



Alcohol and Other Drugs Prevention Program

National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week
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Impaired Driving Is an Important Public Health Problem

- In 2020, 11,654 people were killed in motor vehicle crashes involving alcohol-impaired drivers, accounting for 30% of all traffic-related deaths in the United States. This was a 14.3% increase compared to the number of crash deaths involving alcohol-impaired drivers in 2019.
- 32 people in the United States are killed every day in crashes involving an alcohol-impaired driver—this is one death every 45 minutes.
- The annual estimated cost of crash deaths involving alcohol-impaired drivers totaled about \$123.3 billion* in 2020. These costs include medical costs and cost estimates for lives lost.

Sobering Facts: Alcohol-Impaired Driving



DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING IN THE UNITED STATES



Drug-impaired driving is also an important public health problem; however, less is known about the harmful effects of drug-impaired driving compared to alcohol-impaired driving because of data limitations.

