

San Juan County Report, 2004

Demographics

In 2004, there were 73,646 licensed drivers in San Juan County. Of these, there were 37,459 females and 36,187 males. The population in San Juan County was 124,166. The total number of crashes in 2004 was 2,944, yielding a crash rate of 24 per thousand people (the total number of crashes 2,944 divided by the population 124,166 multiplied by 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.

Alcohol-related Crash Information

Information about alcohol-involved crashes is included in all sections of this report. Of the 1,102 people convicted of DWI in San Juan County in 2004, 49 percent were first-time DWI convictions (number of first convictions 544 divided by the total number of people convicted 1,102 multiplied by 100). The corresponding percentage for the state was 62.

Crash Specifics

Crashes involving other vehicles were the most common class, accounting for 67 percent of all crashes. Crashes involving other vehicles and overturns were the most common class which resulted in fatalities. Passenger cars were the vehicle type most often involved in crashes, accounting for 42 percent of all vehicles in crashes. Pickups accounted for 34 percent of vehicles involved in crashes. Together these two vehicle types comprised 74 percent of the vehicles involved in injury crashes. The three most common top contributing factors were following too close, failing to yield, and driver inattention. There were 31 fatal crashes in 2004. The most common top contributing factor for the fatal crashes was alcohol involvement.

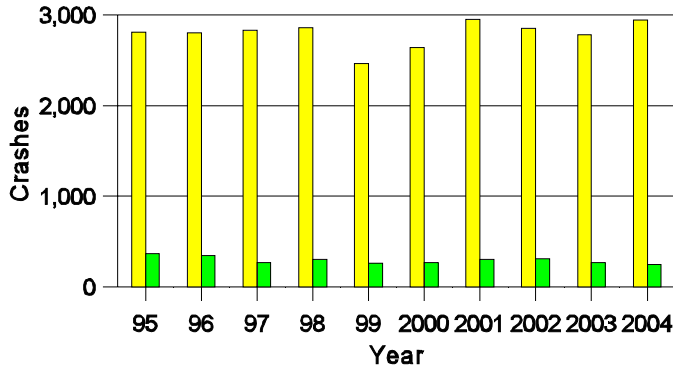
People in Crashes

Overall, males were 56 percent of drivers in crashes, although they account for only 49 percent of licensed drivers in San Juan County. There were 33 pedestrians involved in crashes. In 2004, one 'teenager' and six young adults were killed in crashes in San Juan County. Statewide 18 percent of alcohol-involved drivers were under 21; in San Juan County 20 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.

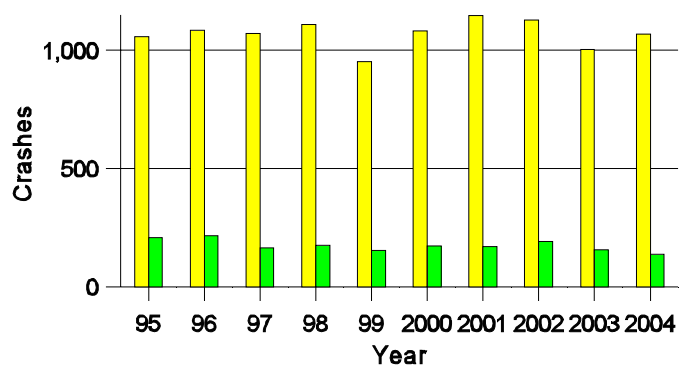
- Location of arrest/conviction was determined by police agency/court location, not driver residence.
- Crashes and drivers were counted by the city of occurrence/residence.
- Population was counted according to the Census definition, using 2004 estimates.
- Young adults are people between the ages of 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 San Juan County
by Alcohol Involvement**



All Crashes
 Alcohol-involved Crashes

**Fatal and Injury Crashes in San Juan County
by Alcohol Involvement**



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

Passenger Vehicle Seatbelt Usage and Injuries in San Juan County, 2002-2004

Injury Level	2004		2003		2002	
	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt	Total	No Belt
Killed	29	15	31	23	31	21
Incapacitating injury	137	19	171	40	154	39
Visible injury	296	57	307	47	333	69
Complaint of injury	1,032	29	873	48	1,102	62
Unhurt	5,851	101	5,571	104	5,690	165
Total	7,345	221	6,953	262	7,310	356

