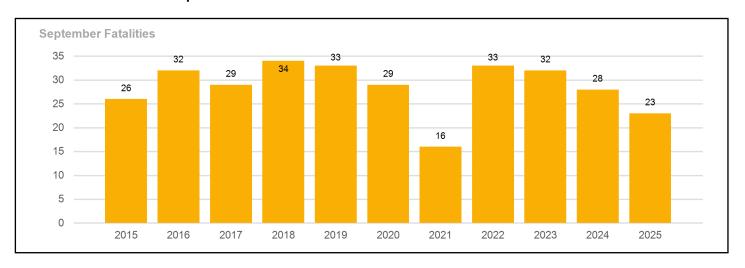
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Explanatory Notes
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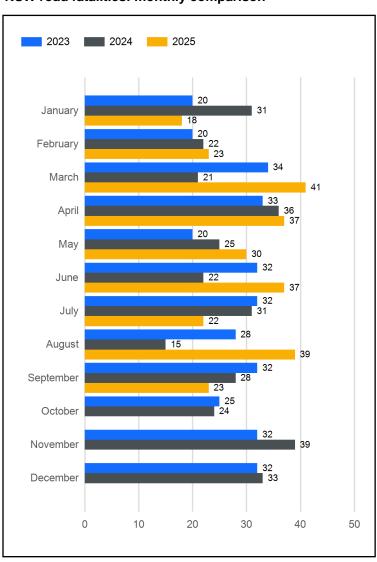
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SECTION 1: MONTHLY COMPARISON AND KEY POINTS

NSW road fatalities for September: 2015 - 2025



NSW road fatalities: monthly comparison



	ite	Year to da	Average	
2025	2024	2023	2022 - 2024	
18	31	20	26.3	
41	53	40	22.7	
82	74	74	27.7	
119	110	107	32.0	
149	135	127	22.0	
186	157	159	24.7	
208	188	191	25.0	
247	203	219	19.3	
270	231	251	31.0	
	255	276	23.0	
	294	308	31.7	
	327	340	30.7	

There were 23 fatalities during September 2025, five less (18 per cent) than in September 2024 and the lowest September fatality total since 2021 (with 16 fatalities).

During the nine months ending September 2025, there were 270 fatalities, 39 more (17 per cent) than during the nine months ending September 2024 and the highest January to September total since 2018 (with 273 fatalities).

During the twelve months ending September 2025, there were 366 fatalities, 46 more (14 per cent) than during the 12 months ending September 2024.

SECTION 2: MONTHLY STATISTICS

2.1 FATALITIES

Road User Class	Sep 2025	Sep 2024	Difference	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Difference
Driver	11	14	-3	117	113	4
Passenger	2	6	-4	47	34	13
Motorcyclist	6	6	0	57	48	9
Pedestrian	3	2	1	41	32	9
Pedal cyclist	1	0	1	8	4	4
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	23	28	-5	270	231	39
Age (years)						
0-4	0	0	0	3	2	1
5-16	1	1	0	6	9	-3
17-20	1	4	-3	24	30	-6
21-25	2	6	-4	32	27	5
26-29	1	2	-1	14	16	-2
30-39	2	0	2	36	27	9
40-49	4	2	2	29	24	5
50-59	3	8	-5	28	28	0
60-69	4	2	2	38	28	10
70+	5	3	2	60	40	20
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	23	28	-5	270	231	39
Gender						
Male	19	20	-1	211	182	29
Female	4	8	-4	59	49	10
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	23	28	-5	270	231	39
TfNSW Region						
Greater Sydney	5	7	-2	75	68	7
North	9	10	-1	95	75	20
South	5	4	1	53	46	7
West	4	7	-3	47	42	5
Total	23	28	-5	270	231	39
Road Classification						
Freeway/motorway	1	0	1	7	8	-1
State highway	7	11	-4	82	66	16
Other classified road	3	7	-4	83	79	4
Unclassified road	12	10	2	98	78	20
Total	23	28	-5	270	231	39

⁻ Other classified roads includes main roads, secondary roads and tourist roads - Motorcyclist & pedal cyclist includes passengers

