

Lovington Community Report, 2005

Demographics

In 2005, there were 8,479 licensed drivers in Lovington. Of these, there were 4,245 females and 4,234 males. The population of Lovington was 9,603. The total number of crashes in 2005 was 192, yielding a crash rate of 20 per thousand people (total number of crashes 192 divided by total population 9,603 times 1,000). The corresponding rate for the state was 25 per thousand people.

General Crash Information

Since 1996 the number of crashes has shown no consistent pattern. Fatal and injury crashes have also shown no consistent pattern since 1996. Belt usage (as a percentage) decreased from last year, while belt usage in crashes involving visible and incapacitating injuries also decreased. There were no fatalities in the seven intersections with the most crashes in 2005. Of these intersections, four involve Avenue D.

Alcohol-related Crash Information

Information about alcohol-involved crashes is included in all sections of this report. Of the 21 people convicted of DWI in Lovington, 52 percent were first-time DWI convictions (number of first convictions 11 divided by the total number of people convicted 21 times 100). The corresponding percent for the state is 61.

Crash Specifics

Crashes involving other vehicles were the most common class, accounting for 61 percent of all crashes. A crash involving an overturn resulted in a fatality. Passenger cars were the vehicle type most often involved in crashes, accounting for 40 percent of all vehicles in crashes. Pickups accounted for 34 percent of vehicles involved in crashes. Together these two vehicle types comprised 77 percent of the vehicles involved in injury crashes. The three most common top contributing factors were failing to yield, driver inattention, and following too close. There was one fatal crashes in 2005. The top contributing factor for the fatal crash was excessive speed.

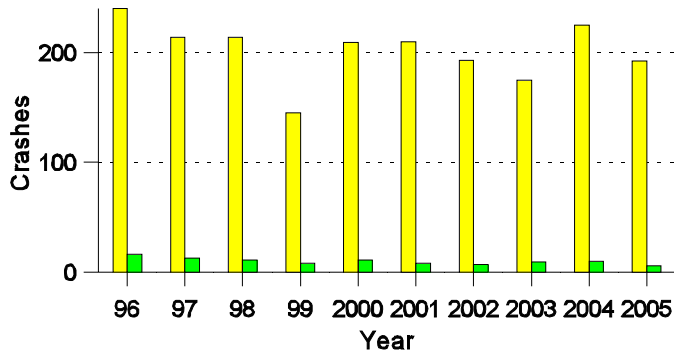
People in Crashes

Overall, males were 53 percent of drivers in crashes, but only 50 percent of licensed drivers in Lovington. No pedestrians were involved in crashes. In 2005, no 'teenagers' or young adults were killed in crashes in Lovington. Statewide 17 percent of alcohol-involved drivers were under 21; in Lovington 17 percent were under 21.

Note: The 1999 crash file contains 15% fewer crashes than the 1998 file. This may be due to problems implementing the new system after the old system failed, or to under reporting. Care should be used in interpreting differences between 1999 and other years in this report.

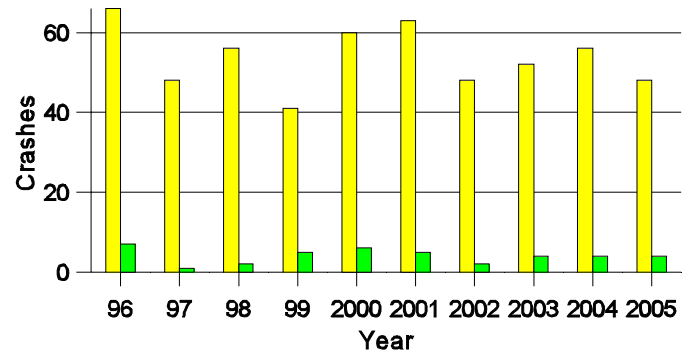
- Location of arrest/conviction was determined by police agency/court location, not driver residence.
- Crashes and drivers were counted by the city of occurrence/residence.
- Population was counted according to the Census definition.
The city population data is from the most current 2005 estimates.
- Young adults are people between the ages of 20 and 24.
- 'Teenagers' are people between the ages of 15 and 19.
- Tables only include variable values for which there are data.

