

## Key Statistics

Between 1 January and 31 March 2008 there have been 11 fatalities and 130 serious injuries on Northern Territory roads.

### Summary of the 12 months to date fatalities and serious injuries compared with the same period in the preceding 12 months period:

58 fatalities (18.4% increase)

583 serious injuries (8.4% increase)

3 overseas visitor fatalities (50.0% increase)

30 overseas visitor serious injuries (18.9% decrease)

4 interstate visitor fatalities (20.0% decrease)

60 interstate visitor serious injuries (no change)

30 Indigenous fatalities (25.0% increase)

166 Indigenous serious injuries (19.4% increase)

14 pedestrian fatalities (no change)

48 pedestrian serious injuries (26.3% increase)

12 pedestrian fatalities were Indigenous (85.7% of total pedestrians)

3 motorcyclist fatalities (50.0% decrease)

65 motorcyclist serious injuries (41.3% increase)

Of the 58 fatalities 12 months to date, 5.2% were overseas visitors and 6.9% were interstate visitors. 51.7% were Indigenous people. 24.1% were pedestrians and 5.2% were motorcyclists.

### Summary of 12 months to date causal and compounding factors compared with the same period in the preceding 12 months period:

19 alcohol related fatalities (32.1% decrease)

72 alcohol related serious injuries (32.7% decrease)

16 speed related fatalities (100.0% increase)

85 speed related serious injuries (18.1% increase)

1 fatigue related fatality (no change)

40 fatigue related serious injuries (122.2% increase)

21 seatbelt related fatalities (40.0% increase)

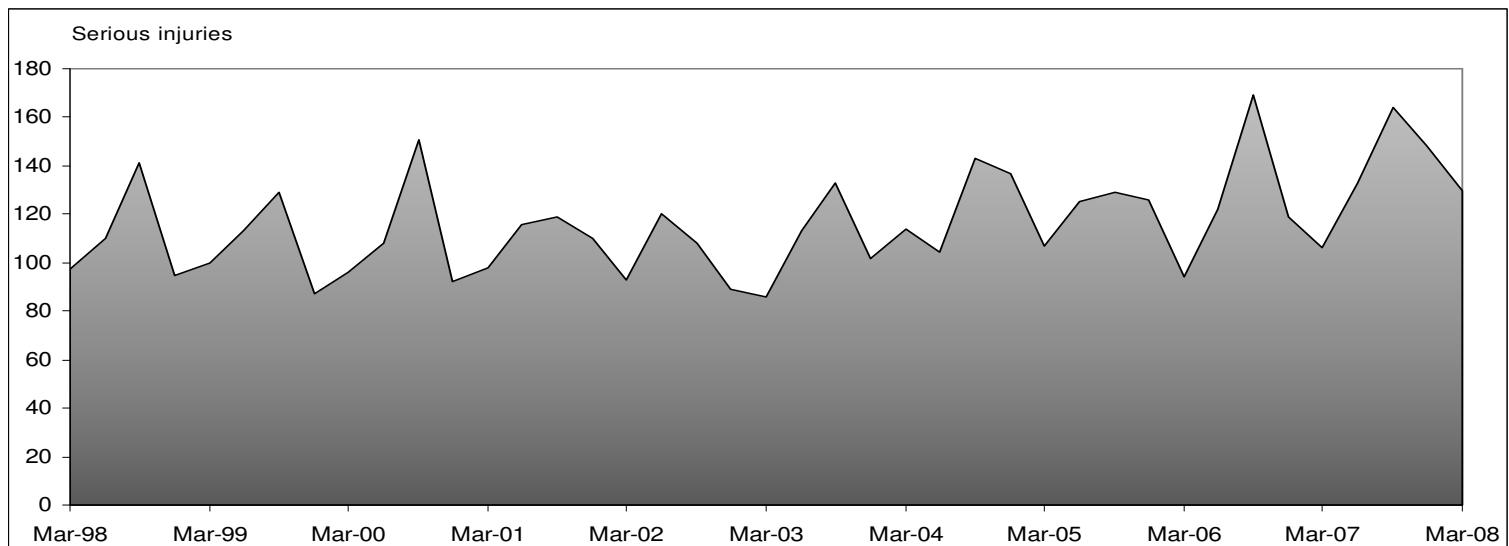
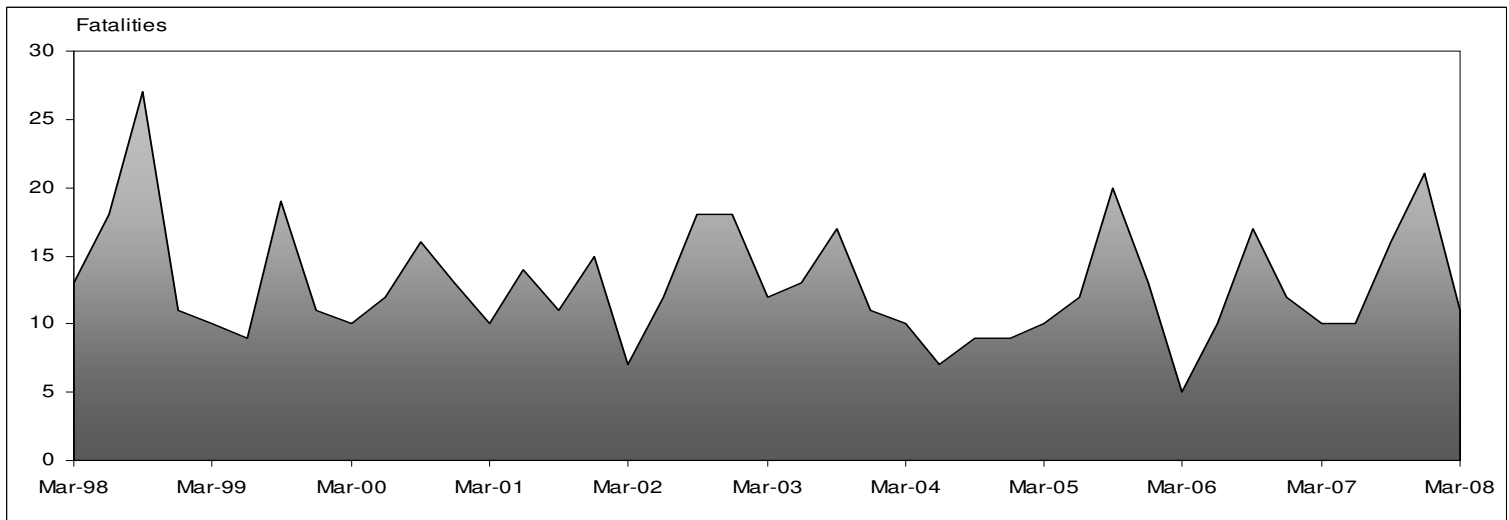
61 seatbelt related serious injuries (3.2% decrease)

