

Change in Licensed Fatalities

In 1994 the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) successfully lobbied to have their subordinate organization Motorcycle Safety Foundation's (MSF) motorcycle test be offered by private contractors as an alternative (different and easier than the DMV) on-motorcycle test for licensing.

Data from National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Fatalities</u>	<u>Licensed Fatalities</u>	<u>Percent Licensed</u>
1994	298	124	42%
1995	268	111	41%
1996	243	119	49%
1997	251	132	53%
1998	213	124	58%
1999	249	162	65%
2000	286	197	69%
2001	300	216	72%
2002	331	217	66%
2003	399	267	67%
2004	460	286	62%
2005	490	340	69%
2006	524	333	64%
2007	540	337	63%
2008	589	375	64% *** Most people killed on motorcycles are now properly licensed ***

Note: Motorcycle collisions resulting in serious injury track fatalities by about of factor of 25. So 589 fatalities correspond to approximately 14,725 serious injuries.

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If you think a license makes you safe, this data should concern you.
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