2.2 FATAL CRASHES

Urbanisation	Sep 2025	Sep 2024	Difference	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Difference
Sydney metro. area	4	6	-2	68	59	9
Newcastle met. area	1	0	1	12	7	5
Wollongong met. area	1	1	0	8	11	-3
Country urban	7	11	-4	78	55	23
Country non-urban	10	5	5	93	76	17
Country unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	23	23	0	259	208	51
Location Type						
Intersection locations	3	4	-1	64	46	18
Non-intersection locations	20	19	1	195	162	33
Total	23	23	0	259	208	51
Route						
Pacific Hwy	0	0	0	10	9	1
Hume Hwy	0	0	0	8	4	4
New England Hwy	1	0	1	5	3	2
Newell Hwy	2	1	1	6	8	-2
Princes Hwy	1	1	0	11	5	6
Great Western Hwy	0	2	-2	4	4	0
All other routes	19	19	0	215	175	40
Total	23	23	0	259	208	51
Road Classification						
Freeway/motorway	1	0	1	7	7	0
State highway	7	8	-1	78	56	22
Other classified road	3	6	-3	79	70	9
Unclassified road	12	9	3	95	75	20
Total	23	23	0	259	208	51
TfNSW Region						
Greater Sydney	5	6	-1	73	62	11
North	9	10	-1	89	69	20
South	5	4	1	52	41	11
West	4	3	1	45	36	9
Total	23	23	0	259	208	51

⁻ Other classified road includes main roads, secondary roads and tourist roads

Type of crash	Sep 2025	Sep 2024	Difference	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Difference
Car crash	10	15	-5	146	132	14
Light truck crash	11	10	1	82	67	15
Heavy rigid truck crash	0	0	0	17	12	5
Articulated truck crash	2	0	2	22	22	0
Heavy truck crash	2	0	2	36	31	5
Light bus crash	0	0	0	5	1	4
Heavy bus crash	0	1	-1	3	3	0
Bus crash	0	1	-1	8	4	4
Heavy vehicle crash	2	1	1	39	34	5
Emergency vehicle crash	0	0	0	2	0	2
Motorcycle crash	6	6	0	57	47	10
Pedal cycle crash	1	0	1	9	4	5
Pedestrian crash	3	2	1	42	33	9

⁻ The type of crash categories are not mutually exclusive and must not be added together

2.3 COMPARISON WITH OTHER STATES

Data included in this section represent statistics for the previous month.

2.3.1 Fatalities

State Territory	August 2025	August 2024	Difference	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Difference
New South Wales	39	15	24	247	203	44
Victoria	16	24	-8	196	190	6
Queensland	39	27	12	206	197	9
South Australia	11	8	3	57	57	0
Western Australia	7	15	-8	129	121	8
Tasmania	2	4	-2	30	19	11
Northern Territory	4	6	-2	28	46	-18
Australian Capital Territory	0	0	0	3	6	-3
	118	99	19	896	839	57

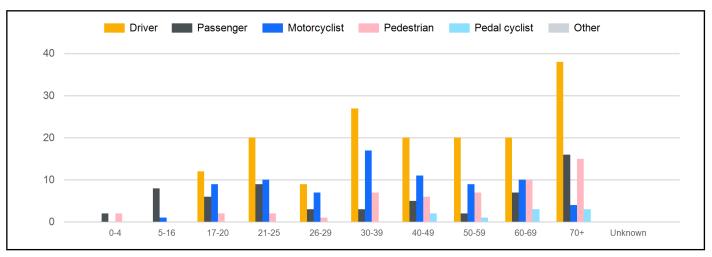
2.3.2 Fatal crashes

State Territory	August 2025	August 2024	Difference	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Difference
New South Wales	35	14	21	236	185	51
Victoria	15	23	-8	181	179	2
Queensland	36	23	13	187	177	10
South Australia	11	8	3	55	52	3
Western Australia	7	13	-6	118	108	10
Tasmania	2	4	-2	27	17	10
Northern Territory	3	6	-3	21	39	-18
Australian Capital Territory	0	0	0	3	6	-3
	109	91	18	828	763	65

SECTION 3: TRENDS

3.1 FATALITIES - OVERALL TREND

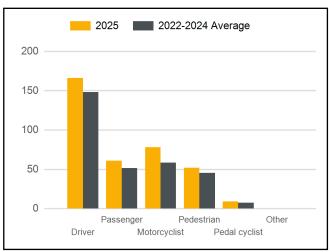
Distribution of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, by age and road user class *



