



## 2022-2023 Season Fatal Snowmobile Accidents

December 31, 2023

### Number of Snowmobile Fatalities - 13

#### 12/31/22 – 5:00 p.m. – Sherburne County

51-year-old male was ejected from machine after hitting a driveway approach and rolled.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Machine Rollover

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – Unknown

#### 01/01/2023 – 12:50 a.m. – Isanti County

21-year-old male and 21-year-old female died from their injuries sustained when the snowmobile the male was operating struck a tree along the shoreline.

Type of Terrain – Lake or stream

Type of Fatality – Exc. Speed/Struck fixed object

Snowmobile Certificate – Yes

Alcohol involved – Yes

#### 01/07/2023 – 01:13 p.m. – St. Louis County

55-year-old female died from her injuries sustained when the snowmobile went off trail and into deep snow striking tree.

Type of Terrain – Government marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Struck fixed object

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

#### 01/08/2023 – 01:08 p.m. – Wabasha County

12-year-old male died from his injuries sustained when the snowmobile entered the woods and struck tree.

Type of Terrain – Private property

Type of Fatality – Struck fixed object

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

#### 01/22/2023 – 05:30 p.m. – Becker County

34-year-old male was thrown from snowmobile in an unwitnessed accident. Damage to rear of snowmobile.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Fell from machine

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – Yes

#### 02/01/2023 – 02:41 p.m. – Kandiyohi County

67-year-old male died from a medical emergency and fell from machine – no damage to machine.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Fell machine (medical emergency)

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – Unknown

02/04/2023 –4:55 p.m – Cass County

65-year-old male died from his injuries sustained when the snowmobile track fell off. Driver lost control and was ejected.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Mech Defect, fell from machine

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

02/07/2023 –9:38 a.m – Cass County

54-year-old male died from his injuries sustained when trying to maneuver snowmobile over a driveway and snowbank. Driver accelerated quickly went through a barbed wire fence and struck a power pole.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Mech Defect, fell from machine

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

02/18/2023 –9:30 a.m – Lake County

57-year-old male Driver collided with oncoming snowmobile on government marked trail, causing loss of control and roll-over.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Machine – Machine collision

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

02/19/2023 –11:20 a.m – Clearwater County

49-year-old female driver collided with Semi at intersection.

Type of Terrain – Roadway

Type of Fatality – Machine – Semi collision

Snowmobile Certificate – Yes

Alcohol involved – No

03/02/2023 –5:28 p.m – Itasca County

43-year-old male driver collided with Snow Groomer on corner of trail.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Machine – Machine collision

Snowmobile Certificate – Yes

Alcohol involved – Yes

03/31/2023 –12:40 p.m – Aitkin County

62-year-old male driver lost control on snowmobile trail hit a tree and fell from machine.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Struck a fixed object

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – Yes

04/08/2023 –11:40 a.m – Lake County

52-year-old female driver operating a snowmobile on a trail came around a corner went off the trail and struck the trees.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Struck a fixed object

