

## Northern Ireland - Principal Factors in Road Traffic Collisions: 2004/05

	Total Collisions	Fatal Collisions	Killed	Seriously Injured	Slightly Injured	Total Casualties
1 Inattention or attention diverted	1492	8	9	163	2303	2475
2 Excessive speed having regard to conditions	497	20	24	202	659	885
3 Emerging from minor road without care	418	6	7	88	612	707
4 Crossing or entering road junction without care	344	9	9	56	490	555
5 Alcohol or drugs - driver/rider	290	26	32	111	447	590
6 Turning right without care	215	6	6	73	315	394
7 Overtaking on offside without care	211	4	5	50	299	354
8 Heedless of traffic crossing carriageway	181	8	8	58	133	199
9 Driving too close	166			5	299	304
10 Emerging from private road/entrance without care	162	1	1	30	236	267
11 Wrong course/position	138	10	11	53	230	294
12 Disobeying traffic sign/signal	114			23	219	242
13 Changing lane without care	85			4	114	118
14 Reversing without care	82			11	96	107
15 Walk/run movement masked	73			18	58	76
16 U turning without care	58	4	5	11	84	100
17 Inexperience with type of vehicle	58	3	4	13	80	97
18 Slippery road due to factors other than the weather	56			18	66	84
19 Alcohol or drugs - pedestrian	53	6	6	19	34	59
20 Starting without care	46	1	1	4	65	70
21 Ice, frost or snow	41	1	1	7	56	64
22 Animal on carriageway (other than dog)	40			5	78	83
23 Other driver/rider factor	37	1	1	4	56	61
24 Lack of supervision/escaping from custody	29			14	15	29
25 Physical/mental illness or injury - driver/rider	27	1	1	9	31	41
26 Overtaking on nearside without care	22			4	24	28
27 Other road factor	22			2	27	29
28 Turning left without care	19			1	20	21
29 Heedless of traffic walking or standing in carriageway - not	19	2	2	6	15	23
30 Walking or running onto carriageway	17	1	1	8	9	18
31 Fatigue	14			8	15	23
32 Other vehicle factor	13			2	26	28
33 Dog on carriageway	13			2	24	26
34 Insecure load	12			2	21	23
35 Disobeying pedestrian crossing	11			5	7	12
36 Defective brakes	11	1	1	2	25	28
37 Flooding	11	1	1	3	14	18
38 Slipping or falling pedestrian	10	1	1	3	7	11

39	Using pedestrian crossing without care	9			3	6	9
40	Slipping or falling - passenger	9			1	8	9
41	Failing to give or giving faulty signal	8			3	10	13
42	Distraction by action inside vehicle	8			3	21	24
43	Tyre blow-out before impact	8				15	15
44	Strong wind	8	1	1	4	6	11
45	Glaring sun	8			1	10	11
46	Stopping without care	7				14	14
47	Dazzled by headlights	6			1	8	9
48	Other miscellaneous factor	6			1	7	8
49	No apparent cause/ cause not traced	5	1	1		10	11
50	Other pedestrian factor	5				7	7
51	Bend	5			1	9	10
52	Opening door without care - driver	4				4	4
53	Opening door without care - passenger	4				4	4
54	Other obstruction	4			5	3	8
55	Playing on carriageway	3			2	1	3
56	Alcohol or drugs - passenger	3			2	1	3
57	Defective tyres	3				3	3
58	Road surface in need of repair	3			2	3	5
59	Fog or mist	3				3	3
60	Other passenger factor	2			1	1	2
61	Vegetation	2				5	5
62	Road works in progress	2			1	2	3
63	Distraction by action outside vehicle	1	1	1			1
64	Holding onto vehicle	1				1	1
65	Defective steering/suspension	1				1	1
66	Defective rear lights	1				1	1
67	Unattended vehicle running away	1				2	2
68	Skip	1				1	1
69	Previous road collision	1				1	1
70	Speed control hump	1				1	1
	Total	5240	124	140	1128	7478	8746