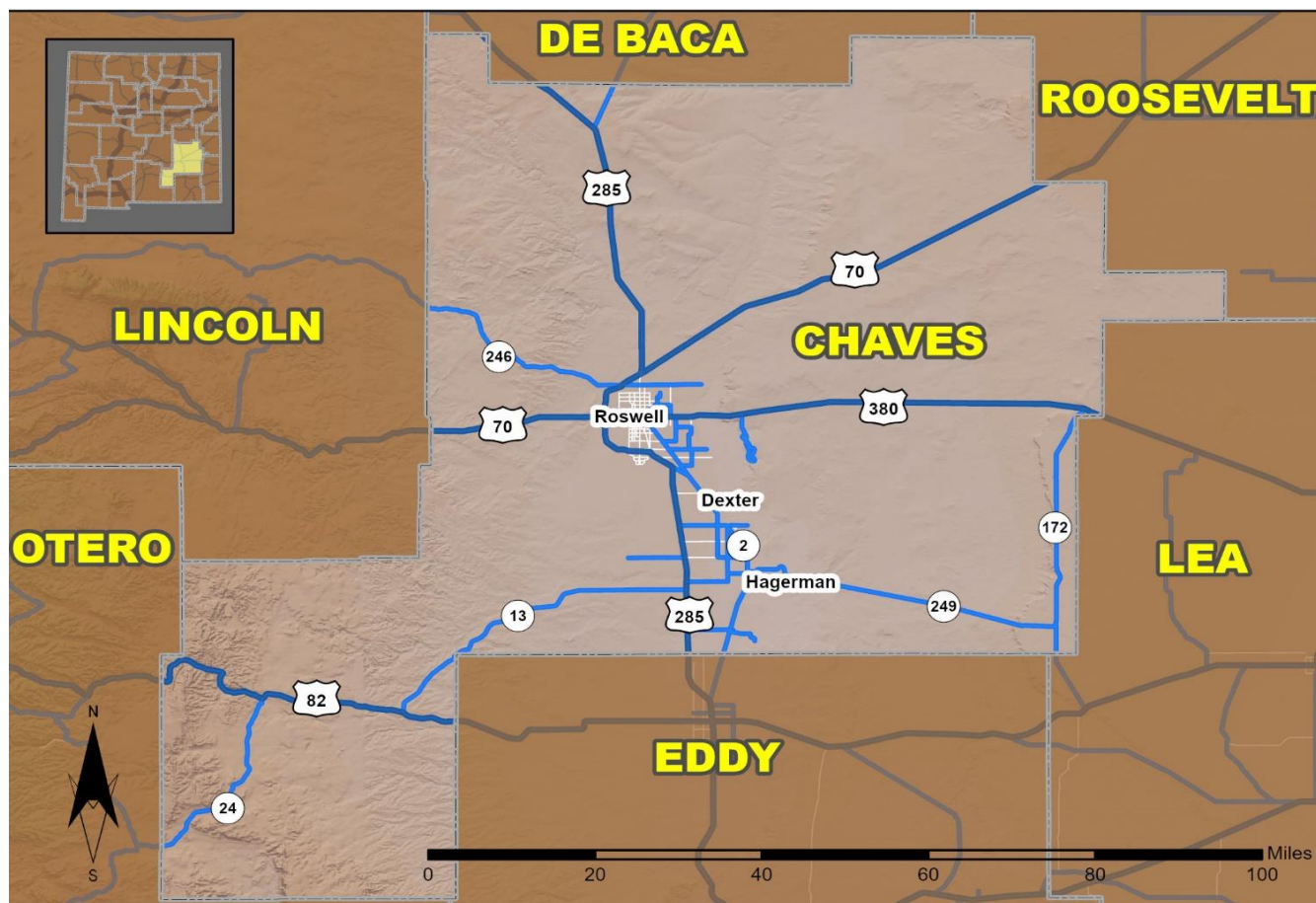


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Chaves County



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Definitions

Aggravated DWI – An arrest 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 motor vehicle, a pedalcyclist, or a pedestrian was suspected of being under the influence of alcohol.

Alcohol-involved Driver – A person in control of a motor vehicle, a pedalcyclist, or a pedestrian 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) – An arrest for either DWI or aggravated DWI. New Mexico's legal limit for presumption of driving while intoxicated (DWI) is 0.08 BAC 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 conviction for driving under the intoxicating influence of alcohol, narcotics, or pathogenic drugs, including for 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 a person involved in the crash dies within 30 days.

First Harmful Event – The event of the crash that produced the first injury or damage. First harmful event (FHE) replaced Crash Classification starting in 2020. FHE and its' subanalysis data are derived from Crash Classification and Analysis for crashes that occurred prior to 2020 and for any agencies not using the E Juy 2018 Uniform Crash Report, which became available in 2020. Statistics for the categories of "Other Non-Motorist" and "Other" are not available prior to 2020.

Injury Crash – A reported crash in which at least one person was injured. Injury crashes each 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.

Pedalcyclists, All – All people on any pedalcycle or in any pedalcycle trailer, and who are involved in a collision with a motor vehicle. Consists of pedalcycle operators and pedalcycle passengers. Historically, "pedalcyclists" included both pedalcycle operators and passengers. A pedalcycle is a mechanism of transport that is powered solely by pedals.

Pedestrians, All – All persons not occupying either a motor vehicle or a pedalcycle, and who are involved in a collision with a motor vehicle. Historically, "pedestrians" have also included people on personal conveyances (e.g., wheelchair or skateboard).

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 Arrest Data – New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, Motor Vehicle Division, DWI File, as of the date listed in the footnote of Table 32. 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.

City, County, and Urban Area Designations – Refer to the crash-level data dictionary entries for "City", "County", and "System" at <https://gps.unm.edu/tru/data-dictionaries.html>.

**Table 1: Total Crashes and Alcohol-involved Crashes by
Crash Severity in Chaves County, 2015-2024**

Year	Total Crashes				Alcohol-involved Crashes			
	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total
2015	13	370	1,000	1,383	3	23	30	56
2016	13	365	996	1,374	4	15	22	41
2017	6	358	947	1,311	2	21	24	47
2018	13	349	976	1,338	4	22	30	56
2019	9	420	943	1,372	4	32	42	78
2020	12	355	736	1,103	2	33	42	77
2021	6	404	763	1,173	1	31	22	54
2022	12	420	693	1,125	4	32	37	73
2023	8	445	722	1,175	5	33	20	58
2024	14	332	697	1,043	6	28	30	64

**Figure 1: Alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes Compared with
Non-alcohol-involved Fatal and Injury Crashes in Chaves County, 2015-2024**

