

Illinois Crashes During Holidays

2012-2016

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Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Memorial Day Weekend*

Year	Number of Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	3.25	13	531	2,379	16	779	4.92
2015	3.25	12	535	2,342	13	755	4.00
2014	3.25	10	524	2,160	12	706	3.69
2013	3.25	3	404	1,896	3	599	0.92
2012	3.25	6	491	2,066	6	703	1.85

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm on Friday before Memorial Day to 11:59 pm of Memorial Day.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Memorial Day Weekend — Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
Memorial Day 2016 6:00 pm on 05/27/2016 – 11:59 pm on 05/30/2016	3.25	1	of 7.7%	13	2	of 12.5%	16
Memorial Day 2015 6:00 pm on 05/22/2015 – 11:59 pm on 05/25/2015	3.25	3	of 25.0%	12	3	of 23.1%	13
Memorial Day 2014 6:00 pm on 05/23/2014 – 11:59 pm on 05/26/2014	3.25	3	of 30.0%	10	3	of 25.0%	12
Memorial Day 2013 6:00 pm on 05/24/2013 – 11:59 pm on 05/27/2013	3.25	2	of 66.7%	3	2	of 66.7%	3
Memorial Day 2012 6:00 pm on 05/25/2012 – 11:59 pm on 05/28/2012	3.25	3	of 50.0%	6	3	of 50.0%	6

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which at least one driver, surviving or killed, tested positive for alcohol.

Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Independence Day Holiday*

Year	Total Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	3.25	13	529	2,255	14	816	4.31
2015	3.25	6	576	2,400	6	883	1.85
2014	3.25	12	460	1,985	18	675	5.54
2013	4.25	17	657	2,666	18	944	4.24
2012	1.25	3	187	759	4	280	3.20

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm on the day before the first full day of the holiday period to 11:59 pm on the last day of the holiday period.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Independence Day Holiday – Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
4th of July 2016 6:00 pm on 07/01/2016 – 11:59 pm on 07/04/2016	3.25	2	of 15.4%	13	3	of 21.4%	14
4th of July 2015 6:00 pm on 07/02/2015 – 11:59 pm on 07/05/2015	3.25	3	of 50.0%	6	3	of 50.0%	6
4th of July 2014 6:00 pm on 07/03/2014 – 11:59 pm on 07/06/2014	3.25	3	of 25.0%	12	3	of 16.7%	18
4th of July 2013 6:00 pm on 07/03/2013 – 11:59 pm on 07/07/2013	4.25	5	of 29.4%	17	5	of 27.8%	18
4th of July 2012 6:00 pm on 07/03/2012 – 11:59 pm on 07/04/2012	1.25	1	of 33.3%	3	2	of 50.0%	4

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which at least one driver, surviving or killed, tested positive for alcohol.

Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Labor Day Holiday*

Year	Total Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	3.25	19	542	2,250	23	803	7.08
2015	3.25	12	547	2,084	13	801	4.00
2014	3.25	15	484	2,032	16	711	4.92
2013	3.25	10	519	2,111	10	777	3.08
2012	3.25	14	441	1,851	15	673	4.62

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm Friday before Labor Day to 11:59 pm of Labor Day.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Labor Day Holiday – Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
Labor Day 2016 6:00 pm on 09/02/2016 – 11:59 on 09/05/2016	3.25	6	of 31.6%	19	7	of 30.4%	23
Labor Day 2015 6:00 pm on 09/04/2015 – 11:59 on 09/07/2015	3.25	5	of 41.7%	12	6	of 46.2%	13
Labor Day 2014 6:00 pm on 08/29/2014 – 11:59 on 09/01/2014	3.25	3	of 20.0%	15	3	of 18.8%	16
Labor Day 2013 6:00 pm on 08/30/2013 – 11:59 on 09/02/2013	3.25	6	of 60.0%	10	6	of 60.0%	10
Labor Day 2012 6:00 pm on 08/31/2012 – 11:59 on 09/03/2012	3.25	6	of 42.9%	14	6	of 40.0%	15

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which at least one driver, surviving or killed, tested positive for alcohol.

Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend*

Year	Total Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	4.25	10	586	2,930	11	881	2.59
2015	4.25	15	555	2,964	17	824	4.00
2014	4.25	13	559	2,882	15	840	3.53
2013	4.25	7	483	2,579	7	722	1.65
2012	4.25	8	501	2,617	9	737	2.12

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm on Wednesday before Thanksgiving to 11:59 pm on Sunday following Thanksgiving.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend – Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
Thanksgiving 2016 6:00 pm on 11/23/2016 – 11:59 pm on 11/27/2016	4.25	2	of 20.0%	10	2	of 18.2%	11
Thanksgiving 2015 6:00 pm on 11/25/2015 – 11:59 pm on 11/29/2015	4.25	7	of 46.7%	15	7	of 41.2%	17
Thanksgiving 2014 6:00 pm on 11/26/2014 – 11:59 pm on 11/30/2014	4.25	2	of 15.4%	13	3	of 20.0%	15
Thanksgiving 2013 6:00 pm on 11/27/2013 – 11:59 pm on 12/01/2013	4.25	3	of 42.9%	7	3	of 42.9%	7
Thanksgiving 2012 6:00 pm on 11/21/2012 – 11:59 pm on 11/25/2012	4.25	3	of 37.5%	8	3	of 33.3%	9

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which at least one driver, surviving or killed, tested positive for alcohol.

Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Christmas Holiday*

Year	Total Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	3.25	9	339	1,940	9	502	2.77
2015	3.25	8	416	2,113	13	656	4.00
2014	4.25	6	422	2,176	7	593	1.65
2013	1.25	2	97	659	2	153	1.60
2012	4.25	10	531	2,862	10	816	2.35

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm on the day before the first full day of the holiday period to 11:59 pm on the last day of the holiday period.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways Christmas Holiday – Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
Christmas 2016 6:00 pm on 12/23/2016 – 11:59 pm on 12/26/2016	3.25	2	of 22.2%	9	2	of 22.2%	9
Christmas 2015 6:00 pm on 12/24/2015 – 11:59 pm on 12/27/2015	3.25	2	of 25.0%	8	3	of 23.1%	13
Christmas 2014 6:00 pm on 12/24/2014 – 11:59 pm on 12/28/2014	4.25	2	of 33.3%	6	2	of 28.6%	7
Christmas 2013 6:00 pm on 12/24/2013 – 11:59 pm on 12/25/2013	1.25	2	of 100.0%	2	2	of 100.0%	2
Christmas 2012 6:00 pm on 12/21/2012 – 11:59 pm on 12/25/2012	4.25	2	of 20.0%	10	2	of 20.0%	10

* Fatal crashes or fatalities resulting from crashes in which at least one driver, surviving or killed, tested positive for alcohol.

Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways New Year's Holiday*

Year	Total Days	Crash Severity			Persons		Average Killed per Day
		Fatal	Injury	Total	Killed	Injured	
2016	3.25	7	215	1,102	7	324	2.15
2015	3.25	13	335	2,093	15	508	4.62
2014	4.25	10	617	3,475	10	877	2.35
2013	1.25	5	183	1,375	7	263	5.60
2012	4.25	6	478	2,638	7	668	1.65

* Crashes that occurred from 6:00 pm on the day before the first full day of the holiday period to 11:59 pm on the last day of the holiday period.

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Occurring on Illinois Public Roadways New Year's Holiday – Total and Alcohol Related*

Dates of Holiday Period	Number of Days	Fatal Crashes			Fatalities		
		Alcohol Related		Total	Alcohol Related		Total
New Year's 2016 6:00 pm on 12/30/2016 – 11:59 pm on 01/02/2017	3.25	3	of 42.9%	7	3	of 42.9%	7
New Year's 2015 6:00 pm on 12/31/2015 – 11:59 pm on 01/03/2016	3.25	6	of 46.2%	13	6	of 40.0%	15
New Year's 2014 6:00 pm on 12/31/2014 – 11:59 pm on 01/04/2015	4.25	4	of 40.0%	10	4	of 40.0%	10
New Year's 2013 6:00 pm on 12/31/2013 – 11:59 pm on 01/01/2014	1.25	1	of 20.0%	5	3	of 42.9%	7
New Year's 2012 6:00 pm on 12/28/2012 – 11:59 pm on 01/01/2013	4.25	2	of 33.3%	6	3	of 42.9%	7

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