

2023 Community Report

Taos County



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Definitions

Aggravated DWI – An arrest for 1) driving with a BAC of 0.16 or higher, 2) driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and causing bodily injury to a human being as a result, or 3) driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and refusing to submit to a BAC test at the time of arrest for DWI.

Alcohol-involved Crash – A crash for which the Uniform Crash Report indicated that 1) a DWI citation was issued, 2) alcohol was a contributing factor, or 3) a person in control of a motor vehicle, a pedalcyclist, or a pedestrian was suspected of being under the influence of alcohol.

Alcohol-involved Driver – A person in control of a motor vehicle, a pedalcyclist, or a pedestrian who was cited for DWI or indicated on the Uniform Crash Report as being either suspected or determined by testing to be under the influence of alcohol. There can be multiple alcohol-involved drivers in a single alcohol-involved crash.

Crash – A reported incident on a public roadway involving one or more motor vehicles that resulted in death, personal injury, or at least \$500 in property damage. Crashes on private property (such as a parking lot) are not included.

DWI Arrest (Citation) – An arrest for either DWI or aggravated DWI. New Mexico’s legal limit for presumption of driving while intoxicated (DWI) is 0.08 BAC for non-commercial drivers older than 21 years of age, 0.04 for commercial vehicle drivers, and 0.02 for drivers younger than 21 years of age.

DWI Conviction – A conviction for driving under the intoxicating influence of alcohol, narcotics, or pathogenic drugs, including for aggravated DWI.

Fatal Crash – A crash in which at least one person was killed. More than one person can be killed in a single fatal crash.

Fatalities – The number of people killed in a crash. The terms “killed” and “deaths” are synonymous with “fatalities.” A fatality is crash-related if it occurs at the time of the crash or if a person involved in the crash dies within 30 days.

First Harmful Event – The event of the crash that produced the first injury or damage. First harmful event (FHE) replaced Crash Classification starting in 2020. FHE and its' subanalysis data are derived from Crash Classification and Analysis for crashes that occurred prior to 2020 and for any agencies not using the E July 2018 Uniform Crash Report, which became available in 2020. Statistics for the categories of "Other Non-Motorist" and "Other" are not available prior to 2020.

Injury Crash – A reported crash in which at least one person was injured. Injury crashes each involve at least one suspected serious injury (Class A), suspected minor injury (Class B), or possible injury (Class C). Fatal crashes are not included.

Missing Data – An indication that the applicable field on the UCR form was left blank or contained an invalid code. Starting with crashes that occurred in 2012, improvements in the identification of missing data in the NMDOT crash database led to an increase in the reported amount of missing data.

Pedalcyclists, All – All people on any pedalcycle or in any pedalcycle trailer, and who are involved in a collision with a motor vehicle. Consists of pedalcycle operators and pedalcycle passengers. Historically, “pedalcyclists” included both pedalcycle operators and passengers. A pedalcycle is a mechanism of transport that is powered solely by pedals.

Pedestrians, All – All persons not occupying either a motor vehicle or a pedalcycle, and who are involved in a collision with a motor vehicle. Historically, “pedestrians” have also included people on personal conveyances (e.g., wheelchair or skateboard).

Sources

Crash Data – New Mexico Department of Transportation, Traffic Safety Division, Traffic Records Bureau, Traffic Crash Database, as of the report date below. Crash data are compiled using NMDOT Uniform Crash Reports (UCR), submitted by law enforcement agencies in the state, for any incident on a public roadway involving one or more motor vehicles that resulted in death, injury, or at least \$500 in property damage. These reports are processed by the NMDOT Traffic Records Bureau and analyzed by the University of New Mexico, Geospatial and Population Studies, Traffic Research Unit (TRU).

DWI Arrest Data – New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, Motor Vehicle Division, DWI File, as of the date listed in the footnote of Table 32. Repeat offenders are identified by the combination of account key, arrest date, and citation number. County data are based upon the county where the arrest took place. City data are based upon the city where the offender resides.

City, County, and Urban Area Designations – Refer to the crash-level data dictionary entries for "City", "County", and "System" at <https://gps.unm.edu/tru/data-dictionaries.html>.

**Table 1: Total Crashes and Alcohol-involved Crashes by
Crash Severity in Taos County, 2014-2023**

Year	Total Crashes				Alcohol-involved Crashes			
	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total
2014	10	78	239	327	6	9	7	22
2015	2	81	274	357	2	9	5	16
2016	8	116	261	385	5	6	6	17
2017	8	179	448	635	3	17	14	34
2018	9	177	461	647	6	25	14	45
2019	3	179	447	629	3	19	17	39
2020	15	144	328	487	7	21	17	45
2021	12	129	370	511	8	12	17	37
2022	7	195	431	633	5	27	18	50
2023	4	136	391	531	2	10	23	35

**Figure 1: Alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes Compared to
Non-alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes in Taos County, 2014-2023**