Of the 58 fatalities 12 months to date, alcohol related fatalities comprise 32.8%; speed related comprise 27.6%; fatigue related comprise 1.7% and seatbelt related comprise 36.2%.

Causal and compounding factors are not equal to the number of fatalities or serious injuries recorded. There may be more than one causal and/or compounding factor identified for each fatality or serious injury, or Police may not have identified a causal or compounding factor.

Speed related statistics more accurately refer to speeding rather than speed as a causal factor, where a driver was breaking the speed limit or travelling at a dangerous speed. Where there was no speed limit posted on Territory rural roads and highways, cause was likely to be attributed to a non-speed related cause such as 'driver inattention', notwithstanding that speed is a factor in any crash. Speed limits were introduced on rural roads and highways on 1 January 2007.

## Northern Territory fatalities and serious injuries - last 10 years



## Summary of fatalities, serious injuries and crashes

Total	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Fatalities	11	10	10.0%	11	10	10.0%	58	49	18.4%
Serious injuries	130	108	20.4%	130	108	20.4%	583	538	8.4%

Total crashes	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Fatal	11	9	22.2%	11	9	22.2%	49	45	8.9%
Serious injuries	92	72	27.8%	92	72	27.8%	424	367	15.5%

## Causal and compounding factors

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	6	7	-14.3%	6	7	-14.3%	19	28	-32.1%
Speed	3	1	200.0%	3	1	200.0%	16	8	100.0%
Fatigue	0	0	-	0	0	-	1	1	0.0%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	2	3	-33.3%	2	3	-33.3%	21	15	40.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
<b>Causal factors</b>									
Alcohol	21	23	-8.7%	21	23	-8.7%	72	107	-32.7%
Speed	20	22	-9.1%	20	22	-9.1%	85	72	18.1%
Fatigue	7	5	40.0%	7	5	40.0%	40	18	122.2%
<b>Compounding factor</b>									
Seatbelt	12	13	-7.7%	12	13	-7.7%	61	63	-3.2%

## Residency status

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Northern Territory	10	7	42.9%	10	7	42.9%	51	42	21.4%
Overseas visitor	1	1	0.0%	1	1	0.0%	3	2	50.0%
Interstate visitor	0	2	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	4	5	-20.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Northern Territory	99	87	13.8%	99	87	13.8%	468	431	8.6%
Overseas visitor	12	7	71.4%	12	7	71.4%	30	37	-18.9%
Interstate visitor	12	11	9.1%	12	11	9.1%	60	60	0.0%
Not stated	7	3	133.3%	7	3	133.3%	25	10	150.0%

# Territory Road Crash Overview

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## Non-Indigenous and Indigenous

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	9	7	28.6%	9	7	28.6%	28	25	12.0%
Indigenous	2	3	-33.3%	2	3	-33.3%	30	24	25.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	94	80	17.5%	94	80	17.5%	408	399	2.3%
Indigenous	33	28	17.9%	33	28	17.9%	166	139	19.4%
Not stated	3	0	-	3	0	-	9	0	-

