

Raton Community Report, 2004

Demographics

In 2004, there were 6,142 licensed drivers in Raton. Of these, there were 3,127 females and 3,015 males. The population of Raton was 7,036. The total number of crashes in 2004 was 189, yielding a crash rate of 27 per thousand people (total number of crashes 189 divided by total population 7,036 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) remained about the same as last year, while belt usage in crashes involving visible and incapacitating injuries increased. There were no fatalities in the seven intersections with the most crashes in 2004. Of these intersections, all seven involve 2nd Street.

Alcohol-related Crash Information

Information about alcohol-involved crashes is included in all sections of this report. Of the 42 people convicted of DWI in Raton, 57 percent were first-time DWI convictions (number of first convictions 24 divided by the total number of people convicted 42 times 100). The corresponding percent for the state is 62.

Crash Specifics

Crashes involving other vehicles were the most common class, accounting for 57 percent of all crashes. Passenger cars were the vehicle type most often involved in crashes, accounting for 48 percent of all vehicles in crashes. Pickups accounted for 28 percent of vehicles involved in crashes. Together these two vehicle types comprised 81 percent of the vehicles involved in injury crashes. The three most common top contributing factors were driver inattention, following too close, and improper backing. There were no fatal crashes in 2004.

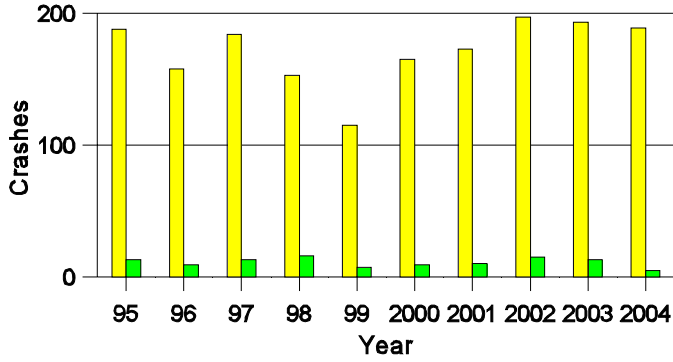
People in Crashes

Overall, males were 51 percent of drivers in crashes, although they account for only 49 percent of licensed drivers in Raton. Two pedestrians were involved in crashes. In 2004, no 'teenagers' or young adults were killed in crashes in Raton. Statewide 18 percent of alcohol-involved drivers were under 21; in Raton 25 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.

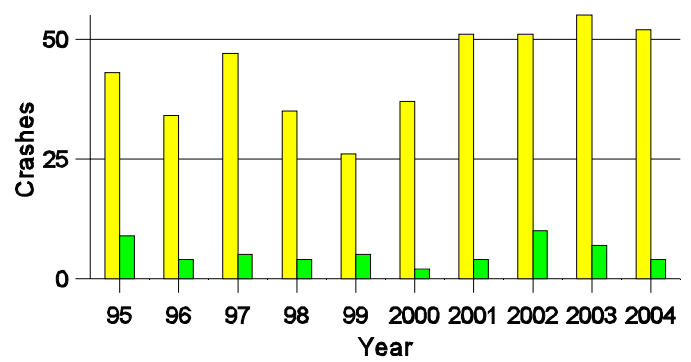
- Location of arrest/conviction was determined by police agency/court location, not driver residence.
- Crashes and drivers were counted by the city of occurrence/residence.
- Population was counted according to the Census definition.
The city population data is from the most current 2004 estimates.
- 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 Raton by Alcohol Involvement



■ All Crashes
■ Alcohol-involved Crashes

Fatal and Injury Crashes in Raton by Alcohol Involvement



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

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

Injury Level	2004		2003		2002	
	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt
Killed	0	0	1	1	0	0
Incapacitating injury	9	1	5	1	4	1
Visible injury	10	0	16	1	20	3
Complaint of injury	39	1	64	7	41	2
Unhurt	367	11	312	2	316	5
Total	425	13	398	12	381	11

The Seven Intersections in Raton with the Most Crashes, 2004

Intersection	Crashes			People	
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
1st St @ 2nd St	2	0	0	0	0
2nd St @ Apache Ave	3	0	0	0	0
2nd St @ Clark Ave	5	0	1	0	2
2nd St @ Clayton Rd	7	0	5	0	5
2nd St @ Cook Ave	3	0	0	0	0
2nd St @ Park Ave	2	0	1	0	1
2nd St US 64 @ NM 555	2	0	0	0	0