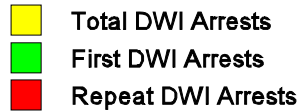
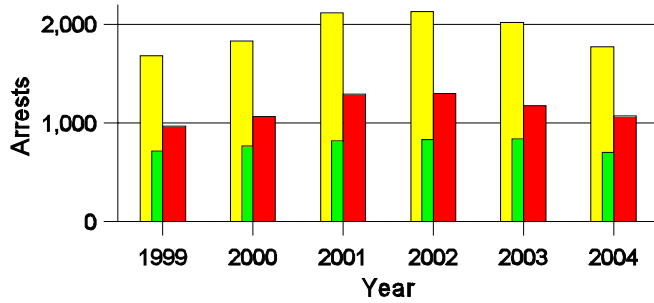
**Lifetime DWI Convictions for Drivers
Convicted of DWI Violations in San Juan County, 2004**

Convictions	Since 1999	Since 1980
1st	732	544
2nd	267	262
3rd	83	142
4th	15	67
5th	5	44
6th	0	22
7th	0	10
8th	0	5
9th	0	1
10 or more	0	5
Total	1,102	1,102

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

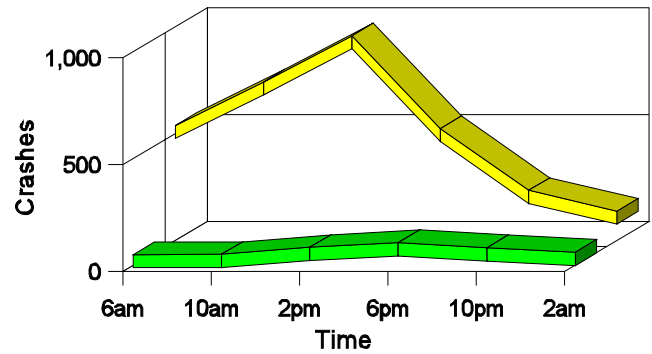
DWI Arrests in San Juan County

Showing First Arrests and Repeat Offenders



Crashes in San Juan County

by Hour and Alcohol Involvement



Crashes in San Juan County by Class, 2004

Class	Crashes					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Other vehicle	1,987	67	12	39	749	19	1,265
Pedestrian	31	1	2	6	24	2	27
Fixed object	343	12	3	10	85	3	115
Veh. on other roadway	3	0	2	6	0	4	1
Parked vehicle	125	4	0	0	15	0	18
Overturn	246	8	11	35	125	12	187
Other non-collision	32	1	0	0	8	0	10
Pedalcyclist	20	1	0	0	20	0	20
Animal	136	5	1	3	11	1	17
Other object	21	1	0	0	1	0	2
Total	2,944	100	31	100	1,038	41	1,662

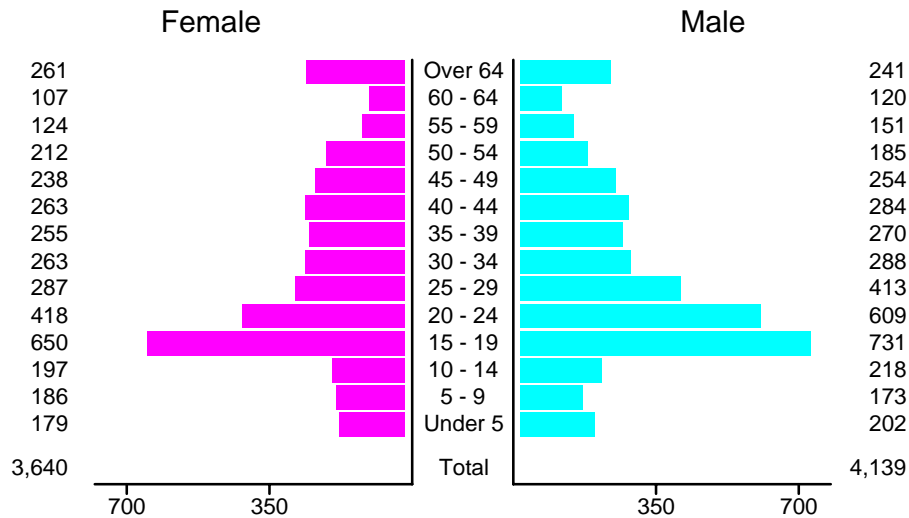
Crashes in San Juan County by Vehicle Type, 2004

Vehicle Type	Vehicles					People	
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Passenger car	2,211	42	18	37	844	18	789
Pickup	1,814	34	17	35	628	16	453
Semi	148	3	3	6	44	0	12
Bus	13	0	0	0	2	0	0
Motorcycle	56	1	3	6	50	2	57
Pedalcyclist	22	0	0	0	22	0	22
Pedestrian	33	1	2	4	26	2	26
Van/4 WD	876	17	5	10	331	2	294
Other	17	0	1	2	3	1	0
Unknown	115	2	0	0	31	0	9
Total	5,305	100	49	100	1,981	41	1,662

