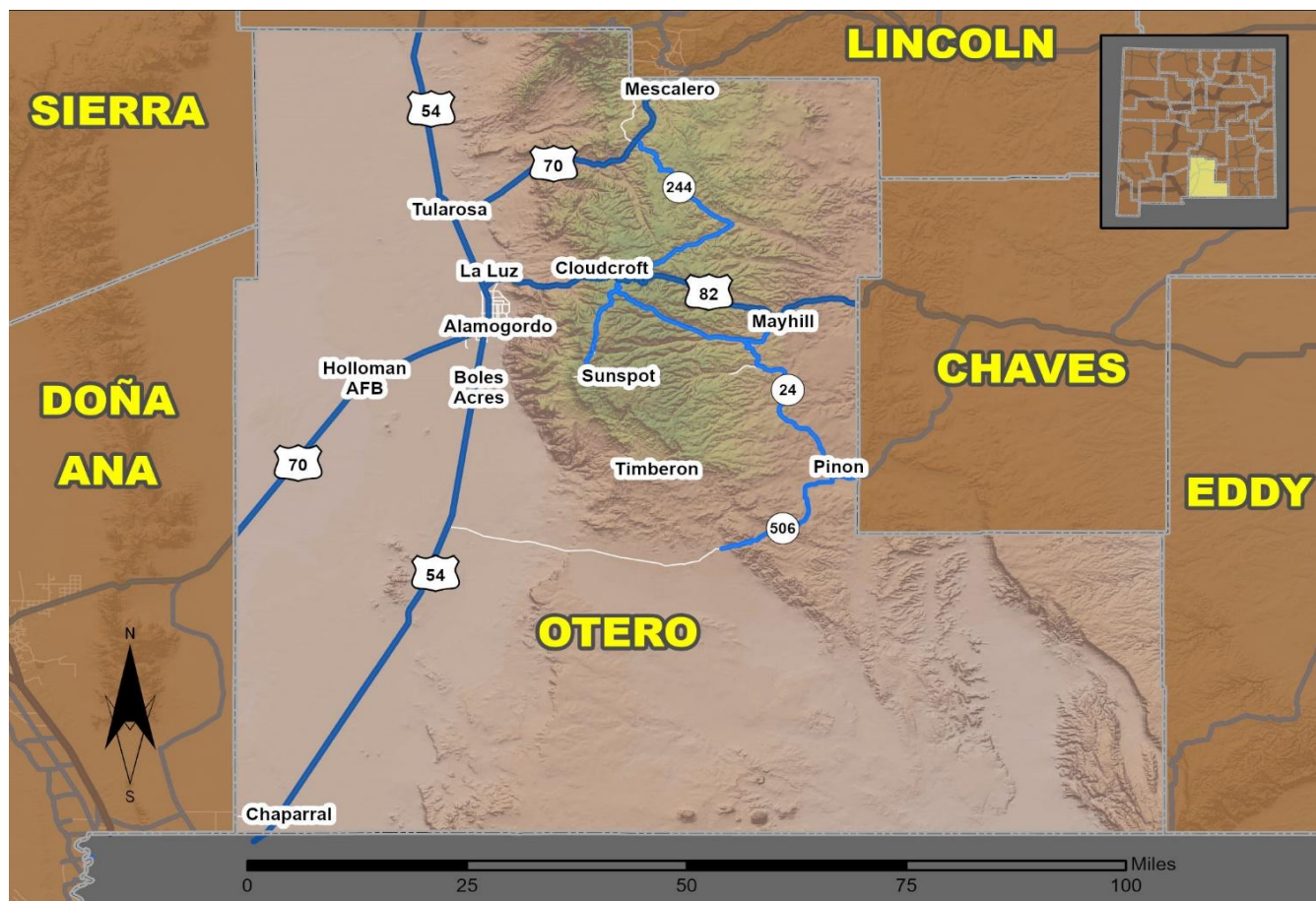


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Otero County



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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 Otero County, 2015-2024**

Year	Total Crashes				Alcohol-involved Crashes			
	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total
2015	10	283	688	981	2	26	20	48
2016	3	294	652	949	1	20	26	47
2017	6	329	660	995	4	16	22	42
2018	7	272	590	869	1	19	22	42
2019	9	259	607	875	2	17	22	41
2020	6	242	545	793	4	25	24	53
2021	12	331	570	913	2	22	17	41
2022	9	268	623	900	4	14	20	38
2023	12	301	570	883	3	22	24	49
2024	13	279	626	918	3	27	26	56

