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ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING FATALITIES, AUSTRALIA JUNE 1990

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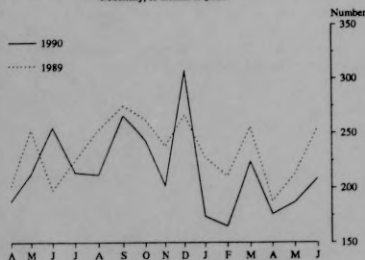
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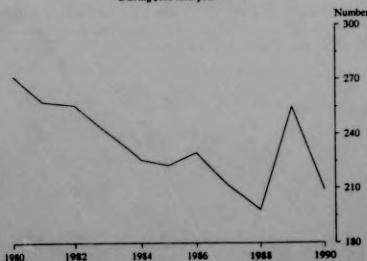
PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, AUSTRALIA
Monthly, 15 months to June



The number of road accident deaths in Australia continues at a low level. The 209 deaths recorded in June was the second lowest total for that month since the series began in 1970. This total represents a decrease of 18.0% from June 1989 (255) but an increase of 11.8% over the total for May 1990 (187).

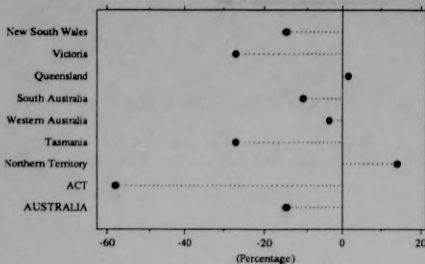
In the year to date, 216 fewer persons have been killed on Australian roads than for the same period last year. This is the lowest number of deaths for any six month period since the series began.

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, AUSTRALIA
During June each year



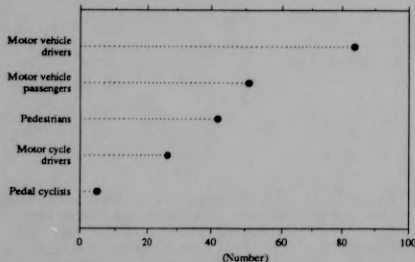
The total number of fatal accidents on our roads showed a similar drop. The 179 accidents in June represented a 16.7% drop on the same month last year (215) but an increase of 8.5% over the previous month this year (165).

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS: PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 1989 AND 1990



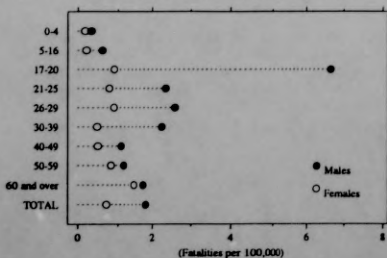
Comparing the six months ended June 1990 with the same period in 1989, only Queensland (from 178 to 181) and the Northern Territory (from 28 to 32) recorded an increase in the number of fatalities. Decreases were recorded in all other States and the Australian Capital Territory.

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS:
TYPE OF ROAD USER INVOLVED, JUNE 1990



Of the 209 persons killed in road accidents in June 1990, drivers of motor vehicles accounted for 84 (40.2%), passengers in motor vehicles 51 (24.4%), pedestrians 42 (20.1%), drivers of motor cycles 27 (12.9%) and pedal cyclists 5 (2.4%).

PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS, BY AGE AND SEX,
PER 100,000 OF POPULATION WITHIN EACH AGE GROUP, JUNE 1990
(Preliminary estimated resident population at 31 Dec. 1989)



Fatality rates in June 1990 were highest amongst males in the 17-20 age range. Overall, the rate for males was almost three times that for females.

