Collisions between two or more motor vehicles represented the highest number of deaths and serious injuries at intersections, with a total of 16,047, followed by motorcycle-involved crashes with 2,163.

**Intersection-related deaths and serious injuries by vehicle type**

- **Motorcycle**: 10.82%
- **Pedestrian**: 5.41%
- **Bicycle**: 3.09%
- **Motor Vehicle**: 80.27%

Young drivers, on average, disproportionately involved in serious injuries and deaths at Ohio intersections. This is likely caused by their lack of driving experience, which can lead them to make mistakes such as misjudging the speed of oncoming traffic when turning. Among drivers of all ages, speeding, not wearing a seat belt, and driving under the influence of alcohol were also significant factors in intersection-related serious injuries and deaths.

**Intersection-related deaths and serious injuries by related SHSP emphasis areas**

- **Speed-related involvement**: 14.85%
- **Young driver involvement (15-25)**: 29.81%
- **Restraint not used**: 13.20%
- **Alcohol-related involvement**: 11.41%

**Overview of intersection-related crashes**

Between 2006 and 2012, 2,045 people died and 26,668 people were seriously injured in intersection-related crashes.

Since Ohio’s first SHSP was adopted in 2006, serious injuries declined by 11 percent and deaths decreased 12 percent.

These crashes represent about 26 percent of all traffic deaths and 37 percent of all serious injuries in Ohio each year. Intersections posed a risk to all road users - vehicle occupants, pedestrians and bicyclists, and motorcycle riders. The risks increase based on the size, complexity, and speed of the intersecting roadways.

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**Who was involved in crashes**

Male drivers were involved in the most intersection-related deaths and serious injuries.

Females accounted for 12,212 total deaths and serious injuries as compared to 17,533 for males.

Male drivers between the ages of 16 and 25 accounted for the highest number of deaths and serious injuries, but another spike occurred among men age 46-50. A noticeable spike occurred among drivers over 71, which may be attributed to difficulty in judging gaps in traffic.

**Intersection-related deaths and serious injuries by driver age and gender**

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Note: all data from 2008-2012, except Overview section
WHERE CRASHES OCCURRED

These maps rank Ohio counties by the number of deaths and serious injuries that occurred at intersections. Warm colors indicate more crashes relative to cool colors. Most urbanized counties have a higher number of serious crashes at intersections. However, many rural counties have a higher percentage of serious injury crashes at intersections when compared to the total number of serious crashes occurring within the county each year.

INTERSECTION-RELATED DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY COUNTY TOTAL

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CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

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