Crashes in Lovington by Alcohol Involvement



All Crashes
 Alcohol-involved Crashes

Fatal and Injury Crashes in Lovington by Alcohol Involvement



All Fatal and Injury Crashes
 Alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes

Passenger Vehicle Seatbelt Usage and Injuries in Lovington, 2003-2005

Injury Level	2005		2004		2003	
	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt
Killed	0	0	0	0	1	1
Incapacitating injury	6	2	2	0	3	0
Visible injury	22	4	13	2	21	4
Complaint of injury	31	2	52	1	40	0
Unhurt	354	38	415	4	337	10
Total	413	46	482	7	402	15

The Seven Intersections in Lovington with the Most Crashes, 2005

Intersection	Crashes			People	
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
5th St @ Ave D	3	0	3	0	5
9th St @ Ave D	7	0	2	0	2
9th St @ Jackson Ave	3	0	2	0	2
Ave D @ Commercial St	3	0	0	0	0
Ave D @ Main St	6	0	0	0	0
East St @ Polk Ave	3	0	1	0	1
Jackson Ave @ Main St	5	0	1	0	1

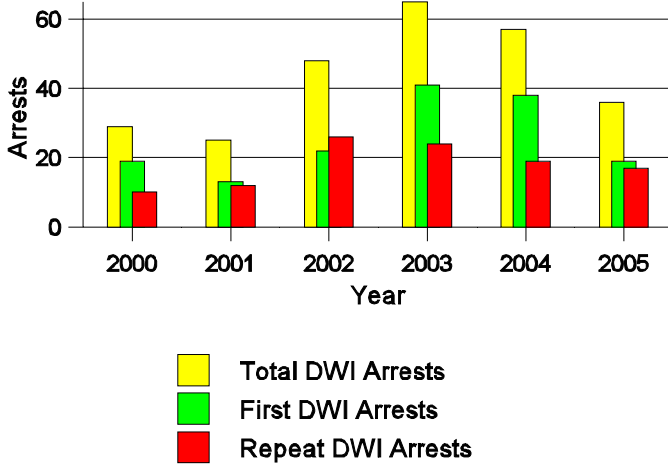
**Lifetime DWI Convictions for Drivers
Convicted of DWI Violations in Lovington, 2005**

Convictions	Since 2000	Since 1981
1st	17	11
2nd	3	5
3rd	1	4
4th	0	1
5th	0	0
6th	0	0
7th	0	0
8th	0	0
9th	0	0
10 or more	0	0
Total	21	21

Convictions are counts of people convicted of DWI by 7/2006 for violations in 2005 in Lovington. Convictions are not comparable to arrests.

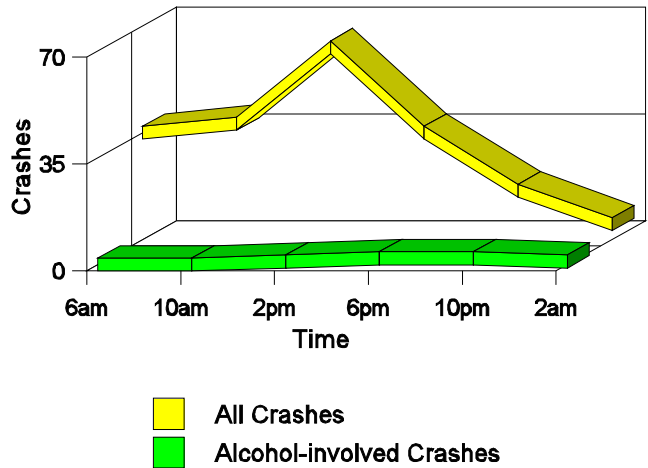
DWI Arrests in Lovington

Showing First Arrests and Repeat Offenders



Crashes in Lovington

by Hour and Alcohol Involvement



Crashes in Lovington by Class, 2005

Class	Crashes				People		
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Other vehicle	118	61	0	0	32	0	50
Fixed object	18	9	0	0	4	0	4
Parked vehicle	41	21	0	0	3	0	3
Overturn	7	4	1	100	5	1	11
Other non-collision	4	2	0	0	1	0	1
Pedalcyclist	4	2	0	0	2	0	2
Total	192	100	1	100	47	1	71