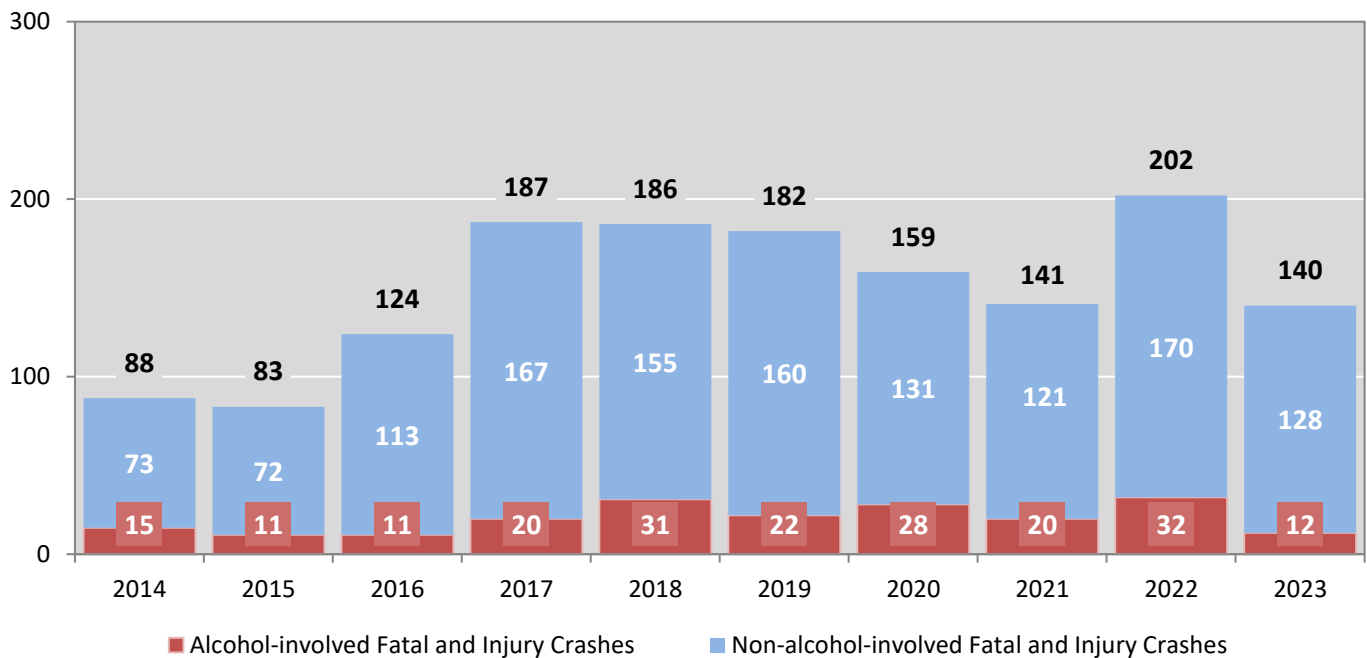


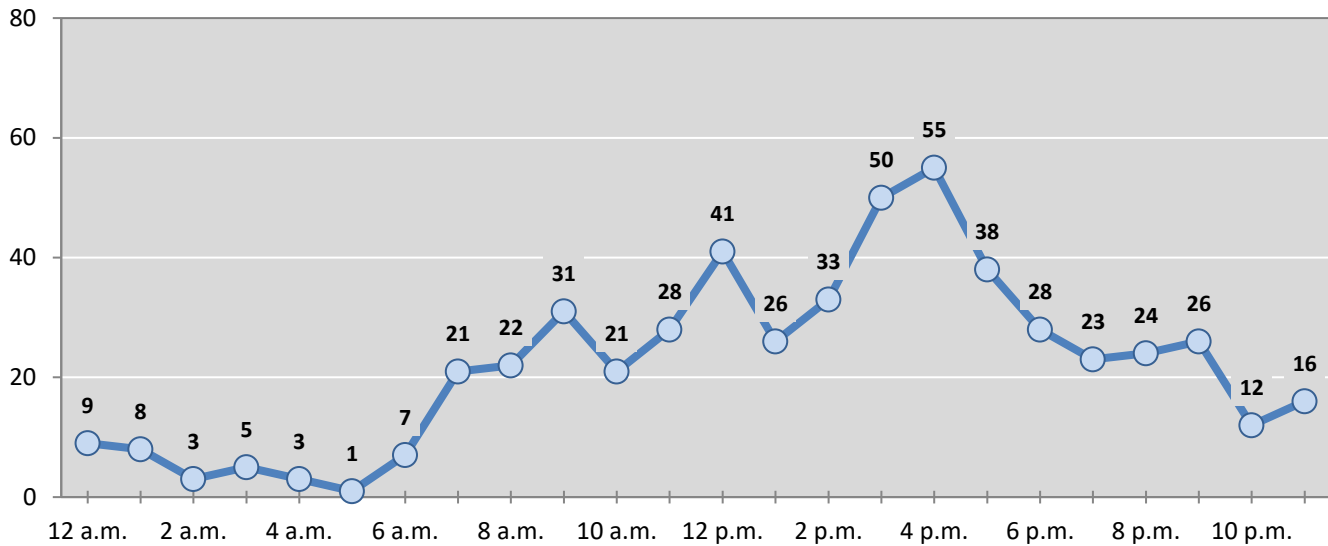
Table 2: Crashes by Month in Taos County, 2019-2023

Month	Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
January	60	30	49	51	62	50
February	64	24	42	50	46	45
March	58	16	33	49	57	43
April	52	21	28	47	38	37
May	54	41	47	56	34	46
June	59	47	46	59	41	50
July	69	59	51	55	48	56
August	34	43	45	53	22	39
September	50	46	40	55	43	47
October	59	64	48	56	36	53
November	29	40	35	50	44	40
December	41	56	47	52	60	51
Total Crashes	629	487	511	633	531	558

Table 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Month in Taos County, 2019-2023

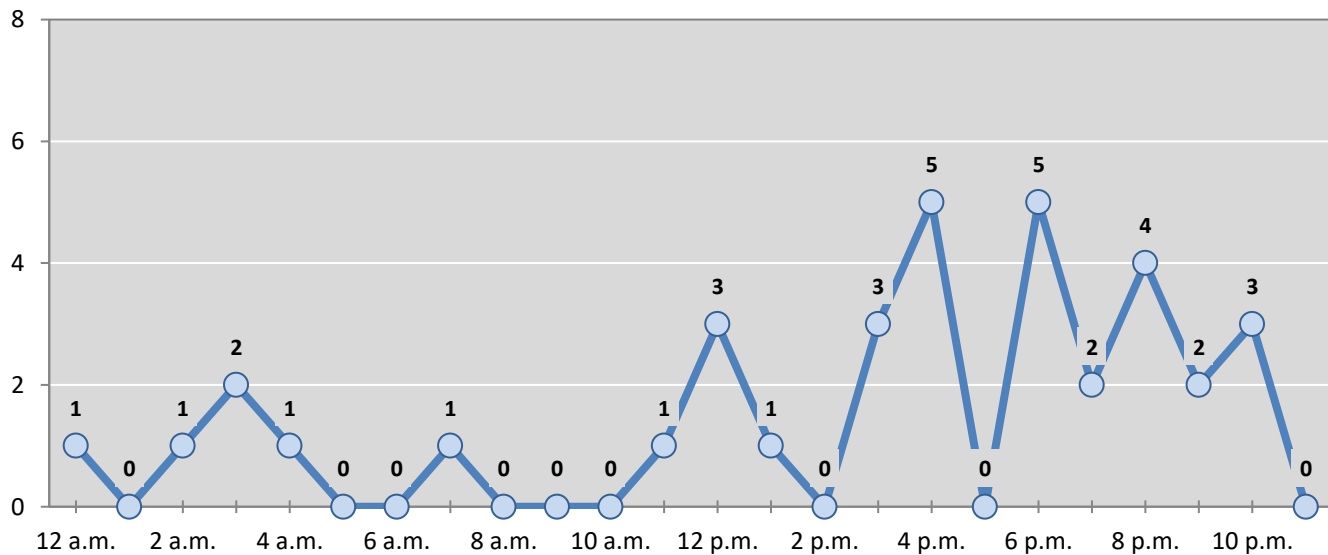
Month	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
January	2	0	5	2	0	2
February	4	0	2	4	1	2
March	5	6	1	6	4	4
April	1	3	2	3	1	2
May	4	4	3	4	3	4
June	4	9	5	8	2	6
July	7	6	2	4	5	5
August	0	6	2	2	2	2
September	4	4	5	2	6	4
October	1	3	7	5	3	4
November	5	4	2	4	4	4
December	2	0	1	6	4	3
Total Crashes	39	45	37	50	35	41

Figure 2: Crashes by Hour in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

Figure 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Hour in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 0 alcohol-involved crashes for which hour data were missing.

Table 4: Total Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Total Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	63	60	57	83	47	62
Monday	85	66	64	84	63	72
Tuesday	106	72	62	83	73	79
Wednesday	91	77	84	110	89	90
Thursday	98	75	76	101	98	90
Friday	108	72	103	83	89	91
Saturday	78	65	65	89	72	74
Total Crashes	629	487	511	633	531	558

Table 5: Heavy-truck Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Heavy-truck Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	1	1	0	2	0	1
Monday	2	1	3	6	2	3
Tuesday	9	1	1	5	1	3
Wednesday	0	2	1	3	8	3
Thursday	3	3	2	1	7	3
Friday	5	2	4	4	0	3
Saturday	2	0	0	3	0	1
Total Crashes	22	10	11	24	18	17

Table 6: Motorcycle Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Motorcycle Crashes ¹					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	2	2	1	2	4	2
Monday	4	4	4	4	0	3
Tuesday	0	1	1	3	3	2
Wednesday	2	0	0	2	4	2
Thursday	4	3	1	0	1	2
Friday	3	2	3	3	0	2
Saturday	6	2	3	3	4	4
Total Crashes	21	14	13	17	16	16

¹ "Motorcycles" exclude ATVs.

