What State Drives The Fastest? Speeding Report

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) released a significant report on speeding and its impact on road safety. The report sheds light on the alarming increase in traffic-related fatalities caused by excessive speeding in recent years. Speeding is a dangerous behavior that poses a severe risk to drivers, passengers, and pedestrians alike. In this "Speeding Report," we delve into the latest data to identify states with the highest incidence of speeding, examine the major causes contributing to this dangerous behavior, and analyze the trends in speeding-related accidents. By ranking each state from best to worst, we aim to raise awareness about the importance of responsible driving and the need for effective measures to address speeding and ensure safer roadways for everyone.

Note: Driving statistics take time to collect. This report features the latest data released in April 2025.

Is there any difference between gender and age?

The data shows that individuals aged 25-34 have demonstrated the highest tendency to be involved in fatal crashes involving speeding, with a total of **3,951 accidents** reported for this age group.

Comparatively, drivers aged 15-24 showed slightly fewer violations, recording a total of **3,902 accidents** throughout the year. The 55-75+ age group recorded **3,336 individuals** involved in speeding-related fatal crashes, while the 35-44 age group had **2,941 accidents**, and the 45-54 age group experienced **2,091 accidents** over the same period.

Throughout the year, male drivers were involved in speeding-related fatal crashes **12,684 times**, while female drivers experienced such accidents at a significantly lower rate — **nearly 72% less**, with **3,606 occurrences**. It is evident that male drivers are leading in fatal crashes involving speeding in all of the listed states.

Breakdown by States

State	Male Drivers in Fatal Crashes Involving Speeding	Female Drivers in Fatal Crashes Involving Speeding	Total
Alabama	229	62	291
Alaska	29	5	34
Arizona	533	140	673

Arkansas	115	32	147
California	1466	402	1868
Colorado	265	72	337
Connecticut	103	35	138
Delaware	49	12	61
District of Columbia	21	4	25
Florida	395	112	507
Georgia	331	97	428
Hawaii	55	14	69
Idaho	90	22	112
Illinois	482	139	621
Indiana	263	67	330
Iowa	87	17	104
Kansas	88	22	110
Kentucky	116	33	149
Louisiana	280	81	361
Maine	41	6	47
Maryland	219	63	282
Massachusetts	128	31	159
Michigan	298	106	404
Minnesota	124	31	155
Mississippi	142	47	189
Missouri	363	128	491
Montana	77	27	104

Nebraska	53	12	65
Nevada	105	25	130
New Hampshire	30	11	41
New Jersey	212	67	279
New Mexico	158	33	191
New York	373	75	448
North Carolina	623	218	841
North Dakota	28	7	35
Ohio	255	85	340
Oklahoma	249	80	329
Oregon	199	50	249
Pennsylvania	546	131	677
Rhode Island	35	6	41
South Carolina	405	136	541
South Dakota	31	10	41
Tennessee	286	93	379
Texas	1694	446	2140
Utah	94	26	120
Vermont	21	2	23
Virginia	325	101	426
Washington	245	83	328
West Virginia	93	22	115
Wisconsin	181	61	242

Wyoming	54	19	73
Total	**12684**	**3606**	**16290**

States most frequently driving at dangerously high speeds

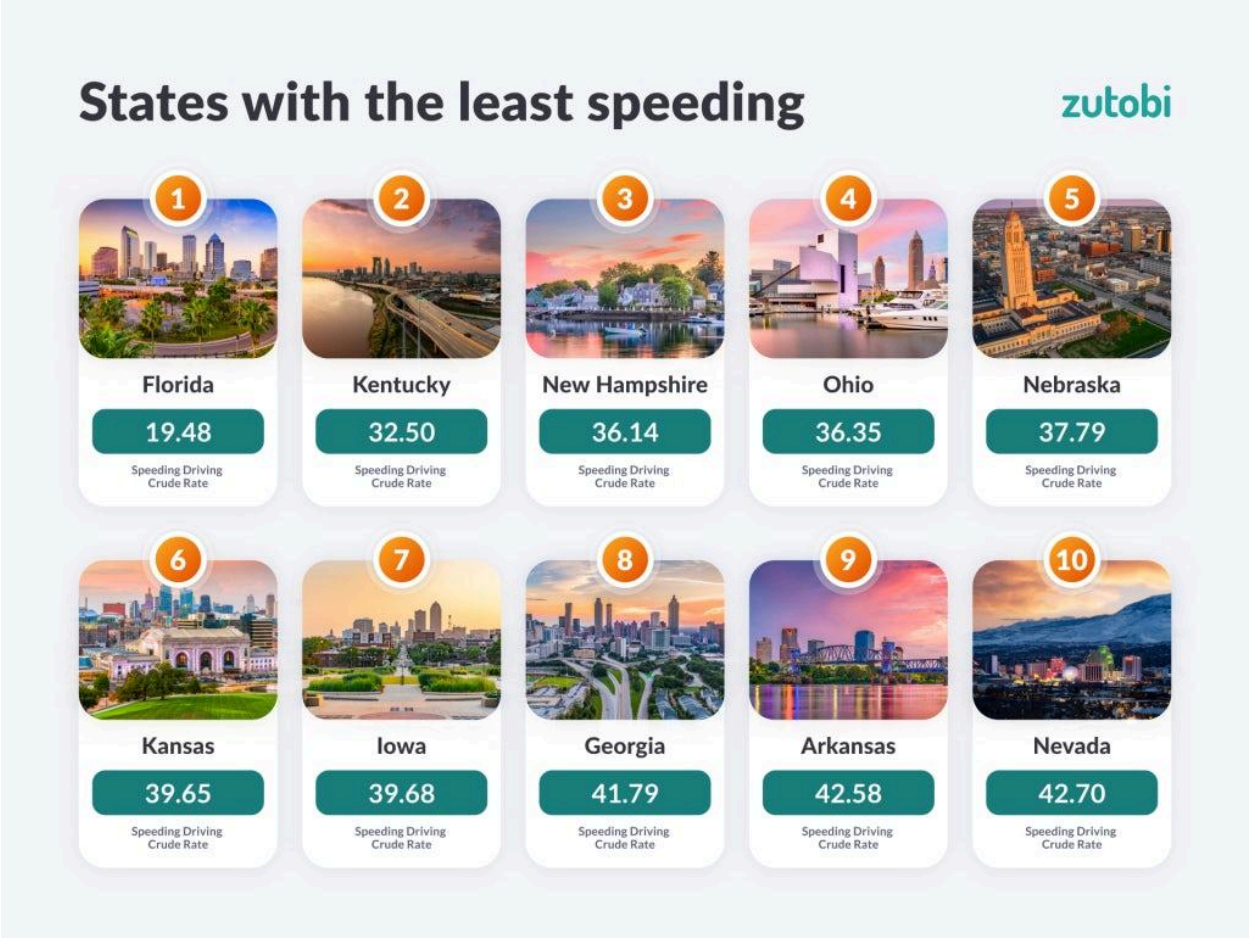
Wyoming leads the nation with the highest speeding-related fatality rate. Wyoming reported 57 fatal motor vehicle crashes involving speeding in 2023, achieving a concerning Involving Speeding Driving Crude Rate of 99.44. This data underscores the urgency of addressing speeding-related issues to improve road safety in the state.

