

Quick Facts

Illinois Crash Information 2003

Pedestrians

Pedestrians involved in motor vehicle incidents constitute a unique subset of crash victims by age group and the type of safety equipment that can protect them.

	<u>All Crashes</u>	<u>Crashes Involving Pedestrians</u>
Crashes:	437,289	6,057
Fatal Crashes:	1,308	185 ^a
Injury Crashes:	88,585	5,753 ^a
Total People Involved:	989,697 ^b	6,207 ^c
Total Fatalities:	1,454 ^b	190 ^c
Total Non-Fatal Injuries:	131,279 ^b	5,892 ^c

^aNumbers only reflect crashes in which fatality or non-fatal injury was specifically a pedestrian

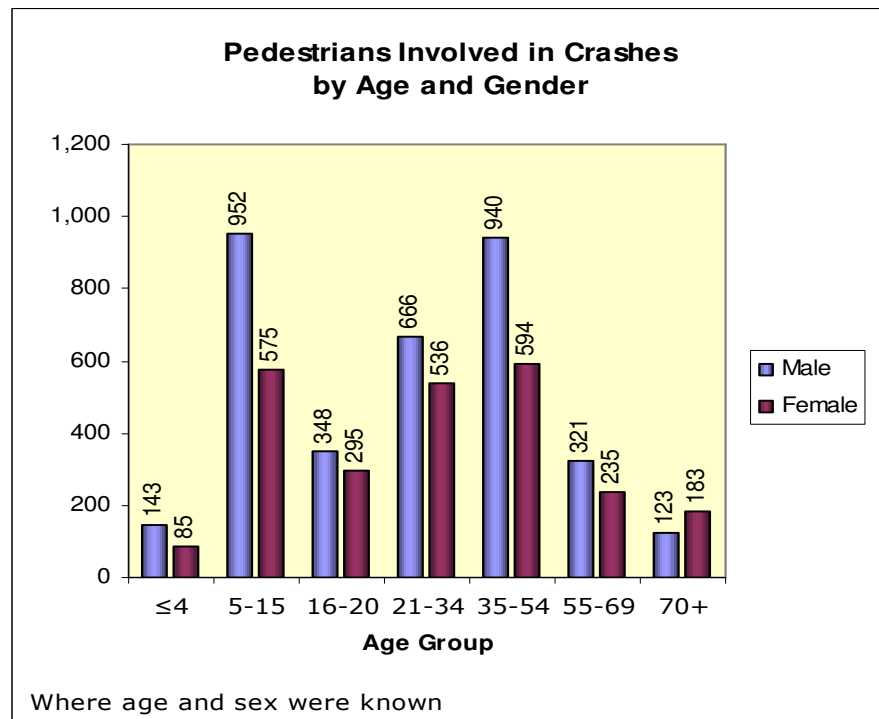
^bTotals include occupants and non-occupants; e.g. 989,697 total people = 980,219 occupants + 9,478 non-occupants

^cNumbers include pedestrians only

Just 6,057 (1.4%) of all 437,289 crashes in Illinois in 2003 involved pedestrians, but these crashes accounted for 192 (13.2%) of all 1,454 traffic fatalities. The majority of the fatalities in pedestrian-related crashes (190 of 192, or 99.0%) were among pedestrians themselves.

Demographic Facts

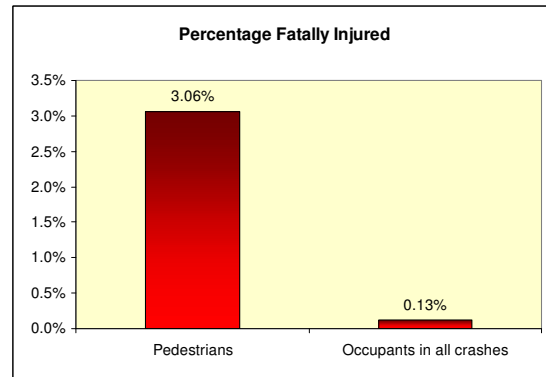
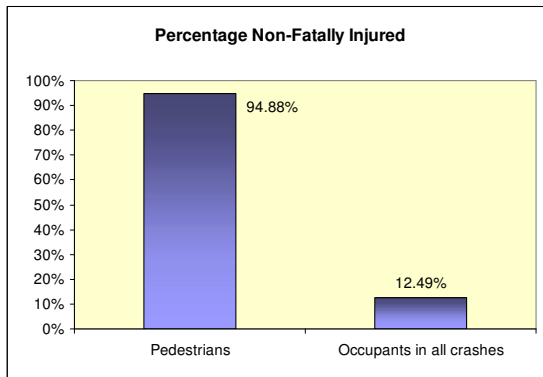
- 3,594 (57.9%) of all 6,207 pedestrians involved in crashes were male
- 1,530 (24.6%) of all 6,207 pedestrians involved in crashes were children aged 5 to 15



Pedestrian Vulnerability

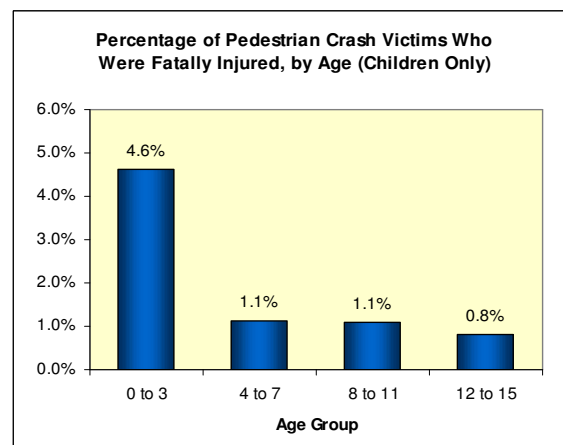
Pedestrians are particularly vulnerable, which is reflected in the enormous disparity in injuries and fatalities among pedestrians involved in crashes in comparison to occupants (drivers and passengers).

- Pedestrians involved in crashes were 7.6 times more likely to be non-fatally injured and 24.1 times more likely to be fatally injured as occupants involved in crashes.



Children

- Fatality rates for pedestrians who were involved in crashes varied by age.
- Among children, the fatality rate was inversely related to age such that younger children were more likely to be fatally injured than older children.



Geographic Facts

- 4,628 (76.4%) of all 6,057 crashes involving pedestrians took place in Cook County
 - In comparison, Cook County accounts for just 43% of the overall population of Illinois* and just 32% of the average vehicle miles traveled in Illinois†
- 5,896 (97.3%) of all 6,057 crashes involving pedestrians took place on roads or highways that were classified as "urban" use

	Crashes Involving One or More Pedestrians n (%)	Crashes Involving No Pedestrians n (%)
Chicago	3,688 (60.9%)	126,738 (29.4%)
Suburban Cook County	940 (15.5%)	89,353 (20.7%)
Chicago Collar Counties	572 (9.4%)	84,247 (19.5%)
Rest of State - Urban	526 (8.7%)	66,370 (15.4%)
Rest of State - Rural	331 (5.5%)	64,524 (15.0%)

Note: Counties were stratified according to criteria defined by the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System for the Illinois Department of Public Health
 URL: <http://app.idph.state.il.us/brfss/default.asp>

* Source: Census 2000, U.S. Census Bureau

† Source: Illinois Travel Statistics 2003, Illinois Department of Transportation