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – No

# MN DNR Enforcement Snowmobile Accident Totals

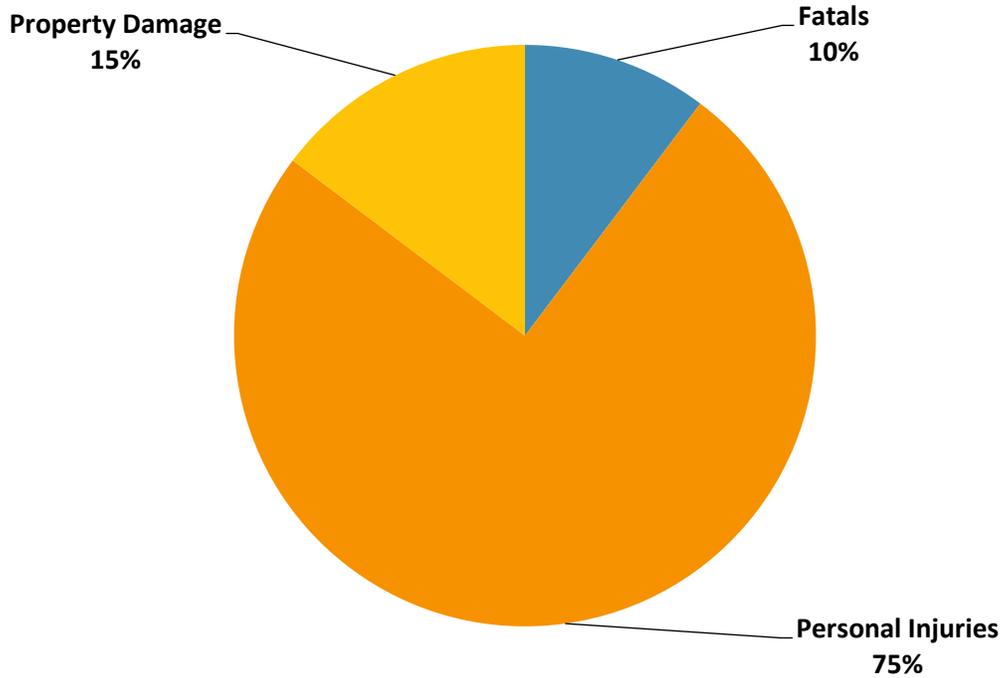
Total Accidents - 130

Fatalities - 14

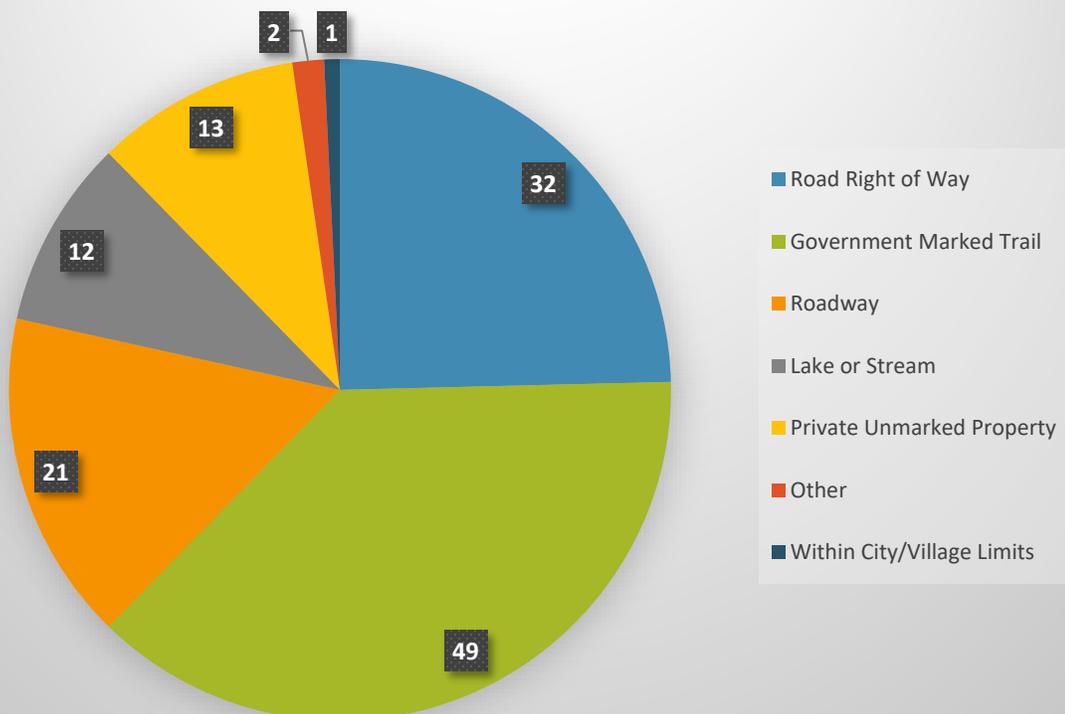
