

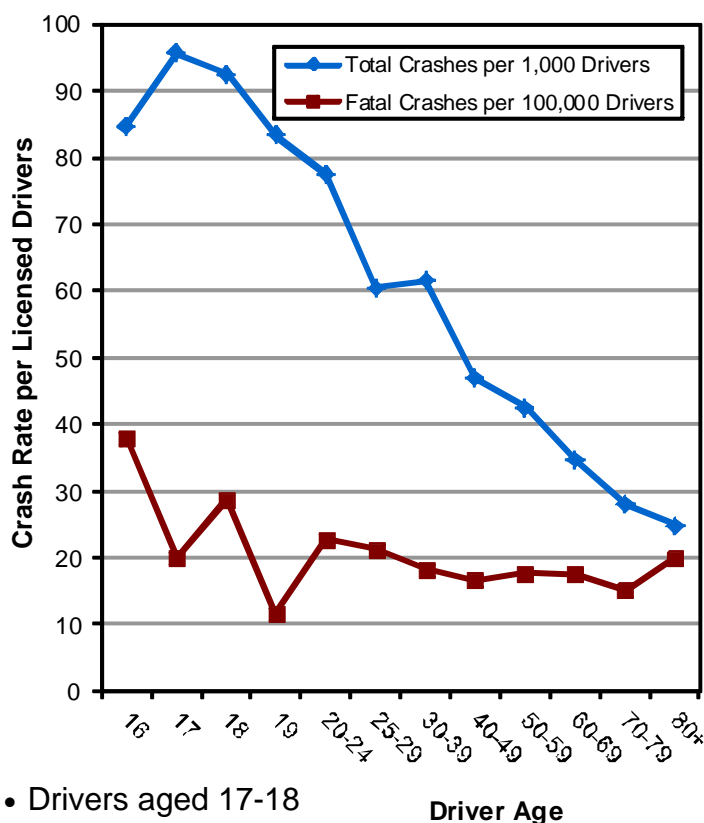
Did you know in 2016:

- Teenage drivers represented 9% of the licensed drivers in Utah, yet they were in 21% of all motor vehicle crashes.
- Teenage drivers were in 13,159 motor vehicle crashes which resulted in 5,900 injured persons and 45 deaths.
- Teenage drivers were 1.7 times more likely to be in a crash than drivers of other ages.
- After having a decreasing trend since 1996, teen driver crashes have increased the last 3 years.

Teenage Drivers (15-19 years)



**Crash Rates per Licensed Driver by Age
(Utah 2016)**



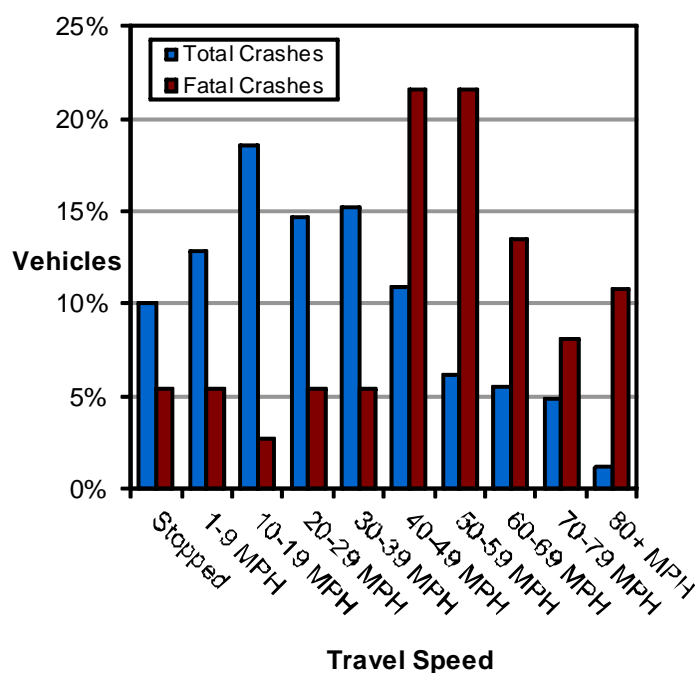
- Drivers aged 17-18 years had the highest total crash rate per licensed driver.

Leading Contributing Factors of Teenage Driver Crashes (Utah 2016) All Teenage Driver Crashes

1. Followed Too Closely (21%)
2. Failed to Yield Right of Way (18%)
3. Speed Too Fast (13%)
4. Driver Distraction (9%)
5. Failed to Keep in Proper Lane (8%)



**Teenage Driver Crashes by Travel Speed
(Utah 2016)**

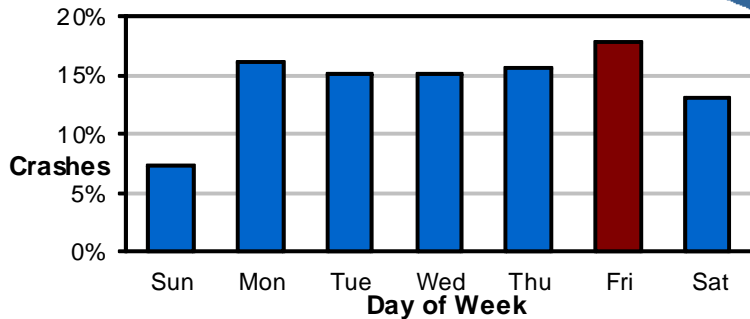


- Crashes involving teenage driver vehicles traveling 50 MPH or higher were 5.5 times more likely to be fatal.

