

Figure 3.7

Driver contributory factors by severity of accident 2005

Driver contributory factor	Severity of Accident			Total
	Fatal	Serious	Slight	
Exceeding speed limit	1	2	3	6
Driving too fast for road environment	6	66	214	286
Driving too fast for other road users	4	27	105	136
Failing to keep to nearside of road	0	7	10	17
Driving too close to kerb	1	49	308	358
Driving too close to vehicle in front	10	194	1712	1916
Driving too close to vehicle alongside	0	17	93	110
Overtaking on offside negligently	4	28	154	186
Overtaking on nearside negligently	0	17	80	97
Careless lane changing	3	131	1049	1183
Reversing negligently	8	73	398	479
Turning right negligently	15	104	456	575
Turning left negligently	6	35	211	252
'U turning' negligently	0	20	102	122
Stopping negligently	0	5	65	70
Starting negligently	11	89	584	684
Disobeying traffic signal	3	67	284	354
Disobeying stop sign (Halt)	0	11	47	58
Disobeying give way sign (Slow)	0	23	147	170
Disobeying double white lines	0	5	13	18
Disobeying directions of a police officer	0	1	5	6
Disobeying school crossing patrol	0	0	0	0
Opening door negligently	0	11	109	120
Overtaking in zebra controlled area	0	2	0	2
Failing to stop at zebra crossing	1	10	22	33
Failing to signal movement correctly	0	0	10	10
Emerging from side road negligently	3	46	253	302
Emerging from private drive negligently	0	3	33	36
Driving on wrong side of road	2	32	94	128

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Vision affected by atmospheric conditions	0	4	6	10
Distracted by action inside vehicle	0	13	62	75
Distracted by action outside vehicle	0	28	139	167
Losing control (no apparent reason)	7	56	261	324
Asleep or drowsy	1	23	50	74
Consumption of drugs	0	1	5	6
Consumption of alcohol	3	23	63	89
Sudden illness	1	3	7	11
Physical handicap (vision) or mental handicap	0	0	1	1
Physical handicap (hearing) or mental handicap	0	0	0	0
Physical handicap (others) or mental handicap	0	0	2	2
Dazzled by sun	0	0	3	3
Dazzled by headlight	0	1	1	2
Dazzled by other lights	0	0	2	2
Losing control of vehicle	12	236	1077	1325
Trying to avoid collision or otherwise : swerving	0	170	612	782
Trying to avoid collision or otherwise : skidding	0	29	112	141
Trying to avoid collision or otherwise : stopping sudden	1	43	305	349
Using telephone while driving	0	0	1	1
Listening to walkman while cycling	0	0	0	0
Listening to radio/music while driving	0	0	1	1
Other driver factor	16	397	2236	2649