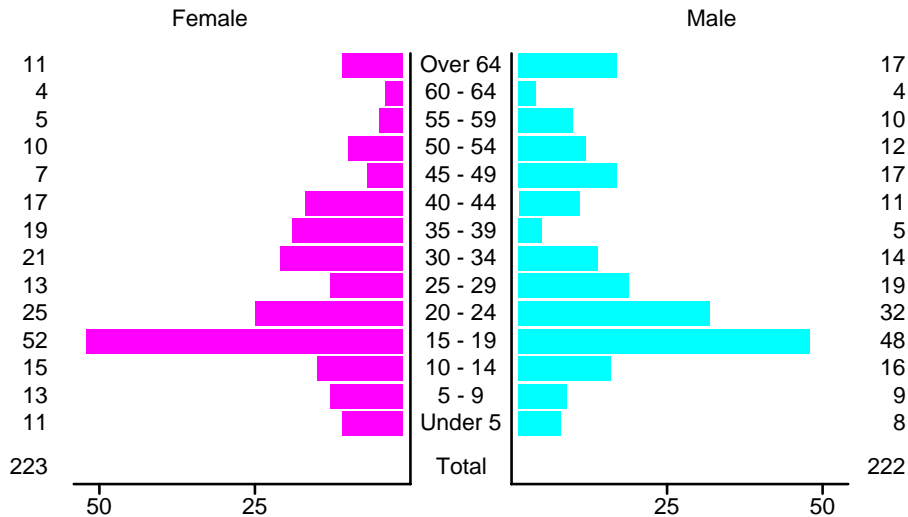
Crashes in Lovington by Vehicle Type, 2005

Vehicle Type	Vehicles					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Passenger car	146	40	0	0	39	0	29
Pickup	126	34	1	100	32	1	29
Semi	10	3	0	0	2	0	0
Motorcycle	5	1	0	0	5	0	4
Pedalcyclist	4	1	0	0	2	0	2
Van/4 WD	51	14	0	0	9	0	7
Other	3	1	0	0	1	0	0
Unknown	21	6	0	0	2	0	0
Total	366	100	1	100	92	1	71

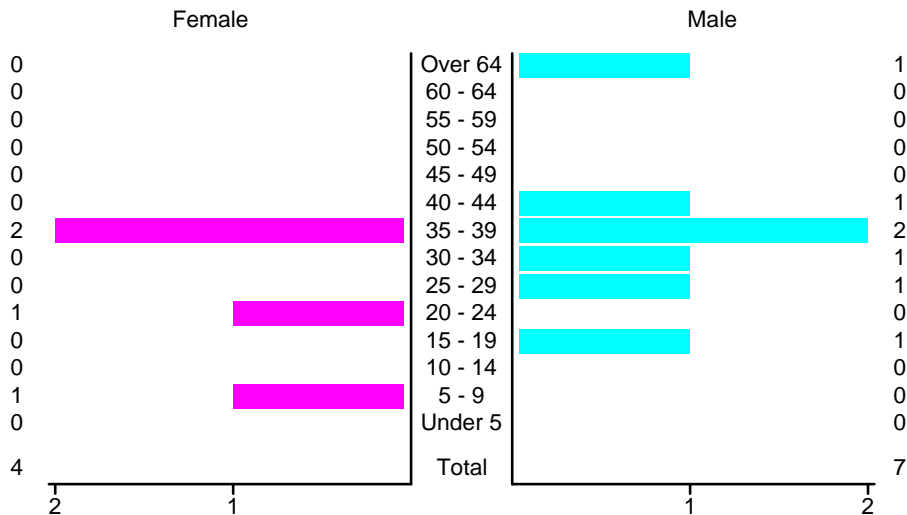
Crashes in Lovington by Top Contributing Factor, 2005

