



Year	Motor Vehicle Fatalities	Motor Vehicle Registrations	Motorcycle Fatalities	Motorcycle Registrations
2004	456	1,475,253	37 (39)	75,453
2005	487 (488)	1,392,768	48	72,703
2006	477	1,427,597	44	84,224

The data in parentheses was provided by the State of Oregon.

- In Oregon, motorcycle fatalities represented 8 percent of all motor vehicle fatalities but 5 percent of registered vehicles in 2004; 10 percent of fatalities but 5 percent of registered vehicles in 2005; and 9 percent of fatalities but 6 percent of registered vehicles in 2006.

GENERAL

- The Oregon HSO is responsible for motorcycle safety.
- Oregon has an active motorcycle advisory committee. Members of the committee include: private citizens, stakeholders, motorcycle groups, the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) staff, the Oregon State Police and Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Program.
- Motorcycle crashes are a priority crash problem in Oregon.
- Oregon has a motorcycle safety plan, and motorcycle safety is included in the state’s Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

RIDER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- The HSO is responsible for motorcycle training and education.
- Basic, intermediate, skills practice and advanced rider training programs are offered in Oregon.
- Rider education is mandatory for people under 21.
- Training capacity is an issue in Oregon. The state is looking at ways to increase infrastructure capacity.
- Oregon has a *Sharing the Road* program.
- Information on sharing the road with motorcycles is included in the state’s license manual and in the curriculum for novice drivers.

LICENSING

- The minimum age for a motorcycle license/endorsement is 16 in Oregon.
- The Oregon DMV sends a letter to all owners of registered motorcycles who are not endorsed to increase proper licensing.

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states and Puerto Rico where the Highway Safety Office is the lead agency for motorcycle safety.

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states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico that has a universal helmet law.

1 of 16
states that mandates rider education for riders under a certain age.

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states and Puerto Rico with anti-impaired riding education efforts for motorcycle riders.



Oregon

- Rider groups, dealers, law enforcement, the Oregon DMV and the courts all work together to encourage proper licensing.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Oregon has a universal helmet law.
- In 2006, only one of the 44 riders killed in motorcycle crashes wasn't wearing a helmet.
- Information on the benefits of helmet use is provided in the training programs offered in the state and in the motorcycle manual.

IMPAIRED MOTORCYCLING

- Oregon has special public information and education campaigns focused at bars/taverns in areas of high motorcycle injuries/fatalities.
- Oregon encourages private organizations to conduct impaired motorcycling programs and events.
- All of the state's impaired driving mobilization campaigns include motorcyclists.

RESOURCES AND FUNDING

- Oregon's motorcycle rider education program is funded through endorsement fees and a federal grant.
- Oregon received a 2010 Motorcyclist Safety Grant. Funds were used to: (1) purchase training motorcycles; (2) support public information & education campaigns; (3) support the mobile training program; and (4) provide program insurance. \$75,000 of federal funding was annually obligated to motorcycle safety for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006.