# -SHOW-ME-ZEELS

**Driving Missouri Toward Safer Roads** 

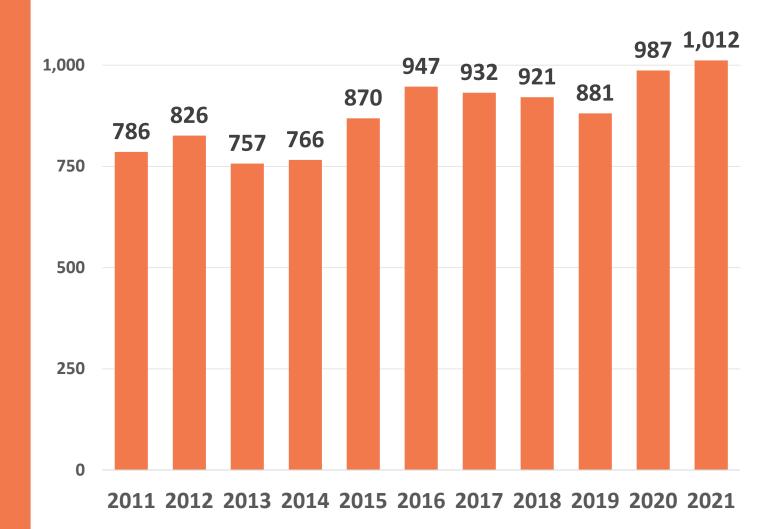
### 2022 STATEWIDE PLANNING PARTNER MEETING

Nicole Hood

#### 8,85 LIVES LOST IN 10 YEARS



## MISSOURI TRAFFIC FATALITIES



#### TOP CRASH CHARACTERISTICS

Head-On 151

Collision with Trees

164

Run Off the Road 404

Curves 317

Intersections 369

- Lane Departure
  - Over 75% of fatalities
- Intersections
  - 37% of fatalities



**2021 Fatalities** (preliminary)

#### THE STATE OF SAFETY **IN MISSOURI**

#### **Stubborn Contributors to Traffic Crashes:**

- Speed
- Distracted Driving
- Impairment
   Lack of Seat Belt Use

Human behavior plays the biggest role in crashes.

The majority of crashes are preventable.



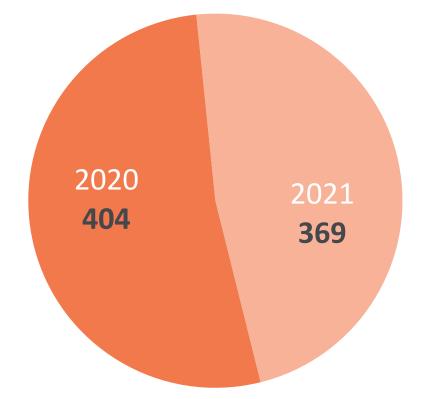


#### SPEEDING:

#### TOP CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCE IN MO FATAL CRASHES

#### MISSOURI TRAFFIC FATALITIES INVOLVING SPEED

(Speed limit exceeded or too fast for conditions)



SPEED
ACCOUNTED
FOR 36% OF
THE FATALITIES
IN 2021

#### SUBSTANCE-IMPAIRED DRIVING

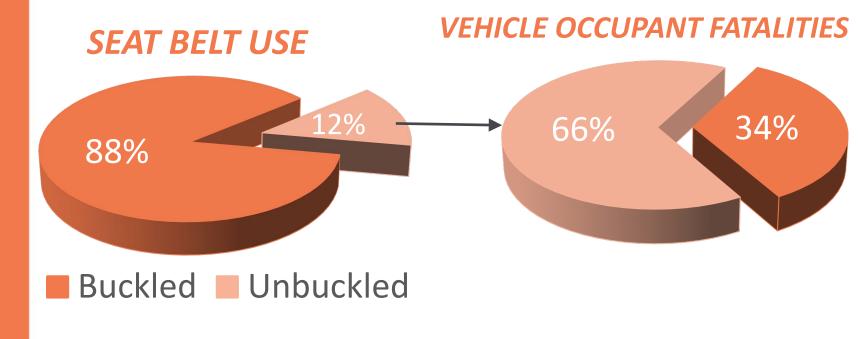
- 20% of the total fatalities in 2021 involved at least one substance-impaired driver
  - 81% males
- Alcohol-impaired fatalities have decreased by 24% in the last decade
- Drug-impaired fatalities have increased by 83%





