



## Galveston County Safety Facts

- In 1999, there were 3,509 *serious* motor vehicle crashes involving fatalities, injuries or property damage where one or more vehicle was towed away.
- In these crashes, there were 38 persons who were killed and 3,912 persons who were injured.
- On the 3,509 serious motor vehicle crashes within Galveston County:
  - 2,588 were between motor vehicles
  - 44 were with pedestrians
  - 34 were with bicyclists
  - 564 were with fixed objects (e.g., telephone polls, median strips)
  - 112 were with parked cars
  - 10 were with animals
  - 1 was with a railroad train
- On the serious motor vehicle crashes within Galveston County:
  - 33% involved speeding
  - 4% involved running a red light
  - 9% involved 'driving under the influence'
  - 3% involved commercial trucks
  - 27% involved teenagers
  - 14% involved elderly persons
- *Crash risk* is the number of crashes per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT). In 1999, crash risk in Galveston County was 224 crashes per 100 million VMT. This is higher than the regional average of 199 crashes per 100 million VMT and much higher than the average for the State of Texas (146). Crash risk in Galveston County is severe.
- There were 6 hot spot areas where 35 or more serious crashes occurred:
  - At the junction of IH 45 South (Gulf Freeway) and FM 518 in League City (62 crashes)
  - At the multiple junctions of FM 518 (Main St) with FM 270 and FM 2094 (Marina Bay Dr) in League City (41 crashes)
  - On FM 518 on both sides of the junction with SH 3 in League City (40 crashes)
  - Along Broadway and junctions with 51<sup>st</sup> St (24 crashes) and 53<sup>rd</sup> St (15 crashes) in Galveston City.
  - On IH 45 South around the junction with FM 517 in Dickinson (50 crashes)
  - On FM 1765 at the junction with SH 146 in Texas City (38 crashes)