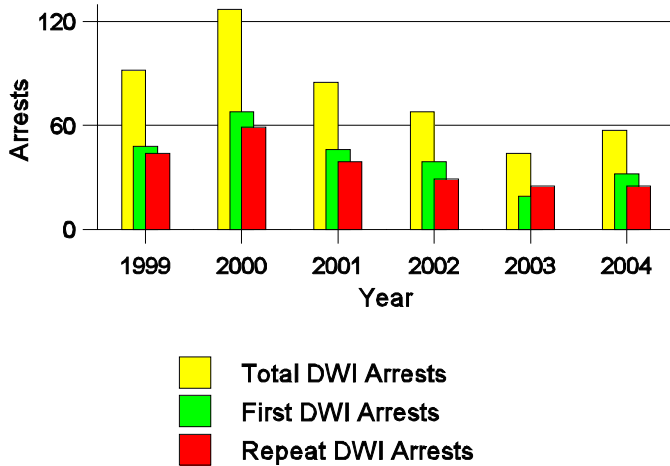
**Lifetime DWI Convictions for Drivers
Convicted of DWI Violations in Raton, 2004**

Convictions	Since 1999	Since 1980
1st	36	24
2nd	2	8
3rd	3	5
4th	1	4
5th	0	0
6th	0	1
7th	0	0
8th	0	0
9th	0	0
10 or more	0	0
Total	42	42

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

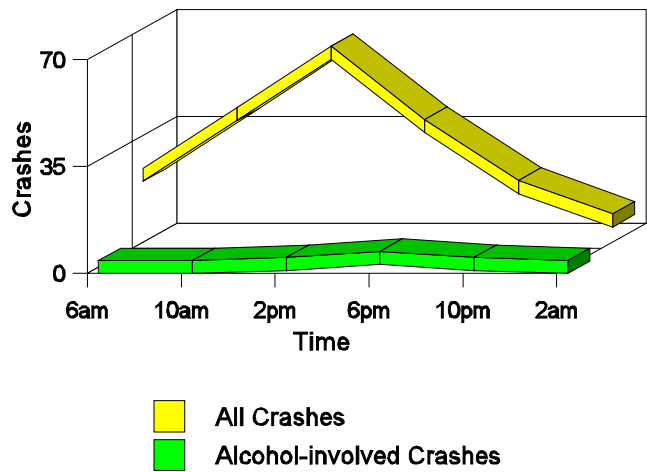
DWI Arrests in Raton

Showing First Arrests and Repeat Offenders



Crashes in Raton

by Hour and Alcohol Involvement



Crashes in Raton by Class, 2004

Class	Crashes				People		
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Other vehicle	107	57	0	0	39	0	54
Pedestrian	2	1	0	0	2	0	2
Fixed object	26	14	0	0	6	0	11
Parked vehicle	33	17	0	0	0	0	0
Overturn	8	4	0	0	3	0	3
Other non-collision	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pedalcyclist	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Animal	11	6	0	0	1	0	2
Total	189	100	0	0	52	0	73

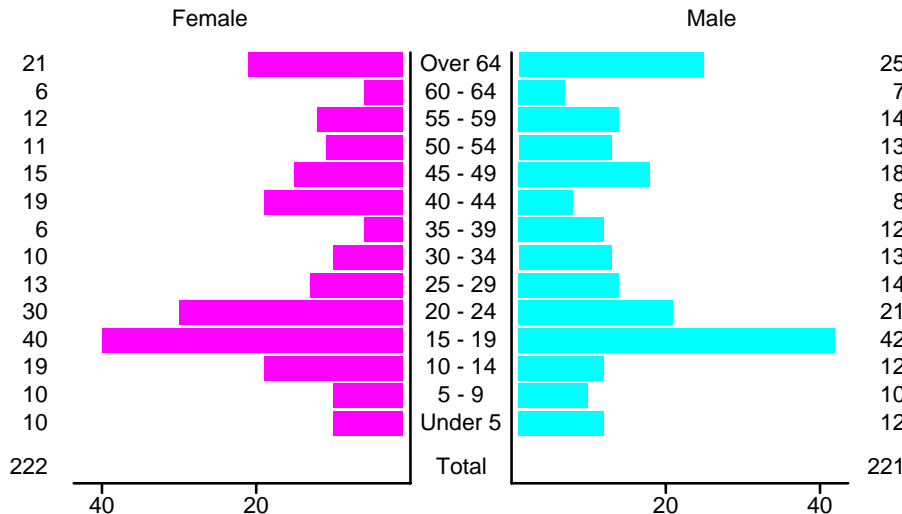
Crashes in Raton by Vehicle Type, 2004

Vehicle Type	Vehicles					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Passenger car	163	48	0	0	59	0	42
Pickup	94	28	0	0	18	0	9
Semi	5	1	0	0	2	0	1
Motorcycle	7	2	0	0	4	0	4
Pedalcyclist	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Pedestrian	2	1	0	0	2	0	2
Van/4 WD	50	15	0	0	8	0	13
Other	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	14	4	0	0	1	0	1
Total	338	100	0	0	95	0	73