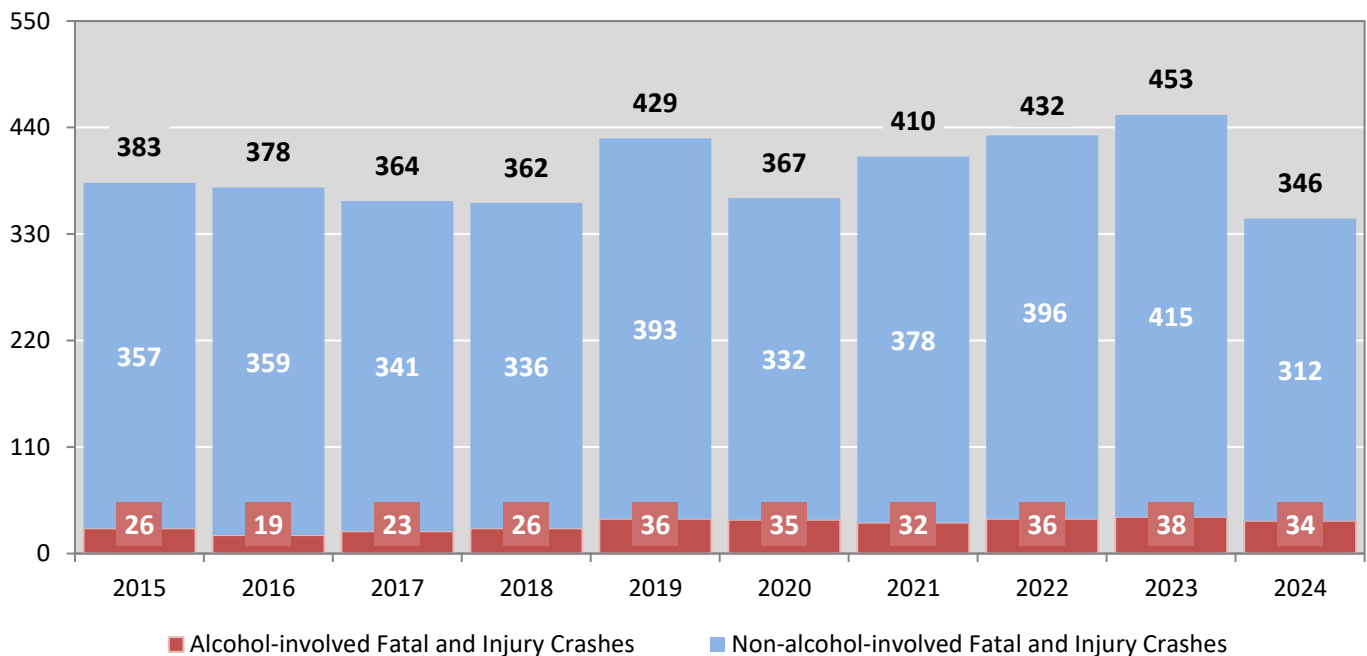


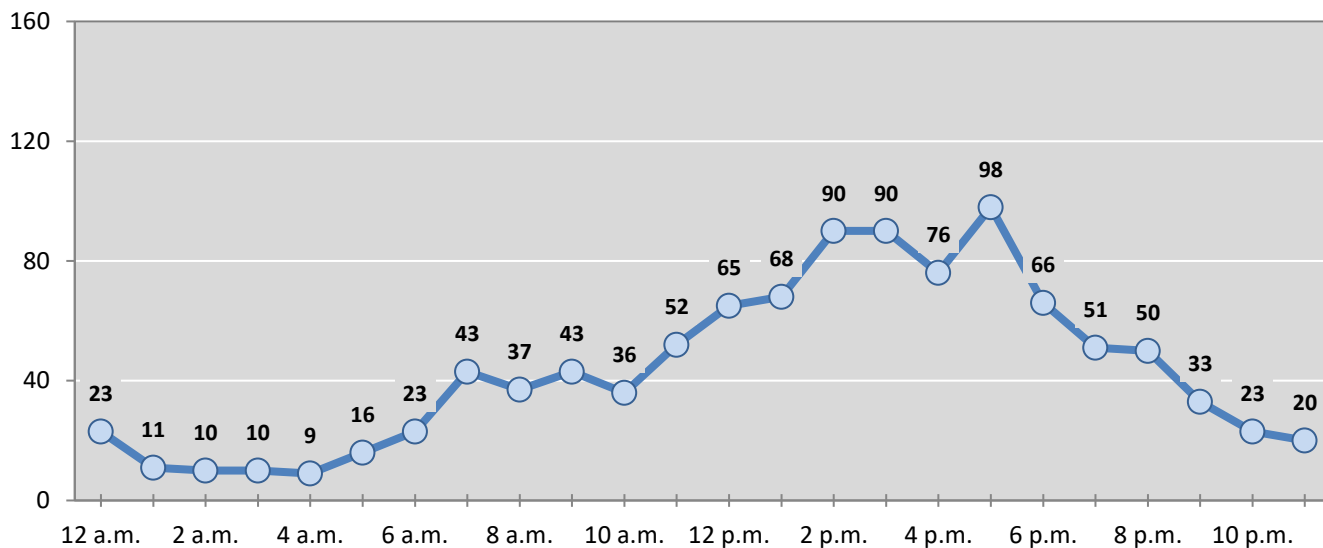
Table 2: Crashes by Month in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Month	Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
January	101	75	99	97	96	94
February	112	76	85	78	85	87
March	92	106	92	88	95	95
April	49	66	76	98	89	76
May	95	107	122	98	100	104
June	97	114	90	105	101	101
July	82	105	78	96	90	90
August	110	91	102	106	50	92
September	80	106	93	96	74	90
October	105	114	108	101	76	101
November	94	95	82	100	100	94
December	86	118	98	112	87	100
Total Crashes	1,103	1,173	1,125	1,175	1,043	1,124

Table 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Month in Chaves County, 2020-2024

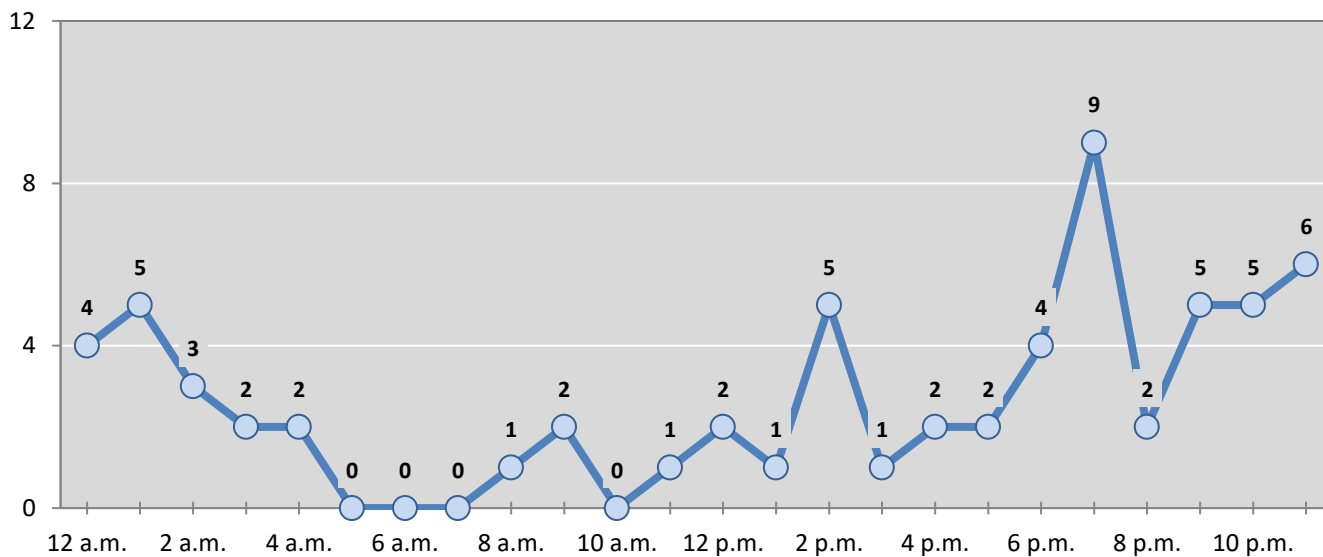
Month	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
January	6	7	11	4	7	7
February	7	5	7	3	5	5
March	6	5	4	2	4	4
April	6	4	3	2	5	4
May	10	3	4	3	5	5
June	6	2	6	7	9	6
July	5	7	6	7	4	6
August	9	5	4	7	7	6
September	5	2	5	4	6	4
October	4	5	4	5	4	4
November	8	5	12	5	4	7
December	5	4	7	9	4	6
Total Crashes	77	54	73	58	64	65

Figure 2: Crashes by Hour in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

Figure 3: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Hour in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 0 alcohol-involved crashes for which hour data were missing.

Table 4: Total Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Total Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	138	122	127	123	118	126
Monday	168	146	164	183	149	162
Tuesday	170	167	174	175	147	167
Wednesday	161	184	157	170	148	164
Thursday	141	190	162	173	156	164
Friday	197	191	178	198	167	186
Saturday	128	173	163	153	158	155
Total Crashes	1,103	1,173	1,125	1,175	1,043	1,124

Table 5: Heavy-truck Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Heavy-truck Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	6	5	0	2	3	3
Monday	11	15	11	11	9	11
Tuesday	11	13	14	12	9	12
Wednesday	8	16	10	7	9	10
Thursday	7	11	8	10	7	9
Friday	9	3	8	8	10	8
Saturday	3	4	6	5	6	5
Total Crashes	55	67	57	55	53	57

Table 6: Motorcycle Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Motorcycle Crashes ¹					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	8	3	6	5	3	5
Monday	5	1	4	3	1	3
Tuesday	3	3	2	2	1	2
Wednesday	3	6	8	4	3	5
Thursday	4	3	3	5	1	3
Friday	8	1	4	7	4	5
Saturday	4	5	5	5	7	5
Total Crashes	35	22	32	31	20	28

¹ "Motorcycles" exclude ATVs.