Contributing Factor	Crashes					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Alcohol involvement	7	4	0	0	5	0	5
Red light running	18	9	0	0	5	0	11
Failing to yield	39	20	0	0	12	0	18
Excessive speed	17	9	1	100	3	1	9
Driving left of center	5	3	0	0	1	0	1
Following too close	28	15	0	0	11	0	16
Improper turning	5	3	0	0	1	0	1
Improper overtaking	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Improper backing	22	11	0	0	0	0	0
Mechanical defect	5	3	0	0	1	0	1
Driver inattention	35	18	0	0	7	0	8
Other	10	5	0	0	1	0	1
Total	192	100	1	100	47	1	71

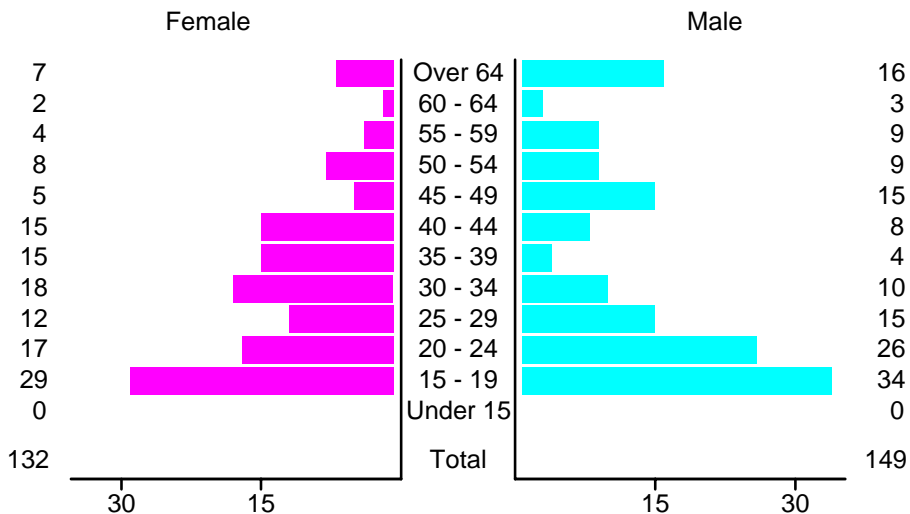
People in Crashes by Age and Sex in Lovington, 2005



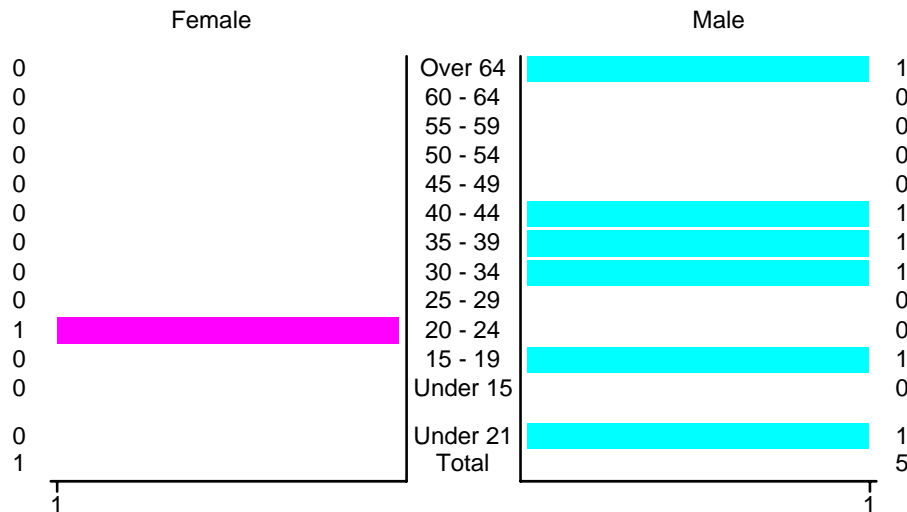
**People in Alcohol-Involved Crashes in Lovington, 2005
by Age and Sex**



