

Quick Facts

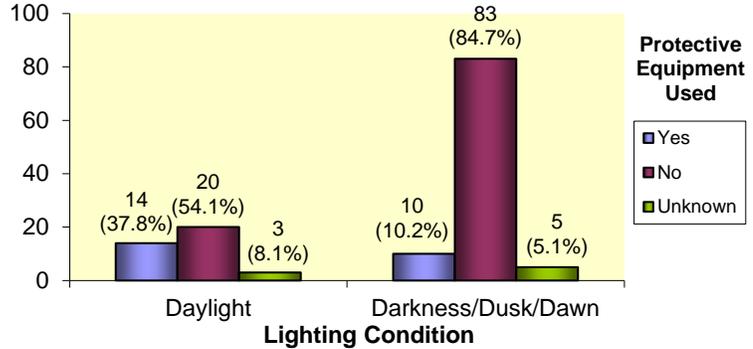
Illinois Crash Information 2011

Overnight Crashes Involving Pedestrians

A large proportion of motor vehicle-related pedestrian fatalities in Illinois in 2011 took place at night.

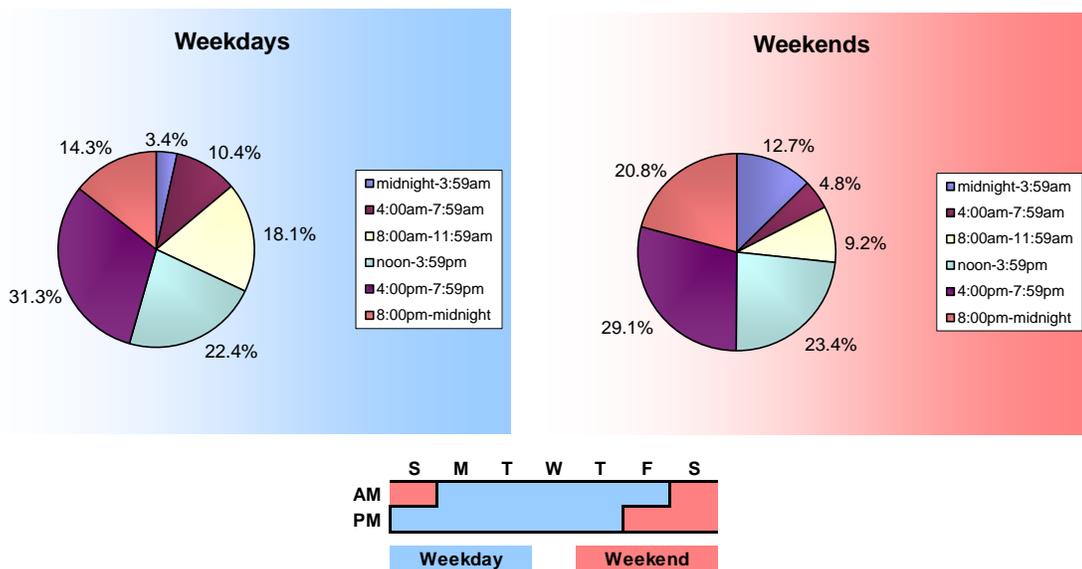
- Of 135 total pedestrian fatalities, 98 (72.6%) occurred during darkness, dusk or dawn.
- Use of protective equipment—contrasting clothing, reflective clothing and other light sources—varied by lighting condition (i.e. time of day) among pedestrians who were fatally injured.

Number of Pedestrian Fatalities by Lighting Condition and Protective Equipment



In general, a disproportionate number of traffic crashes involving pedestrians took place specifically during weekend nights. These are among the peak times for alcohol-related incidents, and alcohol may play a contributing factor in these crashes.

- 3.4% of all weekday crashes occurred between 12:00 AM and 3:59 AM
- 12.7% of all weekend crashes occurred between 12:00 AM and 3:59 AM
- 61.1% of all crashes that occurred between 12:00 AM and 3:59 AM took place in the two weekend nights (Friday night/Saturday morning and Saturday night/Sunday morning)
- Weekend crashes accounted for 44 pedestrian fatalities (32.6% of all 135 pedestrian fatalities in Illinois in 2011)



Note: Data as of October 22, 2012; with 281,914 crash records, 523,044 vehicle records and 665,697 person records.

The law regarding the reporting threshold for Property Damage Only crashes was amended effective January 1, 2009, resulting in decreased reporting of crashes in this specific category. It did not affect the reporting of injury or fatal crashes. For details of the reporting amendment, see also <http://app.idph.state.il.us/emsrpt/crash.asp>.

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