

ATHENS COUNTY OVERVIEW:

Between 2015 and 2019 there were a total of 5,371 crashes reported within Athens County, Ohio, averaging 1,074 per year. Around 1,128 people were injured as result of these crashes which includes 31 fatalities and 205 serious injuries. Overall there has been a decrease in total crashes, with 21% fewer crashes in 2019 compared to 2015. Fatal crashes have also remained constant over the 5-year period at an average 5 per year, with a high point outlier of 11 in 2018. Injury crashes overall have decreased by 10.9% in the last 5-years.

CRASH TRENDS BY YEAR, 2015 TO 2019:

YEAR	CRASH STATISTICS				OCCUPANT STATISTICS			SAFETY METRICS	
	Fatal Crashes	Injury Crashes	Property Damage Crashes	Total Crashes	Fatalities	Serious Injuries	Minor Injuries	Injury Rate	Severity Index
2015	5	316	884	1,205	5	26	205	26.6%	1.57
2016	4	279	751	1,034	6	47	185	27.4%	1.58
2017	1	263	791	1,055	1	54	178	25.0%	1.51
2018	11	246	869	1,126	12	46	169	22.8%	1.54
2019	5	234	712	951	7	32	186	25.1%	1.55
5-Year Total	26	1,338	4,007	5,371	31	205	923		
Annual Average	5	268	801	1,074	6	41	185	25.40%	1.55
% Change '15-'19	0.00%	-10.90%	-19.50%	-21.10%	40.00%	23.10%	-9.30%	-5.70%	-1.30%

Notes:

- Cells with red text indicate the year with the highest value for each respective column
- The Severity Index is calculated by the following formula: $[(12 \times \#FatalCrashes) + (3 \times \#InjuryCrashes) + \#NoInjuryCrashes] / \#TotalCrashes$

CRASH TYPE BY FREQUENCY AND SEVERITY:

% of Crashes	CRASH TYPE	PDO	Injury Crash	Fatal Crash	Fatal and Injury %
32.40%	Fixed Object	1,220	514	8	6.40%
15.30%	Rear End	579	241	1	7.40%
15.20%	Animal	780	37	2	1.28%
9.70%	Angle	346	172	2	8.31%
6.70%	Sideswipe - Passing	308	52	0	3.44%
4.90%	Left Turn	176	88	0	7.31%
3.40%	Parked Vehicle	162	21	2	3.11%
2.60%	Backing	132	8	0	1.10%
2.30%	Head On	65	58	3	8.83%
2.20%	Overturning	51	65	2	10.91%
1.70%	Other Non-Collision	81	10	1	2.87%
1.60%	Right Turn	62	23	0	6.04%
0.80%	Pedestrian	2	35	4	23.78%
0.70%	Other Object	35	0	0	0.00%
0.20%	Pedalcycles	1	12	0	23.53%
0.10%	Unknown	5	0	0	0.00%
0.10%	Sideswipe - Meeting	2	2	1	8.82%
0.00%	Train	0	0	0	0.00%
0.00%	Falling From Or In Vehicle	0	0	0	0.00%

*PDO stands for Property Damage-Only Crash

KEY FACTS:

- There's been an 21% reduction in total crashes between 2015 and 2019.
- On average, there were 5 fatal crashes per year between 2015 and 2019. That's roughly 1 fatal crash every 2.4 months.
- Between 2015 and 2019, there were 1,220 Fixed object crashes (32.4% of total crashes), making this the most common crash type overall and accounts for the largest number of fatalities.
- Of the 41 pedestrian crashes reported, 24% resulted in an injury and 4 were fatal – the second highest fatality causing crashes in the Athens County.

Athens County - Top 5 Crash Intersections 2015-2019				
Rank	Location	Crashes	Highest Severity	Jurisdiction
1	Richland Ave/SR 682	90	Visible Injury	Athens City
2	US 33/E State St	77	Serious Injury	Athens City
3	W Union St/SR 682	32	Serious Injury	Athens City
4	E State Street/Charles St/Community Center Dr	30	Possible Injury	Athens City
5	Plains Rd (from E Third St to Connett Rd)	26	Serious Injury	Athens Township