⁻ Motorcyclist & pedal cyclist includes passengers

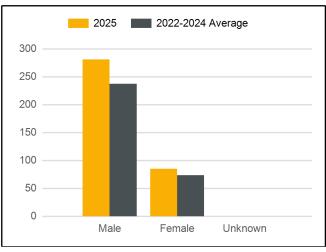
3.1.1 Number of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, road user class

Road User Class	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Driver	166	148.3	11.9%
Passenger	61	51.3	18.8%
Motorcyclist	78	58.3	33.7%
Pedestrian	52	45.3	14.7%
Pedal cyclist	9	7.3	22.7%
Other	0	0.0	NA
Total	366	310.7	17.8%



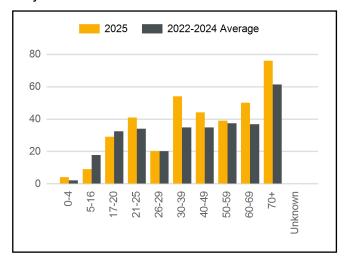
3.1.2 Number of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, gender of fatality

Gender	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Male	281	237.3	18.4%
Female	85	73.3	15.9%
Unknown	0	0.0	NA
Total	366	310.7	17.8%



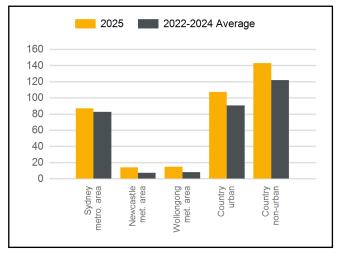
3.1.3 Number of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, age of fatality

Age	2025	2022-2024	% Change
0-4	4	2.0	100.0%
5-16	9	17.7	-49.1%
17-20	29	32.3	-10.3%
21-25	41	34.0	20.6%
26-29	20	20.0	0.0%
30-39	54	34.7	55.8%
40-49	44	34.7	26.9%
50-59	39	37.3	4.5%
60-69	50	36.7	36.4%
70+	76	61.3	23.9%
Unknown	0	0.0	NA
Total	366	310.7	17.8%



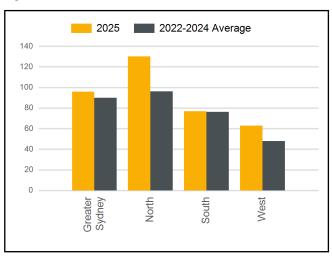
3.1.4 Number of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, urbanisation

Urbanisation	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Sydney metro. area	87	82.7	5.2%
Newcastle met. area	14	7.3	90.9%
Wollongong met. area	15	8.0	87.5%
Country urban	107	90.7	18.0%
Country non-urban	143	122.0	17.2%
Total	366	310.7	17.8%



3.1.5 Number of fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, TfNSW Region

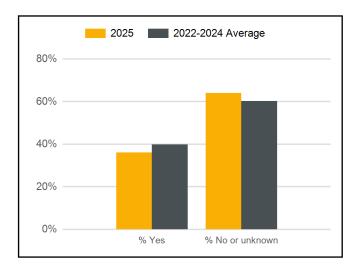
TfNSW Region	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Greater Sydney	96	90.0	6.7%
North	130	96.3	34.9%
South	77	76.3	0.9%
West	63	48.0	31.3%
Total	366	310.7	17.8%



3.2 FACTORS INVOLVED IN FATAL CRASHES

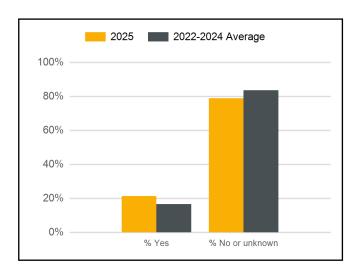
3.2.1 Number of fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, speeding involvement

Excessive Speed?	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Yes	126	113.3	11.2%
Yes %	36.1%	39.9%	
No or unknown	223	171.0	30.4%
No or unknown %	63.9%	60.1%	
Total	349	284.3	22.7%



3.2.2 Number of fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, fatigue involvement

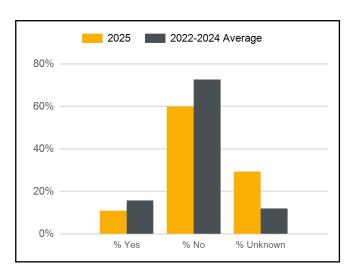
Fatigue?	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Yes	74	47.0	57.4%
Yes %	21.2%	16.5%	
No or unknown	275	237.3	15.9%
No or unknown %	78.8%	83.5%	
Total	349	284.3	22.7%



