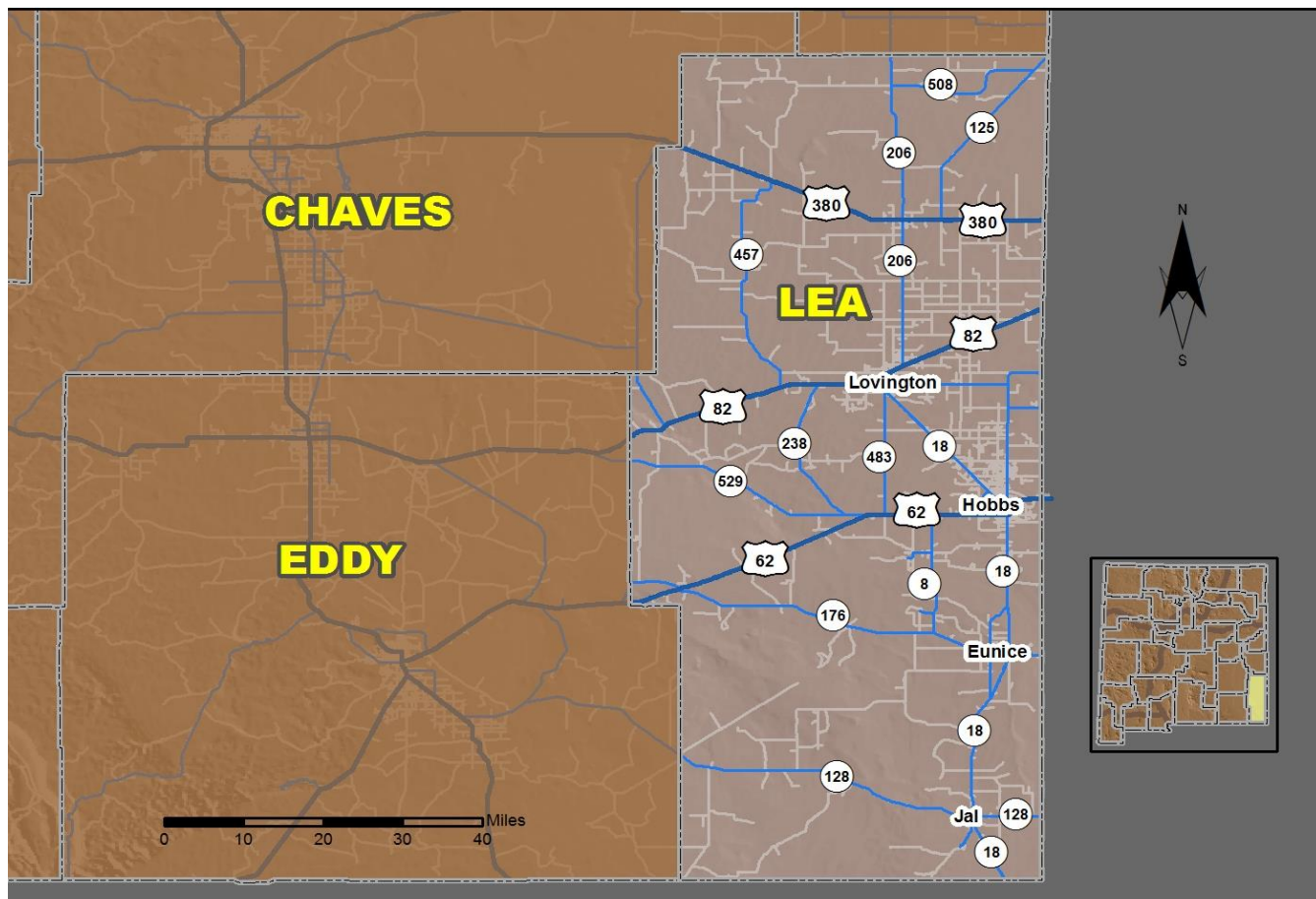


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Lea County



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Definitions

Aggravated DWI – A driver arrested for 1) driving with a BAC of 0.16 or higher, 2) driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and causing bodily injury to a human being as a result, or 3) driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and refusing to submit to a BAC test at the time of arrest for DWI.

Alcohol-involved Crash – A crash for which the Uniform Crash Report indicated that 1) a DWI citation was issued, 2) alcohol was a contributing factor, or 3) a person in control of a vehicle (including a pedestrian or pedalcyclist) was suspected of being under the influence of alcohol.

Alcohol-involved Driver – A person in control of a vehicle who was cited for DWI or indicated on the Uniform Crash Report as being either suspected or determined by testing to be under the influence of alcohol. There can be multiple alcohol-involved drivers in a single alcohol-involved crash.

Crash – A reported incident on a public roadway involving one or more motor vehicles that resulted in death, personal injury, or at least \$500 in property damage. Crashes on private property (such as a parking lot) are not included.

DWI Arrest (Citation) – In this report, a DWI arrest (a.k.a. a DWI citation) is a driver arrested for either DWI or aggravated DWI. New Mexico’s legal limit for presumption of driving while intoxicated (DWI) is 0.08 for non-commercial drivers older than 21 years of age, 0.04 for commercial vehicle drivers, and 0.02 for drivers younger than 21 years of age.

DWI Conviction – A driver convicted of driving under the intoxicating influence of alcohol, narcotics, or pathogenic drugs, including aggravated DWI.

Fatal Crash – A crash in which at least one person was killed. More than one person can be killed in a single fatal crash.

Fatalities – The number of people killed in a crash. The terms “killed” and “deaths” are synonymous with “fatalities.” A fatality is crash-related if it occurs at the time of the crash or if the person(s) involved in the crash dies within 30 days.

Injury Crash – A reported crash in which at least one person was injured. Injury crashes involve at least one suspected serious injury (Class A), suspected minor injury (Class B), or possible injury (Class C). Fatal crashes are not included.

Missing Data – An indication that the applicable field on the UCR form was left blank or contained an invalid code. Starting with crashes that occurred in 2012, improvements in the identification of missing data in the NMDOT crash database led to an increase in the reported amount of missing data.

Pedalcyclist – A person riding a mechanism of transport that is powered solely by pedals (a.k.a. bicyclist).

Pedestrian – A person on foot, walking, running, jogging, hiking, sitting or lying down who is involved in a motor vehicle traffic crash.

Sources

Crash Data – New Mexico Department of Transportation, Traffic Safety Division, Traffic Records Bureau, Traffic Crash Database, as of the report date below. Crash data are compiled using NMDOT Uniform Crash Reports (UCR), submitted by law enforcement agencies in the state, for any incident on a public roadway involving one or more motor vehicles that resulted in death, injury, or at least \$500 in property damage. These reports are processed by the NMDOT Traffic Records Bureau and analyzed by the University of New Mexico, Geospatial and Population Studies, Traffic Research Unit (TRU).

DWI Citation Tracking System (CTS) – New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department (NM TRD), Motor Vehicle Division (MVD), DWI Citation Tracking System (CTS), as of October 2020. Repeat offenders are identified by the combination of account key, arrest date, and citation number. County data are based upon the county where the arrest took place. City data are based upon the city where the offender resides.

Urban Areas – Areas defined by the New Mexico Department of Transportation, Asset Management and Planning, 2010 U.S. Census Urbanized Area Boundaries, NMDOT-Adjusted, and U.S. Census Urban Clusters, August 21, 2013. Urban areas for crash years 2013-2017 include a 1/2 mile buffer extending out from those urban boundaries. In crashes before 2013, “urban” was defined as a town or city with a population of at least 2,500 people.

