

State and National Alcohol-related Fatalities, 1973-1998

	<i>MISSISSIPPI</i>			<i>NATION</i>		
	Traffic Fatalities	Alcohol- Related	%	Traffic Fatalities	Alcohol- Related	%
1998	948	366	39%	41,471	15,935	38%
1997	861	344	40%	41,967	16,189	39%
1996	811	328	40%	42,065	17,218	41%
1995	868	362	42%	41,817	17,247	41%
1994	791	343	43%	40,716	16,580	41%
1993	813	385	47%	40,150	17,473	44%
1992	766	298	39%	39,250	17,858	45%
1991	714	320	45%	41,508	19,887	48%
1990	750	391	52%	44,599	22,084	50%
1989 *	727	357	54%	45,582	22,404	49%
1988 *	720	361	50%	47,087	23,626	50%
1987 *	758	386	51%	46,390	23,641	51%
1986 *	766	399	52%	46,087	24,045	52%
1985 *	665	344	52%	43,825	22,716	52%
1984 *	680	365	54%	44,257	23,758	54%
1983 *	716	397	55%	42,589	23,646	56%
1982 *	728	417	57%	43,945	25,165	57%
1981	745	Not available		49,301	Not available	
1980	697	Not available		51,091	Not available	
1979	716	Not available		51,093	Not available	
1978	784	Not available		50,331	Not available	
1977	690	Not available		47,878	Not available	
1976	677	Not available		45,523	Not available	
1975	612	Not available		44,525	Not available	
1974	643	Not available		45,196	Not available	
1973	883	Not available		54,052	Not available	
Total	19,529			1,172,295		

* No alcohol-related traffic fatality data is available prior to 1982 from the national or state level. Mississippi's alcohol-related traffic fatalities were substantially under-reported from 1982-1989. In order to ascertain a more accurate picture of alcohol-related trends during 1982-1989, DPS Division of Public Safety personnel estimated Mississippi's alcohol-related fatalities using the National percentage of alcohol-related traffic fatalities for the those years.

SOURCE: Department of Public Safety, Division of Public Safety Planning (Mississippi data was obtained from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety Benchmark reports and the Department of Public Safety Annual Summaries. National data was obtained from the *Traffic Safety Facts 1998* published by the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.)