



Brazoria County Safety Facts

- In 1999, there were 2,774 *serious* motor vehicle crashes involving fatalities, injuries or property damage where one or more vehicles was towed away.
- In these crashes, there were 39 persons who were killed and 2,752 persons who were injured.
- Of the 2,774 serious motor vehicle crashes within Brazoria County:
 - 1,461 were between motor vehicles
 - 13 were with pedestrians
 - 19 were with bicyclists
 - 327 were with fixed objects (e.g., telephone polls, median strips)
 - 20 were with parked cars
 - 39 were with animals
 - 4 were with railroad trains
- Of the serious motor vehicle crashes within Brazoria County:
 - 38% involved speeding
 - 10% involved 'driving under the influence'
 - 5% involved running a red light
 - 5% involved commercial trucks
 - 28% involved teenagers
 - 11% involved elderly persons
- *Crash risk* is the number of crashes per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT). In 1999, crash risk in Brazoria County was 160 crashes per 100 million VMT. This is lower than the regional average of 199 crashes per 100 million VMT, but still higher than the average for the State of Texas (146). Crash risk in Brazoria County is relatively serious.
- There were 7 hot spot areas where 25 or more serious crashes occurred:
 - Around the junction of FM 518 and SH 35 in Pearland (78 crashes)
 - A one mile stretch of SH 35 (business) from the junctions with SH 6 and FM 517 in Alvin (62 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 288 (business) and SH 35 in Angleton (55 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 288 and SH 332 in Lake Jackson (49 crashes)
 - Around the junction of SH 35 and SH 6 in Alvin (47 crashes)
 - A 0.6 mile stretch of SH 35 around Halik in Pearland (31 crashes)
 - Around the junction of FM 518 and SH 265 in Pearland (29 crashes)