



**2010-2011 FATAL SNOWMOBILE ACCIDENTS**  
Updated as of May 5, 2011

<b>Number of snowmobile fatalities</b>	<b>13</b>
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4/10/11 – Beltrami County

59-year-old male drowned when the snowmobile he was operating went into open water between the lower and upper Red Lake. His body was recovered on 4/11/11, and he was not wearing a PFD.

Type of Terrain – Lake or Stream  
Snowmobile Certificate - no

Type of Fatality – Broke through ice  
Alcohol involved – Unknown

3/19/11 – 10:00 p.m. – Lake County

41-year-old male died from injuries after hitting a ridge on the Yukon Trail, was thrown from the snowmobile he was operating, causing him to hit a rock.

Type of Terrain – Private Marked Trail  
Snowmobile Certificate - no

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object  
Alcohol involved – BAC .235

3/5/11 – 9:50 p.m. – Isanti County

50-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating went off a trail and struck a tree.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail  
Snowmobile Certificate - no

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object  
Alcohol involved – BAC .267

3/3/11 – 1:30 a.m. – Anoka County

25-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating struck a tree off a road next to the lake. His female passenger was hospitalized. Operator was not wearing a helmet.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way  
Snowmobile Certificate - yes

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object  
Alcohol involved – BAC .183

2/26/11 – 2:17 p.m. – Cook County

41-year-old male died on 3/9/11 after sustaining injuries when the snowmobile he was operating left a snowmobile trail near the Norwester Lodge and struck a tree. His 50-year-old passenger was hospitalized.

Type of Terrain - Outside City or Village Limits  
Snowmobile Certificate - no

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object  
Alcohol involved – no

1/30/11 – 2:22 p.m. – Sherburne County

13-year-old male died after suffering injuries when he lost control of the snowmobile he was operating, and hit a group of trees by the Sand Dunes State Forest parking lot.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object

Snowmobile Certificate - yes

Alcohol involved – no

1/29/11 – 6:00 p.m. –Mahnomen County

31-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating was hit from behind by another snowmobile on South Twin Lake.

Type of Terrain – Lake or Stream

Type of Fatality – Machine-Machine Collision

Snowmobile Certificate – no

Alcohol involved – no

1/22/11 – 2:45 p.m. – Chisago County

37-year-old male died Sunday, 1/23/11, after suffering injuries when he collided head on with another snowmobile on the Wild River Trail.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Machine-Machine Collision

Snowmobile Certificate - no

Alcohol involved – no

1/16/11 – 5:00 p.m. – Renville County

23-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating struck a drainage ditch.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object

Snowmobile Certificate – yes

Alcohol involved – BAC .325

1/15/11 – 2:32 p.m. – Scott County

49-year-old male died during surgery, after suffering injuries when the snowmobile he was operating hit a snow bank, causing the snowmobile to roll and he was thrown from the machine.

Type of Terrain – Government Marked Trail

Type of Fatality – Machine Rollover

Snowmobile Certificate – No

Alcohol involved – no

12/30/10 – 7:00 p.m. – Hubbard County

18-year-old male died when the snowmobile he and a friend were towing a fish house with, broke into open water.

Type of Terrain – Lake or Stream

Type of Fatality – Broke Through Ice

Snowmobile Certificate – yes

Alcohol involved – BAC .07

12/19/10 – 4:00 p.m. – McLeod County

26-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating entered a large drainage ditch, operator was struck from behind by another machine.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

Type of Fatality – Machine-Machine Collision

Snowmobile Certificate – Yes

Alcohol involved – no

11/30/10 – 8:00 p.m. – Isanti County

25-year-old male died when the snowmobile he was operating hit a tree.

