

Illinois Crashes During Holidays 2002-2008

Memorial Day Weekend

Fourth of July Holiday

Labor Day Weekend

Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend

Christmas Holiday

New Year's Holiday

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Illinois Crashes During Memorial Day Weekend*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
MEMORIAL DAY							
2008	3.25	7	509	2,655	8	726	2.5
2007	3.25	11	537	3,040	11	839	3.4
2006	3.25	20	659	3,159	20	1,004	6.2
2005	3.25	14	635	2,930	15	1,004	4.6
2004	3.25	17	704	3,429	22	1,098	6.8
2003	3.25	17	701	3,102	22	1,060	6.8
2002	3.25	15	718	3,163	18	1,088	5.5

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 p.m. on Friday before Memorial Day to midnight of Memorial Day.

Fatal Crashes During Memorial Day Weekend: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
MEMORIAL DAY 2008 6:00 p.m. on 05/23/08 – Midnight on 05/26/08	3.25	4	of 57.1%	7	4	of 50.0%	8
MEMORIAL DAY 2007 6:00 p.m. on 05/25/07 – Midnight on 05/28/07	3.25	2	of 18.2%	11	2	of 18.2%	11
MEMORIAL DAY 2006 6:00 p.m. on 05/26/06 – Midnight on 05/29/06	3.25	10	of 50.0%	20	10	of 50.0%	20
MEMORIAL DAY 2005 6:00 p.m. on 05/27/05 – Midnight on 05/30/05	3.25	6	of 42.9%	14	6	of 40.0%	15
MEMORIAL DAY 2004 6:00 p.m. on 05/28/04 – Midnight on 05/31/04	3.25	6	of 35.3%	17	7	of 31.8%	22
MEMORIAL DAY 2003 6:00 p.m. on 05/23/03 – Midnight on 05/26/03	3.25	9	of 52.9%	17	11	of 50.0%	22
MEMORIAL DAY 2002 6:00 p.m. on 05/24/02 – Midnight on 05/27/02	3.25	8	of 53.3%	15	9	of 50.0%	18

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which a driver had a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) of 0.01 or greater.

Illinois Crashes During Fourth of July Holiday*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
FOURTH OF JULY							
2008	3.25	13	539	2,695	15	805	4.6
2007	1.25	4	224	1,261	4	308	3.2
2006	4.25	21	851	4,020	21	1,298	4.9
2005	3.25	9	671	3,145	11	1,009	3.4
2004	3.25	6	748	3,632	6	1,148	1.8
2003	3.25	21	827	3,448	24	1,297	7.4
2002	4.25	21	964	4,275	27	1,499	6.4

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 p.m. on the day before the first full day of the holiday period to midnight on the last day of the holiday period.

Fatal Crashes During Fourth of July Holiday: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
FOURTH OF JULY 2008 6:00 p.m. on 07/03/08 – Midnight on 07/06/08	3.25	9	of 69.2%	13	11	of 73.3%	15
FOURTH OF JULY 2007 6:00 p.m. on 07/03/07 – Midnight on 07/04/07	1.25	2	of 50.0%	4	2	of 50.0%	4
FOURTH OF JULY 2006 6:00 p.m. on 06/30/06 – Midnight on 07/04/06	4.25	8	of 38.1%	21	8	of 38.1%	21
FOURTH OF JULY 2005 6:00 p.m. on 07/01/05 – Midnight on 07/04/05	3.25	5	of 55.6%	9	7	of 63.6%	11
FOURTH OF JULY 2004 6:00 p.m. on 07/02/04 – Midnight on 07/05/04	3.25	4	of 66.7%	6	4	of 66.7%	6
FOURTH OF JULY 2003 6:00 p.m. on 07/03/03 – Midnight on 07/06/03	3.25	12	of 57.1%	21	15	of 62.5%	24
FOURTH OF JULY 2002 6:00 p.m. on 07/03/02 – Midnight on 07/07/02	4.25	9	of 42.9%	21	13	of 48.1%	27

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which a driver had a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) of 0.01 or greater.

Illinois Crashes During Labor Day Weekend*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
LABOR DAY							
2008	3.25	12	548	2,560	15	803	4.6
2007	3.25	17	647	2,975	20	995	6.2
2006	3.25	17	653	2,980	17	995	5.2
2005	3.25	17	641	2,770	17	950	5.2
2004	3.25	11	687	2,842	12	1,060	3.7
2003	3.25	17	810	3,503	20	1,337	6.2
2002	3.25	17	702	2,937	18	1,120	5.5

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 p.m. on Friday before Labor Day to midnight of Labor Day.

Fatal Crashes During Labor Day Weekend: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
LABOR DAY 2008 6:00 p.m. on 08/29/08 – Midnight on 09/01/08	3.25	7	of 58.3%	12	10	of 66.7%	15
LABOR DAY 2007 6:00 p.m. on 08/31/07 – Midnight on 09/03/07	3.25	7	of 41.2%	17	7	of 35.0%	20
LABOR DAY 2006 6:00 p.m. on 09/01/06 – Midnight on 09/04/06	3.25	5	of 29.4%	17	5	of 29.4%	17
LABOR DAY 2005 6:00 p.m. on 09/02/05 – Midnight on 09/05/05	3.25	9	of 52.9%	17	9	of 52.9%	17
LABOR DAY 2004 6:00 p.m. on 09/03/04 – Midnight on 09/06/04	3.25	4	of 36.4%	11	5	of 41.7%	12
LABOR DAY 2003 6:00 p.m. on 08/29/03 – Midnight on 09/01/03	3.25	10	of 58.8%	17	12	of 60.0%	20
LABOR DAY 2002 6:00 p.m. on 08/30/02 – Midnight on 09/02/02	3.25	6	of 35.3%	17	6	of 33.3%	18

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Illinois Crashes During Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
THANKSGIVING							
2008	4.25	8	641	3,836	9	961	2.1
2007	4.25	12	665	4,304	18	1,005	4.2
2006	4.25	17	648	3,976	20	964	4.7
2005	4.25	12	748	4,520	12	1,130	2.8
2004	4.25	13	727	4,842	19	1,117	4.5
2003	4.25	16	789	4,274	17	1,257	4.0
2002	4.25	16	717	3,970	18	1,110	4.2

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday before Thanksgiving to midnight on Sunday.