Table 7: Alcohol-involved Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	19	10	13	13	16	14
Monday	8	3	5	8	7	6
Tuesday	11	7	14	3	8	9
Wednesday	3	8	11	8	3	7
Thursday	6	8	7	7	8	7
Friday	17	9	11	8	6	10
Saturday	13	9	12	11	16	12
Total Crashes	77	54	73	58	64	65

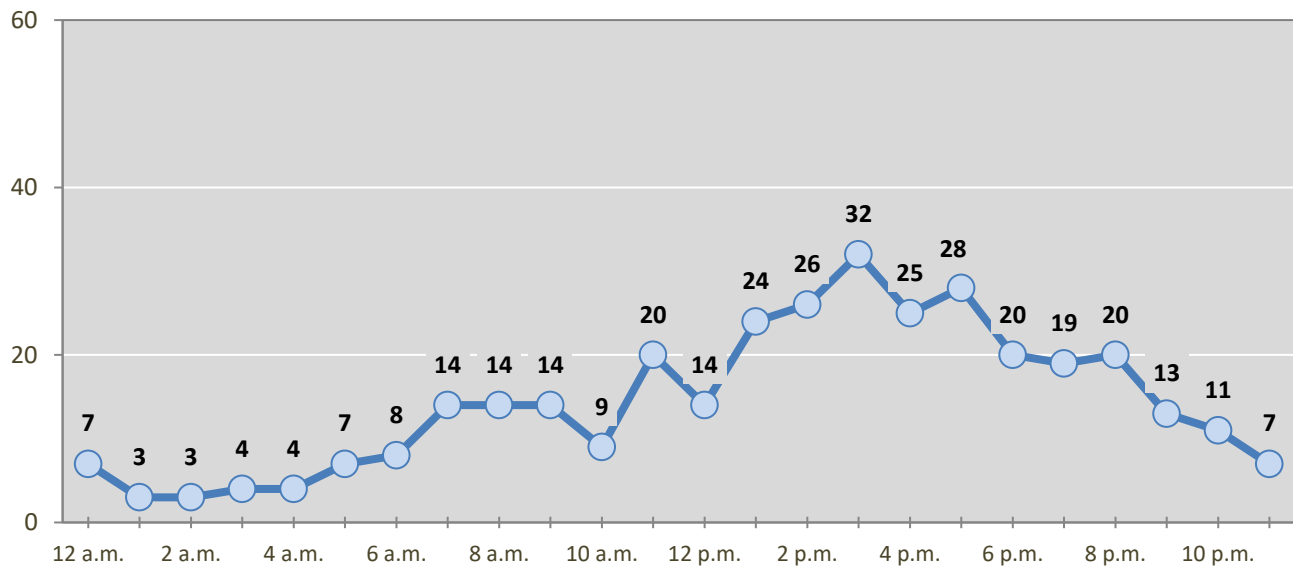
Table 8: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Fatal and Injury Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	45	46	46	55	49	48
Monday	55	50	67	69	53	59
Tuesday	46	61	74	70	37	58
Wednesday	58	60	69	73	42	60
Thursday	56	70	55	68	48	59
Friday	66	62	58	64	51	60
Saturday	41	61	63	54	66	57
Total Crashes	367	410	432	453	346	402

Table 9: All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

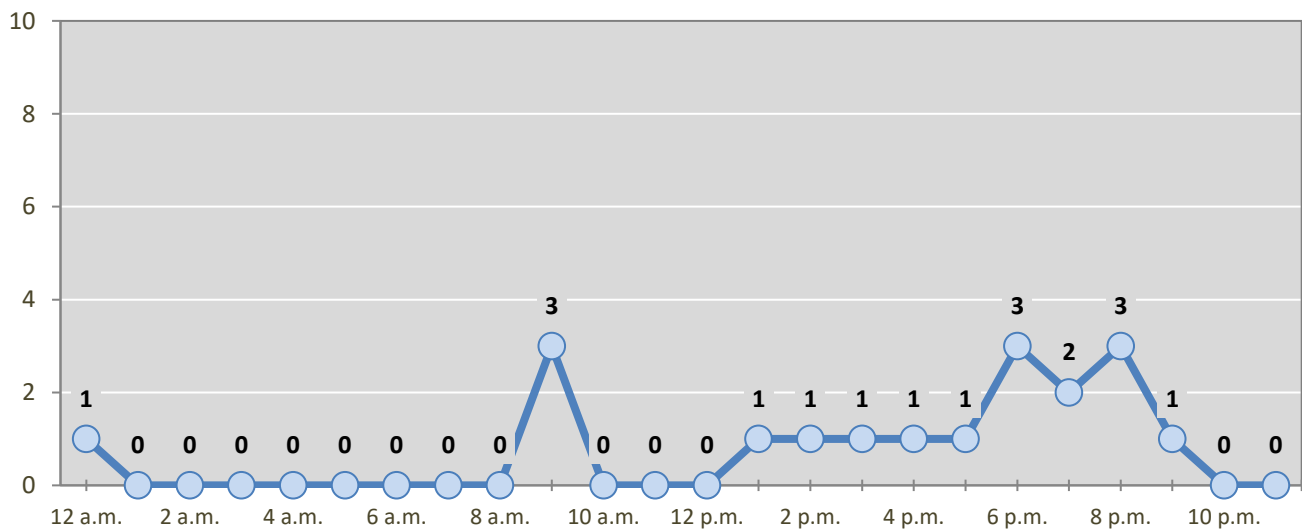
Day of Week	All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	5	2	3	1	3	3
Monday	2	2	2	5	3	3
Tuesday	8	2	5	3	1	4
Wednesday	2	2	1	3	3	2
Thursday	4	3	3	3	3	3
Friday	4	6	2	4	2	4
Saturday	3	5	3	3	3	3
Total Crashes	28	22	19	22	18	22

Figure 4: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Hour in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

Figure 5: All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes by Hour in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 0 crashes for which hour data were missing.

**Table 10: Severity of Injuries to People in Crashes by
Rural and Urban Locations and Alcohol Involvement in Chaves County, 2024**

Rural and Urban 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	6	10	18	10	85	129
Urban	4	4	10	10	73	101
Rural Non-Interstate	2	6	8	0	12	28
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
People in Crashes	14	38	137	301	2,056	2,546
Urban	7	14	88	252	1,729	2,090
Rural Non-Interstate	7	24	49	49	327	456
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percent in Alcohol-involved Crashes	43%	26%	13%	3%	4%	5%

**Table 11: Total Crashes by Rural and Urban Locations and Crash Severity
in Chaves County, 2020-2024**

Crash Severity by Rural and Urban Locations	Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
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	345	252	266	229	225	264
Fatal Crash	5	5	10	1	7	6
Injury Crash	108	87	102	94	84	95
Property Damage Only Crash	232	160	154	134	134	163
Total Urban	758	921	859	946	818	860
Fatal Crash	7	1	2	7	7	5
Injury Crash	247	317	318	351	248	296
Property Damage Only Crash	504	603	539	588	563	559

Table 12: Total Crashes by First Harmful Event in Chaves County, 2020-2024

First Harmful Event ¹	Total Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Collision with Animal	78	69	56	69	54	65
Collision with Fixed Object	135	111	158	131	105	128
Collision with Motor Vehicle	744	887	809	877	801	824
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	14	6	12	17	11	12
Collision with Person	28	22	19	22	18	22
Pedalcycle	7	7	6	10	5	7
Pedestrian	21	15	13	9	12	14
Other Non-Motorist	0	0	0	3	1	1
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	93	66	44	54	54	62
Overturn/Rollover	67	47	32	39	30	43
All Other Non-Collision	26	19	12	15	24	19
Other	11	7	26	5	0	10
Missing Data	0	5	1	0	0	1
Total Crashes	1,103	1,173	1,125	1,175	1,043	1,124

¹ The options of "Other Non-Motorist" and "Other" were not available before 2020. The addition of options in 2020 decreases the use of previously available options.