TABLE 1. PERSONS KILLED IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
Year—									
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	1,037	701	539	222	229	75	51	32	2,886
1989	960	771	428	219	242	80	61	34	2,795
1989 —									
April	45	59	24	23	14	5	10	8	188
May	77	67	31	12	15	7	4	—	213
June	97	72	27	19	21	10	7	2	255
July	75	52	42	9	22	6	7	1	214
August	64	65	32	15	22	7	4	3	212
September	93	81	36	19	23	6	4	4	266
October	96	50	41	26	21	1	4	4	243
November	69	39	51	13	17	5	6	2	202
December	124	65	48	25	30	4	8	3	307
1990 p—									
January	52	48	23	16	16	8	9	2	174
February	52	44	28	16	14	9	2	—	165
March	r89	55	32	20	13	7	7	1	r224
April	r58	38	30	15	24	6	5	—	r176
May	r59	r56	32	18	r11	1	7	3	r187
June	63	62	36	14	25	6	2	1	209
Six months ended —									
June 1989	439	419	178	112	107	51	28	17	1351
June 1990p	373	303	181	99	103	37	32	7	1131

TABLE 2. FATAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
Year—									
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	912	615	483	204	199	68	46	32	2,559
1989	783	678	376	199	213	68	57	28	2,402
1989 —									
April	40	54	22	19	13	5	9	4	166
May	65	61	30	10	14	7	3	—	190
June	75	63	26	17	17	8	7	1	215
July	64	51	35	9	19	5	7	1	191
August	56	53	28	14	19	6	4	2	182
September	84	66	33	19	21	5	4	4	236
October	67	44	36	23	17	1	4	3	195
November	63	34	44	13	16	5	6	2	183
December	75	58	43	23	26	4	7	3	239
1990p —									
January	43	44	19	13	16	7	9	2	153
February	50	37	24	13	14	6	2	—	146
March	r78	52	28	15	13	7	6	1	r200
April	r53	35	27	15	21	6	3	—	r160
May	r54	r51	26	16	r10	1	4	3	r165
June	53	50	33	13	23	4	2	1	179
Six months ended —									
June 1989	374	372	157	98	95	42	25	13	1176
June 1990p	331	269	157	85	97	31	26	7	1003

TABLE 3. PERSONS KILLED : AGE GROUP AND SEX, JUNE 1990 p

Age group	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
MALES									
0-4	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
5-16	2	3	2	—	2	—	—	—	9
17-20	11	16	6	2	2	1	—	1	39
21-25	5	4	3	1	2	—	—	—	16
26-29	4	3	4	1	1	—	—	—	15
30-39	8	7	7	3	3	1	1	—	30
40-49	3	—	3	1	4	—	1	—	12
50-59	2	3	1	2	1	—	—	—	9
60 and over	6	8	4	1	—	1	—	—	20
Not Stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	41	45	30	14	15	4	2	1	152
FEMALES									
0-4	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
5-16	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
17-20	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	5
21-25	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
26-29	2	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	5
30-39	1	1	1	—	2	1	—	—	6
40-49	2	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	5
50-59	2	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	6
60 and over	10	7	2	—	2	—	—	—	21
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	22	17	6	—	10	2	—	—	57
PERSONS									
0-4	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	3
5-16	3	5	2	—	2	—	—	—	12
17-20	12	17	8	2	3	1	—	1	44
21-25	8	6	3	1	2	1	—	—	21
26-29	6	3	3	4	4	—	—	—	20
30-39	9	8	8	3	5	2	1	—	36
40-49	5	1	3	1	5	1	—	—	17
50-59	4	6	1	2	2	—	—	—	15
60 and over	16	15	6	1	2	1	—	—	41
Not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	63	62	36	14	25	6	2	1	209

TABLE 4. PERSONS KILLED : TYPE OF ROAD USER INVOLVED, JUNE 1990 p

Type of road user involved	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Australia
Drivers of—									
Motor vehicles	34	20	12	8	6	3	1	—	84
Motor cycles	5	5	8	4	5	—	—	—	27
Passengers in/on—									
Motor vehicles	14	22	4	—	8	2	1	—	51
Motor cycles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pedal cyclists	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	1	5
Pedestrians	10	14	9	2	6	1	—	—	42
All others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All road users	63	62	36	14	25	6	2	1	209

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 advice 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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