Personal Injuries - 102

Property Damage - 20

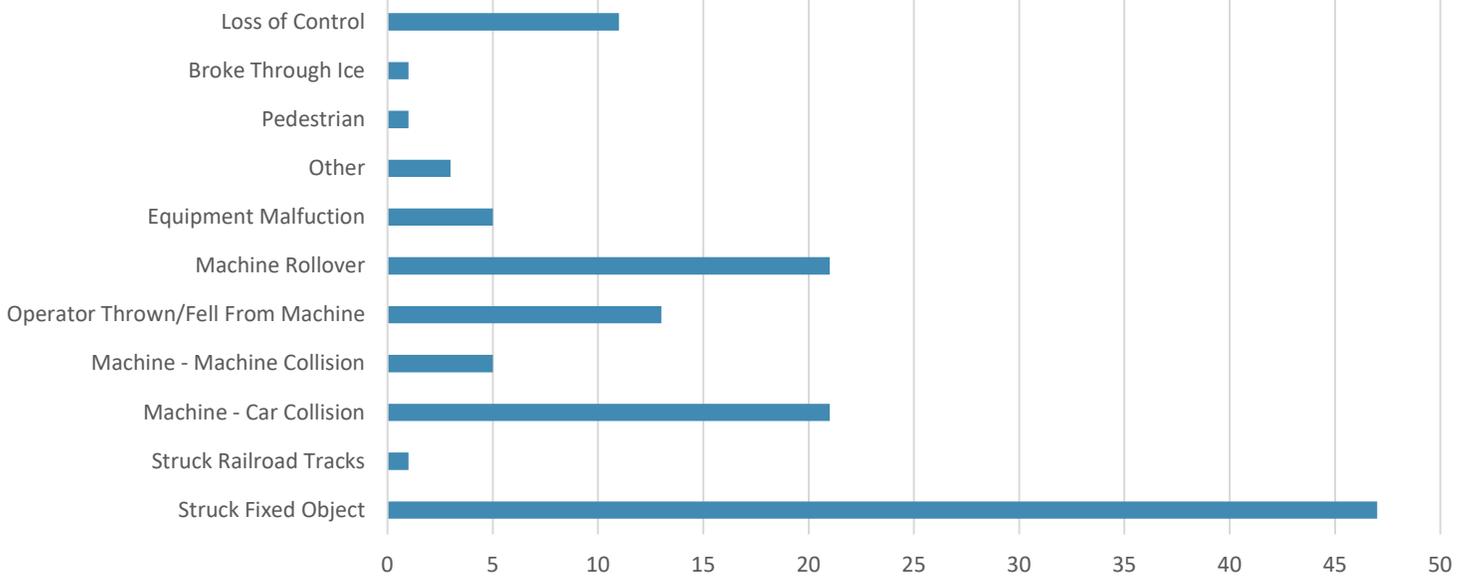
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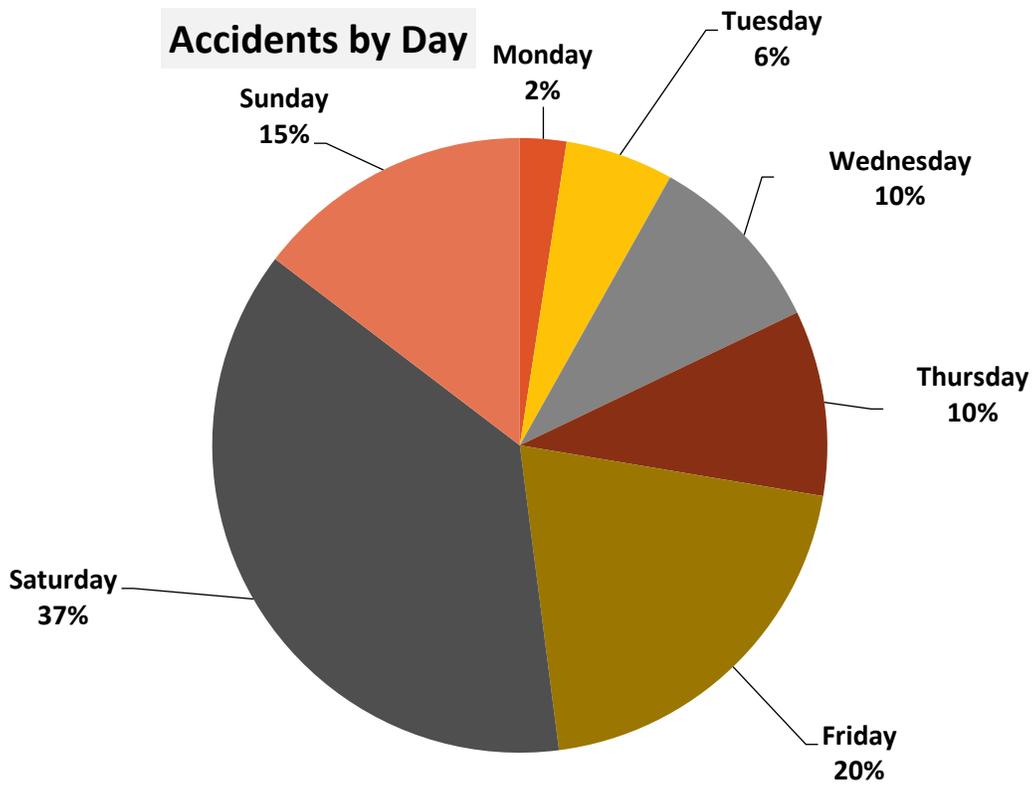