Table 13: Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Vehicle Type ¹	Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Buses	2	4	10	10	5	6
Motorcycles/ATVs	43	26	37	36	26	34
Passenger Cars	1,060	1,269	1,074	1,110	912	1,085
Pedalcycles	7	7	6	10	6	7
Pedestrians, All	22	15	15	12	14	16
Pickups	482	504	476	526	490	496
Semis/Heavy Trucks	56	70	61	57	56	60
Vans/SUVs/4WDs	251	232	344	332	415	315
Other Vehicles	1	2	1	1	2	1
Missing Data	36	58	21	54	15	37
Total Vehicles	1,960	2,187	2,045	2,148	1,941	2,056

¹ Pedestrians and pedalcycles are counted as non-motorized vehicles, when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle. "All pedestrians" encompasses pedestrians with or without personal conveyance (e.g., wheelchair, skateboard). See Page 18 for more data on non-motorized vehicles in crashes.

**Table 14: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type
and Age Group in Chaves County, 2024**

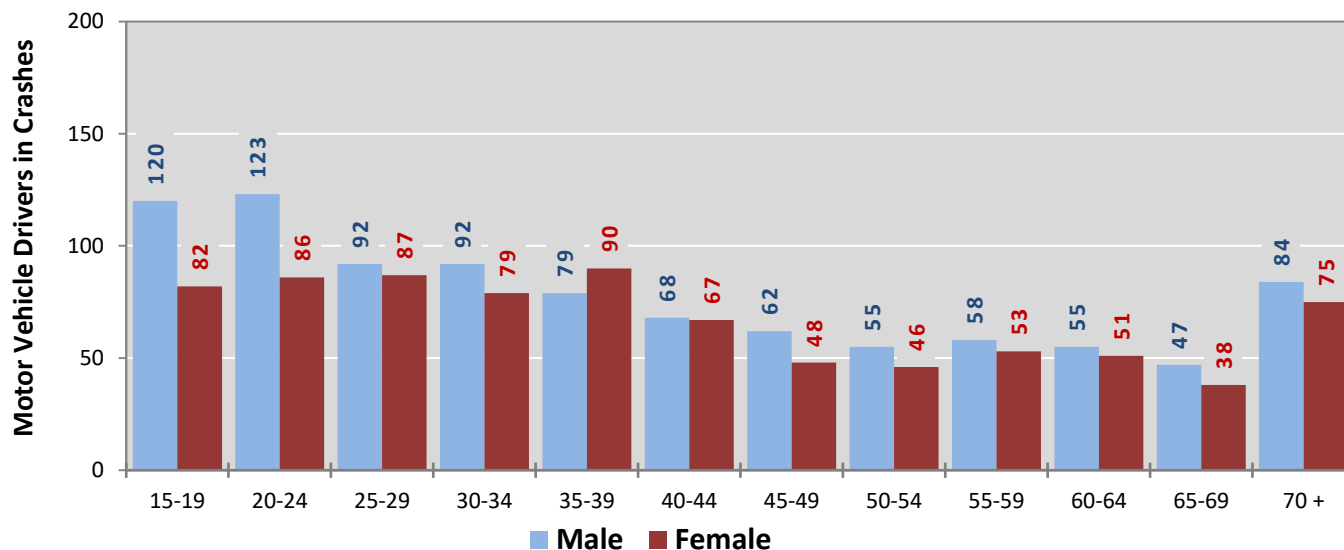
Age Groups	Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle/ATV	Passenger	Pickup	Semi/Heavy Truck	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	2	122	52	0	26	0	0	202
20-24	0	3	136	30	4	36	0	0	209
25-29	0	4	87	41	8	39	0	0	179
30-34	0	6	77	33	6	49	0	0	171
35-39	1	0	85	37	6	40	0	0	169
40-44	0	2	54	39	8	31	1	0	135
45-49	0	2	52	28	3	25	0	0	110
50-54	0	0	40	32	8	21	0	0	101
55-59	1	1	42	40	2	25	0	0	111
60-64	0	0	42	37	3	24	0	0	106
65-69	1	2	31	20	3	28	0	0	85
70 +	2	0	70	46	2	38	1	0	159
Missing Data	0	4	74	55	3	33	0	15	184
Total Drivers	5	26	912	490	56	415	2	15	1,921

**Table 15: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type
and Age Group in Chaves County, 2024**

Age Groups	Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle/ATV	Passenger	Pickup	Semi/Heavy Truck	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
20-24	0	0	14	6	0	2	0	0	22
25-29	0	0	4	2	0	3	0	0	9
30-34	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	5
35-39	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	5
40-44	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	4
45-49	0	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	6
50-54	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
55-59	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
60-64	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
65-69	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
70 +	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	0	1	33	18	0	11	0	0	63

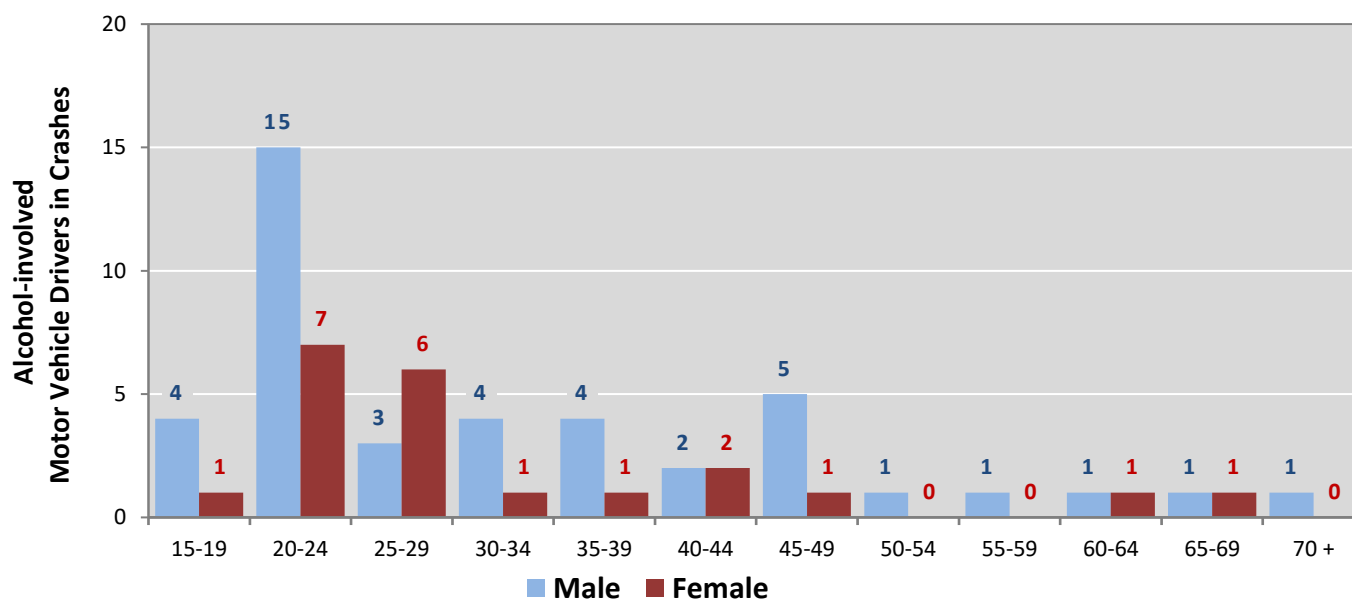
¹ See Page 18 for data on drivers of non-motorized vehicles in crashes (i.e. pedestrians and pedalcyclists).

