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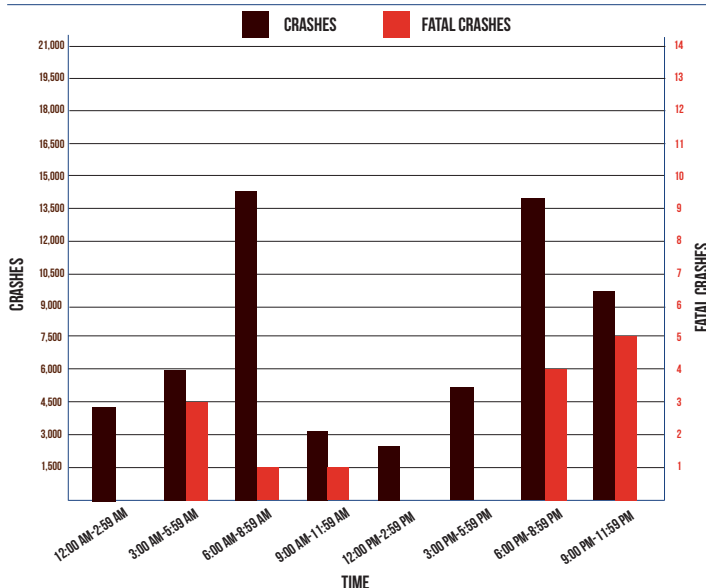
Michigan Traffic Crash Facts

DEER

2024

Deer crashes include situations where a deer is a contributing factor but does not necessarily come in contact with a traffic unit.

MOTOR VEHICLE-DEER CRASHES BY TIME OF DAY



MOTOR VEHICLE-DEER CRASHES BY TIME OF YEAR



JAN-MAR: 11,370 (19.5%)
APR-JUN: 11,342 (19.4%)
JUL-SEP: 10,575 (18.1%)
OCT-DEC: 25,037 (42.9%)

Michigan had 58,324 (20.2%) motor vehicle-deer crashes, down 0.8 percent from the 2023 count (58,806).

From 2020-2024, the highest number of vehicle-deer crashes occurred in 2022 and the highest number of fatal crashes occurred in 2023 (19).

Passenger cars, SUVs, and vans represented 79.1 percent (46,330) of the vehicles involved in vehicle-deer crashes. Motorcycles represented 0.5 percent (291) of the vehicles involved.

As a result of vehicle-deer crashes, 1,816 people were injured and 14 people were killed. Six (42.9%) of those killed were passenger vehicle occupants, seven (50.0%) were motorcyclists, and one (7.1%) was on an ORV/ATV.

The top 10 counties experiencing vehicle-deer crashes were: Kent (2,097); Oakland (2,024); Jackson (1,557); Allegan (1,517); Genesee (1,510); Clinton (1,447); Ottawa (1,433); Lapeer (1,426); Washtenaw (1,409); and Calhoun (1,382).

Motor vehicle-deer involved crashes were highest during the 7:00-7:59 AM time period (6,204).

Of the motor vehicle-deer crashes, 25,037 (42.9%) occurred during the fourth quarter of the year (October-December).

The highest number of vehicle-deer crashes occurred during November at 10,017 (17.2%) and the highest number of vehicle-deer fatal crashes occurred during June at four (28.6%).