Type of Terrain – Road Right of Way

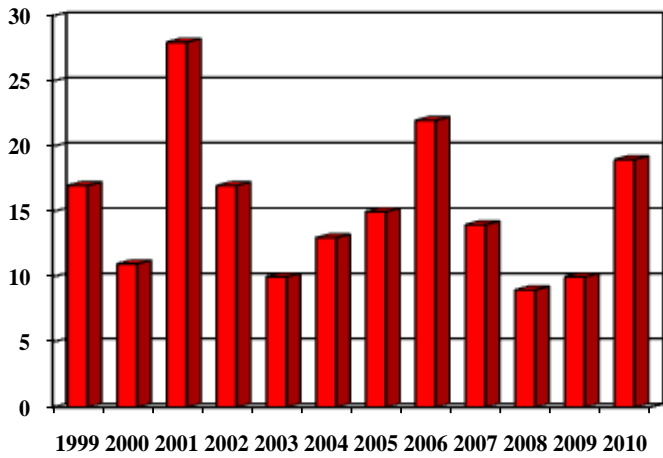
Type of Fatality – Struck a Fixed Object

Snowmobile Certificate – yes

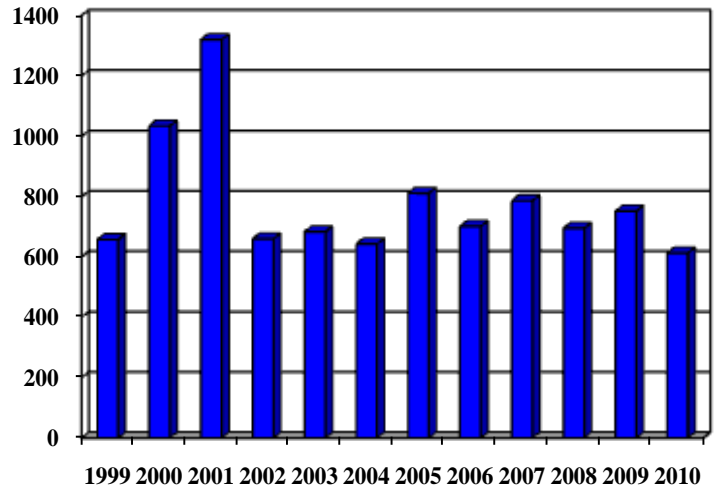
Alcohol involved – no

Number of snowmobile fatalities	13
Number of injuries reported	175
Total number of accidents reported	218
Number of machines damaged	180
Personal Property Damage	39

**Reported Snowmobile Fatal & Non-Fatal Accidents  
1999 - 2010**



**MN DNR Multi-Year  
Fatal Accidents**



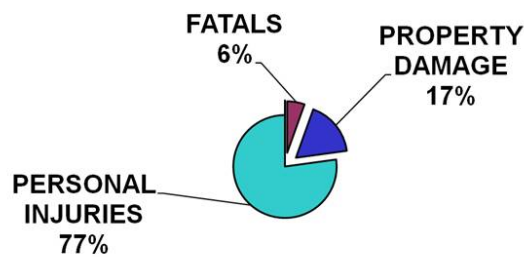
**MN Dept. of Health Multi-Year  
Injury Accidents Requiring  
Emergency Room Treatment**

MN DNR Enforcement Reported Snowmobile Accident Totals

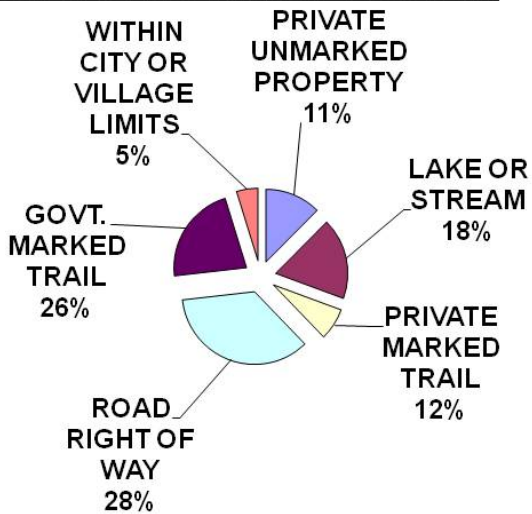
Total Accidents – 218 Fatalities – 13 Personal Injuries – 175 Property Damage - 39