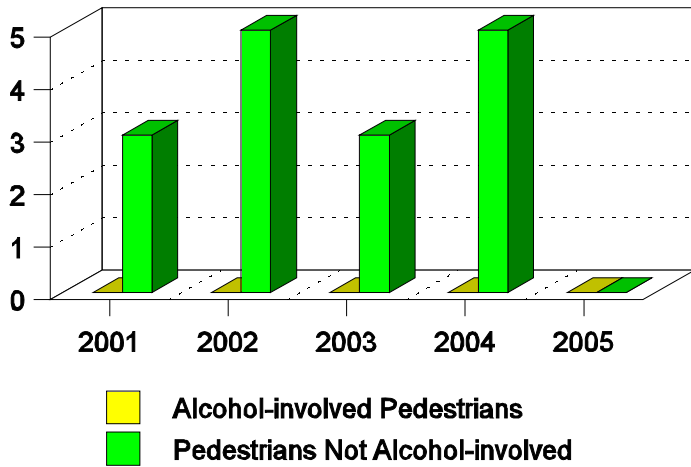
Drivers in Crashes by Age and Sex in Lovington, 2005



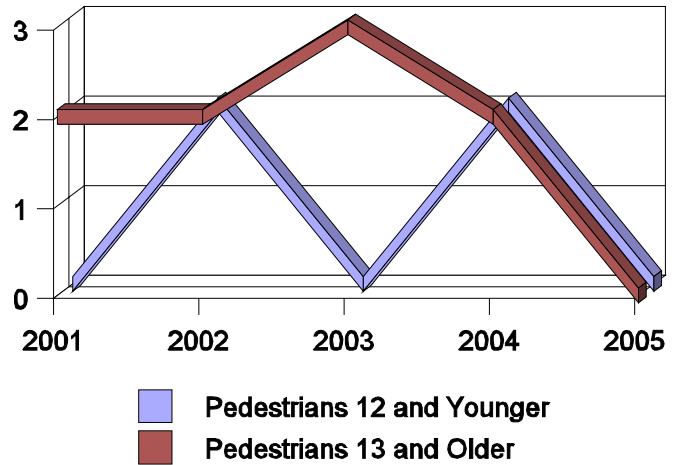
**Alcohol-Involved Drivers in Crashes in Lovington, 2005
by Age and Sex**



**Pedestrian in Crashes in Lovington
by Pedestrian Alcohol-involvement**



**Pedestrian in Crashes in Lovington
by Age Group**



'Teenagers' and Young Adults in Crashes in Lovington by Vehicle Type, 2005

Vehicle	'Teenage' Drivers			Young Adult Drivers		
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Total	Fatal	Injury
Passenger car	31	0	8	27	0	7
Pickup	20	1	4	8	0	2
Motorcycle	2	0	2	1	0	1
Van/4 WD	9	0	1	6	0	1
Unknown	1	0	1	1	0	0
Total	63	1	16	43	0	11

'Teenagers' and Young Adults Killed and Injured in Crashes by Year in Lovington, 1996-2005

Year	'Teenagers'				Young Adults			
	All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes		All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
2005	0	15	0	0	0	12	0	1
2004	0	17	0	0	0	6	0	1
2003	0	14	0	0	0	6	0	0
2002	0	13	0	1	0	8	0	1
2001	0	22	0	3	0	13	0	1
2000	1	27	1	2	0	6	0	2
1999	2	21	2	5	0	5	0	1
1998	0	29	0	0	0	14	0	0
1997	0	21	0	0	0	9	0	0
1996	0	31	0	4	0	20	0	0