Figure 6: Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 184 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 Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 0 drivers in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 16: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Age ¹	Year					5-Year Total
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
15	0	0	0	0	1	1
16	1	0	2	1	0	4
17	0	0	1	2	1	4
18	1	1	3	0	2	7
19	3	0	3	2	1	9
20	3	3	4	4	3	17
Total Drivers	8	4	13	9	8	42

Table 17: Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes by Age, Sex and Alcohol Involvement in Chaves County, 2024

Age ¹	Total Drivers				Alcohol-involved Drivers			
	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total	Sex		Total Drivers	Percent of Total
	Male	Female			Male	Female		
15	7	2	9	4%	1	0	1	13%
16	23	14	37	15%	0	0	0	0%
17	20	28	48	19%	1	0	1	13%
18	31	18	49	19%	1	1	2	25%
19	39	20	59	23%	1	0	1	13%
20	33	17	50	20%	3	0	3	38%
Total Drivers	153	99	252	100%	7	1	8	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 18: Frequency of Contributing Factors in Crashes
by Crash Severity in Chaves County, 2024**

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	36	530	926	1,492
Driver Inattention	5	144	284	433
Failed to Yield Right of Way	2	91	159	252
Following Too Closely	0	38	95	133
Passed Stop Sign	0	46	54	100
Other Improper Driving	5	33	35	73
Excessive Speed	5	34	32	71
Under the Influence Of Alcohol	6	28	30	64
Disregarded Traffic Signal	1	15	32	48
Made Improper Turn	0	14	30	44
Improper Lane Change	1	3	35	39
Improper Backing	0	4	33	37
Avoid No Contact Vehicle	0	14	17	31
Speed Too Fast For Conditions	1	17	11	29
Drove Left of Center	0	9	17	26
Improper Overtaking	1	4	21	26
Under the Influence Of Drugs	6	4	6	16
Cell Phone	0	6	6	12
Driver Distracted by Other Activity	0	6	6	12
Avoid No Contact Other	0	6	5	11
Pedestrian Error	2	6	0	8
High-Speed Pursuit	0	2	4	6
Driver Distracted by Passenger	0	2	3	5
Driver Distracted By Texting	0	2	3	5
Failed to Yield For Police Vehicle	0	2	1	3
Driverless Moving Vehicle	0	0	2	2
Failed to Yield For Emer. Vehicle	0	0	2	2
Vehicle Skidded Before Braking	0	0	2	2
Driver Distracted by Talking on Hands-Free Device	1	0	0	1
Driver Distracted by Talking on Cell Phone	0	0	1	1
Vehicle	0	12	24	36
Other Mechanical Defect	0	4	11	15
Defective Steering	0	3	4	7
Defective Tires	0	4	2	6
Coupling Device (Hitch, Chains)	0	0	2	2
Lights (Head, Signal, Tail)	0	0	2	2
Wheels	0	0	2	2
Inadequate Brakes	0	1	0	1
Wipers	0	0	1	1
Exhaust System	0	0	0	0
Mirrors	0	0	0	0
Suspension	0	0	0	0
Windows/Windshield	0	0	0	0
Environment	16	38	111	165
Animal(s) In Roadway	0	11	51	62
Weather Conditions	8	18	31	57
Other Visual Obstruction(s)	8	7	6	21
Road Surface Conditions	0	1	7	8
Debris	0	0	5	5
Backup - Prior Crash	0	0	4	4
Obstruction in Road	0	0	3	3
Low Visibility Due to Glare	0	0	2	2
Traffic Congestion	0	0	1	1
Road Defect	0	0	1	1
Traffic Control Missing	0	1	0	1
Backup - Prior Incident	0	0	0	0
Low Visibility Due to Smoke	0	0	0	0
Other	8	281	644	933
None	0	192	471	663
Other - No Driver Error	7	79	163	249
Missing Data	1	10	10	21
Total	60	861	1,705	2,626

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

Table 19: People in Crashes by First Harmful Event and Severity of Injuries in Chaves County, 2024

First Harmful Event (FHE) and Subanalysis	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)	
Collision with Animal	0	1	3	6	72	82
Deer	0	0	3	2	50	55
Small Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	8	8
Cattle/Cow	0	0	0	1	5	6
Horse	0	0	0	0	4	4
Other (Bird, Cougar, Sheep, Goat)	0	0	0	3	1	4
Elk	0	0	0	0	3	3
Antelope	0	0	0	0	1	1
Bear	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Large Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Large Game Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Game Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	1	0	0	0	1
Collision with Fixed Object	3	12	36	9	83	143
Fence	0	1	9	1	25	36
Utility Pole/Light Support	1	3	6	2	17	29
Tree (standing)	1	0	5	2	7	15
Other Fixed Object	1	3	5	0	5	14
Median	0	0	1	1	6	8
Other Post, Pole or Support	0	2	1	0	2	5
Traffic Sign Support	0	0	1	1	3	5
Embankment	0	0	0	0	4	4
Curb	0	0	0	0	3	3
Guardrail, End or Face	0	0	1	1	1	3
Bridge Pier, Support, Rail, or Overhead	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ditch	0	0	0	0	1	1
Traffic Barrier, Concrete	0	1	0	0	0	1
Wall or Building	0	0	1	0	0	1
Culvert	0	0	0	0	0	0
Traffic Barrier, Cable	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (incl. hydrant, box, cattle guard, plant)	0	2	5	1	6	14
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	1	0	2	3
Collision with Motor Vehicle	4	15	75	268	1,813	2,175
MV in Transport	4	13	69	258	1,650	1,994
Parked MV	0	2	6	8	149	165
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	2	14	16
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	1	1	1	3	13	19
Railway Vehicle	1	0	0	3	0	4
Struck by falling, shifting cargo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work Zone/Maintenance Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-fixed Object	0	1	1	0	13	15
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Collision with Person	4	3	7	4	27	45
Pedestrian	4	3	3	2	18	30
Pedalcycle	0	0	3	2	8	13
Other Non-Motorist	0	0	1	0	1	2
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	2	6	15	11	48	82
Overturn/Rollover	2	2	13	4	22	43
Cargo/Equipment Loss or Shift	0	0	0	0	6	6
Fire/Explosion	0	0	0	0	1	1
Jackknife	0	0	0	0	1	1
Fell/Jumped from MV	0	0	0	0	0	0
Immersion, Full or Partial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thrown or Falling Object	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-Collision	0	3	2	7	8	20
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	1	0	0	10	11
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing FHE and Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total People	14	38	137	301	2,056	2,546

**Table 20: Killed or Injured Unbelted People in Crashes
by Sex and Age Group in Chaves County, 2024**

Age Groups	Unbelted People Killed or Injured ^{1,2}				Total People
	Male	Percent of Male	Female	Percent of Female	
0-4	0	0%	1	9%	1
5-9	1	4%	0	0%	1
10-14	0	0%	1	9%	1
15-19	3	13%	2	18%	5
20-24	4	17%	0	0%	4
25-29	2	9%	2	18%	4
30-34	4	17%	1	9%	5
35-39	0	0%	1	9%	1
40-44	2	9%	0	0%	2
45-49	1	4%	1	9%	2
50-54	1	4%	1	9%	2
55-59	3	13%	0	0%	3
60-64	1	4%	1	9%	2
65-69	0	0%	0	0%	0
70 +	1	4%	0	0%	1
Missing Data	0	0%	0	0%	0
Total People	23	100%	11	100%	34

