



## A DECADE OF REDUCING ROAD TRAUMA Road Safety Statistics from 2000 to 2009



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## Introduction

The following report is a Statistical Summary comparing fatalities on Victorian roads between 2000 and 2009.

Deaths have reduced by 29 per cent in the past decade.

The comparison shows a number of emerging trends.

Fatalities in the 21- 29 year old age group have decreased significantly – from 90 in 2000 to 45 in 2009.

The 18-20 year old age group has seen an overall reduction of 28 per cent. However there was an increase in fatalities in this age group from 2008 to 2009.

Over the past ten years, a number of significant changes and campaigns have been introduced under the Victorian Government's *arrive alive* strategy. These include:

2001 - 50km/h speed limit in residential areas introduced, *Wipe Off 5* campaign launched

2003 - Legislative amendments to drink driving legislation

2004 - Random drug testing begins in Victoria

2005 - *Hidden Toll* campaign launched

2007 - High-powered vehicle restrictions for P platers introduced

- new learner driver rules introduced, including 120 hours of practice

2008 - *Pictures of You* speed campaign

- Graduated Licensing System introduced including P plater restrictions

2009 - Legislative amendments relating to use of mobile phones while driving

- Record lowest road toll of 290 in Victoria.

### Road Toll (annual, accurate as at midnight 29 January 2010)

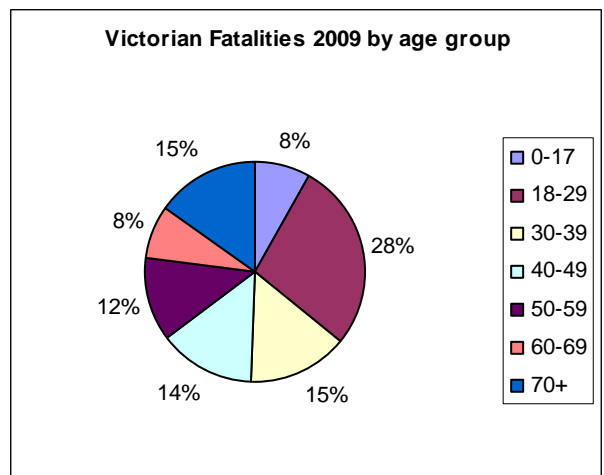
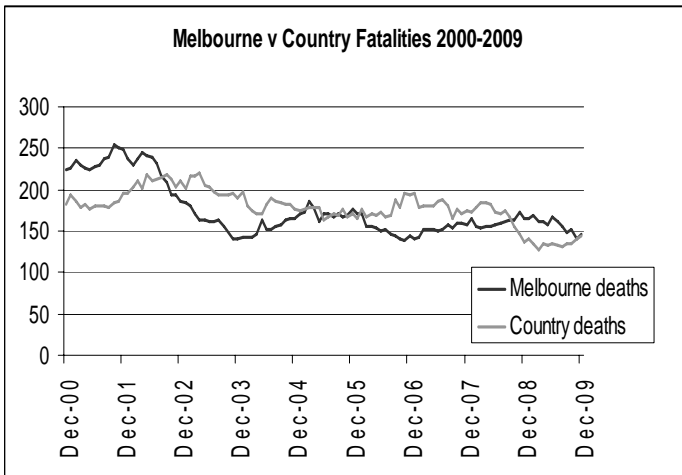
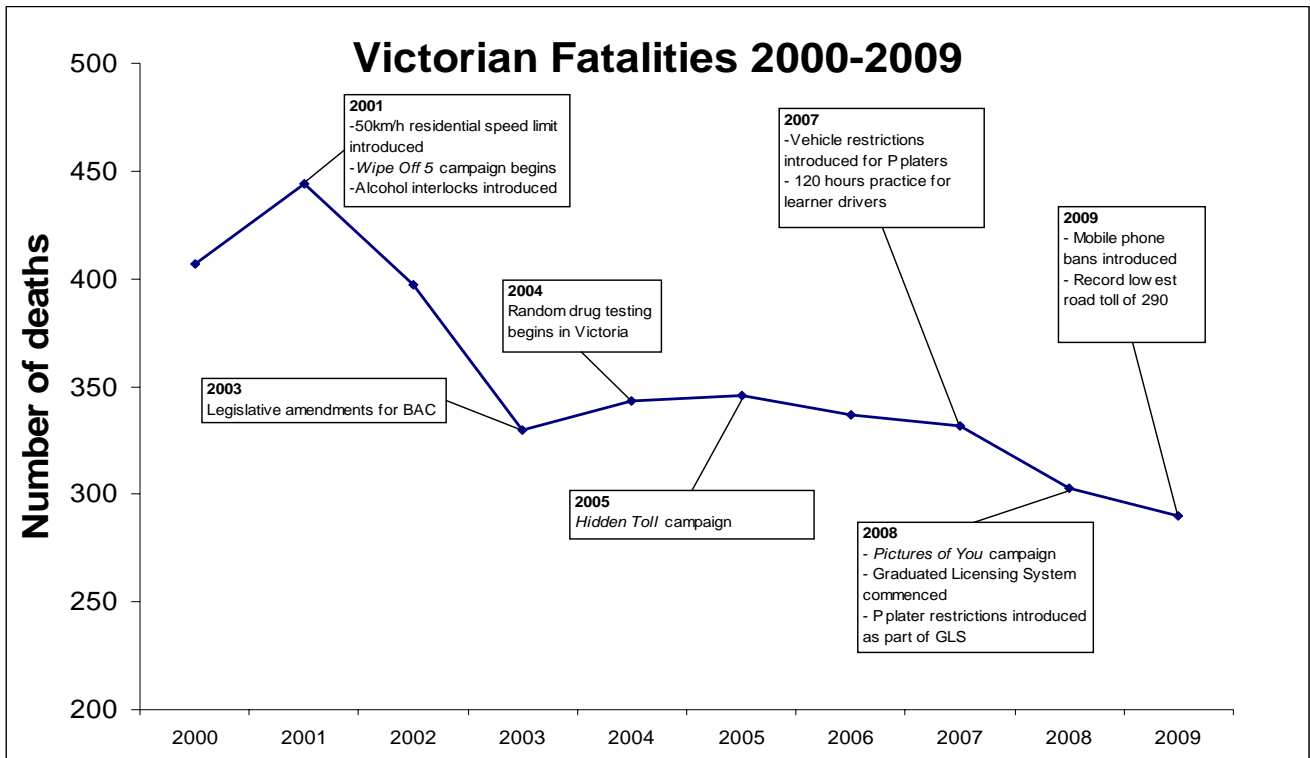
- The road toll in 2009 was 290, 29% less than in 2000 (407).

