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These maps rank Ohio counties by the number of bicycle-related deaths and serious injuries. Warm colors indicate more crashes relative to cool colors. Most urbanized counties have a higher total number and a higher percentage of serious bicycle crashes.

BICYCLE-RELATED DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY COUNTY TOTAL

BICYCLE-RELATED DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY PERCENTAGE OF COUNTY CRASHES

BICYCLE-RELATED DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY ROADWAY TYPE

Bicycle crashes on urban roads accounted for 80 percent of bicycle-related deaths and serious injuries, with 47 percent occurring on multi-lane urban roads where bicycles have to cross multiple lanes. The time needed to cross and the visibility of oncoming cars were primary contributing factors.

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Most bicycle-related deaths and serious injuries occurred during the summer and fall months of June through September, likely the result of favorable weather.

The number of serious injuries in bicycle-related crashes increased between 3-7 p.m. due to higher volumes of bicyclists and motor vehicles. The serious injury numbers decreased late at night when fewer drivers and bicyclists were on the road. Deaths fluctuated during the day, but are highest around traveler commute times.

AN AVERAGE OF 1 PERSON DIED OR WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED EACH DAY IN BICYCLE-RELATED CRASHES.

Note: All data from 2008-2012, except Overview section