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 Chaves County, 2020-2024**

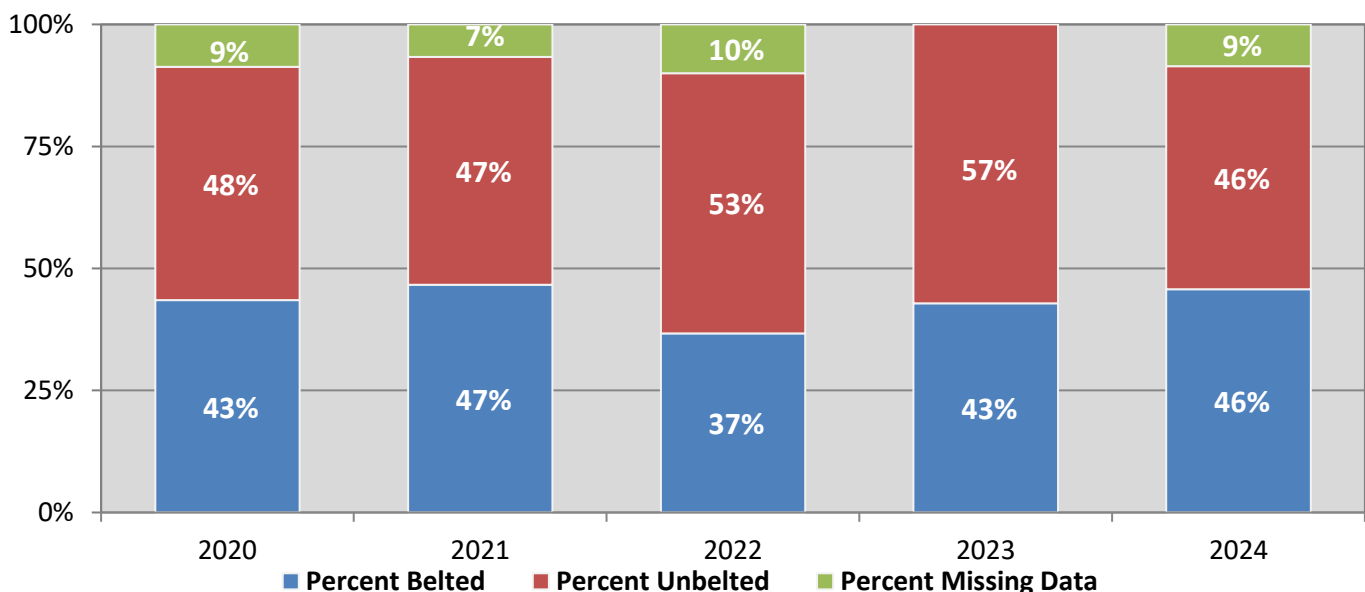
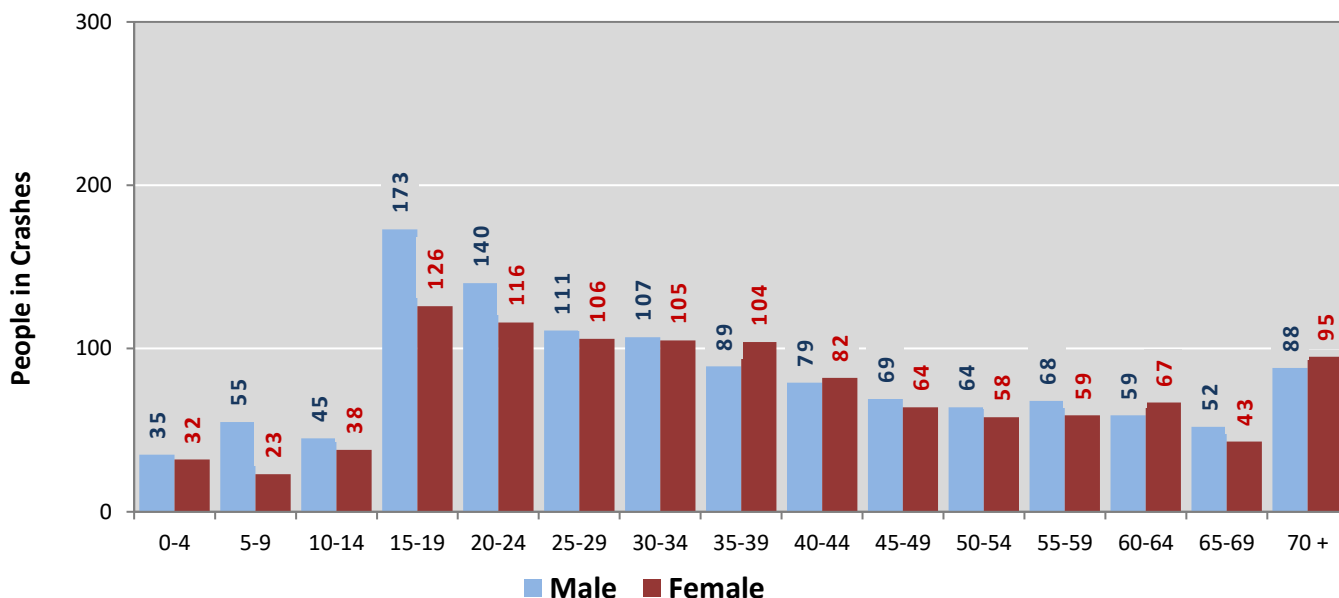
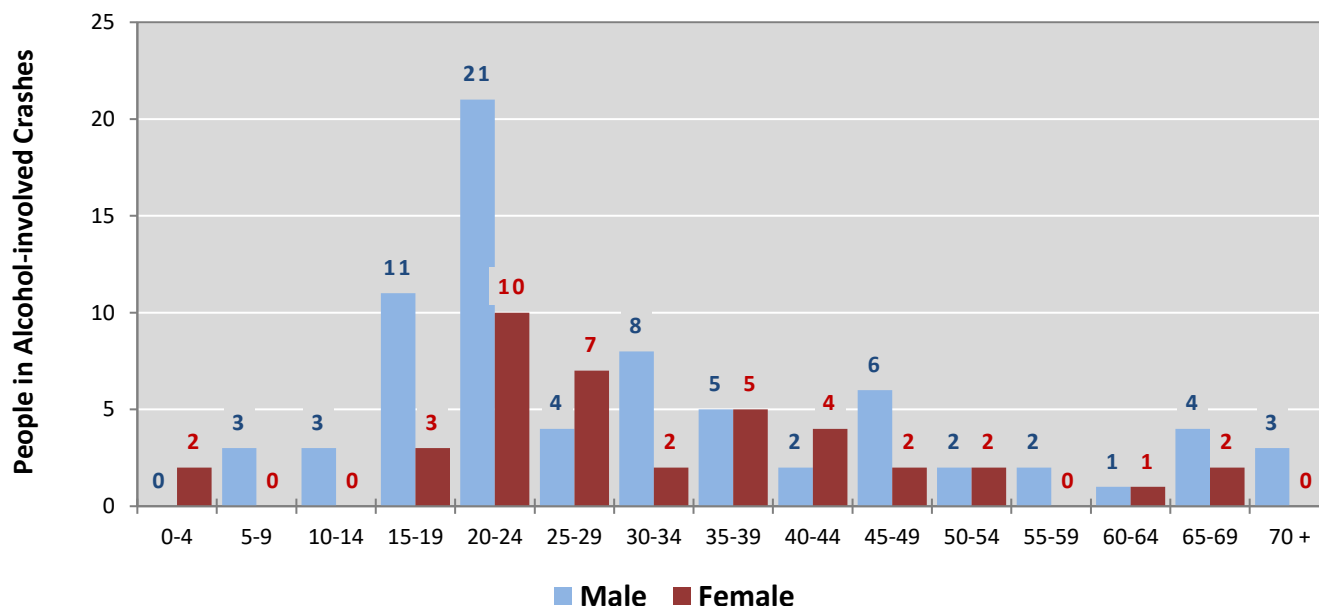


Figure 9: People in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 194 people in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Figure 10: People in Alcohol-involved Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 14 people in alcohol-involved crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

Table 21: All Pedestrians and All Pedalcyclists in Crashes by Age Group in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Age Groups	All Pedestrians and All Pedalcyclists ¹ in Crashes					5-Year Total People
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
0-4	1	0	0	0	1	2
5-9	0	1	0	1	1	3
10-14	1	1	0	2	2	6
15-19	2	1	7	3	2	15
20-24	0	1	1	2	0	4
25-29	4	2	0	2	1	9
30-34	1	2	1	3	0	7
35-39	3	1	0	1	3	8
40-44	2	1	3	2	3	11
45-49	2	2	0	1	2	7
50-54	2	1	1	0	3	7
55-59	3	3	1	3	0	10
60-64	5	3	4	0	0	12
65-69	0	1	1	1	2	5
70 +	3	1	1	1	0	6
Missing Data	0	1	1	0	0	2
Total People	29	22	21	22	20	114

Table 22: All Pedestrians and Pedalcycle Operators in Crashes by Alcohol Involvement and Severity of Injuries in Chaves County, 2024

Alcohol Involvement	All Pedestrians and Pedalcycle Operators 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)	
Pedalcycle Operators	0	0	3	2	1	6
Involved	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Involved	0	0	3	2	1	6
All Pedestrians	4	3	4	2	1	14
Involved	1	0	0	0	0	1
Not Involved	3	3	4	2	1	13
Total People	4	3	7	4	2	20

¹ "All pedestrians" encompasses pedestrians with and without personal conveyance (e.g., wheelchair, skateboard).
 "All pedalcyclists" encompasses both pedalcycle operators and pedalcycle passengers. All pedestrians and pedalcycle operators are counted as non-motorized vehicles when involved in a crash with a motor vehicle.

