

Carlsbad Community Report, 2004

Demographics

In 2004, there were 23,604 licensed drivers in Carlsbad. Of these, there were 11,997 females and 11,607 males. The population of Carlsbad was 25,417. The total number of crashes in 2004 was 751, yielding a crash rate of 30 per thousand people (total number of crashes 751 divided by total population 25,417 times 1,000). The corresponding rate for the state was 27 per thousand people.

General Crash Information

Since 1995 the number of crashes has shown no consistent pattern. Fatal and injury crashes have also shown no consistent pattern since 1995. Belt usage (as a percentage) has increased from last year, while belt usage in crashes involving visible and incapacitating injuries has also increased. There were no fatalities in the seven intersections with the most crashes in 2004. Of these intersections, five involve Canal Street.

Alcohol-related Crash Information

Information about alcohol-involved crashes is included in all sections of this report. Of the 91 people convicted of DWI in Carlsbad, 49 percent were first-time DWI convictions (number of first convictions 45 divided by the total number of people convicted 91 times 100). The corresponding percent for the state is 62.

Crash Specifics

Crashes involving other vehicles were the most common class, accounting for 67 percent of all crashes. Crashes involving an other vehicle and a pedestrian resulted in fatalities. Passenger cars were the vehicle type most often involved in crashes, accounting for 46 percent of all vehicles in crashes. Pickups accounted for 29 percent of vehicles involved in crashes. Together these two vehicle types comprised 71 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 were two fatal crashes in 2004. The top contributing factors for the fatal crashes were failing to yield and 'other'.

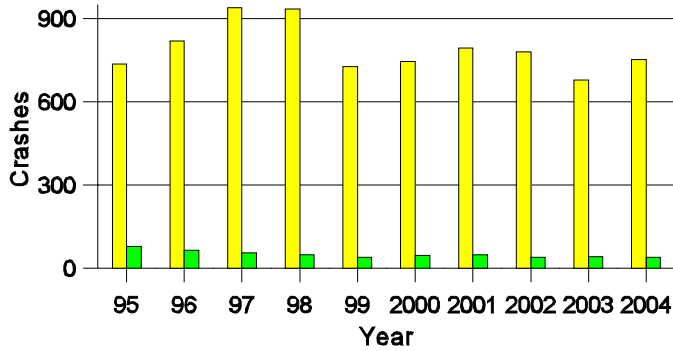
People in Crashes

Overall, males were 53 percent of drivers in crashes, although they account for only 49 percent of licensed drivers in Carlsbad. There were eight pedestrians involved in crashes in 2004. In 2004, no 'teenagers' or young adults were killed in crashes. Statewide 18 percent of alcohol-involved drivers were under 21; in Carlsbad 24 percent were under 21.

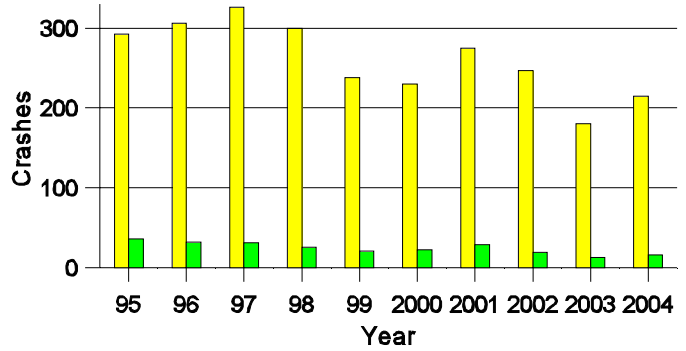
Note: The 1999 crash file contains 15% fewer crashes than the 1998 file. This may be due to problems implementing the new system after the old system failed, or to under reporting. Care should be used in interpreting differences between 1999 and other years in this report.

- 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 2004 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 Carlsbad
by Alcohol Involvement**



**Fatal and Injury Crashes in Carlsbad
by Alcohol Involvement**



Passenger Vehicle Seatbelt Usage and Injuries in Carlsbad, 2002-2004

Injury Level	2004		2003		2002	
	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt
Killed	1	1	1	1	1	0
Incapacitating injury	19	0	12	1	14	5
Visible injury	47	3	42	6	56	9
Complaint of injury	203	1	167	5	244	6
Unhurt	1,484	6	1,422	28	1,619	30
Total	1,754	11	1,644	41	1,934	50

The Seven Intersections in Carlsbad with the Most Crashes, 2004

Intersection	Crashes			People	
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Canal St @ Church St	17	0	5	0	12
Canal St @ Lea St	15	0	6	0	7
Canal St @ Pierce St	11	0	5	0	7
Canal St @ Pompa St	9	0	4	0	4
Canal St @ Stevens St	11	0	1	0	1
El Paso Rd @ Wood Ave	11	0	6	0	7
Halagueno St @ Mermod St	10	0	6	0	11