**Table 1: Total Crashes and Alcohol-involved Crashes by
Crash Severity in Lea County, 2010-2019**

Year	Total Crashes				Alcohol-involved Crashes			
	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total
2010	18	366	916	1,300	7	38	53	98
2011	11	400	1,036	1,447	6	32	45	83
2012	17	380	986	1,383	6	29	37	72
2013	11	421	851	1,283	4	20	32	56
2014	28	488	875	1,391	7	29	33	69
2015	12	316	692	1,020	4	28	18	50
2016	11	307	689	1,007	5	13	21	39
2017	14	337	702	1,053	3	15	19	37
2018	26	535	1,202	1,763	11	31	35	77
2019	18	590	1,329	1,937	9	31	42	82

**Figure 1: Alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes Compared with
Non-alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes in Lea County, 2010-2019**

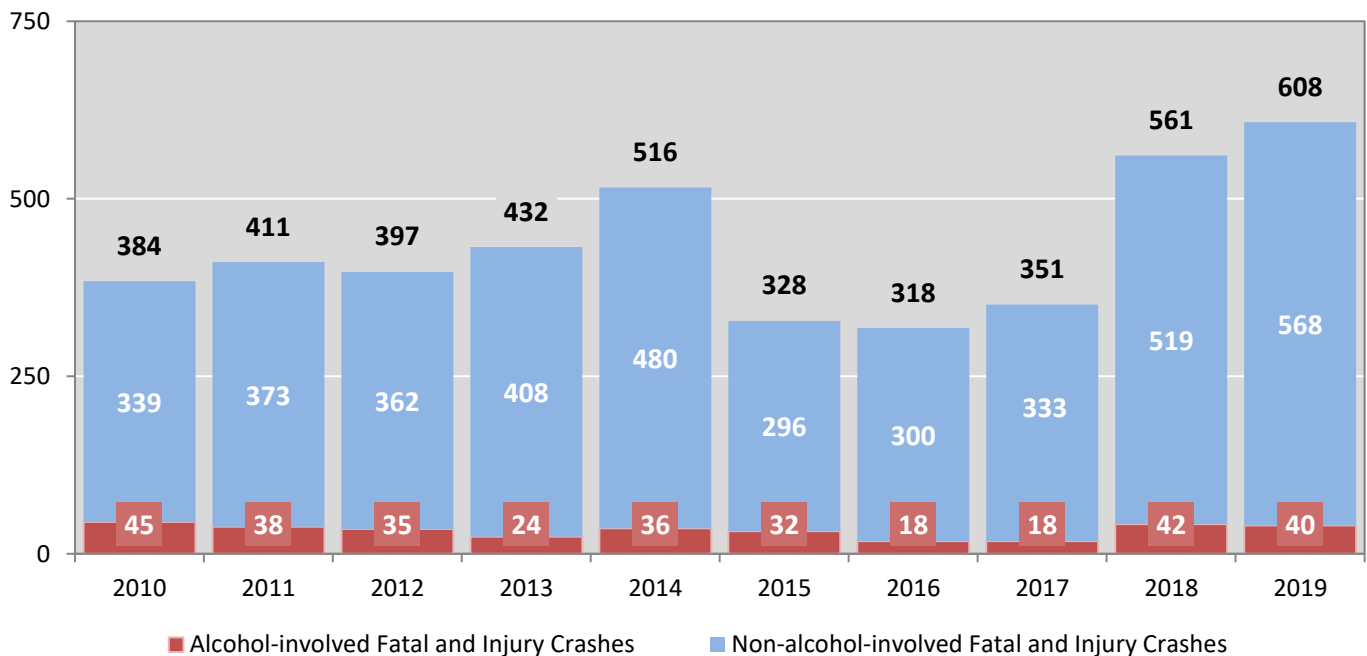


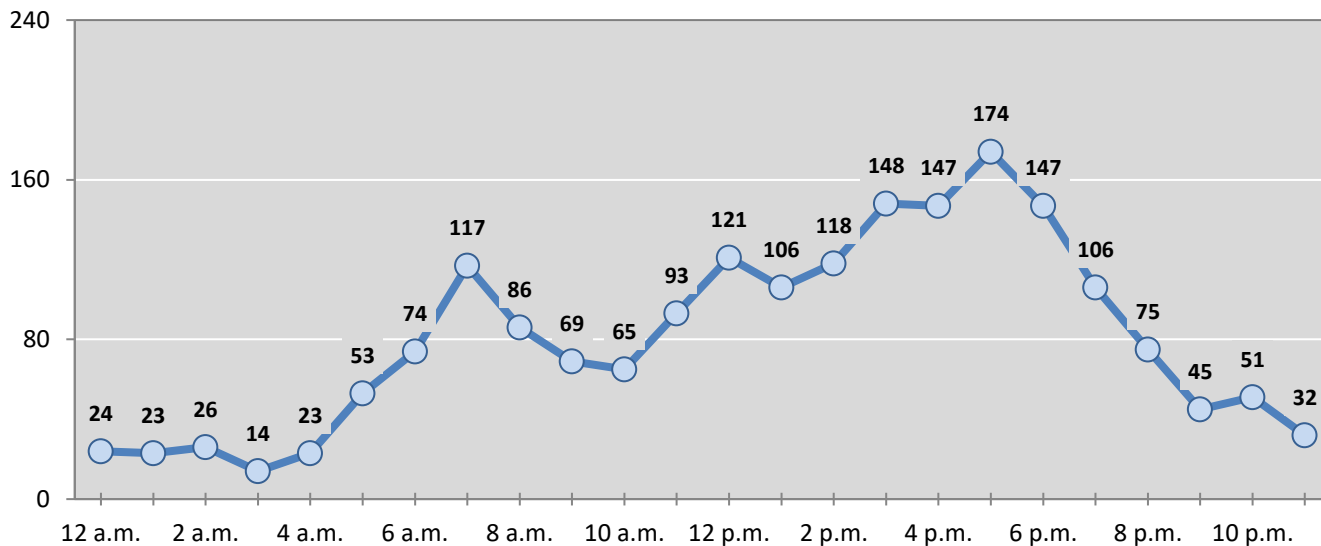
Table 2: Crashes by Month in Lea County, 2015-2019

Month	Crashes					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
January	132	88	62	124	144	110
February	86	85	63	114	122	94
March	93	91	91	141	157	115
April	102	77	81	118	183	112
May	46	82	84	177	163	110
June	96	73	91	125	150	107
July	97	64	81	149	164	111
August	62	83	106	154	167	114
September	44	88	68	174	166	108
October	88	91	110	175	205	134
November	92	97	101	149	162	120
December	82	88	115	163	154	120
Total Crashes	1,020	1,007	1,053	1,763	1,937	1,356

Table 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Month in Lea County, 2015-2019