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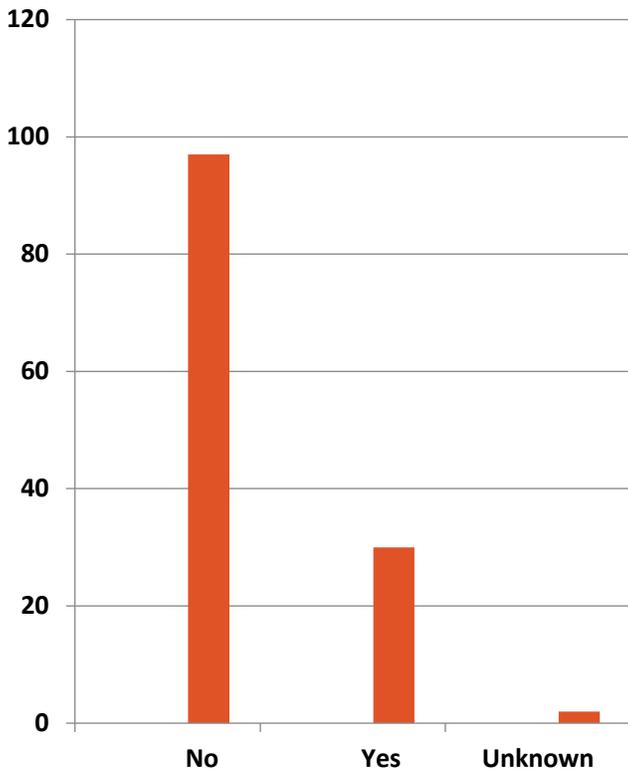
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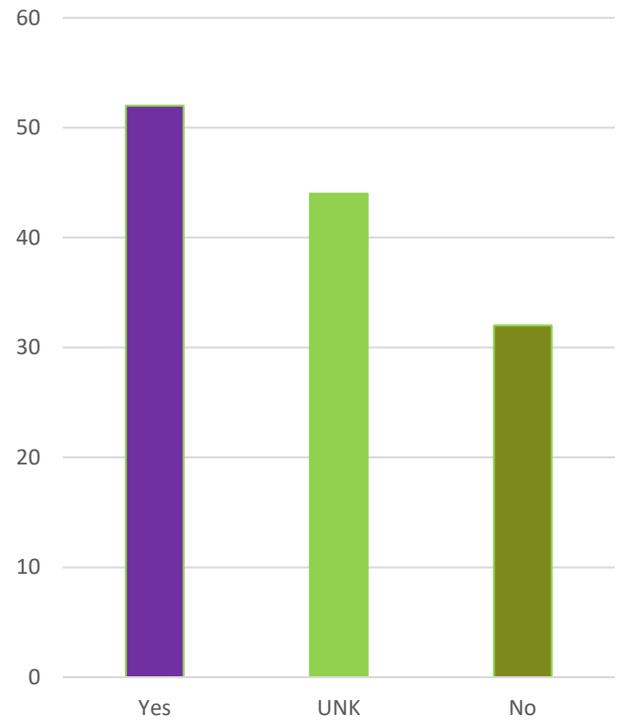
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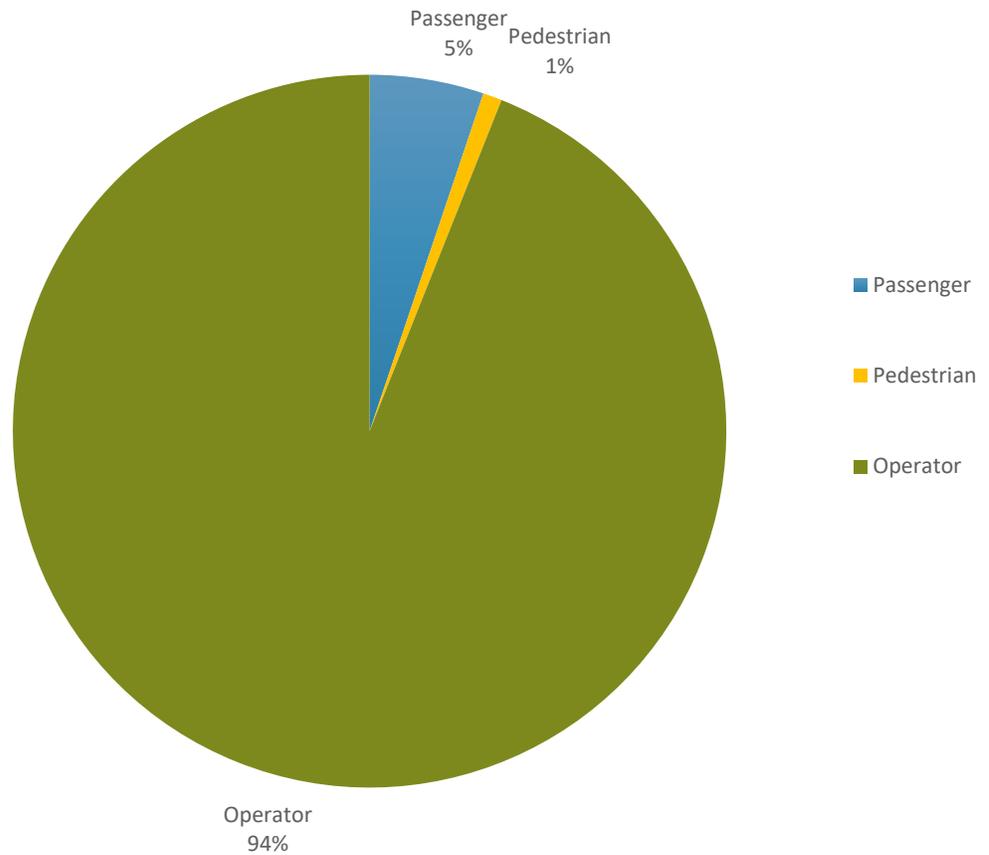