Table 7: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	4	7	11	12	5	8
Monday	2	5	1	4	2	3
Tuesday	4	6	3	5	8	5
Wednesday	6	6	2	5	5	5
Thursday	3	5	7	7	4	5
Friday	8	7	8	6	6	7
Saturday	12	9	5	11	5	8
Total Crashes	39	45	37	50	35	41

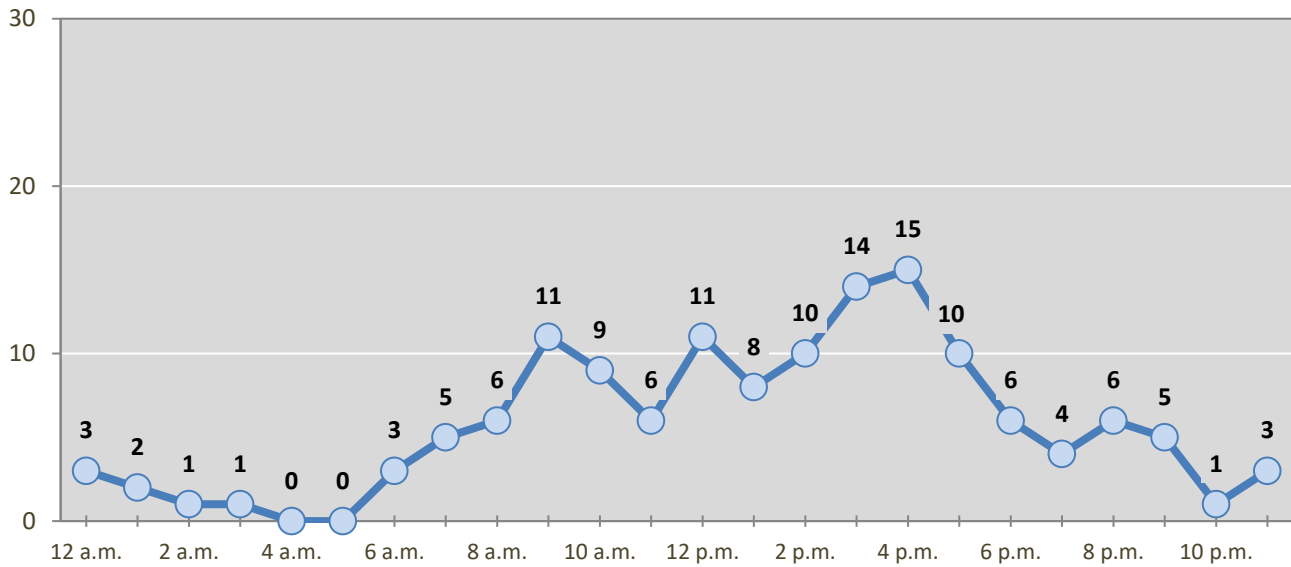
Table 8: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Fatal and Injury Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	17	25	21	28	14	21
Monday	27	18	20	27	13	21
Tuesday	27	19	15	27	24	22
Wednesday	19	24	18	31	23	23
Thursday	31	23	19	32	25	26
Friday	33	27	30	28	22	28
Saturday	28	23	18	29	19	23
Total Crashes	182	159	141	202	140	165

Table 9: All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

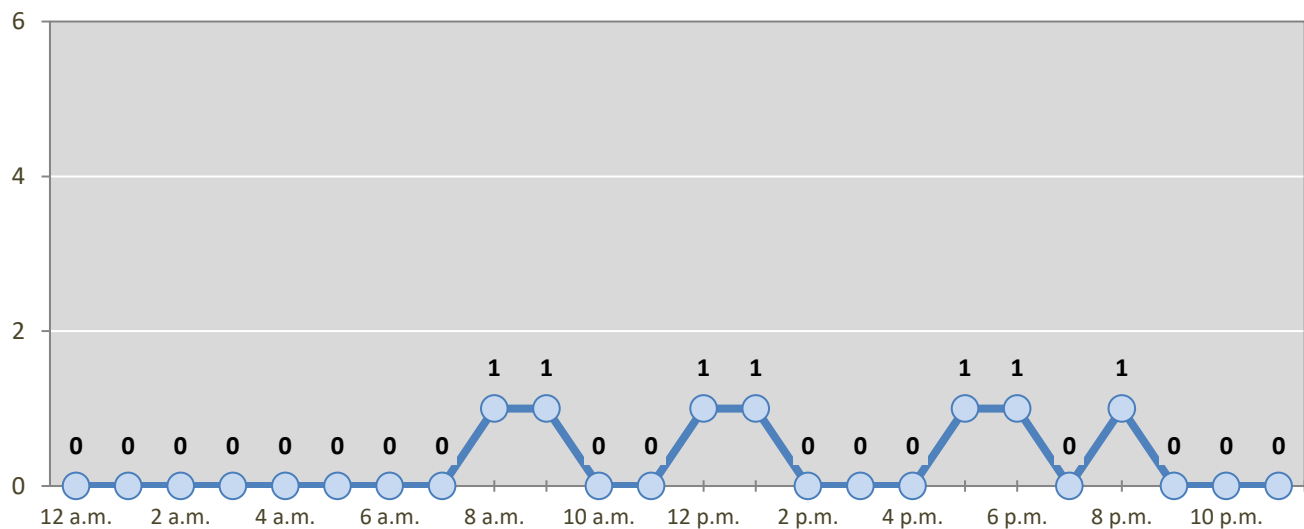
Day of Week	All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	1	0	0	2	0	1
Monday	2	0	0	2	0	1
Tuesday	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wednesday	0	2	0	0	0	0
Thursday	3	2	2	3	5	3
Friday	4	1	1	1	2	2
Saturday	0	1	0	2	0	1
Total Crashes	10	6	3	10	7	7

Figure 4: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Hour in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

Figure 5: All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes by Hour in Taos County, 2023



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Table 10: Severity of Injuries to People in Crashes by Rural and Urban Locations and Alcohol Involvement in Taos County, 2023

Rural and Urban Locations by Alcohol Involvement	People in Crashes by Severity of Injuries					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injuries (Class O)	
People in Alcohol-involved Crashes	2	1	5	5	50	63
Urban	0	1	3	3	39	46
Rural Non-Interstate	2	0	2	2	11	17
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
People in Crashes	4	12	57	120	971	1,164
Urban	1	6	33	82	702	824
Rural Non-Interstate	3	6	24	38	269	340
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percent in Alcohol-involved Crashes	50%	8%	9%	4%	5%	5%

Table 11: Total Crashes by Rural and Urban Locations and Crash Severity in Taos County, 2019-2023

Crash Severity by Rural and Urban Locations	Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Total Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fatal Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Injury Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property Damage Only Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Rural Non-Interstate	268	237	277	286	193	252
Fatal Crash	1	12	9	6	3	6
Injury Crash	78	70	66	91	49	71
Property Damage Only Crash	189	155	202	189	141	175
Total Urban	361	250	234	347	338	306
Fatal Crash	2	3	3	1	1	2
Injury Crash	101	74	63	104	87	86
Property Damage Only Crash	258	173	168	242	250	218

Table 12: Total Crashes by First Harmful Event in Taos County, 2019-2023

First Harmful Event ¹	Total Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Collision with Animal	65	62	66	60	55	62
Collision with Fixed Object	67	68	78	90	80	77
Collision with Motor Vehicle	401	273	272	361	331	328
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	15	7	15	22	17	15
Collision with Person	10	6	3	10	7	7
Pedalcycle	4	2	0	3	4	3
Pedestrian	6	4	3	7	3	5
Other Non-Motorist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	71	58	69	65	32	59
Overturn/Rollover	56	54	58	48	22	48
All Other Non-Collision	15	4	11	17	10	11
Other	0	13	8	25	9	14
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Crashes	629	487	511	633	531	558

¹ The options of “Other Non-Motorist” and “Other” were not available before 2020. The addition of options in 2020 decreases the use of previously available options.

Table 13: Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type in Taos County, 2019-2023

Vehicle Type ¹	Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Buses	6	5	3	3	2	4
Motorcycles/ATVs	27	22	21	21	21	22
Passenger Cars	504	374	370	436	432	423
Pedalcycles	4	2	0	3	4	3
Pedestrians, All	6	4	3	7	3	5
Pickups	220	197	185	256	214	214
Semis/Heavy Trucks	23	10	11	24	20	18
Vans/SUVs/4WDs	232	163	181	281	180	207
Other Vehicles	1	0	1	1	2	1
Missing Data	36	5	20	18	22	20
Total Vehicles	1,059	782	795	1,050	900	917

¹ Pedestrians and pedalcycles are counted as non-motorized vehicles, when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle. "All pedestrians" encompasses pedestrians with or without personal conveyance (e.g., wheelchair, skateboard). See Page 18 for more data on non-motorized vehicles in crashes.