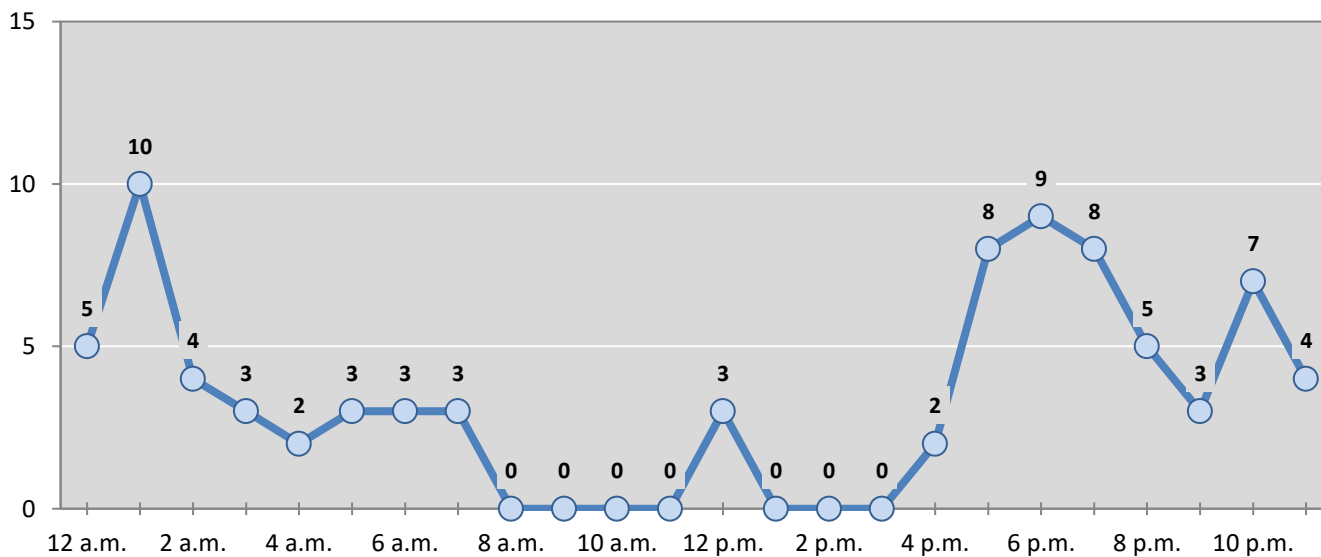
Month	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
January	6	2	7	10	5	6
February	2	3	4	2	7	4
March	3	2	4	9	5	5
April	4	4	1	8	5	4
May	4	5	3	3	7	4
June	6	5	1	5	7	5
July	6	2	4	3	8	5
August	3	1	1	8	10	5
September	3	4	2	9	8	5
October	2	4	3	2	7	4
November	8	3	3	9	5	6
December	3	4	4	9	8	6
Total Crashes	50	39	37	77	82	57

Figure 2: Crashes by Hour in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

Figure 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Hour in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 0 alcohol-involved crashes for which hour data were missing.

Table 4: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Day of Week in Lea County, 2015-2019

Day of Week	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Sunday	10	12	13	14	14	13
Monday	4	6	2	9	11	6
Tuesday	5	2	4	9	5	5
Wednesday	6	5	5	9	9	7
Thursday	11	4	3	8	13	8
Friday	5	0	4	8	13	6
Saturday	9	10	6	20	17	12
Total Crashes	50	39	37	77	82	57

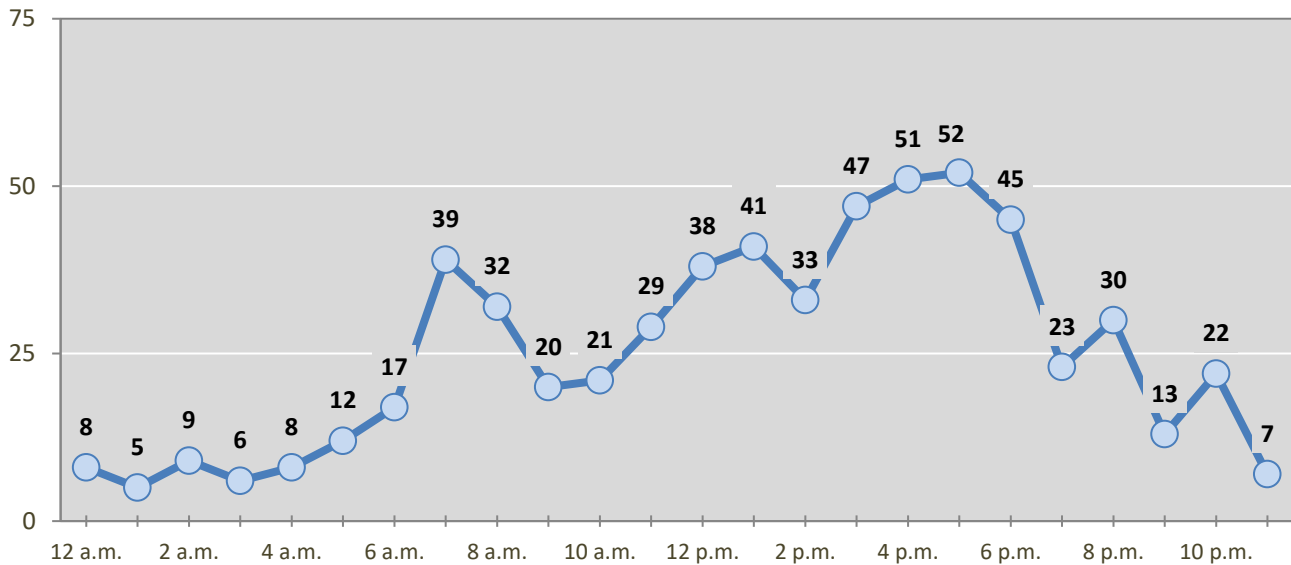
Table 5: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Day of Week in Lea County, 2015-2019

Day of Week	Fatal and Injury Crashes					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Sunday	37	36	37	48	57	43
Monday	38	48	59	92	102	68
Tuesday	47	63	58	86	83	67
Wednesday	54	45	58	95	96	70
Thursday	58	36	47	86	93	64
Friday	54	52	51	85	103	69
Saturday	40	38	41	69	74	52
Total Crashes	328	318	351	561	608	433

Table 6: Pedestrian and Pedalcyclist Crashes by Day of Week in Lea County, 2015-2019

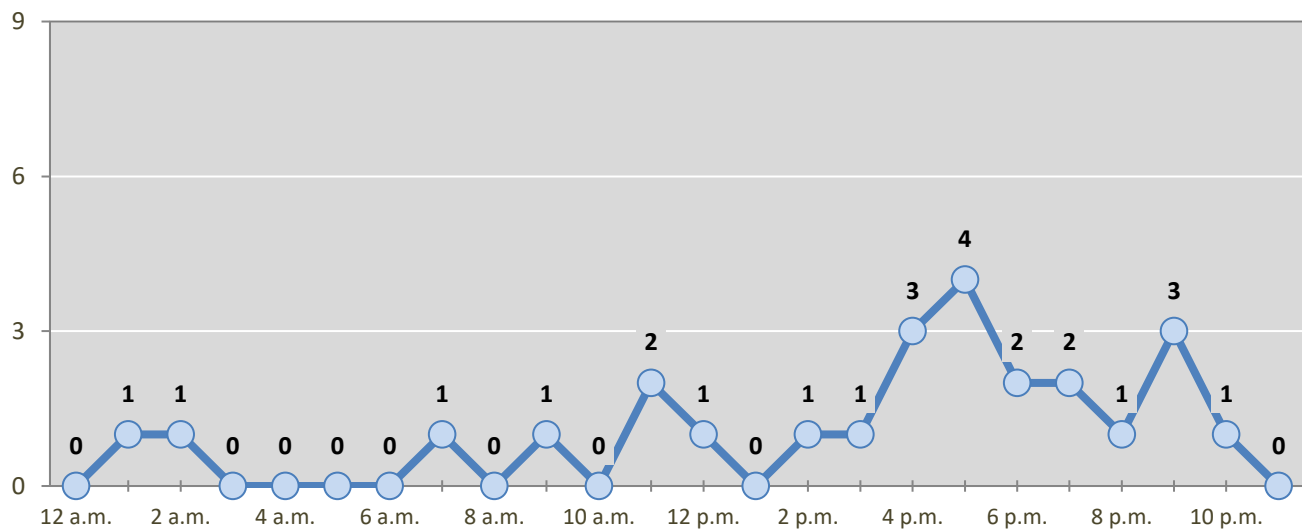
Day of Week	Pedestrian and Pedalcyclist Crashes					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Sunday	1	2	2	3	3	2
Monday	0	3	3	4	6	3
Tuesday	1	5	3	3	2	3
Wednesday	1	1	2	4	4	2
Thursday	1	0	3	6	2	2
Friday	0	1	1	3	4	2
Saturday	3	2	1	3	4	3
Total Crashes	7	14	15	26	25	17