Category	2009	2000	2009 v 2000	
<b>Casualties (calendar year totals)</b>				
<b>Fatal</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>-117</b>	<b>(-29%)</b>
per 10,000 veh	0.72	1.24	-0.52	(-42%)
per 100,000 pop	5.34	8.54	-3.2	(-37%)
<b>Accidents (calendar year totals)</b>				
<b>Fatal</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>(-28%)</b>
per 10,000 veh	0.66	1.13	-0.47	(-42%)
per 100,000 pop	4.94	7.82	-2.88	(-37%)

**Note:** Data is subject to revision as additional information about known accidents is received and as new accident reports are received and processed.

## Fatalities: 2009 and 2000 calendar years

Category	2009	2000	2009 v 2000	
<b>Overview</b>				
Fatalities	290	407	-117	(-29%)
Accidents	268	373	-105	(-28%)
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	196	279	-83	(-30%)
Female	93	128	-35	(-27%)
Unknown	1	0	1	(NA)
<b>Roaduser</b>				
Bicyclist	6	13	-7	(-54%)
Driver	142	195	-53	(-27%)
Motorcyclist	38	46	-8	(-17%)
Passenger	54	94	-40	(-43%)
Pedestrian	50	59	-9	(-15%)
<b>Location</b>				
Melbourne	146	225	-79	(-35%)
Rural Victoria	144	182	-38	(-21%)
<b>Agegroup</b>				
0-4	6	4	2	(50%)
5-15	11	16	-5	(-31%)
16-17	6	11	-5	(-45%)
18-20	36	50	-14	(-28%)
21-25	26	50	-24	(-48%)
26-29	19	40	-21	(-53%)
30-39	43	75	-32	(-43%)
40-49	41	49	-8	(-16%)
50-59	35	27	8	(30%)
60-69	23	28	-5	(-18%)
70+	44	55	-11	(-20%)
Unknown	0	2	-2	
<b>Alctime</b>				
High (Melb)	76	131	-55	(-42%)
High (Rural)	64	98	-34	(-35%)
High (Vic)	140	229	-89	(-39%)
Low (Melb)	70	94	-24	(-26%)
Low (Rural)	80	84	-4	(-5%)
Low (Vic)	150	178	-28	(-16%)
Unknown	0	0	0	



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Category	2009	2000	2009 v 2000	
<b>Police Region and Division</b>				
<b>Region 1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>(-53%)</b>
1-1 Melbourne	2	11	-9	(-82%)
1-2 Prahran	3	6	-3	(-50%)
1-3 Caulfield	6	11	-5	(-45%)
1-4 Moorabbin	5	6	-1	(-17%)
<b>Region 2</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>(-30%)</b>
2-1 Altona North	16	18	-2	(-11%)
2-2 Geelong	15	16	-1	(-6%)
2-3 Ballarat	8	21	-13	(-62%)
2-4 Horsham	6	18	-12	(-67%)
2-5 Warrnambool	18	17	1	(6%)
<b>Region 3</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>(-13%)</b>
3-1 Mill Park	11	16	-5	(-31%)
3-2 Broadmeadows	13	17	-4	(-24%)
3-3 Bendigo	18	17	1	(6%)
3-4 Shepparton	15	17	-2	(-12%)
3-5 Mildura	6	5	1	(20%)
<b>Region 4</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>(-33%)</b>
4-1 Rosanna	11	12	-1	(-8%)
4-2 Nunawading	21	23	-2	(-9%)
4-3 Knox	21	40	-19	(-48%)
4-4 Seymour	13	33	-20	(-61%)
4-5 Wangaratta	14	12	2	(17%)
<b>Region 5</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>(-25%)</b>
5-1 Frankston	11	18	-7	(-39%)
5-2 Dandenong	22	41	-19	(-46%)
5-3 Morwell	18	19	-1	(-5%)
5-4 Bairnsdale	17	13	4	(31%)
<b>Accident Type</b>				
<b>Intersection</b>				
Adjacent direction	16	45	-29	(-64%)
Opposing direction	7	17	-10	(-59%)
<b>Other</b>				
Head on	36	62	-26	(-42%)
Same direction	17	24	-7	(-29%)
Manoeuvre/o'taking	17	22	-5	(-23%)
On path	5	9	-4	(-44%)
Single vehicle	129	166	-37	(-22%)
Other (incl peds)	63	62	1	(2%)