**Table 23: Occupants of Passenger Vehicles in Crashes
by Severity of Injuries and Belt Usage in Chaves County, 2024**

Severity of Injuries	Injury Class	Occupants of Passenger Vehicles ¹			
		Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total
Fatalities	K	2	6	0	8
Suspected Serious Injuries	A	14	10	3	27
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	93	14	8	115
Possible Injuries	C	272	4	9	285
No Apparent Injuries	O	1,745	12	206	1,963
Total Occupants of Passenger Vehicles		2,126	46	226	2,398

¹ Occupants of passenger cars, SUVs, 4WDs, vans, and pickup trucks only.

**Table 24: Motorcyclists in Crashes
by Severity of Injuries and Helmet Usage in Chaves County, 2024**

Severity of Injuries	Injury Class	Motorcyclists in Crashes ¹			
		Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total
Fatalities	K	0	1	0	1
Suspected Serious Injuries	A	1	1	2	4
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	3	5	1	9
Possible Injuries	C	2	1	2	5
No Apparent Injuries	O	2	0	1	3
Total Motorcyclists		8	8	6	22

¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

**Table 25: Occupants of Passenger Vehicles in Crashes
by Year, Belt Usage, and Percent Killed in Chaves County, 2020-2024**

Year	Occupant Fatalities of Passenger Vehicles ¹				Total Occupants of Passenger Vehicles ¹				Percent Killed	
	Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total Fatalities	Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total Occupants	Belted	Unbelted
2020	3	3	0	6	2,044	72	279	2,395	0.15%	4.2%
2021	3	3	0	6	2,340	74	238	2,652	0.13%	4.1%
2022	6	8	0	14	2,206	46	287	2,539	0.27%	17.4%
2023	1	4	0	5	2,304	50	275	2,629	0.04%	8.0%
2024	2	6	0	8	2,126	46	226	2,398	0.09%	13.0%
Average	3.0	4.8	0.0	7.8	2,204.0	57.6	261.0	2,522.6	0.14%	8.3%

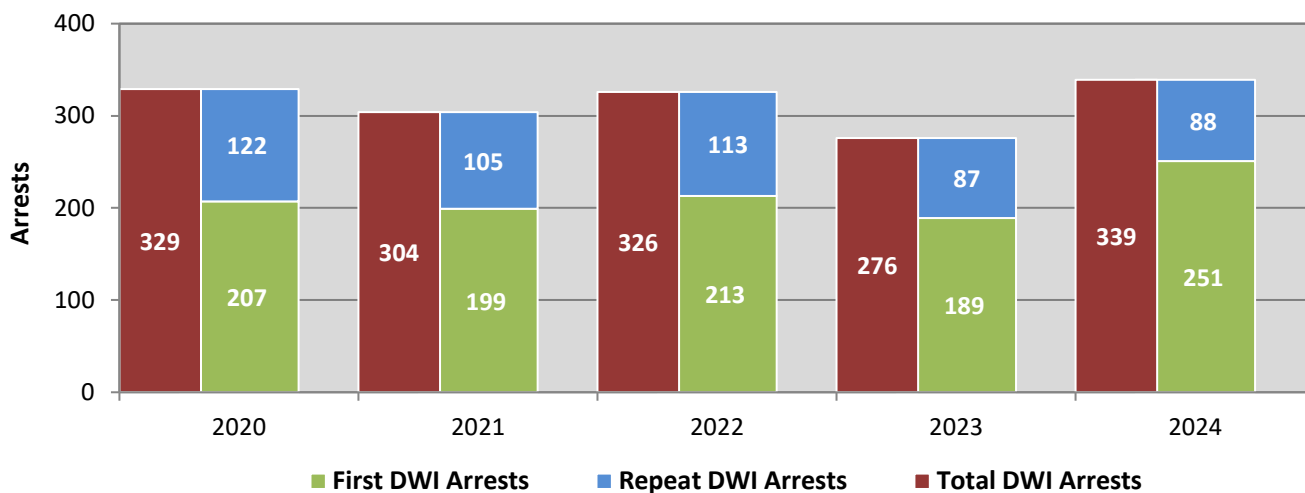
¹ Occupants of passenger cars, SUVs, 4WDs, vans, and pickup trucks only.

**Table 26: Motorcyclists in Crashes
by Year, Helmet Usage, and Percent Killed in Chaves County, 2020-2024**

Year	Motorcyclist Fatalities ¹				Total Motorcyclists ¹				Percent Killed	
	Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total Fatalities	Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Missing Data	Total Occupants	Helmeted	Unhelmeted
2020	0	1	0	1	16	18	8	42	0.0%	5.6%
2021	0	0	0	0	7	11	6	24	0.0%	0.0%
2022	0	0	0	0	15	12	10	37	0.0%	0.0%
2023	0	0	0	0	15	9	8	32	0.0%	0.0%
2024	0	1	0	1	8	8	6	22	0.0%	12.5%
Average	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	12.2	11.6	7.6	31.4	0.0%	3.4%

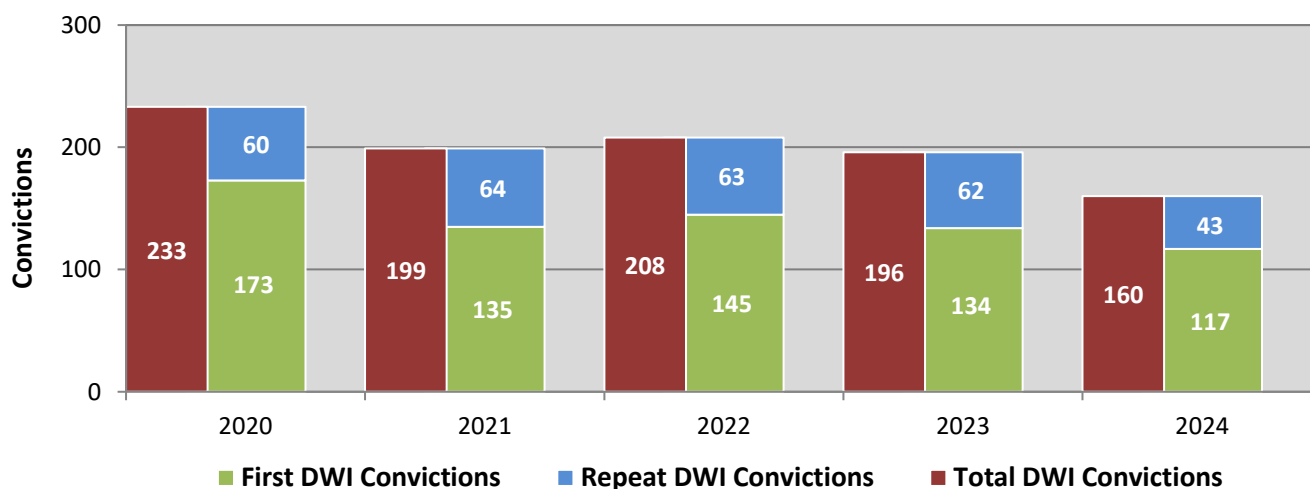
¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

**Figure 11: DWI Arrests in Chaves County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Arrests, 2020-2024**



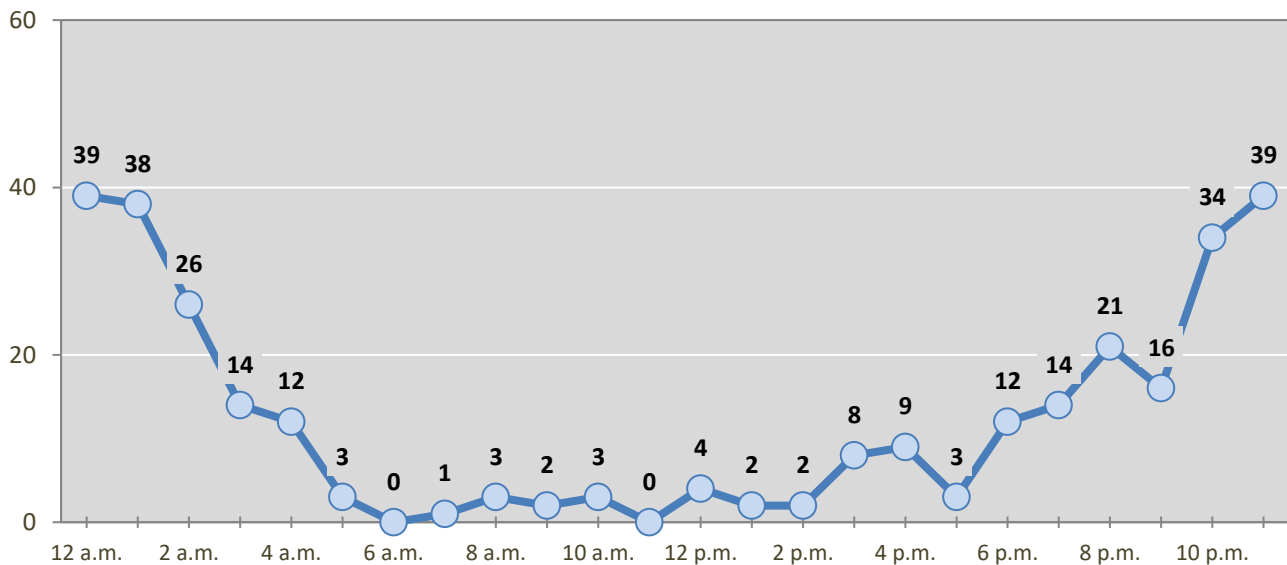
*Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