Figure 4: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Hour in Lea County, 2019



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Figure 5: Pedestrian and Pedalcyclist Crashes by Hour in Lea County, 2019



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Table 7: Severity of Injuries to People in Crashes by Rural and Urban Location in Lea County, 2019

Urban and Rural Locations by Alcohol-involvement	People in Crashes by Severity of Injuries					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injuries (Class O)	
People in Alcohol-involved Crashes	13	6	23	26	126	194
Urban	1	2	9	8	87	107
Rural Non-Interstate	12	4	14	18	39	87
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
People in Crashes	26	45	208	611	4,118	5,008
Urban	1	10	113	441	2,891	3,456
Rural Non-Interstate	25	35	95	170	1,227	1,552
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percent in Alcohol-involved Crashes	50%	13%	11%	4%	3%	4%

Table 8: Total Crashes by Roadway System and Crash Severity in Lea County, 2015-2019

Crash Severity by System	Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Total Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fatal Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Injury Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property Damage Only Crash	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Rural Non-Interstate	468	340	327	608	694	487
Fatal Crash	9	9	10	22	17	13
Injury Crash	142	86	89	176	189	136
Property Damage Only Crash	317	245	228	410	488	338
Total Urban	552	667	726	1,155	1,243	869
Fatal Crash	3	2	4	4	1	3
Injury Crash	174	221	248	359	401	281
Property Damage Only Crash	375	444	474	792	841	585

Table 9: Total Crashes by Crash Classification in Lea County, 2015-2019

Crash Classification	Total Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Animal	63	72	58	49	70	62
Fixed Object	113	88	78	122	122	105
Other (Non-Collision)	13	32	25	18	18	21
Other (Object)	27	10	24	50	49	32
Other Vehicle	567	630	686	1,292	1,452	925
Overturn/Rollover	48	51	32	60	57	50
Parked Vehicle	51	70	83	83	89	75
Pedalcyclist	2	6	2	6	8	5
Pedestrian	5	8	13	20	17	13
Railroad Train	1	0	0	1	0	0
Rollover	101	24	20	51	31	45
Vehicle on Other Road	8	15	32	10	19	17
Missing Data	21	1	0	1	5	6
Total Crashes	1,020	1,007	1,053	1,763	1,937	1,356

Table 10: Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type in Lea County, 2015-2019

Vehicle Type ¹	Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Bus	1	4	3	6	5	4
Motorcycle/ATV	24	28	13	36	34	27
Passenger	429	642	807	1,443	1,634	991
Pedalcyclist	2	6	2	6	8	5
Pedestrian	5	8	14	21	17	13
Pickup	580	540	559	986	1,099	753
Semi	183	142	162	261	289	207
Van/SUV/4WD	267	311	309	447	467	360
Other Vehicle	13	4	1	12	2	6
Missing Data	245	89	54	31	118	107
Total Vehicles	1,749	1,774	1,924	3,249	3,673	2,474

¹ Pedestrians and pedalcyclists are counted as non-motorized vehicles, when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle. See Page 17 for data on drivers of non-motorized vehicles in crashes (i.e. pedestrians and pedalcyclists).

Table 11: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type and Age Group in Lea County, 2019

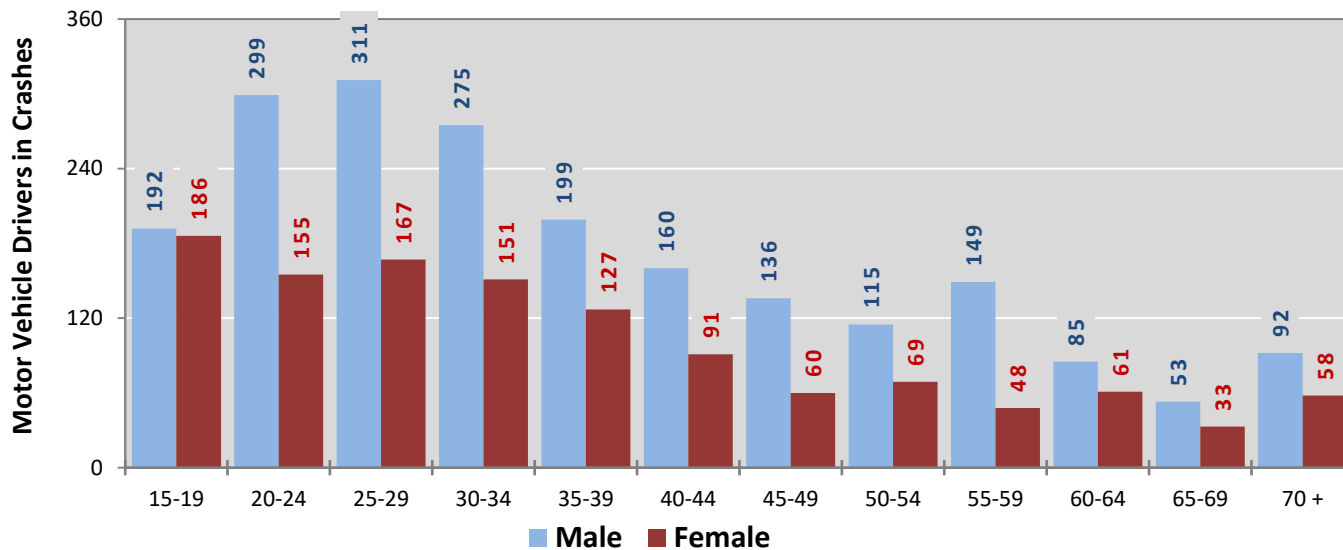
Age Groups	Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle	Passenger	Pickup	Semi	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	4	256	80	5	34	0	0	379
20-24	0	5	243	154	14	39	0	0	455
25-29	0	5	225	147	38	62	1	0	478
30-34	0	5	169	135	43	73	0	1	426
35-39	1	3	127	113	38	44	0	0	326
40-44	2	1	99	88	26	35	0	0	251
45-49	0	2	79	62	28	24	0	1	196
50-54	0	2	67	50	34	32	0	0	185
55-59	0	2	72	80	24	19	0	0	197
60-64	1	0	55	48	16	26	0	0	146
65-69	0	1	36	24	6	19	0	0	86
70 +	1	0	74	43	5	27	0	0	150
Missing Data	0	4	132	75	12	33	1	116	373
Total Drivers	5	34	1,634	1,099	289	467	2	118	3,648

Table 12: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type and Age Group in Lea County, 2019

Age Groups	Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle	Passenger	Pickup	Semi	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
20-24	0	1	5	8	0	2	0	0	16
25-29	0	0	7	6	0	3	0	0	16
30-34	0	1	12	2	0	1	0	0	16
35-39	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	7
40-44	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	6
45-49	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	5
50-54	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
55-59	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	4
60-64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 +	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total Drivers	0	3	38	28	1	9	0	0	79