*2010-2011 Snowmobile Accident Data Summary*

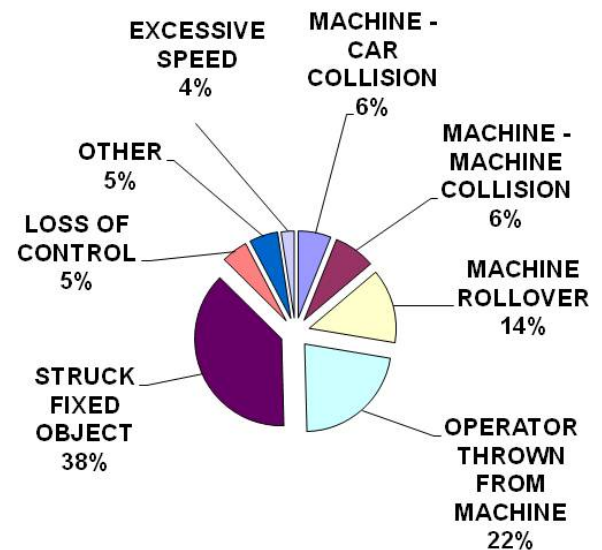
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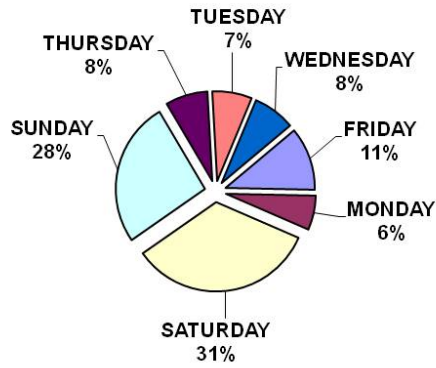
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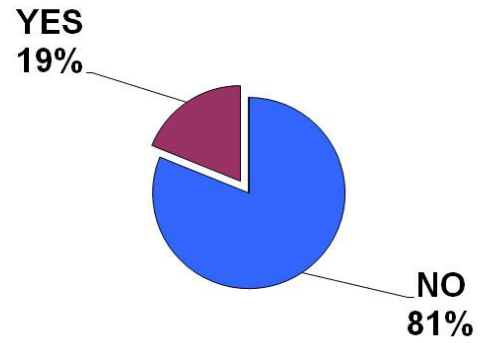
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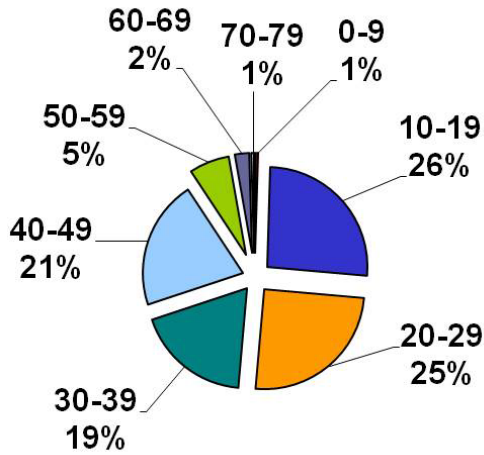
### When Accidents Happen



