

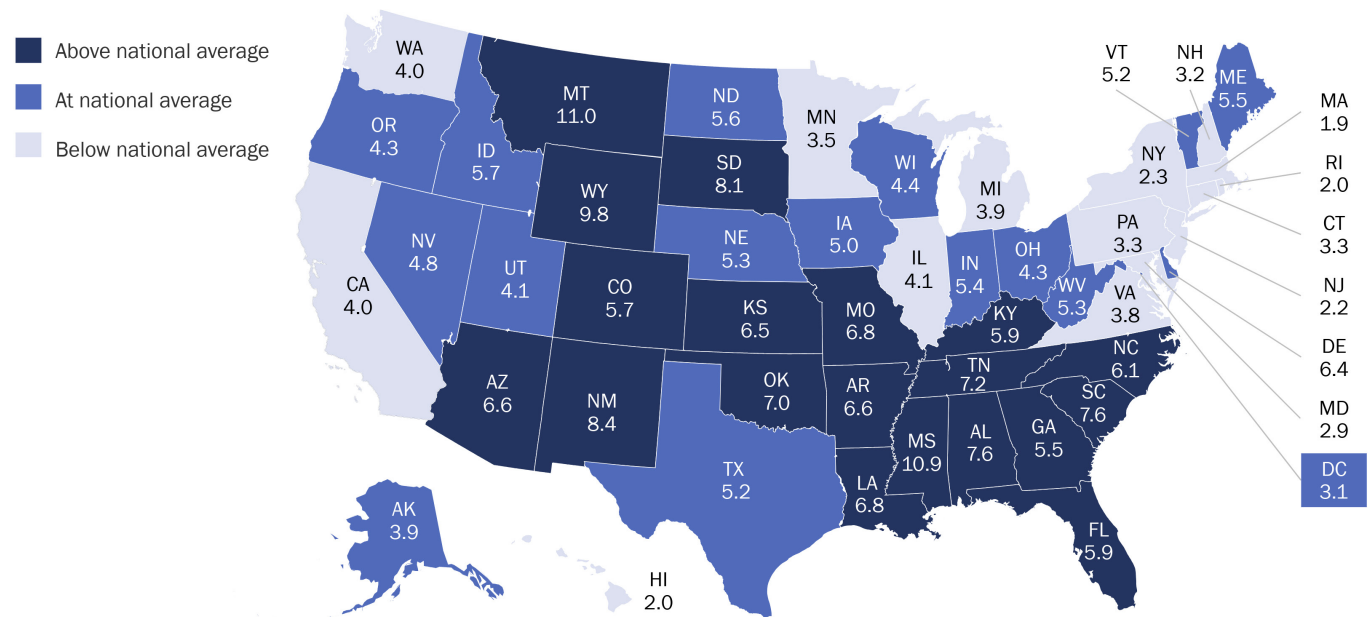
UNINTENTIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC DEATHS

Unintentional motor vehicle traffic injury is the leading cause of unintentional injury death for children and adolescents ages 0-19 years (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC] WONDER, 2026). The national average for unintentional motor vehicle traffic death rate was 4.8 per 100,000 children and adolescents in 2021-2024. Statistical comparisons of national and state death rates using 95% confidence intervals showed:

- **19** states were significantly above the national rate
- **17** states and the District of Columbia were at the national rate (i.e., state rate not statistically different from the national rate)
- **15** states were significantly below the national rate

Unintentional Motor Vehicle Traffic Injury Death Rates Among Children and Adolescents Aged 0-19, 2021-2024

Comparison of State Rate to National Rate (4.8 per 100,000 Population)



Data Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, Multiple Cause of Death, 2021-2024

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UNINTENTIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC DEATH RATES PER 100,000 CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS, AGES <1-19 YEARS, US 2021-2024

State	2021-2024 Rate	95% Confidence Interval
US Overall	4.8	(4.7-4.9)
AL	7.6	(6.8-8.3)
AK	3.9	(2.6-5.5)
AZ	6.6	(6.0-7.2)
AR	6.6	(5.7-7.5)
CA	4.0	(3.8-4.2)
CO	5.7	(5.1-6.4)
CT	3.3	(2.7-3.9)
DE	6.4	(4.9-8.3)
DC	3.1	(1.8-4.8)
FL	5.9	(5.5-6.2)
GA	5.5	(5.1-5.9)
HI	2.0	(1.3-2.9)
ID	5.7	(4.6-6.7)
IL	4.1	(3.8-4.5)
IN	5.4	(4.9-6.0)
IA	5.0	(4.2-5.7)
KS	6.5	(5.6-7.4)
KY	5.9	(5.2-6.6)
LA	6.8	(6.1-7.6)
ME	5.5	(4.2-7.0)
MD	2.9	(2.5-3.3)
MA	1.9	(1.6-2.2)
MI	3.9	(3.5-4.3)
MN	3.5	(3.0-4.0)
MS	10.9	(9.7-12.0)

State	2021-2024 Rate	95% Confidence Interval
MO	6.8	(6.2-7.5)
MT	11.0	(9.0-13.0)
NE	5.3	(4.3-6.3)
NV	4.8	(4.0-5.6)
NH	3.2	(2.3-4.4)
NJ	2.2	(1.9-2.5)
NM	8.4	(7.1-9.6)
NY	2.3	(2.1-2.5)
NC	6.1	(5.6-6.6)
ND	5.6	(4.1-7.5)
OH	4.3	(3.9-4.7)
OK	7.0	(6.2-7.8)
OR	4.3	(3.7-5.0)
PA	3.3	(3.0-3.6)
RI	2.0	(1.2-3.1)
SC	7.6	(6.9-8.4)
SD	8.1	(6.4-10.1)
TN	7.2	(6.6-7.8)
TX	5.2	(4.9-5.4)
UT	4.1	(3.5-4.8)
VT	5.2	(3.5-7.5)
VA	3.8	(3.4-4.2)
WA	4.0	(3.6-4.5)
WV	5.3	(4.2-6.6)
WI	4.4	(3.8-4.9)
WY	9.8	(7.4-12.7)

Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, Multiple Cause of Death, 2021-2024.

Note: A 95% confidence interval (CI) represents a level of certainty about our estimate. If multiple samples were drawn from the same population, and a 95% CI calculated for each sample, we would expect the true population value to fall within 95% of those intervals. CIs are sensitive to variability in the population (spread of values) and sample size.¹ In our analysis, non-overlapping CIs indicated statistically significant differences.

Reference: ¹ A Basic Explanation of Confidence Intervals. census.gov. Published October 8, 2021. Accessed May 12, 2026.

<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/saipe/guidance/confidence-intervals.html>.