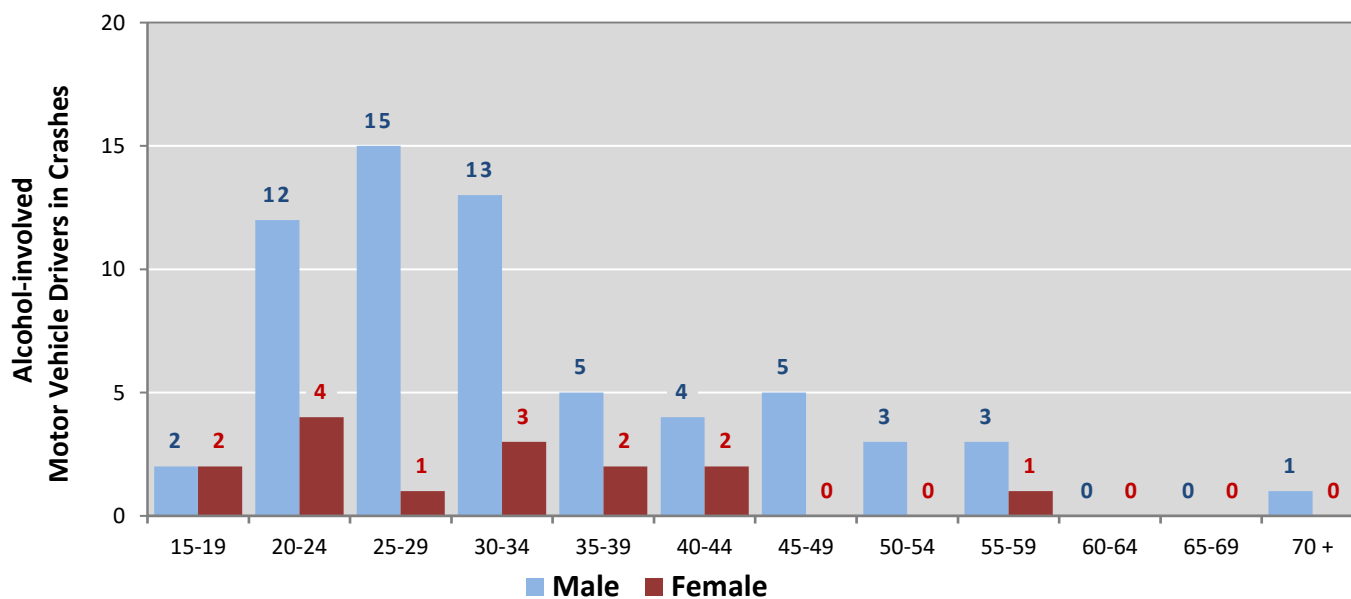
¹ See Page 17 for data on drivers of non-motorized vehicles in crashes (i.e. pedestrians and pedalcyclists).

Figure 6: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 376 drivers in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Figure 7: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 1 drivers in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 13: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes in Lea County, 2015-2019

Age ¹	Year					5-Year Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
15	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	2	0	0	1	3
18	1	0	2	2	2	7
19	0	1	1	2	1	5
20	1	1	0	4	5	11
Total Drivers	2	4	3	8	9	26

Table 14: Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes by Age, Sex and Alcohol-involvement in Lea County, 2019

Age ¹	Total Drivers				Alcohol-involved Drivers			
	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total
	Male	Female			Male	Female		
15	14	11	25	5%	0	0	0	0%
16	31	32	63	13%	0	0	0	0%
17	41	44	85	17%	1	0	1	11%
18	52	50	102	21%	0	2	2	22%
19	54	49	103	21%	1	0	1	11%
20	68	41	109	22%	4	1	5	56%
Total Drivers	260	227	487	100%	6	3	9	100%

¹ For analysis of drivers under age 21, when the driver age or sex are not identified on the crash report (typically hit-and-run drivers), the driver data are considered unreliable and are excluded from the analysis.

**Table 15: Frequency of Contributing Factors in Crashes
by Crash Severity in Lea County, 2019**

Contributing Factors	Frequency of Contributing Factor ¹ by Crash Severity			
	Frequency in Fatal Crashes	Frequency in Injury Crashes	Frequency in Property Damage Only Crashes	Frequency in All Crashes
Human	45	1,046	1,787	2,878
Driver Inattention	8	289	530	827
Failed to Yield Right of Way	3	217	308	528
Following Too Closely	0	127	228	355
Other Improper Driving	4	65	131	200
Made Improper Turn	0	61	102	163
Excessive Speed	3	42	41	86
Alcohol Involved	10	31	42	83
Disregarded Traffic Signal	0	43	39	82
Passed Stop Sign	0	40	38	78
Improper Backing	0	8	68	76
Avoid No Contact - Vehicle	1	24	40	65
Improper Lane Change	1	13	51	65
Speed Too Fast for Conditions	0	23	38	61
Improper Overtaking	0	11	43	54
Drove Left Of Center	7	10	20	37
Cell Phone	0	11	18	29
Drug Involved	7	9	12	28
Avoid No Contact - Other	0	2	16	18
Vehicle Skidded Before Brake	0	4	14	18
Pedestrian Error	1	6	0	7
High Speed Pursuit	0	2	3	5
Failed to Yield to Emergency Vehicle	0	4	0	4
Failed to Yield to Police Vehicle	0	1	3	4
Driverless Moving Vehicle	0	1	2	3
Texting	0	2	0	2
Vehicle	1	23	43	67
Other Mechanical Defect	0	10	19	29
Inadequate Brakes	0	8	10	18
Defective Tires	1	3	12	16
Defective Steering	0	2	2	4
Environment	0	0	4	4
Road Defect	0	0	4	4
Low Visibility Due to Smoke	0	0	0	0
Traffic Control Not Functioning	0	0	0	0
Other	22	551	1,132	1,705
None	10	385	810	1,205
Other - No Driver Error	12	166	322	500

¹ Multiple contributing factors may be reported for any vehicle in a crash.

Table 16: People in Crashes by Crash Classification and Severity of Injuries in Lea County, 2019

Crash Classification	People in Crashes by Severity of Injuries					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injuries (Class O)	
Animal	0	0	2	7	87	96
Fixed Object	0	1	6	13	137	157
Other (Non-Collision)	0	1	3	1	20	25
Other (Object)	0	1	5	2	73	81
Other Vehicle	20	31	139	543	3,458	4,191
Overturn/Rollover	2	6	17	11	44	80
Parked Vehicle	0	0	8	2	196	206
Pedalcyclist	0	0	6	2	13	21
Pedestrian	2	2	6	8	20	38
Railroad Train	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rollover	2	3	15	9	22	51
Vehicle on Other Road	0	0	1	12	39	52
Missing Data	0	0	0	1	9	10
Total People	26	45	208	611	4,118	5,008

Table 17: Killed or Injured Unbelted People in Crashes by Sex and Age Group in Lea County, 2019

Age Groups	Unbelted People Killed or Injured ^{1,2}				Total People
	Male	Percent of Male	Female	Percent of Female	
0-4	1	3%	2	12%	3
5-9	5	15%	2	12%	7
10-14	0	0%	0	0%	0
15-19	6	18%	3	18%	9
20-24	5	15%	3	18%	8
25-29	5	15%	1	6%	6
30-34	3	9%	1	6%	4
35-39	2	6%	2	12%	4
40-44	0	0%	0	0%	0
45-49	3	9%	1	6%	4
50-54	0	0%	0	0%	0
55-59	1	3%	0	0%	1
60-64	1	3%	0	0%	1
65-69	1	3%	0	0%	1
70 +	0	0%	2	12%	2
Missing Data	0	0%	0	0%	0
Total People	33	100%	17	100%	50

¹ People injured are in one of three categories: suspected serious injury, suspected minor injury, or possible injury.

² Excludes people in or on buses, heavy trucks, motorcycles, or ATVs.