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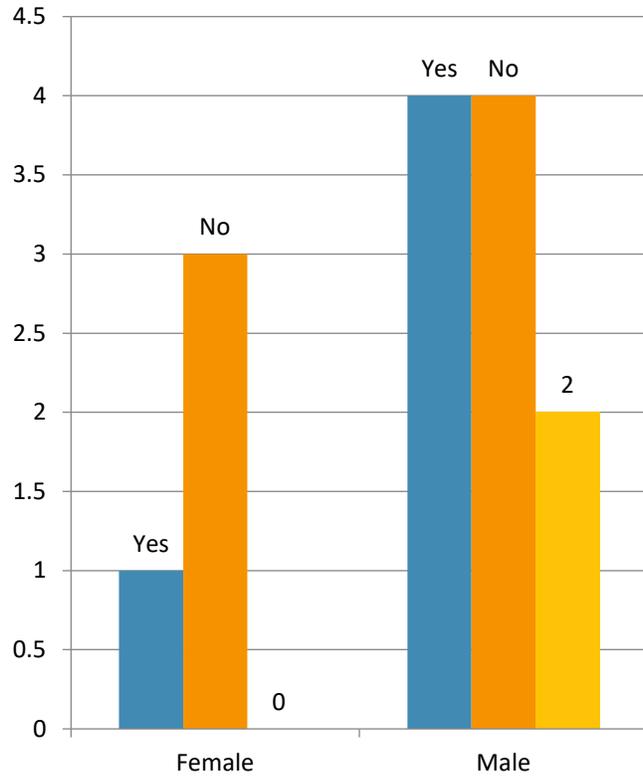
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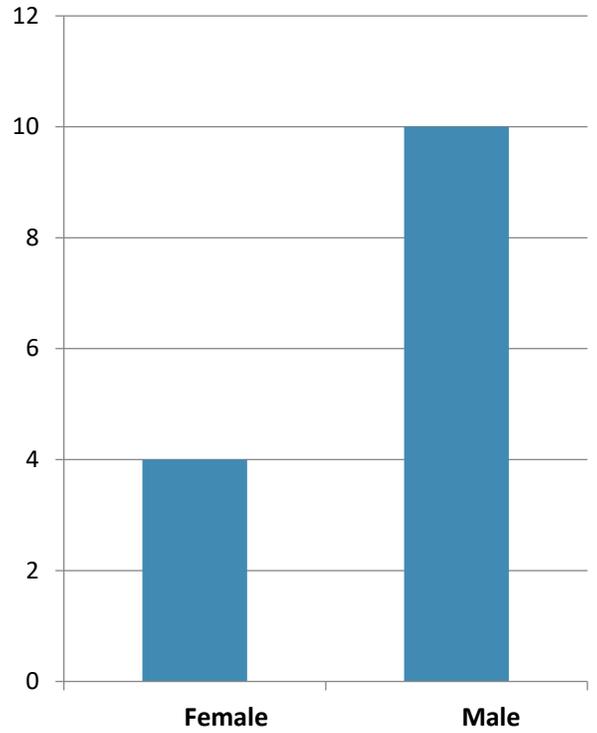