Fatal Crashes During Thanksgiving Weekend: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
THANKSGIVING 2008 6:00 p.m. on 11/26/08 – Midnight on 11/30/08	4.25	3	of 37.5%	8	4	of 44.4%	9
THANKSGIVING 2007 6:00 p.m. on 11/21/07 – Midnight on 11/25/07	4.25	7	of 58.3%	12	11	of 61.1%	18
THANKSGIVING 2006 6:00 p.m. on 11/22/06 – Midnight on 11/26/06	4.25	7	of 41.2%	17	7	of 35.0%	20
THANKSGIVING 2005 6:00 p.m. on 11/23/05 – Midnight on 11/27/05	4.25	8	of 66.7%	12	8	of 66.7%	12
THANKSGIVING 2004 6:00 p.m. on 11/24/04 – Midnight on 11/28/04	4.25	2	of 15.4%	13	3	of 15.8%	19
THANKSGIVING 2003 6:00 p.m. on 11/26/03 – Midnight on 11/30/03	4.25	6	of 37.5%	16	7	of 41.2%	17
THANKSGIVING 2002 6:00 p.m. on 11/27/02 – Midnight on 12/01/02	4.25	6	of 37.5%	16	6	of 33.3%	18

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Illinois Crashes During Christmas Holiday*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
CHRISTMAS							
2008	4.25	7	586	4,872	8	841	1.9
2007	4.25	13	664	4,389	13	970	3.1
2006	3.25	9	397	2,641	10	588	3.1
2005	3.25	7	440	2,722	8	643	2.5
2004	3.25	19	599	3,681	22	927	6.8
2003	4.25	12	706	3,678	13	1,122	3.1
2002	1.25	4	275	1,827	4	446	3.2

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 p.m. on the day before the first full day of the holiday period to midnight on the last day of the holiday period.

Fatal Crashes During Christmas Holiday: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
CHRISTMAS 2008 6:00 p.m. on 12/24/08 – Midnight on 12/28/08	4.25	2	of 28.6%	7	2	of 25.0%	8
CHRISTMAS 2007 6:00 p.m. on 12/21/07 – Midnight on 12/25/07	4.25	4	of 30.8%	13	4	of 30.8%	13
CHRISTMAS 2006 6:00 p.m. on 12/22/06 – Midnight on 12/25/06	3.25	7	of 77.8%	9	8	of 80.0%	10
CHRISTMAS 2005 6:00 p.m. on 12/23/05 – Midnight on 12/26/05	3.25	2	of 28.6%	7	3	of 37.5%	8
CHRISTMAS 2004 6:00 p.m. on 12/23/04 – Midnight on 12/26/04	3.25	9	of 47.4%	19	10	of 45.5%	22
CHRISTMAS 2003 6:00 p.m. on 12/24/03 – Midnight on 12/28/03	4.25	6	of 50.0%	12	6	of 46.2%	13
CHRISTMAS 2002 6:00 p.m. on 12/24/02 – Midnight on 12/25/02	1.25	2	of 50.0%	4	2	of 50.0%	4

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Illinois Crashes During New Year's Holiday*

YEAR	TOTAL DAYS	CRASH SEVERITY			PERSONS		Average Killed Per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
NEW YEAR'S							
2008	4.25	10	406	1,931	10	575	2.4
2007	4.25	11	625	4,799	11	918	2.6
2006	3.25	13	504	2,837	13	739	4.0
2005	3.25	8	461	2,476	8	669	2.5
2004	3.25	6	590	3,113	7	875	2.2
2003	4.25	22	948	5,584	25	1,456	5.9
2002	1.25	5	176	861	5	282	4.0

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Fatal Crashes During New Year's Holiday: Total and Alcohol-Related*

DATES OF HOLIDAY PERIOD	NUMBER OF DAYS	FATAL CRASHES			FATALITIES		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
NEW YEAR'S 2008 6:00 p.m. on 12/31/08 – Midnight on 1/04/09	4.25	3	of 30.0%	10	3	of 30.0%	10
NEW YEAR'S 2007 6:00 p.m. on 12/28/07 – Midnight on 1/01/08	4.25	5	of 45.5%	11	5	of 45.5%	11
NEW YEAR'S 2006 6:00 p.m. on 12/29/06 – Midnight on 1/01/07	3.25	6	of 46.2%	13	6	of 46.2%	13
NEW YEAR'S 2005 6:00 p.m. on 12/30/05 – Midnight on 1/02/06	3.25	4	of 50.0%	8	4	of 50.0%	8
NEW YEAR'S 2004 6:00 p.m. on 12/30/04 – Midnight on 1/02/05	3.25	2	of 33.3%	6	3	of 42.9%	7
NEW YEAR'S 2003 6:00 p.m. on 12/31/03 – Midnight on 01/04/04	4.25	7	of 31.8%	22	8	of 32.0%	25
NEW YEAR'S 2002 6:00 p.m. on 12/31/02 – Midnight on 01/01/03	1.25	3	of 60.0%	5	3	of 60.0%	5

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