Figure 8: Seatbelt Use by People in Crashes with Fatal or Suspected Serious Injuries in Lea County, 2015-2019

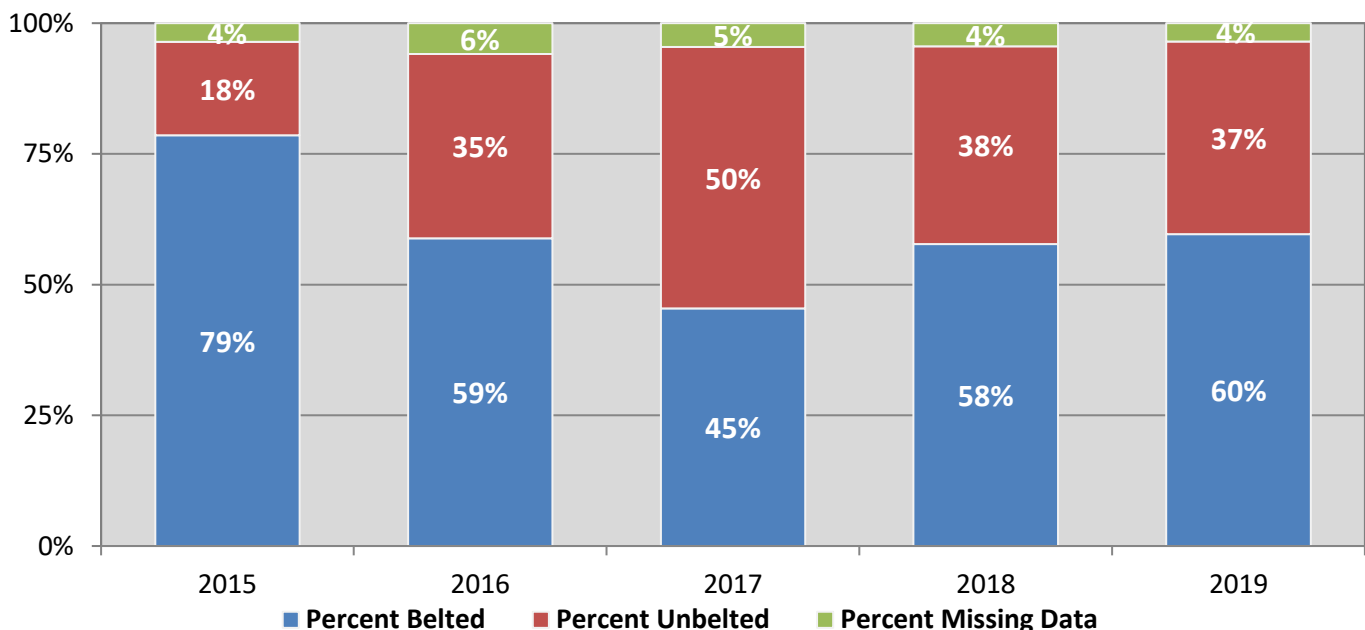
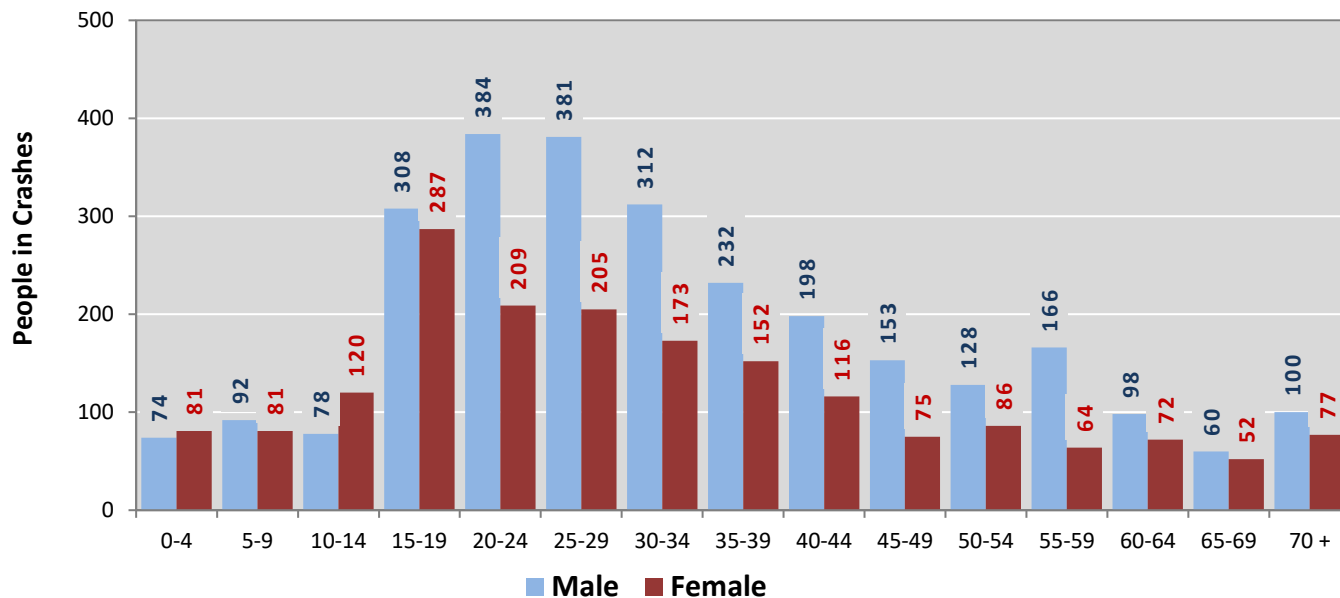
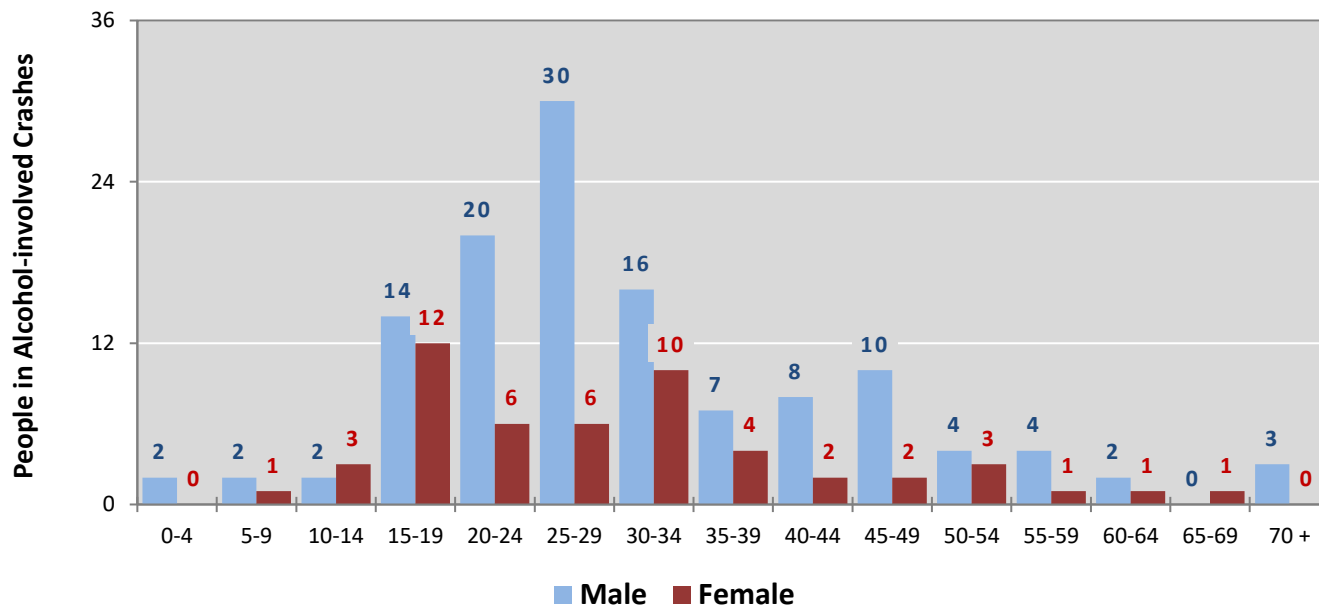


Figure 9: People in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 394 people in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Figure 10: People in Alcohol-involved Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 18 people in alcohol-involved crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 18: Pedestrians and Pedalcyclists in Crashes by Age Group in Lea County, 2015-2019

