

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING FATALITIES, AUSTRALIA JULY 1989

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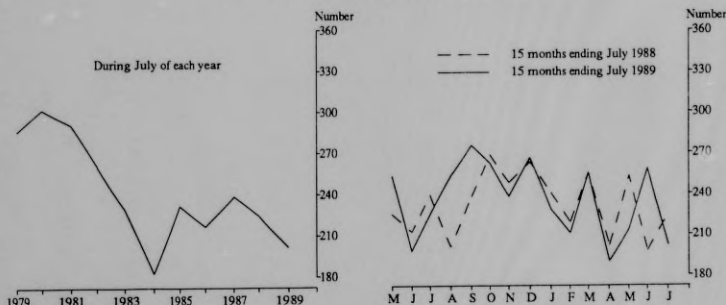
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MAIN FEATURES

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, AUSTRALIA



In July 1989, 202 persons were killed in 183 fatal accidents compared with 225 persons in 205 fatal accidents in July 1988, which is a decrease in fatalities of 23 (10.2%). Decreases from July 1988 to July 1989 were recorded for the following States and Territory: New South Wales 15 (-17.6%); Victoria 6 (-11.1%); Queensland 3 (-7.0%); South Australia 3 (-25.0%); Tasmania 1 (-16.7%) and the Australian Capital Territory 3 (-75.0%). The Northern Territory recorded seven fatalities in July 1989, the same number as in July 1988. Western Australia recorded an increase of 8

(57.1%) fatalities and was the only State to show an increase from July 1988 to July 1989.

Of the 202 persons killed in road accidents in July 1989, drivers of motor vehicles accounted for 75 (37.1%), passengers in motor vehicles 60 (29.7%), pedestrians 41 (20.3%) and drivers of motor cycles 19 (9.4%).

For the seven months ended July, 1989, there were 1,558 fatalities, which is a decrease of 34 (2.1%) on the 1,592 fatalities recorded for the corresponding period in 1988.

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	959	705	442	256	213	77	84	36	2,772
1988 p	1,037	701	539	222	229	75	51	32	2,886
<i>1988 p—</i>									
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	4	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	75	27	26	25	14	2	2	228
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	78	67	r31	12	15	7	r4	—	r214
June	r101	r70	r28	19	21	r10	r7	2	r258
July	70	48	40	9	22	5	7	1	202
<i>Seven months ended p—</i>									
July 1988	576	413	283	120	112	42	29	17	1,592
July 1989	517	462	219	121	130	56	35	18	1,558

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	858	626	400	230	193	67	80	33	2,487
1988 p	912	615	483	204	199	68	46	32	2,559
<i>1988 p—</i>									
May	73	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	4	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	60	25	22	21	9	2	2	190
February	74	60	21	14	12	6	1	2	190
March	72	72	33	16	18	7	3	3	224
April	43	53	22	19	14	5	9	4	169
May	66	61	r30	10	14	7	r3	—	r191
June	r79	r61	r27	17	17	r8	r7	2	r218
July	60	48	35	9	19	4	7	1	183
<i>Seven months ended p—</i>									
July 1988	512	375	259	108	103	37	25	17	1,436
July 1989	443	415	193	107	115	46	32	14	1,365

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

Age group	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
MALES									
0-4	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	5
5-16	4	3	5	—	3	1	1	—	16
17-20	5	7	3	—	3	1	—	—	20
21-25	6	6	6	1	4	1	—	—	24
26-29	4	3	4	—	—	—	2	—	14
30-39	12	6	6	2	4	1	—	—	31
40-49	2	1	1	—	2	—	1	1	8
50-59	—	4	1	2	—	—	1	—	8
60 and over	10	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	19
Not Stated	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Total	47	32	30	7	19	4	6	1	146
FEMALES									
0-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5-16	4	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	8
17-20	2	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	5
21-25	4	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	9
26-29	2	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	6
30-39	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	7
40-49	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
50-59	3	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	10
60 and over	3	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	23	16	10	2	3	1	1	—	56
PERSONS									
0-4	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	5
5-16	8	5	5	—	3	1	2	—	24
17-20	7	9	3	—	3	2	1	—	25
21-25	10	9	8	1	4	1	—	—	33
26-29	6	3	6	2	1	—	2	—	20
30-39	13	6	8	3	4	1	—	—	35
40-49	6	4	1	—	—	—	1	1	15
50-59	3	5	3	1	3	—	—	—	15
60 and over	13	7	6	2	—	—	1	—	29
Not stated	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Total	70	48	40	9	22	5	7	1	202

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

Type of road user involved	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers of—									
Motor vehicles	25	20	15	3	5	4	2	1	75
Motor cycles	6	6	4	—	3	—	—	—	19
Passengers in/on—									
Motor vehicles	23	9	13	3	6	1	5	—	60
Motor cycles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pedal cyclists	1	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	7
Pedestrians	15	9	7	2	8	—	—	—	41
All others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All road users	70	48	40	9	22	5	7	1	202

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

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.

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