**Table 14: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type
and Age Group in Taos County, 2023**

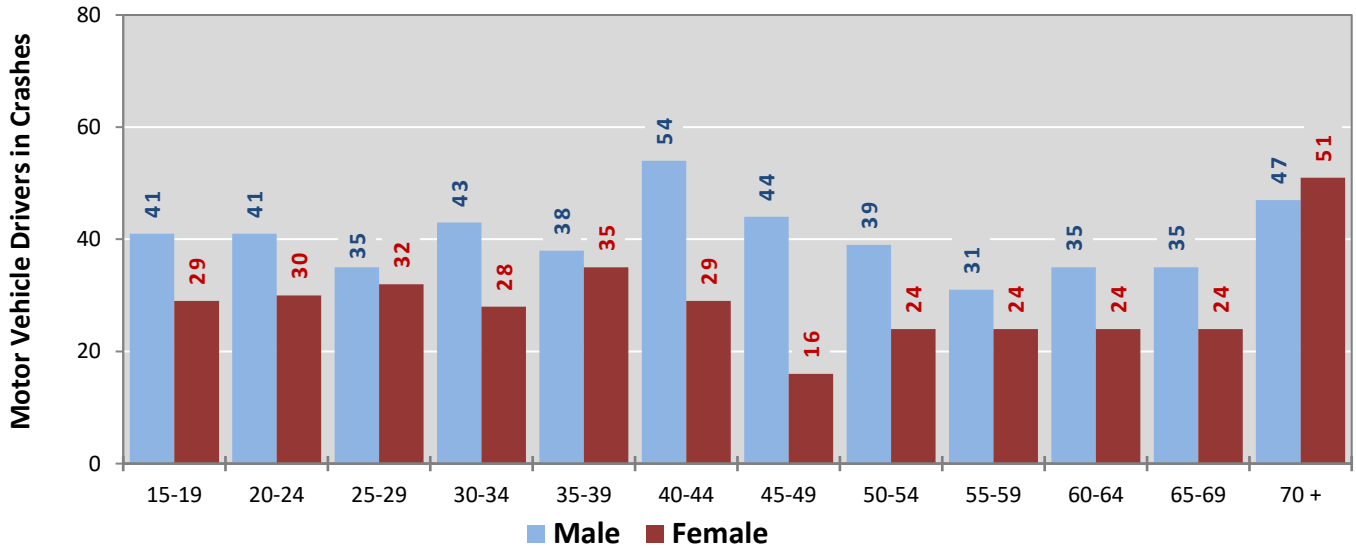
Age Groups	Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle/ATV	Passenger	Pickup	Semi/Heavy Truck	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	0	45	16	0	9	0	0	70
20-24	0	0	41	16	1	13	0	1	72
25-29	0	3	34	6	1	23	0	0	67
30-34	0	3	40	14	3	13	0	0	73
35-39	0	3	38	12	1	19	0	0	73
40-44	0	3	36	25	7	12	0	0	83
45-49	0	1	26	18	2	13	0	0	60
50-54	1	1	31	18	0	11	1	0	63
55-59	0	0	19	18	2	16	0	0	55
60-64	0	0	32	15	1	11	0	0	59
65-69	0	3	22	21	1	12	0	0	59
70 +	1	2	51	25	0	19	1	0	99
Missing Data	0	2	17	10	1	9	0	21	60
Total Drivers	2	21	432	214	20	180	2	22	893

**Table 15: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type
and Age Group in Taos County, 2023**

Age Groups	Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle/ATV	Passenger	Pickup	Semi/Heavy Truck	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
20-24	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
25-29	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	0	6
30-34	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3
35-39	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
40-44	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	6
45-49	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
50-54	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
55-59	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	4
60-64	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
65-69	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
70 +	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total Drivers	0	1	16	6	0	12	0	0	35

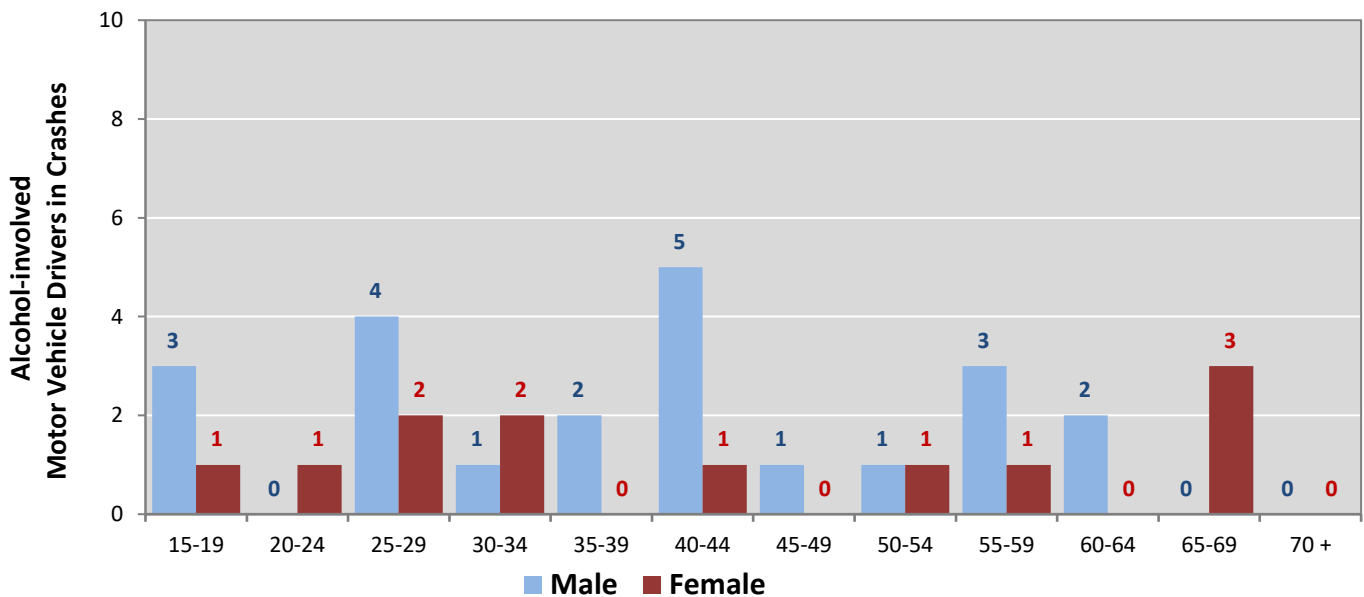
¹ See Page 18 for data on drivers of non-motorized vehicles in crashes (i.e. pedestrians and pedalcyclists).

Figure 6: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 64 drivers in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Figure 7: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 1 drivers in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 16: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age ¹	Year					5-Year Total
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
15	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	2	1	3
17	0	0	1	0	0	1
18	1	1	1	0	2	5
19	0	0	0	2	1	3
20	4	1	2	2	1	10
Total Drivers	5	2	4	6	5	22

Table 17: Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes by Age, Sex and Alcohol Involvement in Taos County, 2023

Age ¹	Total Drivers				Alcohol-involved Drivers			
	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total
	Male	Female			Male	Female		
15	3	1	4	4%	0	0	0	0%
16	8	4	12	13%	1	0	1	20%
17	9	6	15	17%	0	0	0	0%
18	14	11	25	28%	1	1	2	40%
19	7	7	14	16%	1	0	1	20%
20	9	10	19	21%	0	1	1	20%
Total Drivers	50	39	89	100%	3	2	5	100%

¹ For analysis of drivers under age 21, when the driver age or sex are not identified on the crash report (typically hit-and-run drivers), the driver data are considered unreliable and are excluded from the analysis.