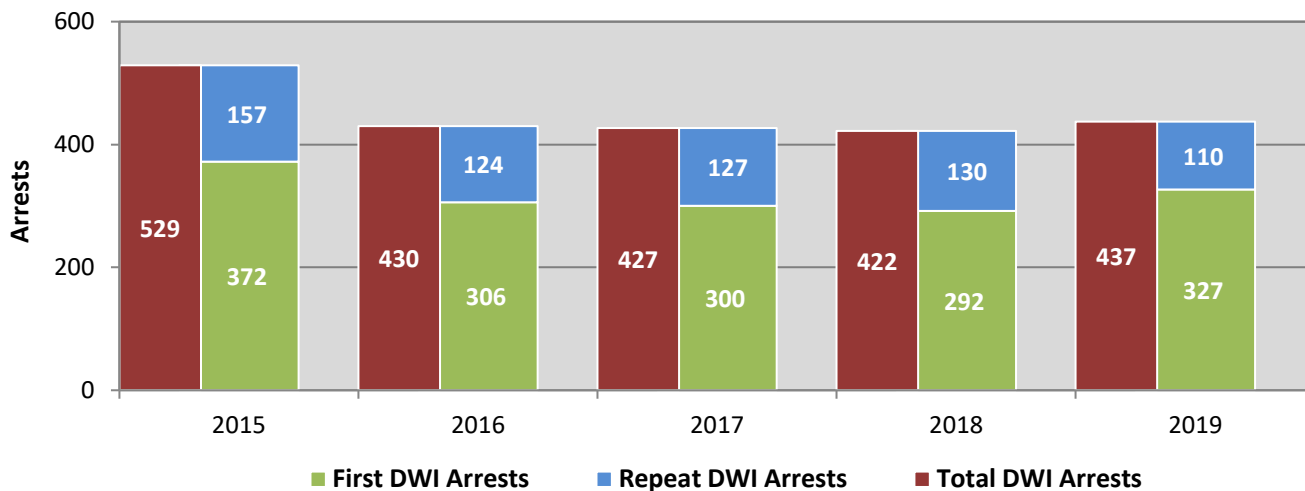
Age Groups	Pedestrians and Pedalcyclists ¹ in Crashes					5-Year Total People
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
0-4	0	1	0	1	1	3
5-9	1	1	1	2	1	6
10-14	0	0	2	3	3	8
15-19	0	3	1	6	3	13
20-24	1	3	0	1	1	6
25-29	0	1	2	4	1	8
30-34	0	0	1	1	0	2
35-39	0	0	1	2	5	8
40-44	0	1	2	0	2	5
45-49	1	1	0	1	0	3
50-54	1	0	1	2	1	5
55-59	1	1	2	2	3	9
60-64	0	0	0	1	1	2
65-69	0	0	0	0	1	1
70 +	1	1	1	1	1	5
Missing Data	1	1	2	0	1	5
Total People	7	14	16	27	25	89

Table 19: Pedestrians and Pedalcyclists in Crashes by Alcohol Involvement and Severity of Injuries in Lea County, 2019

Alcohol Involvement	Pedestrians and Pedalcyclists ¹ in Crashes					Total People
	Fatalities (Class K)	Suspected Serious Injuries (Class A)	Suspected Minor Injuries (Class B)	Possible Injuries (Class C)	No Apparent Injury (Class O)	
Total Pedalcyclists	0	0	6	2	0	8
Involved	0	0	1	0	0	1
Not Involved	0	0	5	2	0	7
Total Pedestrians	2	2	6	6	1	17
Involved	2	0	0	1	0	3
Not Involved	0	2	6	5	1	14
Total People	2	2	12	8	1	25

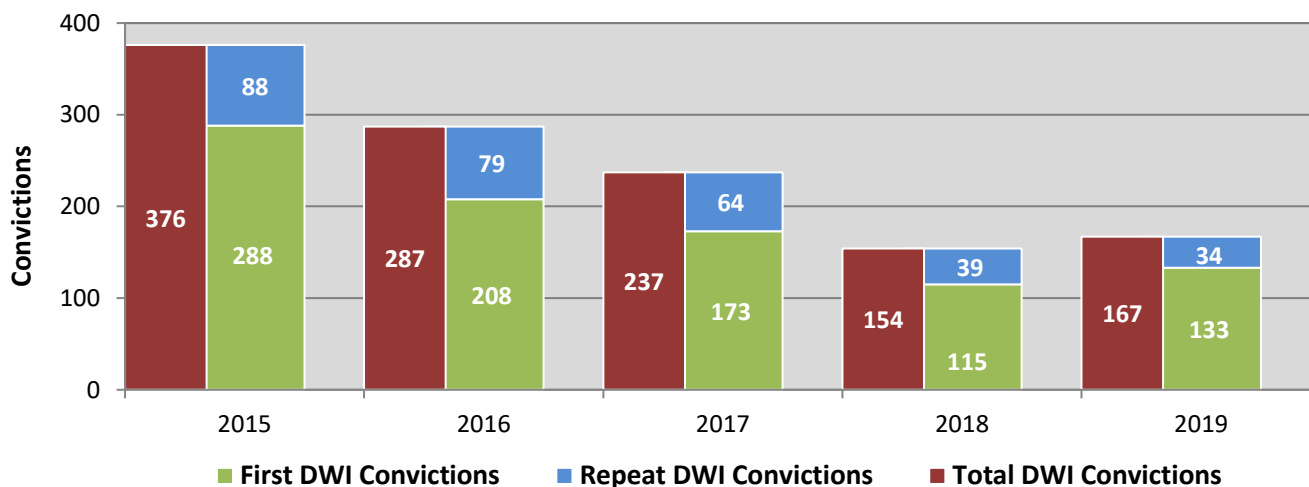
¹ Pedestrians and pedalcyclists are counted as non-motorized vehicles, when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle.

**Figure 11: DWI Arrests in Lea County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Arrests, 2015-2019**



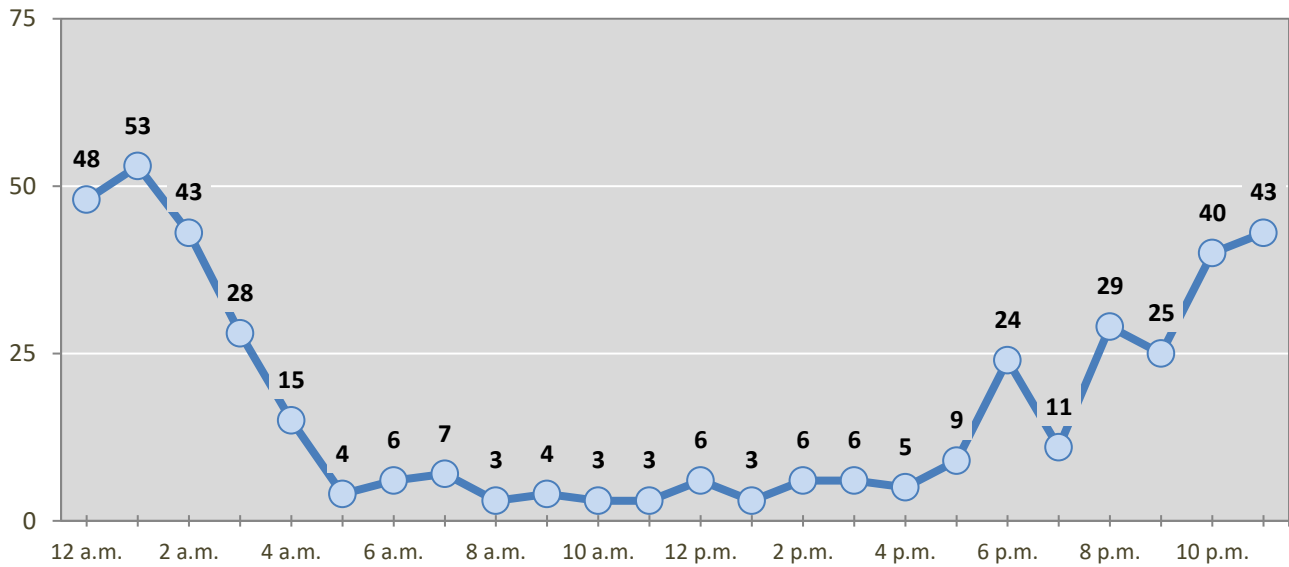
*Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

**Figure 12: DWI Convictions in Lea County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Convictions, 2015-2019**



*Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Figure 13: DWI Arrests by Hour in Lea County, 2019



* In 2019, Lea County had 13 arrests for which hour data were missing.