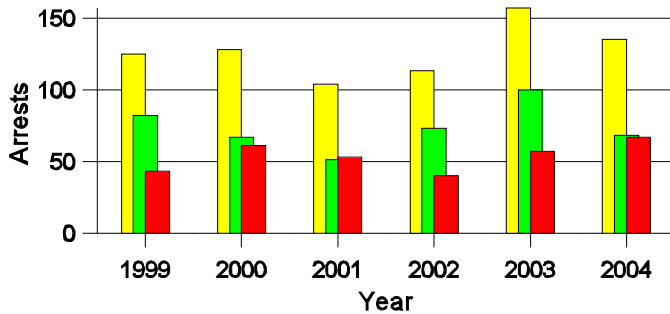
**Lifetime DWI Convictions for Drivers
Convicted of DWI Violations in Carlsbad, 2004**

Convictions	Since 1999	Since 1980
1st	69	45
2nd	21	27
3rd	1	12
4th	0	5
5th	0	2
6th	0	0
7th	0	0
8th	0	0
9th	0	0
10 or more	0	0
Total	91	91

Convictions are counts of people convicted of DWI by 7/2005 for violations in 2004 in Carlsbad.
Convictions are not comparable to arrests.

DWI Arrests in Carlsbad

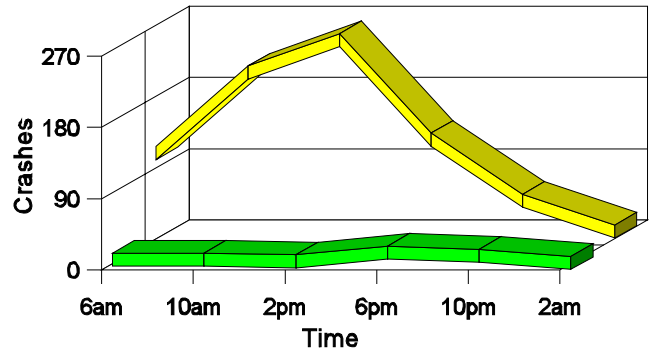
Showing First Arrests and Repeat Offenders



■ Total DWI Arrests
■ First DWI Arrests
■ Repeat DWI Arrests

Crashes in Carlsbad

by Hour and Alcohol Involvement



■ All Crashes
■ Alcohol-involved Crashes

Crashes in Carlsbad by Class, 2004

Class	Crashes				People		
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Other vehicle	502	67	1	50	163	1	250
Pedestrian	8	1	1	50	6	1	6
Fixed object	88	12	0	0	18	0	24
Parked vehicle	114	15	0	0	8	0	9
Overturn	10	1	0	0	5	0	6
Other non-collision	9	1	0	0	3	0	3
Pedalcyclist	10	1	0	0	9	0	10
Railroad train	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Animal	6	1	0	0	0	0	0
Other object	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	751	100	2	100	213	2	310

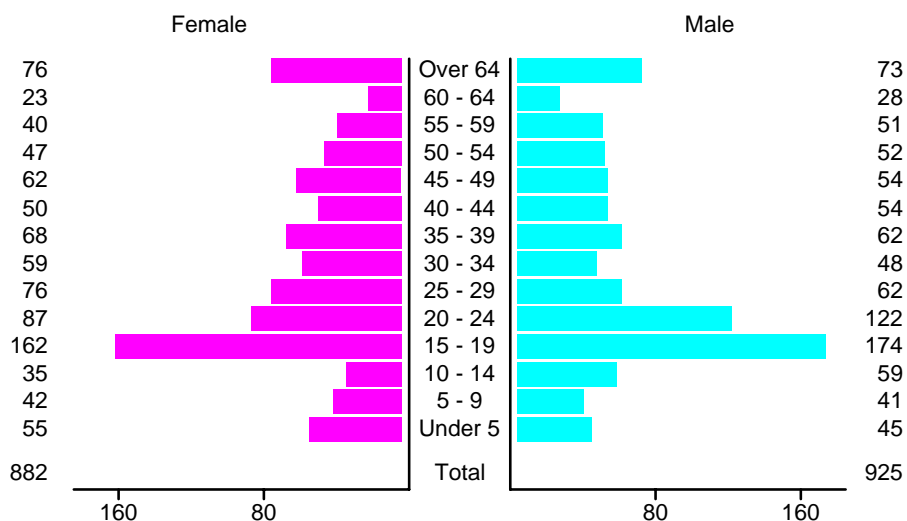
Crashes in Carlsbad by Vehicle Type, 2004