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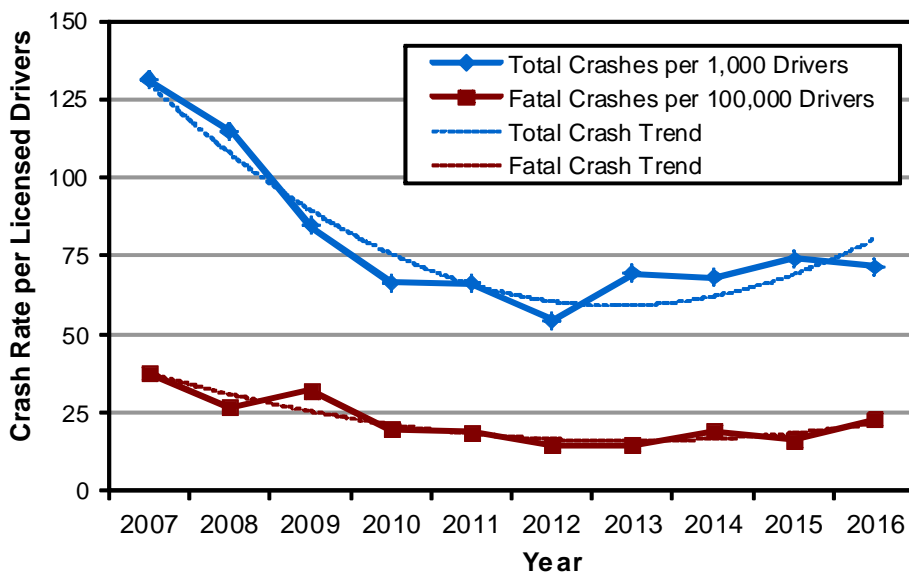


Teenage Driver Crashes by Day of Week (Utah 2016)



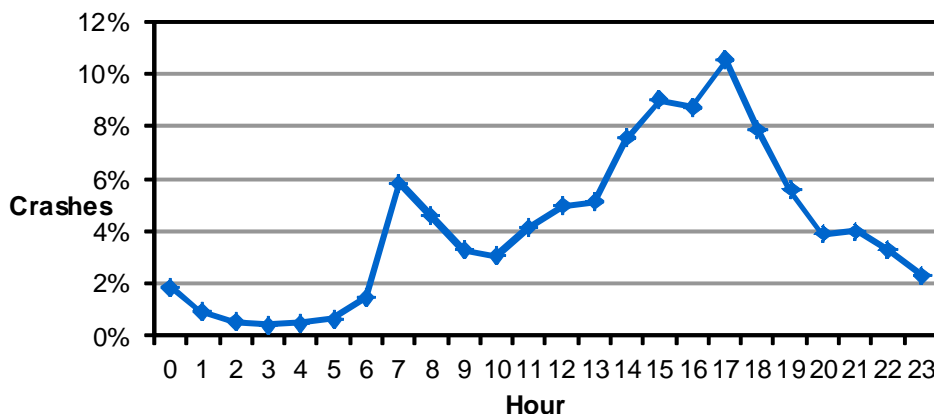
- Teen driver crashes occurred more often on weekdays.

Teenage Driver Crash Trend (Utah 2007-2016)



- The teenage driver crash rate per licensed driver decreased 37% from 2006 to 2015.

Teenage Driver Crashes by Hour (Utah 2016)



- Teenage-driver crashes peaked during after-school hours (2:00 p.m.-6:59 p.m.).

Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) Law in Utah

GDL allows beginning drivers the chance to build experience before they are exposed to more high-risk situations, such as carrying teen passengers and nighttime driving. Easing young drivers onto the roadways can reduce the number of traffic crashes involving young drivers.

Learner Permit

A person must be at least 15 years old to apply for a learner permit. Anyone who is under 18 years of age is required to hold a learner permit for six months before applying for a license.

Supervised Driving

Everyone under 18 years of age applying for a license must complete 40 hours of driving, of which at least 10 hours must be during night hours. This allows beginning drivers to practice and gain supervised experience.

Driver License

A person must be at least 16 years of age to get a driver license. Everyone who has never been licensed to drive a motor vehicle must complete an approved driver education course.

Night-time Restrictions

Anyone under the age of 17 years may not drive from midnight to 5:00 a.m. except in a limited number of situations. The majority of fatal teen crashes take place at night.

Passenger Restrictions

For the first six months of licensure, teen drivers can not drive with any passenger who is not an immediate family member with a few exceptions. Teen drivers are more likely to crash with passengers in the car, especially teen passengers. The more passengers, the greater the risk.

Seat Belt Restrictions

Utah law requires all motor vehicle occupants to wear a seat belt.