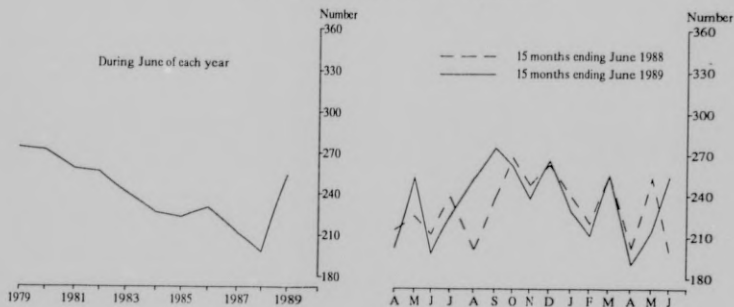


**ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING FATALITIES, AUSTRALIA
JUNE 1989**

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MAIN FEATURES

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, AUSTRALIA



For the first six months of 1989, there were 1,353 fatalities, which is a decrease of 14 (1.0%) on the 1,367 fatalities recorded for the corresponding period in 1988.

In June 1989, 254 persons were killed in 215 fatal accidents, compared with 198 persons in 185 fatal accidents in June 1988, which is an increase in fatalities of 56 (28.3%). Increases from June 1988 to June 1989 were recorded for the following States and Territory: New South Wales 25 (33.8%); Victoria 19 (38.0%); South Australia 5 (35.7%); Western Australia

5 (31.3%); Tasmania 5 (125.0%) and Northern Territory 2 (33.3%). The Australian Capital Territory recorded no fatalities in June 1988, but 2 persons were killed in June 1989. Queensland recorded a decrease of 7 (-20.6%) fatalities and was the only state to show a decrease from June 1988 to June 1989.

Of the 254 persons killed in road accidents during June 1989, drivers of motor vehicles accounted for 101 (39.8%), passengers in motor vehicles 66 (26.0%), pedestrians 52 (20.5%) and drivers of motor cycles 22 (8.7%).

TABLE 1. PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
<i>Year—</i>									
1983	966	664	510	265	203	70	49	28	2,755
1984	1,037	657	505	232	220	83	50	37	2,821
1985	1,067	683	502	268	243	78	67	33	2,941
1986	1,029	668	481	288	228	91	71	32	2,888
1987 p	959	705	442	256	213	77	84	36	2,772
1988 p	r1,037	701	539	222	229	75	r51	32	r2,886
<i>1988 p—</i>									
April	r	55	33	14	16	6	3	—	r
May	81	79	49	16	16	7	3	2	253
June	74	50	34	14	16	4	6	—	198
July	85	54	43	12	14	6	7	4	225
August	79	52	60	14	33	9	4	2	253
September	92	64	50	22	30	4	9	4	275
October	107	59	50	24	11	5	r4	2	262
November	84	43	55	17	22	9	2	6	238
December	99	70	41	25	21	6	3	1	266
<i>1989 p—</i>									
January	57	r75	27	26	25	14	2	2	r28
February	82	65	27	14	12	7	2	2	211
March	82	79	42	18	20	8	3	3	255
April	47	58	24	23	15	5	10	8	190
May	r78	r67	r33	12	15	7	3	—	r215
June	99	69	27	19	21	9	8	2	254
<i>Six months ended p—</i>									
June 1988	r491	359	240	108	98	36	22	13	r1,367
June 1989	445	413	180	112	108	50	28	17	1,353

TABLE 2. FATAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
<i>Year—</i>									
1983	877	610	437	234	191	63	46	27	2,485
1984	910	584	448	205	203	77	45	35	2,507
1985	954	605	452	239	219	69	59	30	2,627
1986	908	610	421	259	208	78	63	30	2,577
1987 p	858	626	400	230	193	67	80	33	2,487
1988 p	r912	615	483	204	199	68	r46	32	r2,559
<i>1988 p—</i>									
April	r	50	32	12	15	5	3	—	r
May	66	69	44	13	14	5	2	2	222
June	69	47	32	13	16	4	4	—	185
July	76	47	40	12	14	6	6	4	205
August	67	48	52	14	31	8	4	2	226
September	82	57	44	21	22	4	8	4	242
October	96	47	43	21	11	5	r4	2	229
November	71	38	49	17	17	9	2	6	209
December	84	50	36	23	15	5	3	1	217
<i>1989 p—</i>									
January	49	r60	25	22	21	9	2	2	r190
February	74	60	21	14	12	6	1	2	190
March	r72	72	33	16	18	7	3	3	r224
April	43	53	22	19	14	5	9	4	169
May	66	r61	r32	10	14	7	2	—	r192
June	78	60	26	17	17	7	8	2	215
<i>Six months ended p—</i>									
June 1988	436	328	219	96	89	31	19	13	1,231
June 1989	382	366	159	98	96	41	25	13	1,180

TABLE 3. PERSONS KILLED : AGE GROUP AND SEX, JUNE 1989 p

Age group	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
MALES									
0-4	1	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	5
5-16	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	10
17-20	17	6	3	3	4	1	3	—	37
21-25	10	4	2	4	6	—	1	—	27
26-29	7	3	2	—	1	—	1	1	15
30-39	11	11	3	3	1	—	—	—	29
40-49	5	10	4	—	1	1	—	—	21
50-59	5	8	3	1	1	—	—	—	18
60 and over	8	8	3	4	—	1	—	—	24
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2
Total	71	54	21	16	15	3	7	1	188
FEMALES									
0-4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
5-16	1	3	—	—	2	2	—	—	8
17-20	2	2	3	1	2	—	—	1	11
21-25	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	7
26-29	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	4
30-39	4	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	5
40-49	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4
50-59	7	4	1	1	—	2	—	—	15
60 and over	6	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	10
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Total	28	15	6	3	6	6	1	1	66
PERSONS									
0-4	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	—	6
5-16	7	6	1	—	2	2	—	—	18
17-20	19	8	6	4	6	1	3	1	48
21-25	12	6	3	5	6	1	1	—	34
26-29	9	4	3	—	1	—	1	1	19
30-39	15	12	3	3	3	—	—	—	34
40-49	8	10	4	—	2	1	—	—	25
50-59	12	12	4	2	1	2	—	—	33
60 and over	14	10	3	4	1	1	1	—	34
Not stated	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3
Total	99	69	27	19	21	9	8	2	254

TABLE 4. PERSONS KILLED : TYPE OF ROAD USER INVOLVED, JUNE 1989 p

Type of road user involved	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers of—									
Motor vehicles	37	32	11	7	9	3	1	1	101
Motor cycles	6	2	6	2	4	—	2	—	22
Passengers in/on—									
Motor vehicles	36	9	5	3	5	6	2	—	66
Motor cycles	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Pedal cyclists	3	3	2	3	—	—	—	—	11
Pedestrians	17	23	3	3	3	—	2	1	52
All others	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
All road users	99	69	27	19	21	9	8	2	254

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

1. This publication contains preliminary details of the number of road fatalities and fatal road traffic accidents that occurred in each State and Territory during the reference month, together with comparable figures for some earlier periods. These details have been compiled on the basis of accident report forms completed by police officers. Figures for this month, and possibly for earlier months, may be revised in future issues of this publication as additional information is received, including advices for persons not previously reported as fatalities but who die within 30 days of the date of the accident from injuries received.

Related publications

2. Users may also wish to refer to the following road traffic accident publication which is available on request:

Road Traffic Accidents Involving Casualties (Admissions to Hospitals), Australia (9405.0) — issued quarterly up to and including December 1986.

3. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0)*. The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice (1105.0)* which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The *Catalogue and Publications Advice* are available from any ABS office.

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