**Figure 12: DWI Convictions in Chaves County,
Showing First and Repeat DWI Convictions, 2020-2024**



*Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Figure 13: DWI Arrests by Hour in Chaves County, 2024



* In 2024, Chaves County had 34 arrests for which hour data were missing.

Table 27: DWI Arrests by Day of Week in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Year					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	58	58	54	54	90	63
Monday	25	28	33	27	29	28
Tuesday	37	33	39	25	33	33
Wednesday	35	33	37	37	31	35
Thursday	42	42	35	33	39	38
Friday	56	48	40	30	49	45
Saturday	76	62	88	70	68	73
Total Arrests	329	304	326	276	339	315

Table 28: Driver First DWI Arrests by Age Group in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Arrests ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	20	19	19	20	16
20-24	57	45	49	34	66
25-29	42	41	38	25	44
30-34	27	35	27	27	35
35-39	23	19	24	29	23
40-44	13	9	21	14	22
45-49	9	14	15	10	18
50-54	6	8	4	13	10
55-59	7	5	6	8	7
60-64	3	3	4	3	6
65-69	0	1	3	3	1
70 +	0	0	3	3	3
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	207	199	213	189	251

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Table 29: Driver Repeat DWI Arrests by Age Group in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Arrests ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	0	2	0	0	0
20-24	11	11	11	7	17
25-29	15	14	18	10	12
30-34	18	23	18	18	8
35-39	21	17	17	20	19
40-44	20	10	18	7	9
45-49	10	1	8	6	8
50-54	8	8	7	5	6
55-59	11	5	7	5	2
60-64	6	8	2	5	3
65-69	1	4	2	2	3
70 +	1	2	5	2	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	122	105	113	87	88

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

**Table 30: Driver First DWI Convictions
by Age Group in Chaves County, 2020-2024**

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Convictions ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	18	7	9	9	11
20-24	46	40	31	29	35
25-29	37	20	30	21	12
30-34	19	26	26	17	14
35-39	23	9	14	17	16
40-44	10	15	7	11	11
45-49	6	8	11	11	5
50-54	3	5	6	8	5
55-59	6	2	6	3	4
60-64	3	3	3	2	2
65-69	1	0	2	1	0
70 +	1	0	0	5	2
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	173	135	145	134	117

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

**Table 31: Driver Repeat DWI Convictions
by Age Group in Chaves County, 2020-2024**

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Convictions ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	0	1	0	0	0
20-24	10	6	5	5	4
25-29	5	10	11	9	6
30-34	7	7	17	14	5
35-39	12	12	7	12	6
40-44	10	7	8	9	5
45-49	2	6	2	3	5
50-54	3	6	5	4	1
55-59	7	3	2	2	5
60-64	3	3	3	2	3
65-69	1	3	3	1	2
70 +	0	0	0	1	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	60	64	63	62	43

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

Table 32: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests for the State and Chaves County, 2024

Court Disposition of DWI Arrest ¹	Chaves County	Statewide	Percent of Statewide
Total DWI Arrests	339	9,465	3.6%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Convictions	171	5,274	3.2%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Dismissals ²	22	666	3.3%
DWI Arrests Awaiting Disposition	146	3,525	4.1%

¹ These are the number of DWI arrests in 2024 and whether the case resulted in a conviction or dismissal, or is still awaiting court disposition, as reported in the NM MVD DWI File, as of November 2025.

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

Table 33: Average Number of Days from Date of DWI Arrest to Date of Court Disposition for the State and Chaves County, 2024

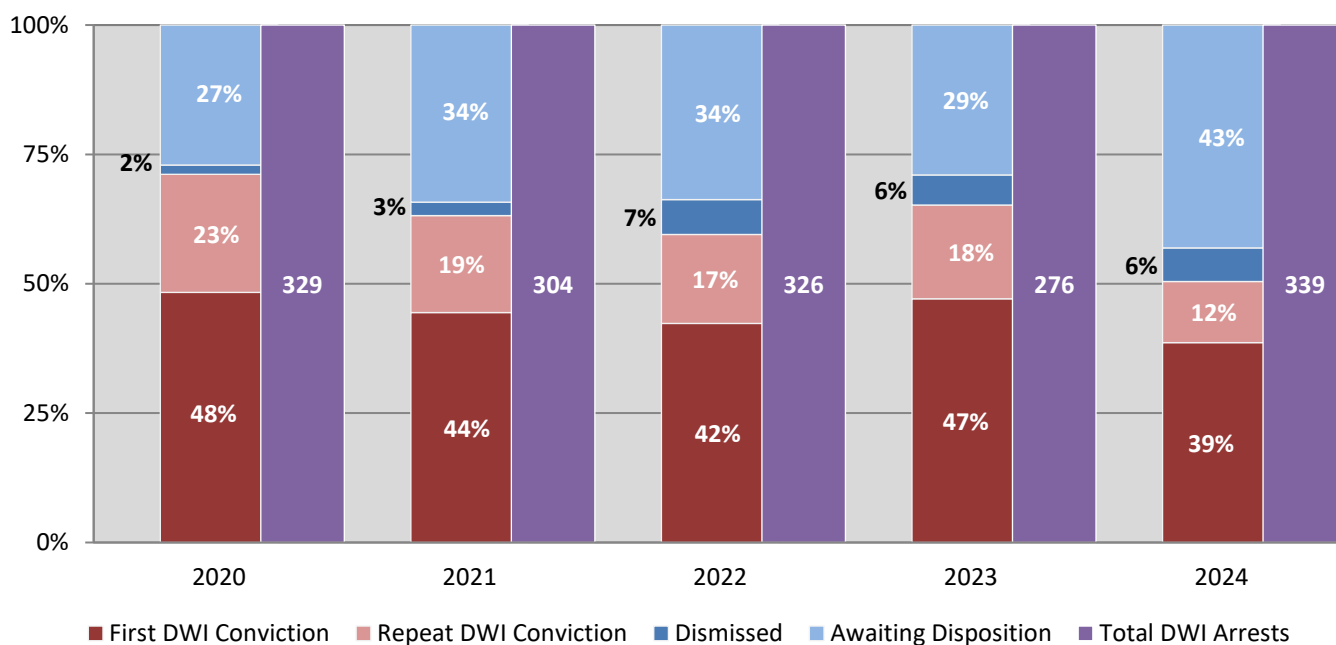
Court Disposition	Average Number of Days		Deviation from Statewide Average
	Chaves County	Statewide	
DWI Conviction	246	170	76
DWI Dismissal	231	163	67

Table 34: Court Disposition of DWI Arrests in Chaves County, 2020-2024

Year of DWI Arrest ¹	Court Disposition				Total DWI Arrests
	First DWI Conviction	Repeat DWI Conviction	Dismissed	Awaiting Disposition	
2020	159	75	6	89	329
2021	135	57	8	104	304
2022	138	56	22	110	326
2023	130	50	16	80	276
2024	131	40	22	146	339

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

Figure 14: Court Dispositions by Percentage of DWI Arrests in Chaves County, 2020-2024



*Table 34 contains the values used to calculate percentages shown in Figure 14.