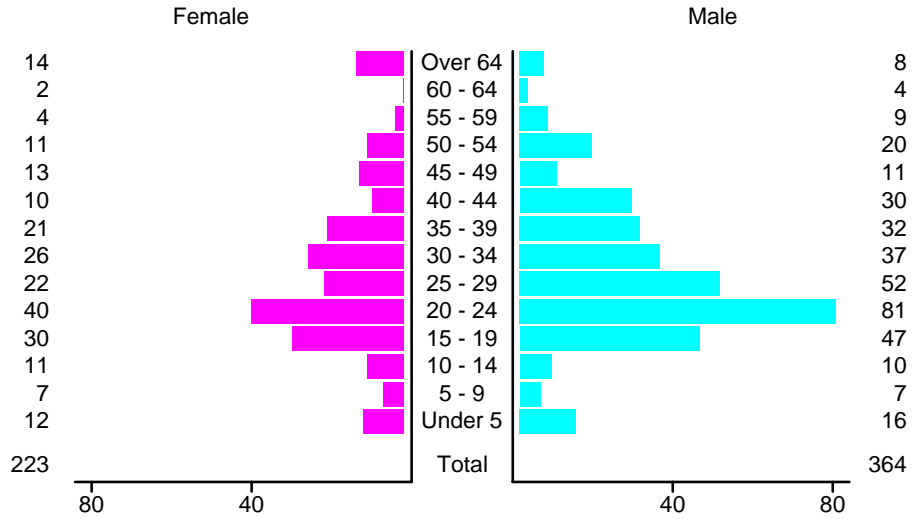
Crashes in San Juan County by Top Contributing Factor, 2004

Contributing Factor	Crashes				People		
	Total	% of Total	Fatal	% of Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Alcohol involvement	248	8	19	61	119	26	204
Red light running	160	5	1	3	72	1	140
Failing to yield	521	18	1	3	202	1	337
Excessive speed	338	11	6	19	132	8	235
Driving left of center	67	2	1	3	17	2	26
Following too close	616	21	0	0	243	0	353
Improper turning	88	3	0	0	14	0	19
Improper overtaking	33	1	0	0	8	0	10
Improper backing	106	4	0	0	5	0	7
Mechanical defect	48	2	0	0	11	0	17
Driver inattention	428	15	2	6	157	2	240
Improper driving	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	290	10	1	3	58	1	74
Total	2,944	100	31	100	1,038	41	1,662

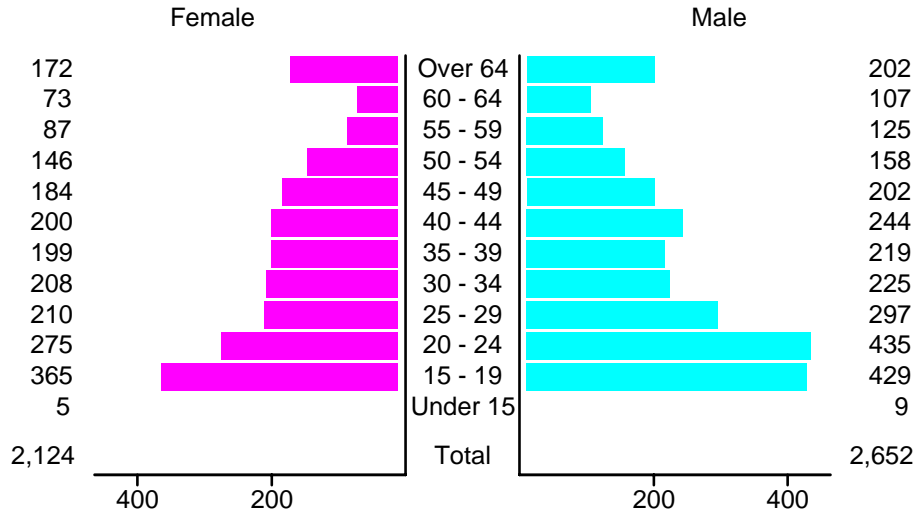
People in Crashes by Age and Sex in San Juan County, 2004



