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Alcohol Statistics

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New Jersey



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2018 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatality Data

New Jersey

National

Total Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities

125

10,511

Percent of Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities of Total Fatalities

22.2

28.8

Under 21 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities

13

980

Percent of Under 21 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities of Total Under 21 Fatalities

27.1

24.0

2018 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100,000 Population

Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100K population

1.4

3.2

Under 21 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100K population

0.6

1.1

2009-2018 % Change in Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100K Pop

10-year Change in Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100K pop	-15.9	-8.4
10-year Change in Under 21 Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities per 100K pop	-23.6	-28.3

Percent of Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities Involving high BAC drivers (.15+)*

BAC=.15+	61.9	70.0
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Percent of Drivers in Fatal Crashes Involving Repeat Offenders

BAC .08-.14	16.7	25.4
BAC .15+	83.3	74.6

12-20 Year Old Alcohol Consumption (latest available)

Past Month Alcohol Consumption (2017-2018)	22.0	19.3
Binge Drinking in Past 30-days (2017-2018)	13.9	11.7

2018 Arrest Data

Under 18: Driving under the influence	42	3,468
Total: Driving under the influence	17,230	1,001,329
Under 18: Liquor laws	395	18,263
Total: Liquor laws	1,356	173,152

Under 18: Drunkenness	0	2,263
Total: Drunkenness	24	328,772

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Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatality Data Source: NHTSA/FARS, 11/2019

*Among drivers with a known alcohol test result

Youth Consumption Data Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health, 12/2019 (<https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/comparison-2008-2009-and-2017-2018-nsduh-state-prevalence-estimates>)

Arrest Data Source: [2018 FBI Uniform Crime Report](#) (Tables 29, 32 and 69)

**Drunkenness is not considered a crime in some states; therefore, the figures may vary widely from state to state

Limited, incomplete, or no data were reported by the District of Columbia, Florida, Illinois, and New York in the 2018 Uniform Crime Report. Data should be used with caution and should not be compared to other states or previous year data.

Note: Because the number of agencies submitting arrest data varies from year to year, users are cautioned about making direct comparisons between 2018 arrest totals and those published in previous years' editions of Crime in the United States. Further, arrest figures may vary widely from state to state because some Part II crimes of the Uniform Crime Report are not considered crimes in some states.

We all can work to end impaired driving. Learn how [here](#).

For a comprehensive report on latest available 2018 State of Drunk Driving Fatalities in America, [click here](#).

State Law

State Law Detail

24/7 Programs

No 24/7 legislation

Administrative License
Suspension/Revocation

No ALS/ALR law

BAC Test Refusal	Administrative penalties
Drug Evaluation and Classification Program	500+ DREs
DUI Child Endangerment Laws	Enhanced penalties
DUI Look-back Periods	Ten years
DUID Zero Tolerance and Per Se Laws	Impairment-based statute only
Enhanced Penalties for High-BAC	0.1
Felony DUI	No felony DUI law
Good Samaritan	Good Samaritan law enacted
Habitual Offender Designation	Habitual Offender Law Enacted
Marijuana Drug-Impaired Driving Laws	No marijuana-specific drugged driving law
Open Container - Alcohol	In compliance with Federal requirements
Sobriety Checkpoints	Permitted
False Identification - Point-of-Sale Policies	Distinctive License & No Seizure Law
False Identification - Sanctions	Judicial license suspension/revocation
2019 Legislative Activity	Active
Top Detected Drug Category by State (2019)	Narcotics
Cannabis Laws (2020)	Medical Cannabis
Electronic Warrants (E-warrants) Authorization	Court Rule/Order
Open Container - Marijuana	No marijuana open container law
Ignition Interlocks	Mandatory all offender
DUID Affirmative Defense	No affirmative defense
No Refusal Programs	Has legal authority to implement No Refusal program
DUI Courts - Standalone	No DUI Courts

DUI Courts - Hybrid

No Hybrid Courts

Oral Fluid Testing

No authorization

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[Prevent drunk driving first offenders from taking the wheel drunk:](#) One of those ideas this year is a bill to allow courts to keep first-time drunk driving offenders from re-offending by making them use an ignition interlock device — a system that tests a driver's blood alcohol level with a handheld breathalyzer before a car will start.



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