3.2.3 Number of fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, alcohol involvement

Alcohol ?	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Yes	38	44.3	-14.3%
Yes %	10.9%	15.6%	
No	209	206.3	1.3%
No %	59.9%	72.6%	
Unknown	102	33.7	203.0%
Unknown %	29.2%	11.8%	
Total	349	284.3	22.7%

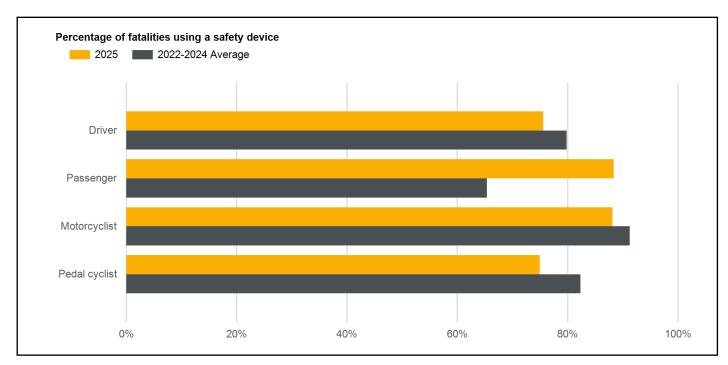
Alcohol test results can lag by several months from date of crash.



3.3 SAFETY DEVICE USAGE OF FATALITIES

3.3.1 Number of road vehicle fatalities for 12 months ending September 2025, safety device usage, road user class

	Driv	er	Passe	nger	Motorc	yclist	Pedal c	yclist
Safety Device	2025	2022-2024 Average	2025	2022-2024 Average	2025	2022-2024 Average	2025	2022-2024 Average
Unknown	39	29.3	18	8.0	2	1.0	1	1.7
Worn	96	95.0	38	28.3	67	52.3	6	4.7
Not Worn	31	24.0	5	15.0	9	5.0	2	1.0
Total	166	148.3	61	51.3	78	58.3	9	7.3



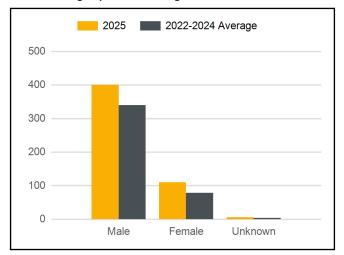
⁻ Excludes cases of unknown safety devices usage

⁻ Motorcyclist & pedal cyclist includes passengers

3.4 MOTOR VEHICLE CONTROLLERS INVOLVED IN FATAL CRASHES

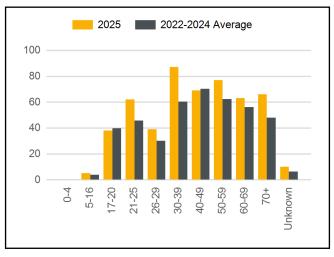
3.4.1 Number of motor vehicle controllers involved in fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, gender of controller

Gender	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Male	400	340.0	17.6%
Female	110	78.3	40.4%
Unknown	6	4.0	50.0%
Total	516	422.3	22.2%



3.4.2 Number of motor vehicle controllers involved in fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, age of controller

Age	2025	2022-2024	% Change
0-4	0	0.0	NA
5-16	5	3.7	36.4%
17-20	38	39.7	-4.2%
21-25	62	45.7	35.8%
26-29	39	30.0	30.0%
30-39	87	60.3	44.2%
40-49	69	70.3	-1.9%
50-59	77	62.3	23.5%
60-69	63	56.0	12.5%
70+	66	48.0	37.5%
Unknown	10	6.3	57.9%
Total	516	422.3	22.2%



3.4.3 Number of motor vehicle controllers involved in fatal crashes for 12 months ending September 2025, alcohol involvement

Alcohol Involvement	2025	2022-2024	% Change
Illegal	38	45.0	-15.6%
Legal	355	340.0	4.4%
Unknown	123	37.3	229.5%
Total	516	422.3	22.2%

Alcohol test results can lag by several months from date of crash.