Vehicle Type	Vehicles					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Passenger car	662	46	1	25	188	0	150
Pickup	420	29	2	50	115	1	66
Semi	28	2	0	0	3	0	1
Bus	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycle	15	1	0	0	14	0	14
Pedalcyclist	10	1	0	0	9	0	9
Pedestrian	8	1	1	25	6	1	6
Van/4 WD	222	16	0	0	82	0	61
Other	7	0	0	0	2	0	1
Unknown	58	4	0	0	6	0	2
Total	1,431	100	4	100	425	2	310

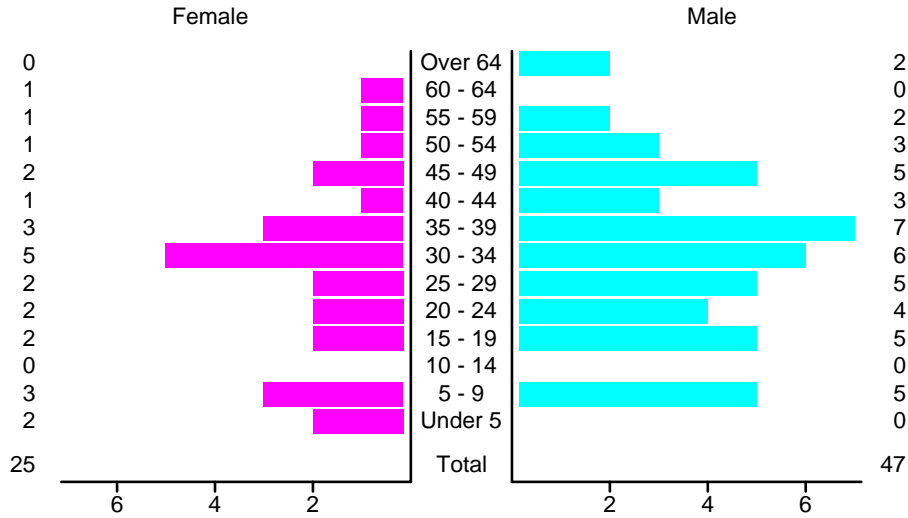
Crashes in Carlsbad by Top Contributing Factor, 2004

Contributing Factor	Crashes					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Alcohol involvement	36	5	0	0	15	0	25
Red light running	64	9	0	0	29	0	50
Failing to yield	165	22	1	50	63	1	94
Excessive speed	50	7	0	0	15	0	19
Driving left of center	11	1	0	0	2	0	3
Following too close	125	17	0	0	40	0	57
Improper turning	31	4	0	0	5	0	7
Improper overtaking	7	1	0	0	0	0	0
Improper backing	91	12	0	0	2	0	2
Mechanical defect	6	1	0	0	2	0	2
Driver inattention	131	17	0	0	33	0	43
Other	34	5	1	50	7	1	8
Total	751	100	2	100	213	2	310

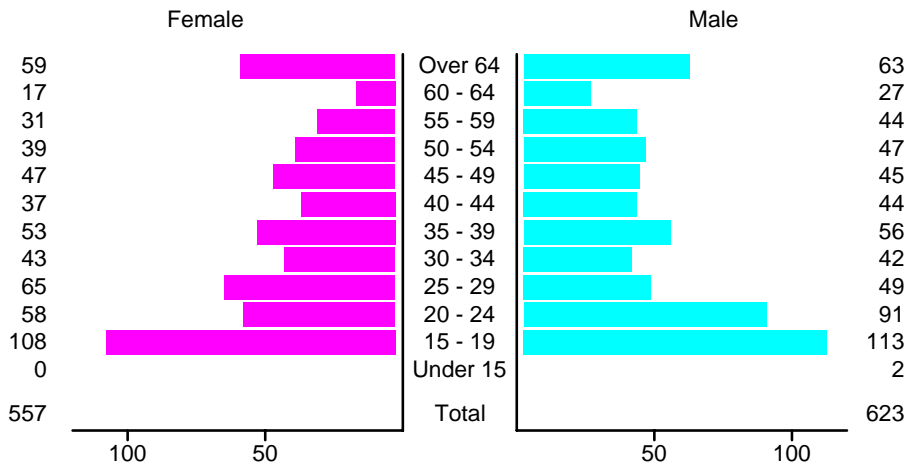
People in Crashes by Age and Sex in Carlsbad, 2004