#### OCCUPANT PROTECTION

 More than 1,900 unbuckled fatalities in the last five years



100% usage = **254 lives saved per year** 

#### PICKUP TRUCKS

 81% of pickup truck occupants killed in 2021 Missouri traffic crashes were unbuckled

 83% of fatalities on Missouri roadways involved male drivers



#### MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

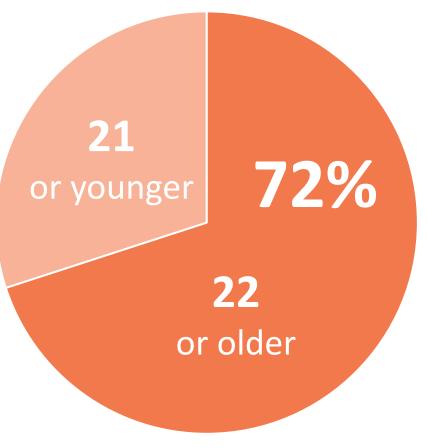
- 161 motorcyclists were killed in Missouri traffic crashes in 2021
  - 36% increase from 2020
  - 90 unhelmeted

• **Highest number** we have on record (at least 35 years)



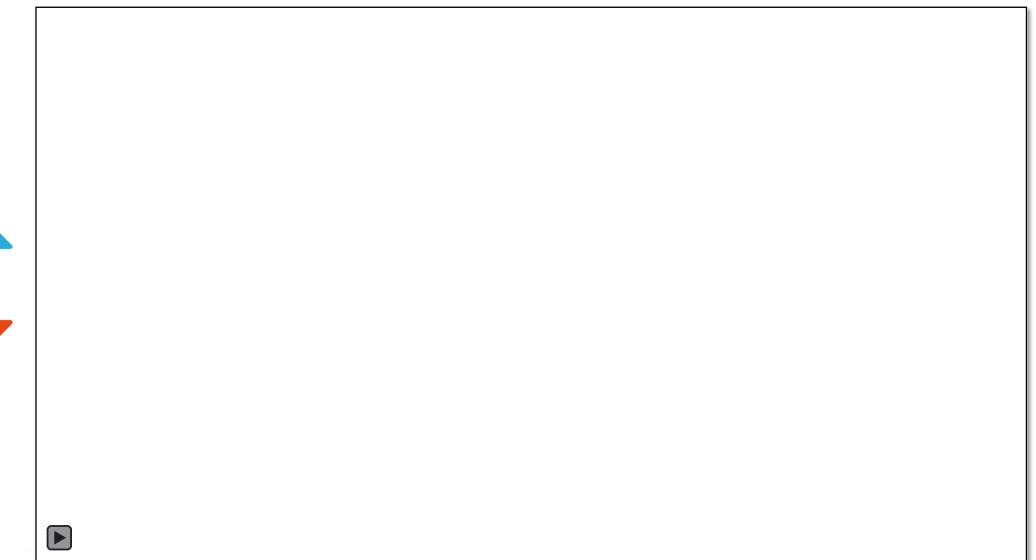


#### DISTRACTED DRIVING



 One of the fastest growing contributors of Missouri crashes

 Missouri law currently prohibits only texting and driving for operators age 21 and under.





## TEROS FATALITIES







#### **FOUR EMPHASIS AREAS**



Buckle up



Phone down





Slow down



Drive sober



### SAFETY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY

Hands-free law for Missouri

## INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

- Incorporate safety improvements into all STIP projects
- Influx of federal safety funds
- Utilize data-driven safety analysis
- Promote a Safe System Approach



## PROVEN SAFETY COUNTERMEASURES

- Guard cable
- High-friction surface treatments
- J-turns
- Roundabouts
- Rumble stripes



#### AVAILABLE SAFETY TOOLS

- MoDOT DataZone
  - Crash Statistics Map
  - Available to external customers: http://datazone.modot.org/
- Upcoming TITAN
- Crash Modification Factors Clearinghouse
  - www.cmfclearinghouse.org



#### SAFETY RESOURCES

 Missouri's Safety Circuit Rider Program

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- Grant opportunities
- Vision Zero City



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