**Table 18: Frequency of Contributing Factors in Crashes
by Crash Severity in Taos County, 2023**

Contributing Factors	Frequency of Contributing Factor ¹ by Crash Severity			
	Frequency in Fatal Crashes	Frequency in Injury Crashes	Frequency in Property Damage Only Crashes	Frequency in All Crashes
Human	11	242	485	738
Driver Inattention	1	61	132	194
Failed to Yield Right of Way	1	25	53	79
Other Improper Driving	2	23	46	71
Excessive Speed	1	27	29	57
Following Too Closely	0	16	41	57
Speed Too Fast For Conditions	2	17	34	53
Under the Influence Of Alcohol	2	10	23	35
Avoid No Contact Vehicle	0	9	22	31
Drove Left of Center	0	11	20	31
Driver Distracted by Other Activity	0	7	24	31
Improper Overtaking	0	6	11	17
Made Improper Turn	0	7	9	16
Avoid No Contact Other	0	4	8	12
Passed Stop Sign	0	5	7	12
Improper Lane Change	0	1	7	8
Under the Influence Of Drugs	1	3	4	8
Disregarded Traffic Signal	1	3	3	7
Improper Backing	0	0	5	5
Driver Distracted By Texting	0	1	3	4
Cell Phone	0	2	1	3
Driver Distracted by Passenger	0	1	2	3
Driverless Moving Vehicle	0	1	0	1
Failed to Yield For Police Vehicle	0	0	1	1
High-Speed Pursuit	0	1	0	1
Driver Distracted by Talking on Cell Phone	0	1	0	1
Failed to Yield For Emer. Vehicle	0	0	0	0
Pedestrian Error	0	0	0	0
Driver Distracted by Talking on Hands-Free Device	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Skidded Before Braking	0	0	0	0
Vehicle	0	9	12	21
Inadequate Brakes	0	3	4	7
Other Mechanical Defect	0	3	3	6
Defective Tires	0	0	3	3
Lights (Head, Signal, Tail)	0	1	1	2
Coupling Device (Hitch, Chains)	0	1	0	1
Defective Steering	0	1	0	1
Wheels	0	0	1	1
Exhaust System	0	0	0	0
Mirrors	0	0	0	0
Suspension	0	0	0	0
Windows/Windshield	0	0	0	0
Wipers	0	0	0	0
Environment	1	34	113	148
Weather Conditions	0	11	33	44
Animal(s) In Roadway	0	6	36	42
Road Surface Conditions	1	6	20	27
Road Defect	0	6	2	8
Backup - Prior Crash	0	0	6	6
Other Visual Obstruction(s)	0	3	3	6
Low Visibility Due to Glare	0	1	4	5
Obstruction in Road	0	0	4	4
Traffic Congestion	0	1	2	3
Debris	0	0	3	3
Backup - Prior Incident	0	0	0	0
Low Visibility Due to Smoke	0	0	0	0
Traffic Control Missing	0	0	0	0
Other	1	109	315	425
Other - No Driver Error	1	94	267	362
Missing Data	0	3	30	33
None	0	12	18	30
Total	13	394	925	1,332

¹ Multiple contributing factors may be reported for any vehicle in a crash.

Table 19: People in Crashes by First Harmful Event and Severity of Injuries in Taos County, 2023

First Harmful Event (FHE) and Subanalysis	People in Crashes by Severity of Injuries					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injuries (Class O)	
Collision with Animal	0	0	3	3	74	80
Deer	0	0	0	1	34	35
Elk	0	0	3	2	29	34
Cattle/Cow	0	0	0	0	3	3
Small Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	2	2
Antelope	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bear	0	0	0	0	0	0
Horse	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (Bird, Cougar, Sheep, Goat)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Large Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Large Game Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Game Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	6	6
Collision with Fixed Object	1	2	12	3	76	94
Tree (standing)	0	0	2	0	15	17
Guardrail, End or Face	0	1	0	0	10	11
Other Fixed Object	0	0	0	1	10	11
Embankment	0	0	3	1	5	9
Fence	0	0	0	0	9	9
Ditch	1	0	0	0	3	4
Traffic Sign Support	0	0	1	0	3	4
Culvert	0	1	1	0	1	3
Curb	0	0	1	0	2	3
Bridge Pier, Support, Rail, or Overhead	0	0	1	0	0	1
Traffic Barrier, Concrete	0	0	1	0	0	1
Wall or Building	0	0	1	0	0	1
Median	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Post, Pole or Support	0	0	0	0	0	0
Traffic Barrier, Cable	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utility Pole/Light Support	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (incl. hydrant, box, cattle guard, plant)	0	0	1	0	8	9
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	1	10	11
Collision with Motor Vehicle	2	7	30	96	759	894
MV in Transport	2	7	30	93	729	861
Parked MV	0	0	0	0	10	10
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	3	20	23
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	0	0	0	5	19	24
Railway Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0
Struck by falling, shifting cargo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work Zone/Maintenance Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-fixed Object	0	0	0	5	18	23
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	1	1
Collision with Person	0	0	4	3	7	14
Pedalcycle	0	0	3	1	4	8
Pedestrian	0	0	1	2	3	6
Other Non-Motorist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	1	3	8	7	21	40
Overturn/Rollover	1	3	7	5	11	27
Fell/Jumped from MV	0	0	1	0	1	2
Fire/Explosion	0	0	0	0	2	2
Cargo/Equipment Loss or Shift	0	0	0	0	0	0
Immersion, Full or Partial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackknife	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thrown or Falling Object	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-Collision	0	0	0	2	4	6
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	3	3
Other	0	0	0	3	15	18
Missing FHE and Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total People	4	12	57	120	971	1,164

**Table 20: Killed or Injured Unbelted People in Crashes
by Sex and Age Group in Taos County, 2023**

Age Groups	Unbelted People Killed or Injured ^{1,2}				Total People
	Male	Percent of Male	Female	Percent of Female	
0-4	0	0%	0	0%	0
5-9	0	0%	0	0%	0
10-14	0	0%	0	0%	0
15-19	0	0%	0	0%	0
20-24	1	20%	0	0%	1
25-29	1	20%	0	0%	1
30-34	0	0%	1	25%	1
35-39	0	0%	1	25%	1
40-44	0	0%	0	0%	0
45-49	0	0%	0	0%	0
50-54	0	0%	0	0%	0
55-59	1	20%	0	0%	1
60-64	0	0%	1	25%	1
65-69	0	0%	1	25%	1
70 +	1	20%	0	0%	1
Missing Data	1	20%	0	0%	1
Total People	5	100%	4	100%	9

¹ People injured are in one of three categories: suspected serious injury, suspected minor injury, or possible injury.

² Excludes people in or on buses, heavy trucks, motorcycles, or ATVs.