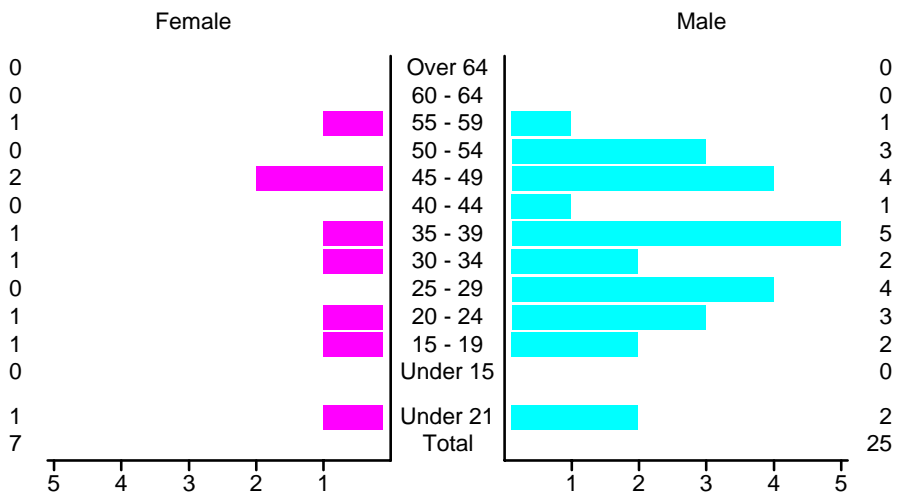
**People in Alcohol-Involved Crashes in Carlsbad, 2004
by Age and Sex**



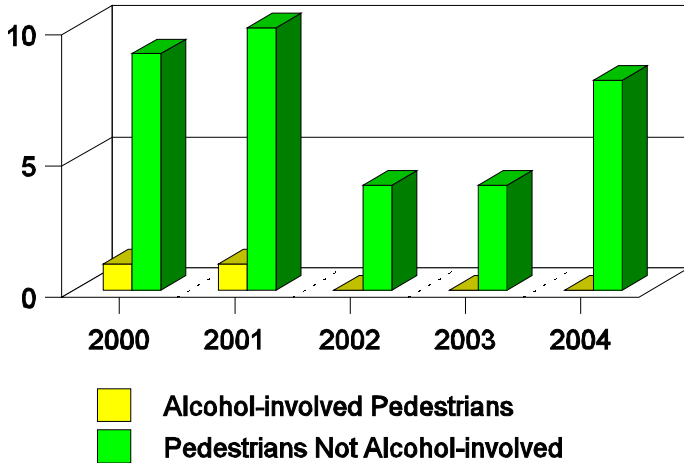
Drivers in Crashes by Age and Sex in Carlsbad, 2004



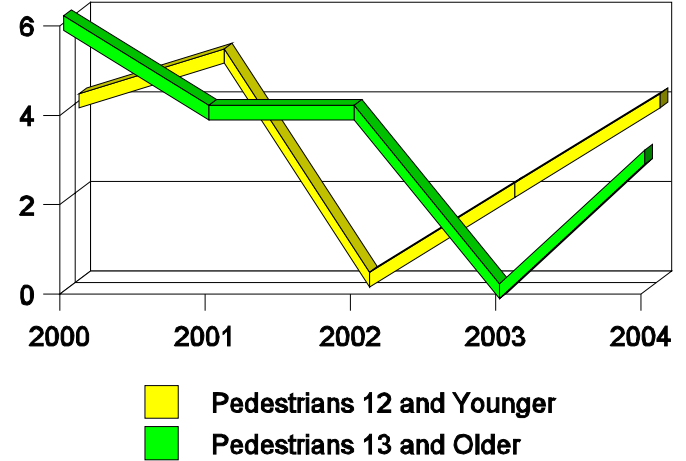
**Alcohol-Involved Drivers in Crashes in Carlsbad, 2004
by Age and Sex**



**Pedestrian in Crashes in Carlsbad
by Pedestrian Alcohol-involvement, 2000-2004**



**Pedestrian in Crashes in Carlsbad
by Age Group, 2000-2004**



'Teenagers' and Young Adults in Crashes in Carlsbad by Vehicle Type, 2004

Vehicle	'Teenage' Drivers			Young Adult Drivers		
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Total	Fatal	Injury
Passenger car	122	0	38	91	0	23
Pickup	78	0	28	35	0	12
Semi	0	0	0	1	0	0
Motorcycle	2	0	2	3	0	3
Pedestrian	1	0	1	1	0	0
Van/4 WD	22	0	10	19	0	6
Unknown	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	225	0	79	151	0	44

'Teenagers' and Young Adults Killed and Injured in Crashes by Year in Carlsbad, 1995-2004

Year	'Teenagers'				Young Adults			
	All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes		All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
2004	0	48	0	4	0	30	0	3
2003	0	40	0	5	0	42	0	5
2002	0	56	0	5	0	44	0	6
2001	1	76	1	9	1	62	1	9
2000	0	85	0	5	0	34	0	6
1999	0	89	0	10	0	49	0	1
1998	0	85	0	8	0	55	0	8
1997	0	127	0	2	0	59	0	6
1996	1	106	1	11	1	49	1	9
1995	1	103	1	12	0	55	0	16