



Brazoria County Safety Facts

- Between 1998 and 2000, there were 8,550 *serious* motor vehicle crashes involving fatalities, injuries or property damage where one or more vehicles was towed away.
- In these crashes, there were 118 persons who were killed and 8,509 persons who were injured.
- Of the serious motor vehicle crashes within Brazoria County, approximately:
 - 66% were between motor vehicles
 - 1% were with pedestrians
 - 1% were with bicyclists
 - 22% were with fixed objects (e.g., telephone polls, median strips)
 - 1% were with parked cars
 - 2% were with animals
 - 13 were with railroad trains
- Of the serious motor vehicle crashes within Brazoria County, approximately:
 - 40% involved speeding
 - 11% involved 'driving under the influence'
 - 4% involved running a red light
 - 5% involved commercial trucks
 - 29% involved teenagers
 - 10% involved elderly persons
- *Crash risk* is the number of crashes per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Between 1998 and 2000, crash risk in Brazoria County was about 168 crashes per 100 million VMT. This is lower than the regional average of 197 crashes per 100 million VMT, but higher than the average for the State of Texas of 146 per 100 million VMT. Crash risk in Brazoria County is moderately serious.
- There were 5 hot spot areas where 75 or more serious crashes occurred over the three years:
 - Around the junction of FM 518 and SH 35 in Pearland (123 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 35 and SH 6 in Alvin (103 crashes)
 - A 0.7 mile stretch of SH 35 (business) just south of the intersection with SH 6 and FM 517 in Alvin (88 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 288 and SH 332 in Lake Jackson (78 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 288 (business) and SH 35 in Angleton (78 crashes)

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Location of Crashes