**Figure 8: Seatbelt Use by People in Crashes with Fatal or
Suspected Serious Injuries in Taos County, 2019-2023**

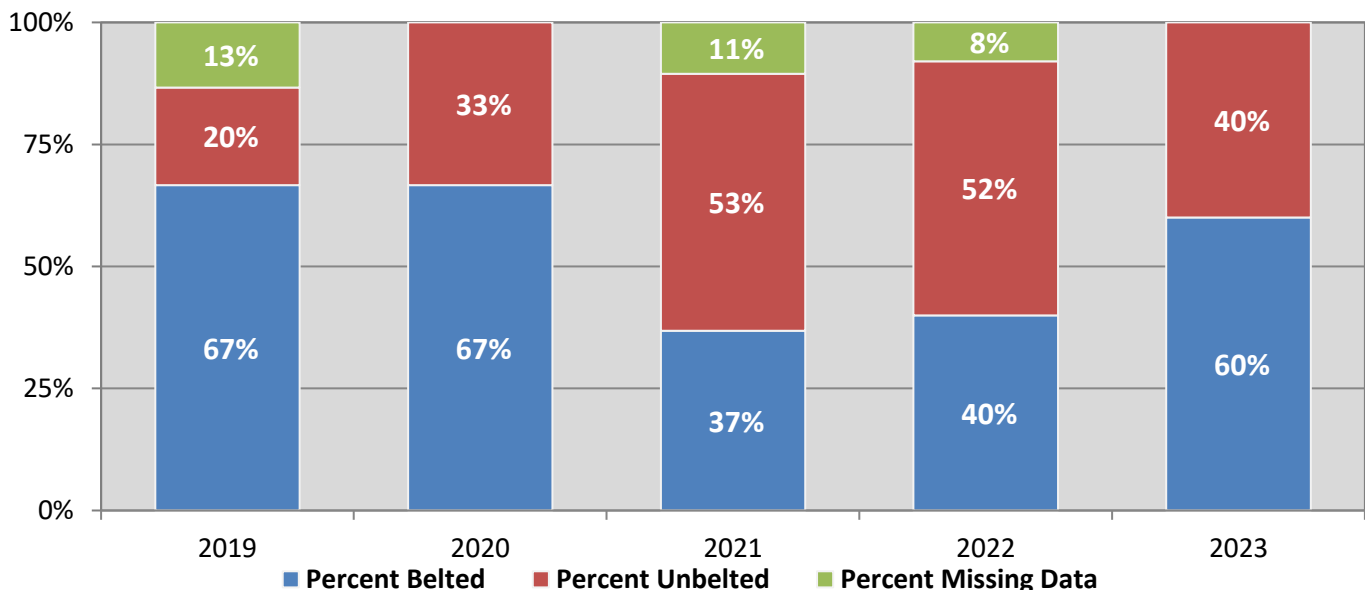
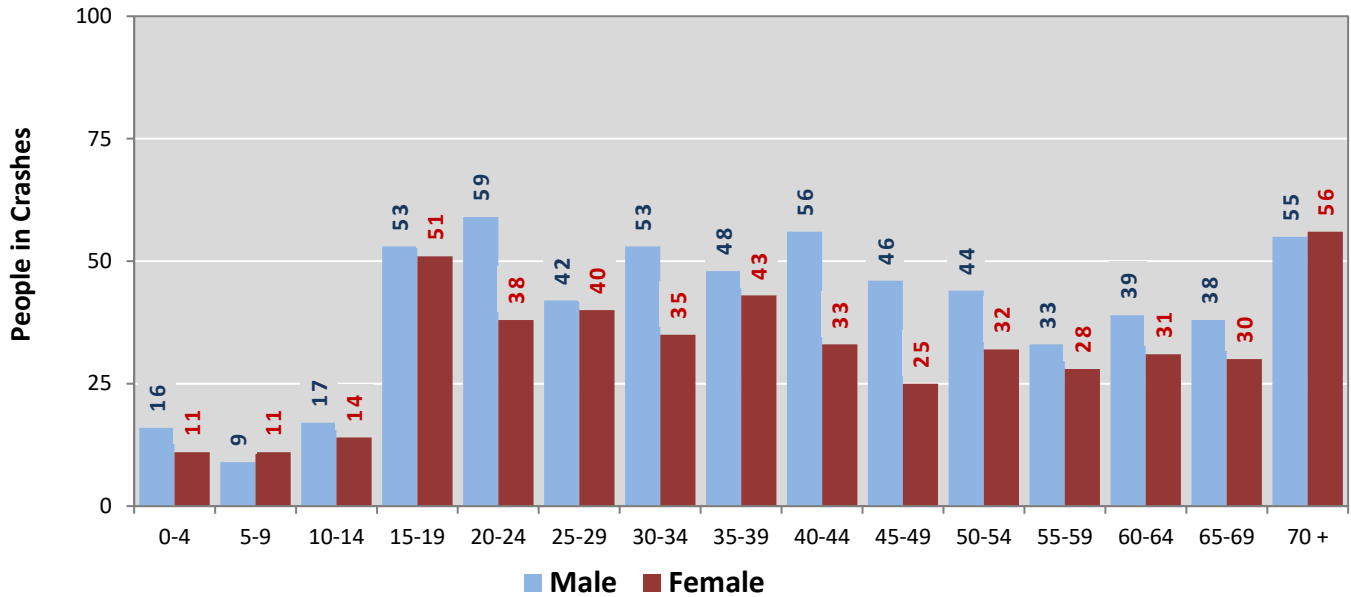
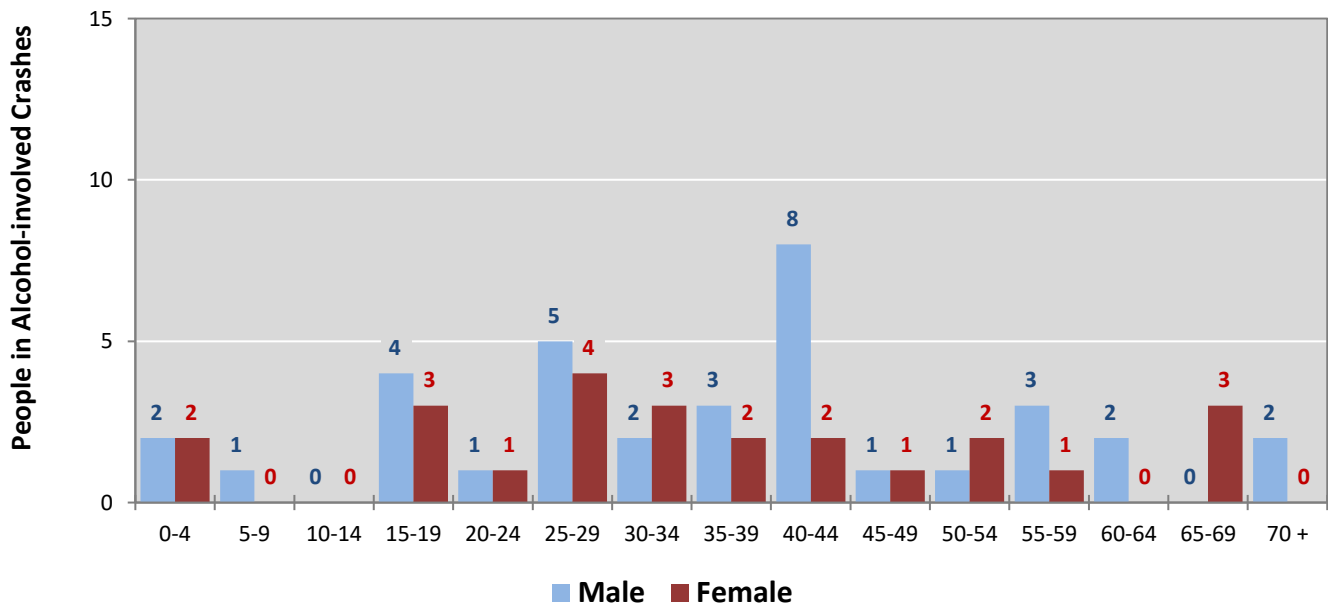


Figure 9: People in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 78 people in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Figure 10: People in Alcohol-involved Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 4 people in alcohol-involved crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 21: All Pedestrians and All Pedalcyclists in Crashes by Age Group in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age Groups	All Pedestrians and All Pedalcyclists ¹ in Crashes					5-Year Total People
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
0-4	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-9	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-19	1	0	2	1	0	4
20-24	1	0	0	3	0	4
25-29	0	0	0	1	0	1
30-34	1	0	0	1	0	2
35-39	0	1	0	0	2	3
40-44	2	1	0	1	0	4
45-49	1	2	0	0	1	4
50-54	1	0	0	2	0	3
55-59	0	0	1	0	0	1
60-64	2	2	0	0	0	4
65-69	0	0	0	0	1	1
70 +	1	0	0	0	3	4
Missing Data	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total People	10	6	3	10	7	36

Table 22: All Pedestrians and Pedalcycle Operators in Crashes by Alcohol Involvement and Severity of Injuries in Taos County, 2023

Alcohol Involvement	All Pedestrians and Pedalcycle Operators ¹ in Crashes					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injury (Class O)	
Pedalcycle Operators	0	0	3	1	0	4
Involved	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Involved	0	0	3	1	0	4
All Pedestrians	0	0	1	2	0	3
Involved	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Involved	0	0	1	2	0	3
Total People	0	0	4	3	0	7

¹ "All pedestrians" encompasses pedestrians with and without personal conveyance (e.g., wheelchair, skateboard). "All pedalcyclists" encompasses both pedalcycle operators and pedalcycle passengers. All pedestrians and pedalcycle operators are counted as non-motorized vehicles when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle.

**Table 23: Occupants of Passenger Vehicles in Crashes
by Severity of Injuries and Belt Usage in Taos County, 2023**

Severity of Injuries	Injury Class	Occupants of Passenger Vehicles ¹			
		Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total
Fatalities	K	0	3	0	3
Suspected Serious Injuries	A	6	1	0	7
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	41	3	1	45
Possible Injuries	C	101	2	11	114
No Apparent Injuries	O	787	4	123	914
Total Occupants of Passenger Vehicles		935	13	135	1,083

¹ Occupants of passenger cars, SUVs, 4WDs, vans, and pickup trucks only.