## Road users

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Driver	5	6	-16.7%	5	6	-16.7%	23	21	9.5%
Passenger	1	1	0.0%	1	1	0.0%	18	8	125.0%
Pedestrian	4	2	100.0%	4	2	100.0%	14	14	0.0%
Motorcyclist	1	1	0.0%	1	1	0.0%	3	6	-50.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Driver	62	37	67.6%	62	37	67.6%	275	237	16.0%
Passenger	40	43	-7.0%	40	43	-7.0%	156	186	-16.1%
Pedestrian	11	9	22.2%	11	9	22.2%	48	38	26.3%
Motorcyclist	12	10	20.0%	12	10	20.0%	65	46	41.3%
Motorcycle pillion	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%	7	2	250.0%
Bicyclist	3	6	-50.0%	3	6	-50.0%	24	23	4.3%
Bicycle pillion	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%
Not known	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%	8	5	60.0%

## Pedestrians

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%	2	4	-50.0%
Indigenous	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%	12	10	20.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Non-Indigenous	4	2	100.0%	4	2	100.0%	11	11	0.0%
Indigenous	7	7	0.0%	7	7	0.0%	37	27	37.0%

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## Gender

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Male	9	8	12.5%	9	8	12.5%	43	37	16.2%
Female	2	2	0.0%	2	2	0.0%	15	12	25.0%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Male	86	75	14.7%	86	75	14.7%	387	338	14.5%
Female	44	33	33.3%	44	33	33.3%	196	200	-2.0%

## Age group by years

Fatalities	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
0-4	0	0	-	0	0	-	2	1	100.0%
5-9	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	1	-100.0%
10-14	0	0	-	0	0	-	2	0	-
15-19	3	1	200.0%	3	1	200.0%	5	6	-16.7%
20-24	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%	13	7	85.7%
25-29	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%	9	4	125.0%
30-34	0	2	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	4	7	-42.9%
35-39	0	1	-100.0%	0	1	-100.0%	6	6	0.0%
40-44	2	1	100.0%	2	1	100.0%	6	6	0.0%
45-49	0	2	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	2	4	-50.0%
50+	4	1	300.0%	4	1	300.0%	9	7	28.6%

Serious injuries	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
0-4	4	1	300.0%	4	1	300.0%	7	12	-41.7%
5-9	2	2	0.0%	2	2	0.0%	7	13	-46.2%
10-14	6	2	200.0%	6	2	200.0%	15	9	66.7%
15-19	21	21	0.0%	21	21	0.0%	98	66	48.5%
20-24	28	12	133.3%	28	12	133.3%	92	66	39.4%
25-29	14	17	-17.6%	14	17	-17.6%	57	72	-20.8%
30-34	6	8	-25.0%	6	8	-25.0%	50	61	-18.0%
35-39	13	13	0.0%	13	13	0.0%	65	61	6.6%
40-44	10	11	-9.1%	10	11	-9.1%	51	60	-15.0%
45-49	8	7	14.3%	8	7	14.3%	37	30	23.3%
50+	14	11	27.3%	14	11	27.3%	88	78	12.8%
Unknown	4	3	33.3%	4	3	33.3%	16	10	60.0%

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## Crash type

Fatal crashes	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Single vehicle	6	5	20.0%	6	5	20.0%	26	20	30.0%
Multiple vehicle	5	4	25.0%	5	4	25.0%	20	25	-20.0%
Other accident	0	0	-	0	0	-	3	0	-

Serious injury crashes	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Single vehicle	59	31	90.3%	59	31	90.3%	241	198	-86.9%
Multiple vehicle	30	38	-21.1%	30	38	-21.1%	168	157	-87.3%
Other accident	0	2	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	5	6	-50.0%
Hit animal	3	1	200.0%	3	1	200.0%	10	6	66.7%

## Crashes by region

Fatal crashes	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Darwin	8	1	700.0%	8	1	700.0%	20	17	17.6%
Central Australia	3	6	-50.0%	3	6	-50.0%	18	15	20.0%
Katherine	0	2	-100.0%	0	2	-100.0%	6	7	-14.3%
Tennant Creek	0	0	-	0	0	-	5	2	150.0%
East Arnhem	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	4	-100.0%

Serious injury crashes	1st quarter			Year to date			12-months to date		
	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Jan-Mar 08	Jan-Mar 07	% change	Apr 07-Mar 08	Apr 06-Mar 07	% change
Darwin	53	48	10.4%	53	48	10.4%	254	219	16.0%
Central Australia	22	7	214.3%	22	7	214.3%	83	61	36.1%
Katherine	5	6	-16.7%	5	6	-16.7%	36	45	-20.0%
Tennant Creek	8	5	60.0%	8	5	60.0%	32	29	10.3%
East Arnhem	4	6	-33.3%	4	6	-33.3%	19	13	46.2%

The statistics presented in this report reflect data recorded on the Northern Territory Vehicle Accident Database at the time of publication. All figures may be subject to revision as crash information or detail is updated.

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