The second worst state is Hawaii with a crude rate of 88.76, followed by South Carolina (83.76), North Carolina (77.50), Missouri (76.68), Montana (76.64), Oklahoma (73.16), Texas (70.74), and Pennsylvania (68.74).



States with the least speeding

Florida had the lowest speeding-related fatality rate with an Involving Speeding Driving Crude Rate of 19.48. These best performers were followed by Kentucky (32.50), New Hampshire (36.14), Ohio (36.35), Nebraska (37.79), Kansas (39.65), Iowa (39.68), Georgia (41.79), Arkansas (42.58), and Nevada (42.70).



The substantial variation in speeding-related crashes may, in part, be attributed to variations in state guidelines for reporting such accidents. Additionally, it could be the outcome of dedicated efforts by local governments to address speeding through measures like enhanced enforcement, awareness campaigns, and other safety initiatives.

The complete list of speeding statistics for each state

State	Total Deaths in Fatal crashes Involving Speeding	Speed involving Deaths per 100 000 licensed drivers	Percentage of Fatal Involving Speeding crashes	Involving Speeding Driving Crude Rate
Wyoming	57	12.92	41.32%	99.44
Hawaii	54	5.72	55.68%	88.76
South Carolina	408	9.96	37.81%	83.76
North Carolina	632	7.82	39.48%	77.50
Missouri	371	8.61	36.24%	76.68
Montana	77	8.76	35.71%	76.64
Oklahoma	230	8.85	32.50%	73.16
Texas	1484	7.75	34.07%	70.74
Pennsylvania	491	5.38	40.07%	68.74
New Mexico	131	8.50	29.60%	68.32
Rhode Island	32	4.20	41.79%	66.25
Arizona	425	7.26	31.80%	66.16
West Virginia	85	7.51	30.47%	65.52
Alaska	24	4.57	39.29%	64.69
Colorado	257	5.73	34.08%	62.95
Virginia	321	5.42	34.15%	61.84
Oregon	190	6.04	32.02%	61.68
Louisiana	240	7.05	27.55%	60.24
Illinois	436	5.05	33.60%	59.74
Delaware	45	5.08	32.03%	57.98
California	1303	4.70	30.88%	55.13

Connecticut	104	3.95	32.87%	54.62
Utah	93	4.04	31.87%	53.79
Indiana	249	5.28	27.43%	53.24
Wisconsin	185	4.19	30.57%	52.80
Washington	252	4.19	30.56%	52.79
District of Columbia	16	3.07	33.33%	51.76
Alabama	235	5.75	24.19%	51.19
Maryland	187	4.32	28.60%	50.92
Maine	39	3.66	29.13%	49.02
Mississippi	140	6.76	18.65%	48.47
Massachusetts	113	2.32	32.92%	48.37
South Dakota	34	4.94	24.22%	48.09
Vermont	19	3.95	26.98%	47.59
New York	347	2.82	30.49%	47.39
Michigan	298	3.86	26.37%	46.50
New Jersey	190	2.77	29.84%	46.43
North Dakota	24	4.13	25.00%	45.90
Minnesota	116	2.79	28.11%	44.44
Tennessee	263	5.13	19.20%	42.83
Idaho	60	4.29	21.90%	42.81
Nevada	88	3.90	23.08%	42.70
Arkansas	117	5.07	19.19%	42.58
Georgia	349	4.54	20.25%	41.79
Iowa	87	3.66	21.34%	39.68

Kansas	78	3.85	20.68%	39.65
Nebraska	46	3.16	21.36%	37.79
Ohio	255	3.02	20.61%	36.35
New Hampshire	30	2.75	21.31%	36.14
Kentucky	119	3.97	14.34%	32.50
Florida	349	2.05	9.64%	19.48

Methodology

Data in this report has been gathered from different governmental websites, including the Fatality and Injury Reporting System Tool (FIRST) developed by NHTSA.

Previous Reports:

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