**Table 24: Motorcyclists in Crashes
by Severity of Injuries and Helmet Usage in Taos County, 2023**

Severity of Injuries	Injury Class	Motorcyclists in Crashes ¹			
		Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total
Fatalities	K	0	1	0	1
Suspected Serious Injuries	A	1	2	0	3
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	2	2	2	6
Possible Injuries	C	0	0	1	1
No Apparent Injuries	O	1	0	6	7
Total Motorcyclists		4	5	9	18

¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

**Table 25: Occupants of Passenger Vehicles in Crashes
by Year, Belt Usage, and Percent Killed in Taos County, 2019-2023**

Year	Occupant Fatalities of Passenger Vehicles ¹				Total Occupants of Passenger Vehicles ¹				Percent Killed	
	Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total Fatalities	Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total Occupants	Belted	Unbelted
2019	2	0	0	2	1,169	18	145	1,332	0.17%	0.0%
2020	2	7	0	9	824	23	105	952	0.24%	30.4%
2021	2	7	0	9	811	34	125	970	0.25%	20.6%
2022	0	6	0	6	1,102	38	138	1,278	0.00%	15.8%
2023	0	3	0	3	935	13	135	1,083	0.00%	23.1%
Average	1.2	4.6	0.0	5.8	968.2	25.2	129.6	1,123.0	0.12%	18.3%

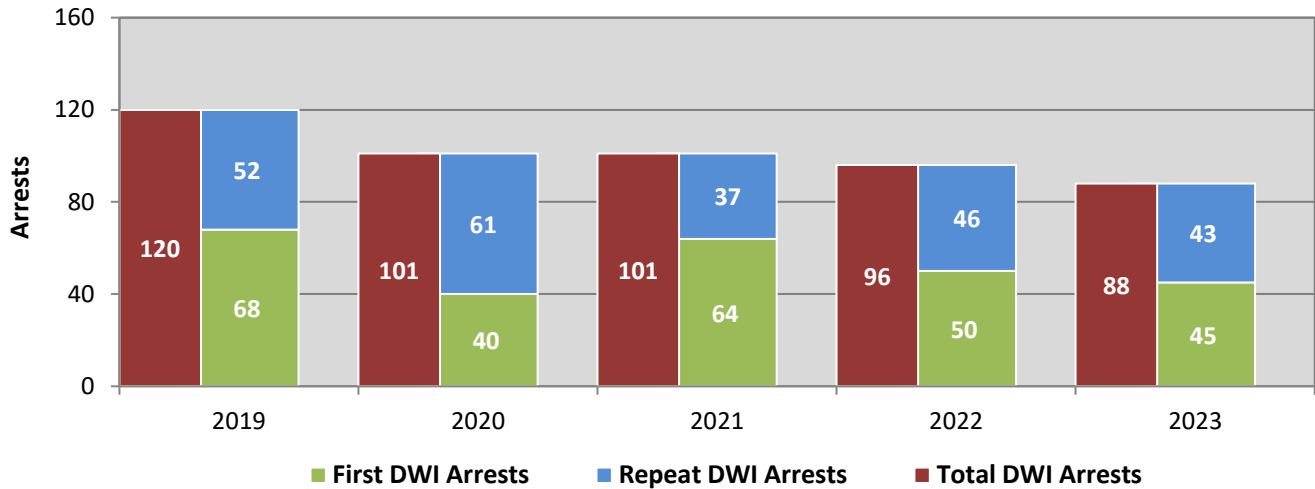
¹ Occupants of passenger cars, SUVs, 4WDs, vans, and pickup trucks only.

**Table 26: Motorcyclists in Crashes
by Year, Helmet Usage, and Percent Killed in Taos County, 2019-2023**

Year	Motorcyclist Fatalities ¹				Total Motorcyclists ¹				Percent Killed	
	Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total Fatalities	Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total Occupants	Helmeted	Unhelmeted
2019	0	2	0	2	13	10	9	32	0.0%	20.0%
2020	0	0	0	0	3	5	10	18	0.0%	0.0%
2021	1	0	0	1	5	2	6	13	20.0%	0.0%
2022	0	0	0	0	7	2	9	18	0.0%	0.0%
2023	0	1	0	1	4	5	9	18	0.0%	20.0%
Average	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.8	6.4	4.8	8.6	19.8	3.1%	12.5%

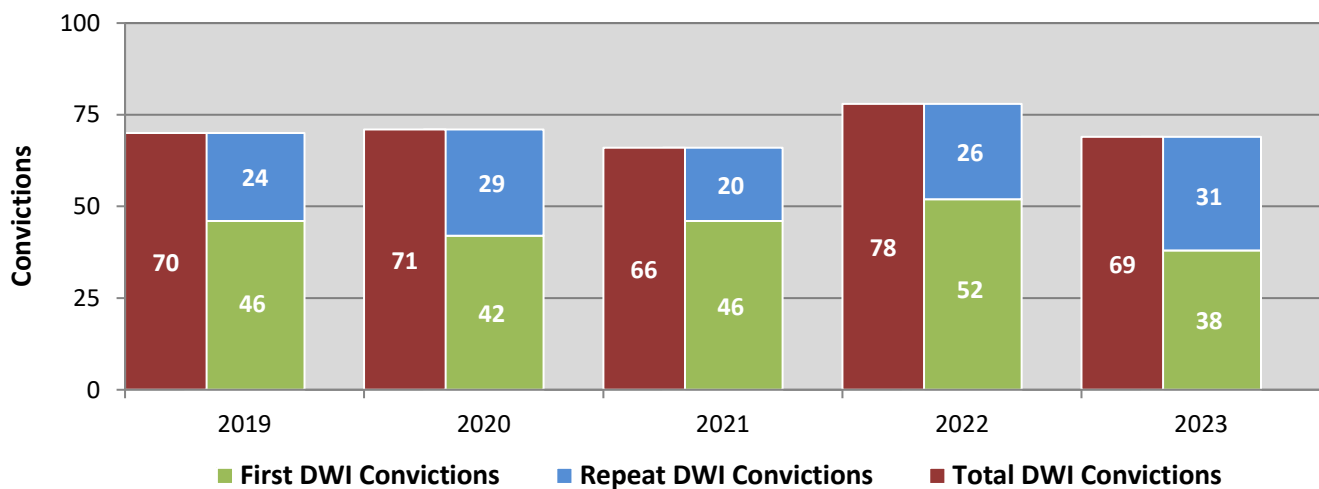
¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

**Figure 11: DWI Arrests in Taos County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Arrests, 2019-2023**



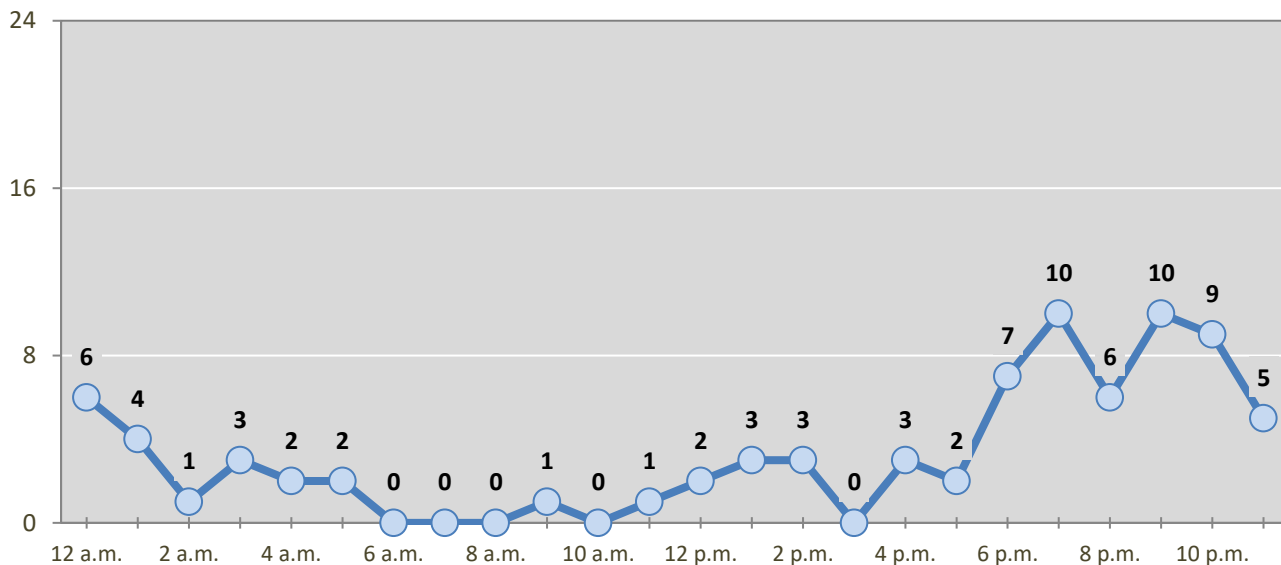
*Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