Table 20: DWI Arrests by Day of Week in Lea County, 2015-2019

Day of Week	Year					5-Year Average
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Sunday	143	98	130	102	98	114
Monday	53	37	36	35	35	39
Tuesday	38	34	35	41	40	38
Wednesday	47	46	31	38	49	42
Thursday	67	47	46	38	59	51
Friday	60	67	60	62	66	63
Saturday	121	101	89	106	90	101
Total Arrests	529	430	427	422	437	449

Table 21: Driver First DWI Arrests by Age Group in Lea County, 2015-2019

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Arrests ¹				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
15-19	30	23	34	25	30
20-24	105	65	68	55	83
25-29	58	60	59	61	65
30-34	56	51	45	45	43
35-39	37	37	36	33	34
40-44	19	28	15	24	22
45-49	22	15	7	20	16
50-54	25	13	20	16	15
55-59	12	5	12	8	11
60-64	5	3	3	1	6
65-69	1	2	0	2	1
70 +	2	4	1	2	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	372	306	300	292	327

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Table 22: Driver Repeat DWI Arrests by Age Group in Lea County, 2015-2019

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Arrests ¹				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
15-19	2	1	3	0	2
20-24	21	12	12	15	16
25-29	27	17	21	13	18
30-34	24	19	19	25	14
35-39	18	15	21	21	15
40-44	12	18	10	17	13
45-49	18	10	12	10	10
50-54	8	14	10	7	7
55-59	15	11	15	15	8
60-64	9	6	1	6	6
65-69	2	1	1	0	0
70 +	1	0	2	1	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	157	124	127	130	110

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Table 23: Driver First DWI Convictions by Age Group in Lea County, 2015-2019

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Convictions ¹				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
15-19	25	12	15	10	7
20-24	81	51	44	28	35
25-29	46	38	38	19	29
30-34	40	32	22	26	15
35-39	26	24	22	15	13
40-44	16	17	13	7	11
45-49	18	10	7	2	10
50-54	17	13	7	4	3
55-59	12	6	3	3	5
60-64	5	2	1	0	3
65-69	1	1	0	1	1
70 +	1	2	1	0	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	288	208	173	115	133

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Table 24: Driver Repeat DWI Convictions by Age Group in Lea County, 2015-2019

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Convictions ¹				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
15-19	1	0	2	0	0
20-24	12	8	4	5	3
25-29	11	12	10	5	2
30-34	18	13	12	9	4
35-39	9	12	10	9	4
40-44	10	7	6	4	5
45-49	9	5	5	1	3
50-54	5	8	4	3	2
55-59	7	8	7	3	11
60-64	6	4	2	0	0
65-69	0	2	1	0	0
70 +	0	0	1	0	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	88	79	64	39	34

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Table 25: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests for Lea County and the State, 2019

Court Disposition of DWI Arrest¹	Lea County	Statewide	Percent of Statewide
Total DWI Arrests	437	10,376	4.2%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Convictions	141	4,597	3.1%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Dismissals ²	4	887	0.5%
DWI Arrests Awaiting Disposition	292	4,892	6.0%

¹ These are the number of DWI arrests in 2019 and whether the case resulted in a conviction or dismissal, or is still awaiting court disposition, as reported in the NM MVD Citation Tracking System (CTS) as of October 2020.

² For this table, a very small number of "not guilty" rulings may be included in the category Dismissals.

Table 26: Average Number of Days from Date of DWI Arrest to Date of Court Disposition in Lea County and the State, 2019

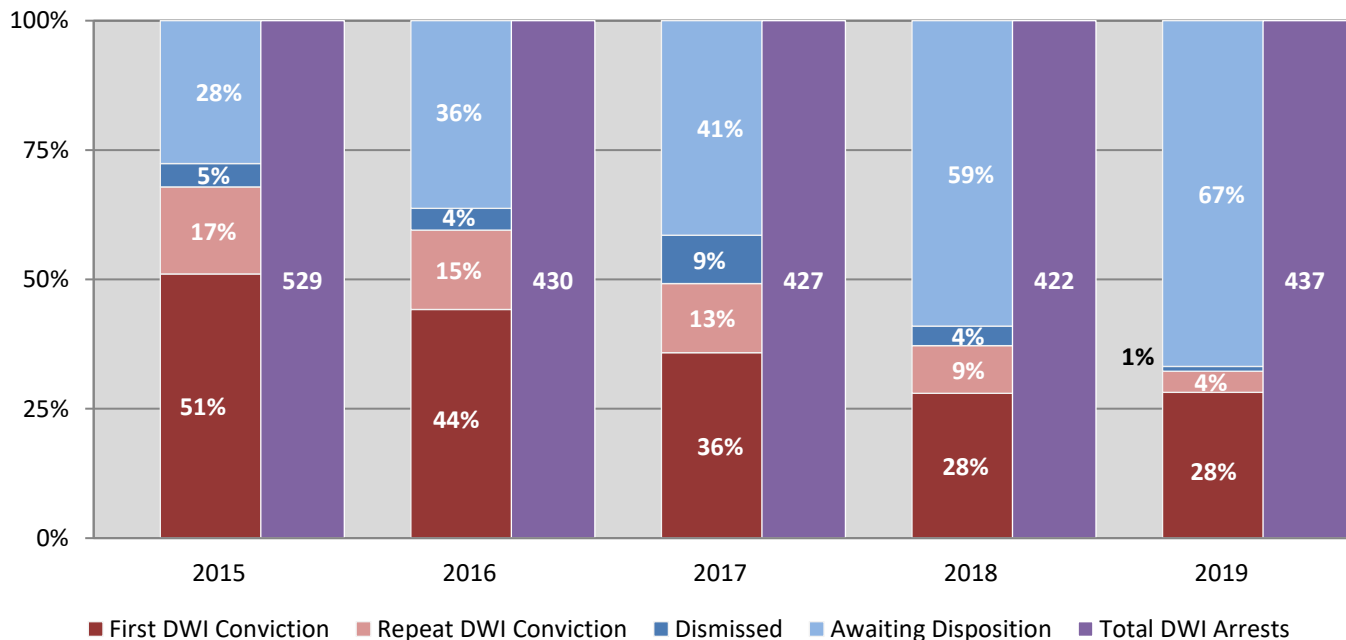
Court Disposition	Average Number of Days		Deviation from Statewide Average
	Lea County	Statewide	
DWI Conviction	120	159	-38
DWI Dismissal	136	160	-24

Table 27: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests in Lea County, 2015-2019

Year of DWI Arrest ¹	Court Disposition				Total DWI Arrests
	First DWI Conviction	Repeat DWI Conviction	Dismissed	Awaiting Disposition	
2015	270	89	24	146	529
2016	190	66	18	156	430
2017	153	57	40	177	427
2018	118	39	16	249	422
2019	123	18	4	292	437

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Figure 14: Court Dispositions by Percentage of DWI Arrests in Lea County, 2015-2019



*Table 27 contains the values used to calculate percentages shown in Figure 14.