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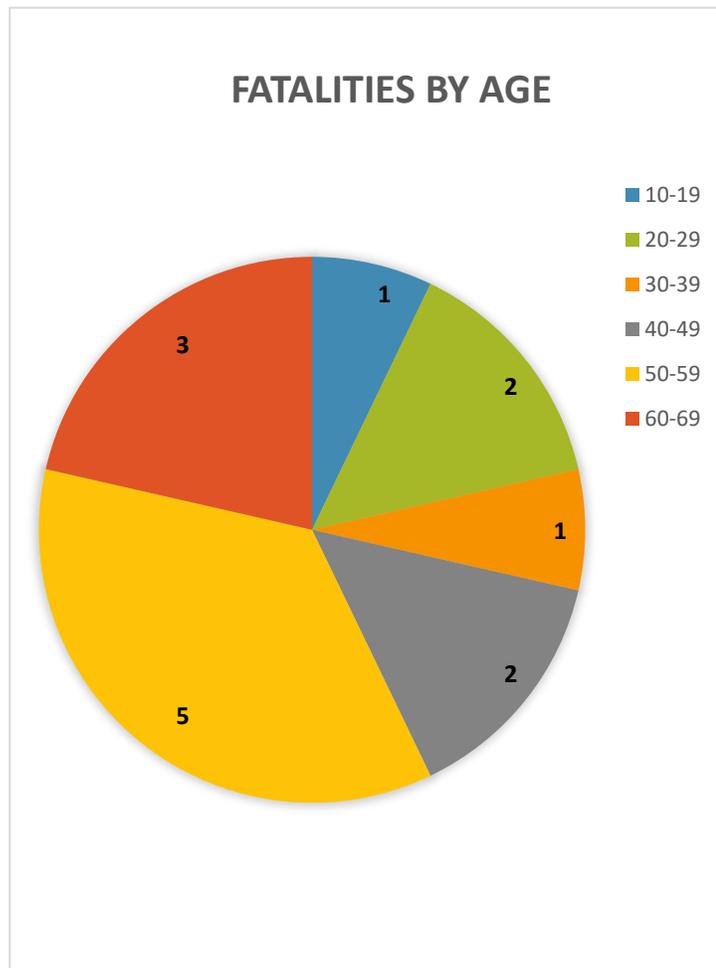
## Alcohol Involved in Fatal Accidents



## Fatals by Gender



## FATALITIES BY AGE



# Total # of Accidents by Hour of Day