**Figure 12: DWI Convictions in Taos County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Convictions, 2019-2023**



*Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Figure 13: DWI Arrests by Hour in Taos County, 2023



* In 2023, Taos County had 8 arrests for which hour data were missing.

Table 27: DWI Arrests by Day of Week in Taos County, 2019-2023

Day of Week	Year					5-Year Average
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Sunday	17	18	19	15	8	15
Monday	10	11	10	7	7	9
Tuesday	11	11	15	17	11	13
Wednesday	16	14	17	6	13	13
Thursday	17	9	10	12	23	14
Friday	20	18	17	18	13	17
Saturday	29	20	13	21	13	19
Total Arrests	120	101	101	96	88	101

Table 28: Driver First DWI Arrests by Age Group in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Arrests ¹				
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
15-19	1	4	1	2	4
20-24	13	10	9	11	11
25-29	13	3	13	10	4
30-34	10	4	8	3	9
35-39	7	2	13	10	7
40-44	5	5	4	5	5
45-49	5	5	5	2	1
50-54	0	1	3	3	1
55-59	6	2	1	1	1
60-64	2	3	3	2	1
65-69	3	0	1	1	1
70 +	3	1	3	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	68	40	64	50	45

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Table 29: Driver Repeat DWI Arrests by Age Group in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Arrests ¹				
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
15-19	0	0	0	0	1
20-24	4	2	5	2	2
25-29	2	7	4	4	3
30-34	15	8	7	6	6
35-39	5	15	1	6	4
40-44	4	5	5	6	5
45-49	4	7	3	6	7
50-54	3	7	4	5	6
55-59	5	4	4	4	2
60-64	5	5	2	5	6
65-69	4	0	0	2	1
70 +	1	1	2	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	52	61	37	46	43

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Table 30: Driver First DWI Convictions by Age Group in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Convictions ¹				
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
15-19	3	3	0	1	2
20-24	7	12	10	11	9
25-29	10	3	4	8	5
30-34	5	7	8	7	4
35-39	2	4	8	11	6
40-44	5	2	6	4	4
45-49	5	3	2	5	2
50-54	1	0	1	2	1
55-59	4	3	3	1	0
60-64	3	3	2	2	3
65-69	1	0	0	0	2
70 +	0	2	2	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	46	42	46	52	38

¹Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Table 31: Driver Repeat DWI Convictions by Age Group in Taos County, 2019-2023

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Convictions ¹				
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
15-19	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	1	2	1	1	0
25-29	0	4	2	3	3
30-34	3	8	2	3	4
35-39	3	4	4	5	4
40-44	2	2	1	5	3
45-49	2	1	1	2	3
50-54	2	3	3	3	6
55-59	3	3	2	1	3
60-64	3	2	3	2	4
65-69	4	0	0	1	1
70 +	1	0	1	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	24	29	20	26	31

¹Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Table 32: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests for Taos County and the State, 2023

Court Disposition of DWI Arrest ¹	Taos County	Statewide	Percent of Statewide
Total DWI Arrests	88	7,751	1.1%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Convictions	42	2,115	2.0%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Dismissals ²	0	361	0.0%
DWI Arrests Awaiting Disposition	46	5,275	0.9%

¹ These are the number of DWI arrests in 2023 and whether the case resulted in a conviction or dismissal, or is still awaiting court disposition, as reported in the NM MVD DWI File, as of October 2024.

² For this table, a very small number of "not guilty" rulings may be included in the category Dismissals.

Table 33: Average Number of Days from Date of DWI Arrest to Date of Court Disposition in Taos County and the State, 2023

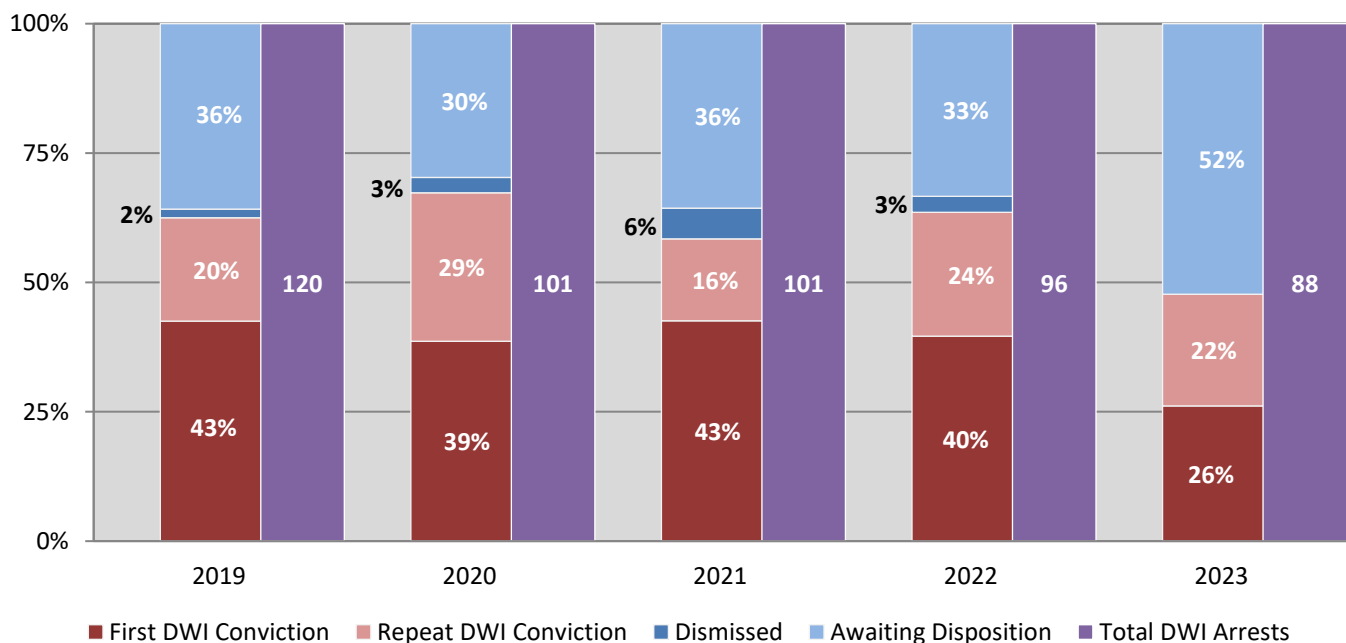
Court Disposition	Average Number of Days		Deviation from Statewide Average
	Taos County	Statewide	
DWI Conviction	110	128	-18
DWI Dismissal	0	78	-78

Table 34: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests in Taos County, 2019-2023

Year of DWI Arrest ¹	Court Disposition				Total DWI Arrests
	First DWI Conviction	Repeat DWI Conviction	Dismissed	Awaiting Disposition	
2019	51	24	2	43	120
2020	39	29	3	30	101
2021	43	16	6	36	101
2022	38	23	3	32	96
2023	23	19	0	46	88

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Figure 14: Court Dispositions by Percentage of DWI Arrests in Taos County, 2019-2023



*Table 34 contains the values used to calculate percentages shown in Figure 14.