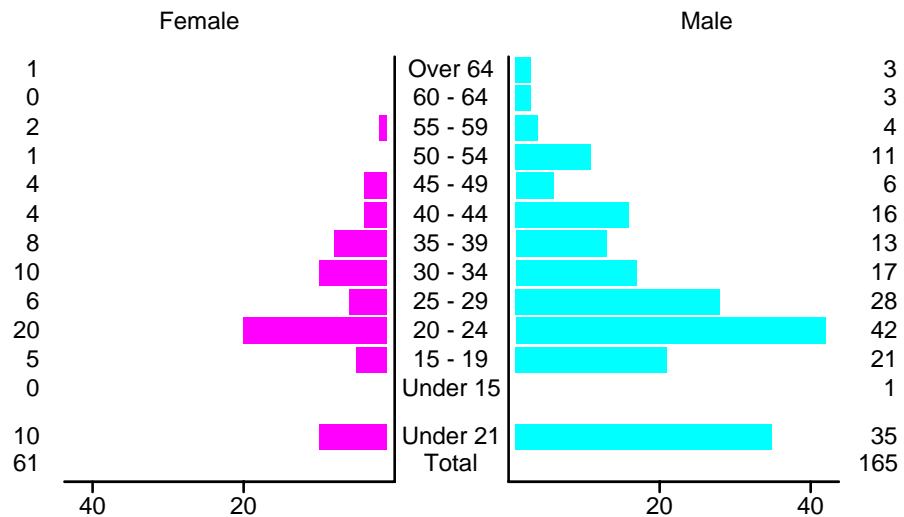
People in Alcohol-Involved Crashes in San Juan County, 2004 by Age and Sex



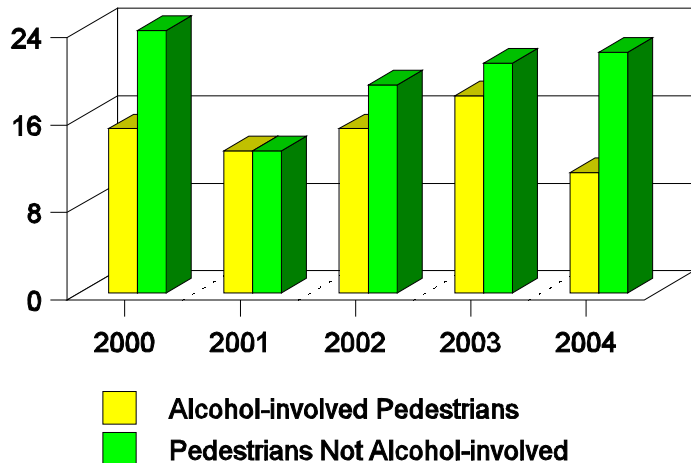
Drivers in Crashes by Age and Sex in San Juan County, 2004



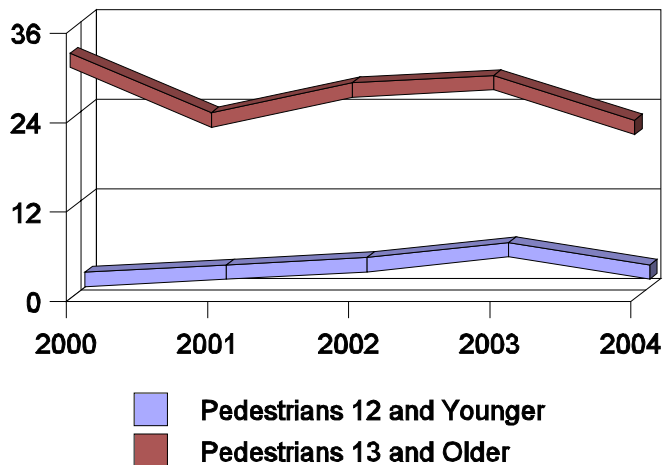
Alcohol-Involved Drivers in Crashes in San Juan County, 2004 by Age and Sex



**Pedestrian Crashes in San Juan County
by Pedestrian Alcohol-involvement, 2000-2004**



**Pedestrian Crashes in San Juan County
by Age Group, 2000-2004**



'Teenagers' and Young Adults in Crashes in San Juan County by Vehicle Type, 2004

Vehicle	'Teenage' Drivers			Young Adult Drivers		
	Total	Fatal	Injury	Total	Fatal	Injury
Passenger car	433	1	151	381	4	164
Pickup	238	0	82	207	2	68
Semi	1	0	1	12	0	1
Motorcycle	8	0	8	9	0	9
Pedalcyclist	5	0	5	1	0	1
Pedestrian	3	0	3	4	0	4
Van/4 WD	112	1	32	99	1	44
Unknown	4	0	3	3	0	0
Total	804	2	285	716	7	291

'Teenagers' and Young Adults in Crashes in San Juan County, 1995-2004

Year	'Teenagers'				Young Adults			
	All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes		All Crashes		Alcohol Crashes	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
2004	1	246	0	31	6	227	4	40
2003	6	278	3	35	4	210	3	48
2002	7	343	2	50	3	239	3	50
2001	4	358	3	54	7	248	6	53
2000	4	373	2	59	2	226	2	53
1999	2	320	1	42	1	169	1	42
1998	4	407	3	46	2	207	1	41
1997	1	362	1	51	4	211	3	41
1996	4	384	3	51	7	210	6	56
1995	3	318	2	34	2	189	2	56