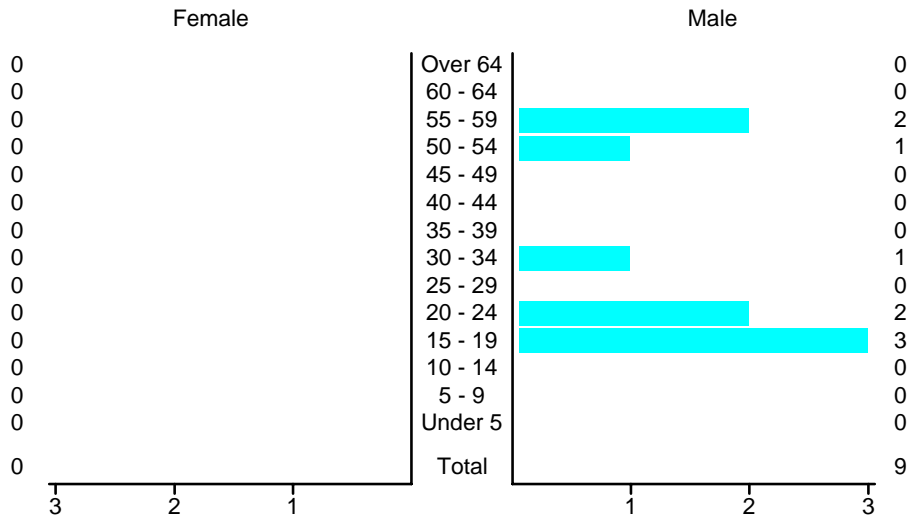
Crashes in Raton by Top Contributing Factor, 2004

Contributing Factor	Crashes					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Alcohol involvement	5	3	0	0	4	0	6
Red light running	8	4	0	0	5	0	6
Failing to yield	20	11	0	0	5	0	6
Excessive speed	21	11	0	0	6	0	9
Driving left of center	4	2	0	0	2	0	2
Following too close	31	16	0	0	13	0	16
Improper turning	9	5	0	0	2	0	2
Improper backing	25	13	0	0	2	0	2
Mechanical defect	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Driver inattention	38	20	0	0	8	0	18
Other	25	13	0	0	5	0	6
Total	189	100	0	0	52	0	73

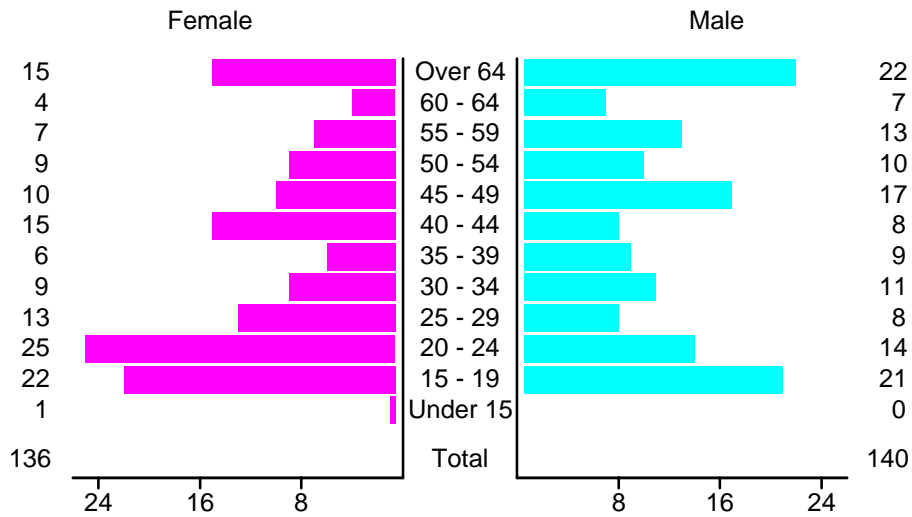
People in Crashes by Age and Sex in Raton, 2004



