

UPPER PENINSULA MOTOR VEHICLE-DEER INVOLVED CRASHES

The Upper Peninsula had 4,558 reported vehicle-deer crashes during 2012. Those collisions resulted in 154 people injured and one motorcyclist killed. Of the 4,570 vehicles involved, 3,123 (68.3%) were passenger cars, 1,023 (22.4%) were pickups, and 249 (5.5%) were minivans, vans, or motorhomes. All other vehicle types (including motorcycle, snowmobile, ORV/ATV, large truck, moped) totaled 175 (3.8%).

In the Upper Peninsula, 45.8 percent of crashes in all counties involved deer. This compares to 17.9 percent for the number of deer-involved crashes statewide. Delta County had the highest number of vehicle-deer crashes (613); translating to 47.0 percent of the total crashes in that county in 2012.