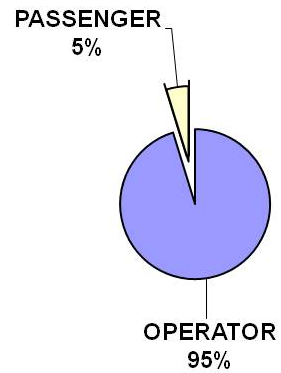
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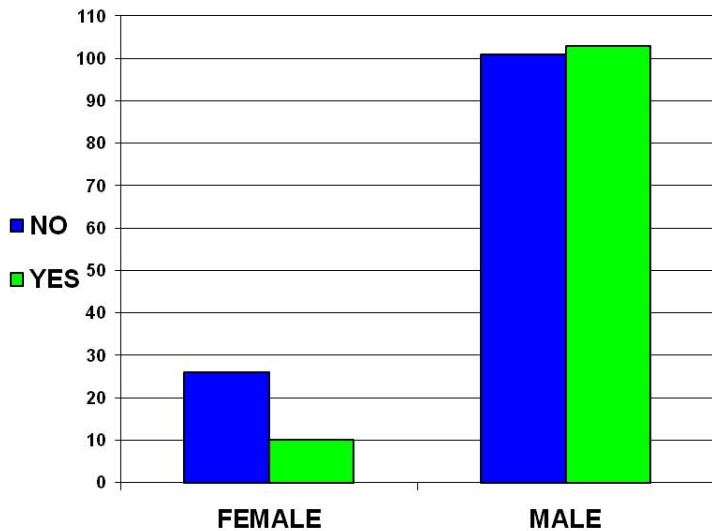
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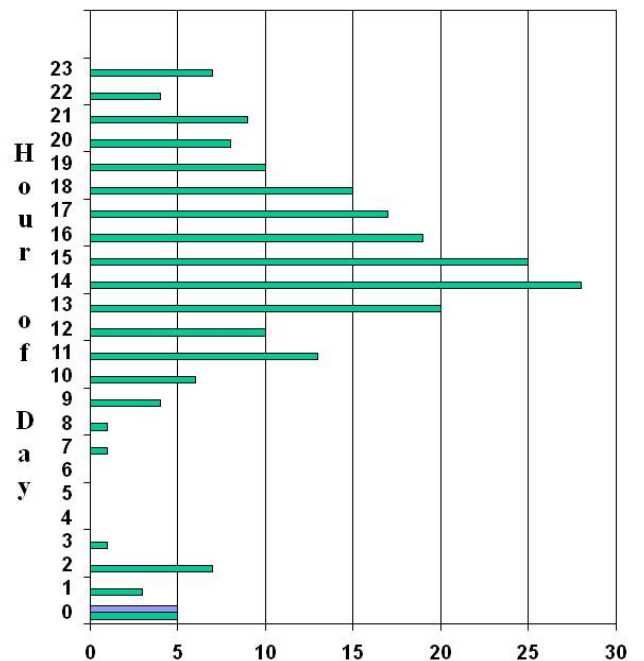
### Positions of Persons Involved in Accidents



### Safety Training by Gender

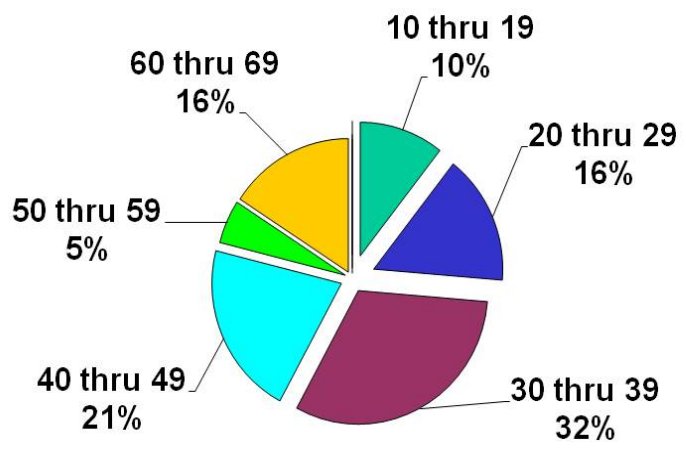


### Total # of Accidents by Hour of Day

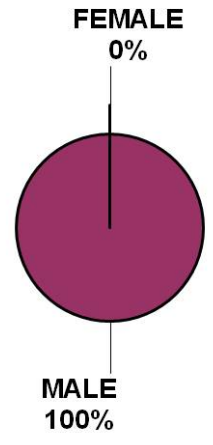


# 2010-2011 Snowmobile Fatality Data

**Fatals Grouped by Age**



**Fatalities by Gender**



**Alcohol Involved in Fatal Accidents**