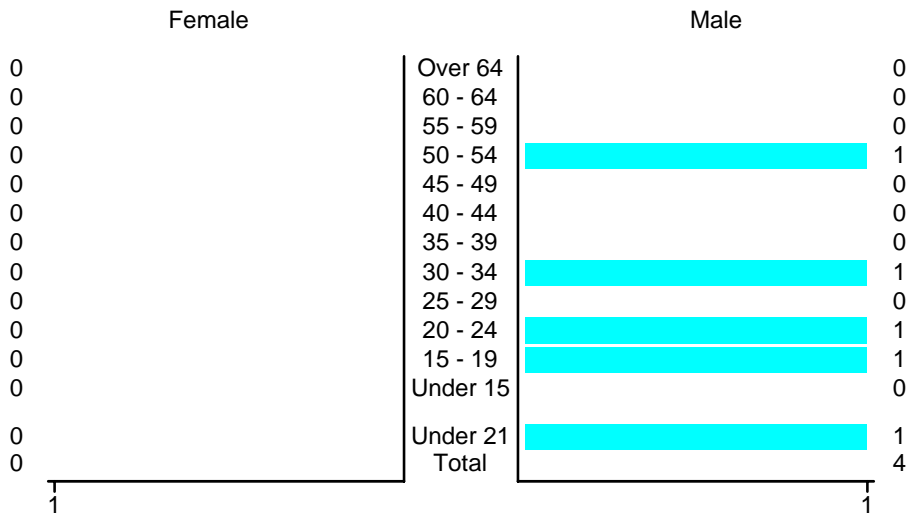
People in Alcohol-Involved Crashes in Raton by Age and Sex, 2004



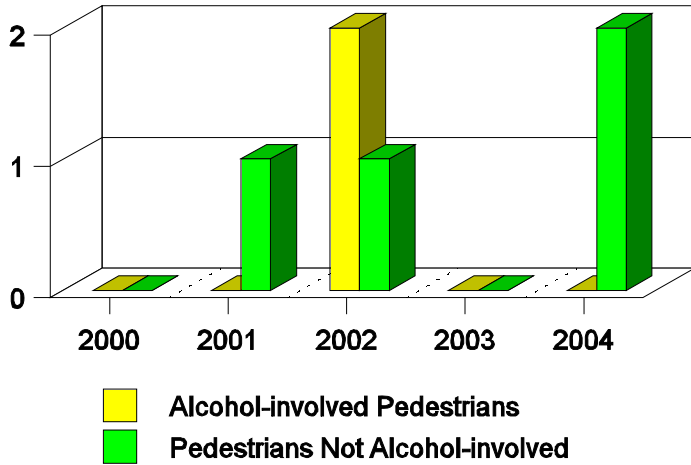
Drivers in Crashes by Age and Sex in Raton, 2004



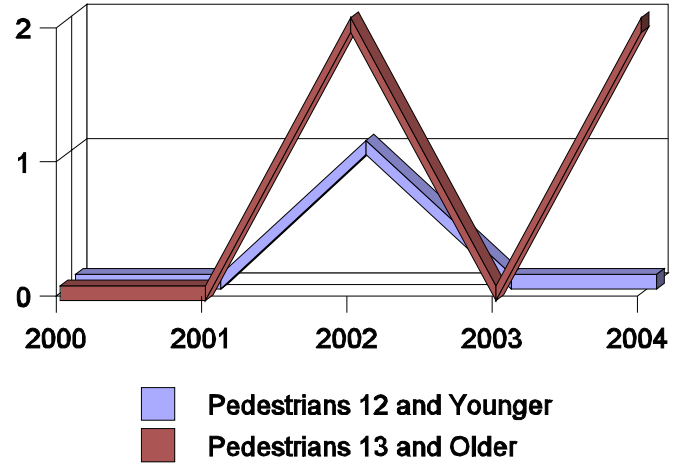
Alcohol-Involved Drivers in Crashes in Raton by Age and Sex, 2004



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



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



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

Vehicle	'Teenage' Drivers			Young Adult Drivers		
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Total	Fatal	Injury
Passenger car	34	0	12	27	0	13
Pickup	4	0	1	8	0	4
Semi	1	0	1	0	0	0
Pedestrian	1	0	1	0	0	0
Van/4 WD	4	0	1	4	0	2
Unknown	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	44	0	16	40	0	20

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

Year	'Teenagers'				Young Adults			
	All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes		All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
2004	0	14	0	3	0	9	0	0
2003	1	15	1	4	0	13	0	1
2002	0	13	0	1	0	9	0	5
2001	0	7	0	3	0	10	0	2
2000	0	11	0	1	0	3	0	0
1999	0	10	0	2	0	3	0	0
1998	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	1
1997	0	19	0	0	0	5	0	1
1996	0	11	0	0	0	8	0	1
1995	0	12	0	4	0	15	0	6