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

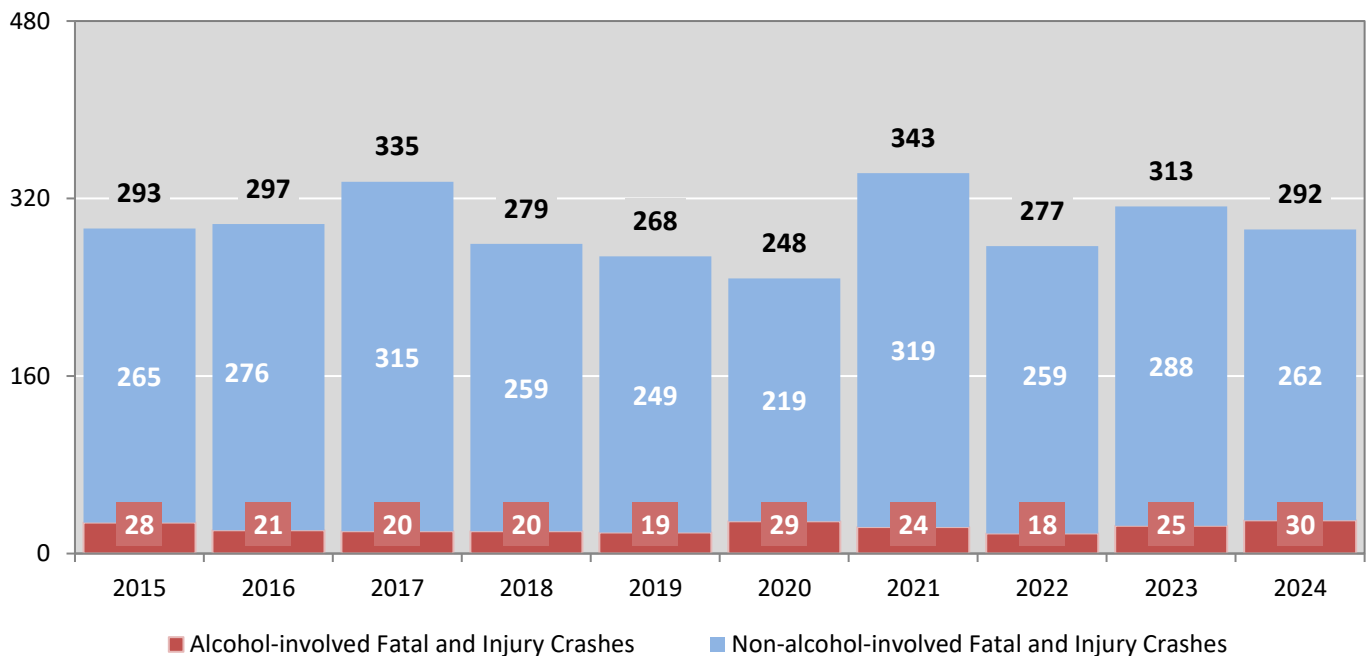


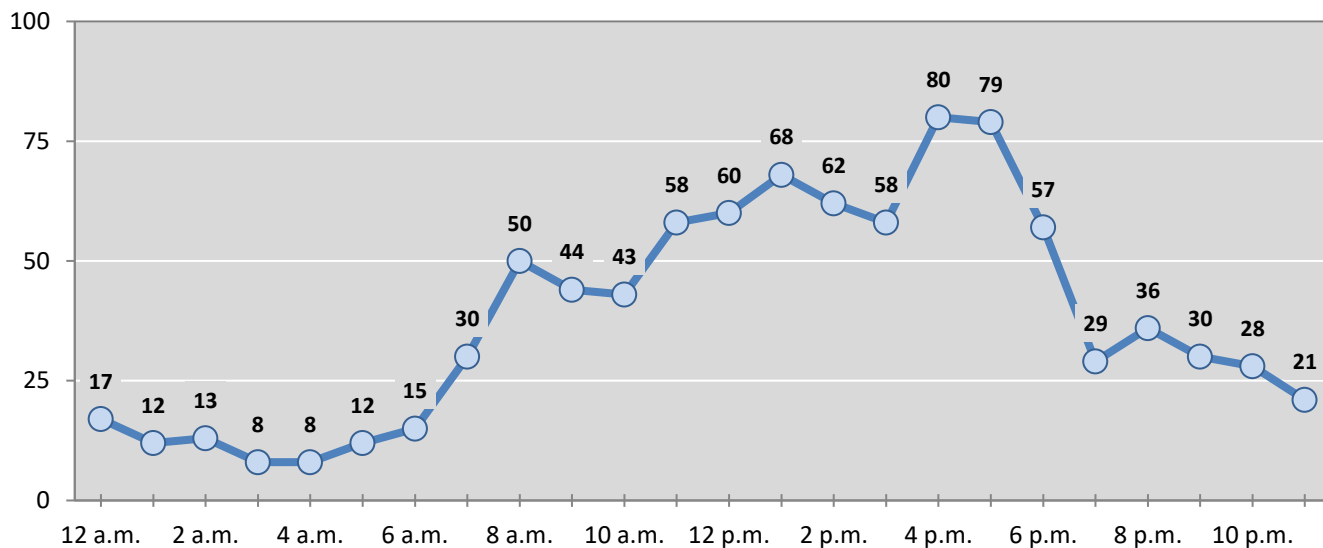
Table 2: Crashes by Month in Otero County, 2020-2024

Month	Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
January	63	68	80	66	67	69
February	76	55	59	63	60	63
March	56	79	74	77	87	75
April	63	86	69	76	76	74
May	65	74	78	74	63	71
June	71	78	63	67	70	70
July	78	57	74	70	75	71
August	58	73	70	73	92	73
September	65	71	82	88	79	77
October	69	98	87	75	96	85
November	67	75	85	71	80	76
December	62	99	79	83	73	79
Total Crashes	793	913	900	883	918	881

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

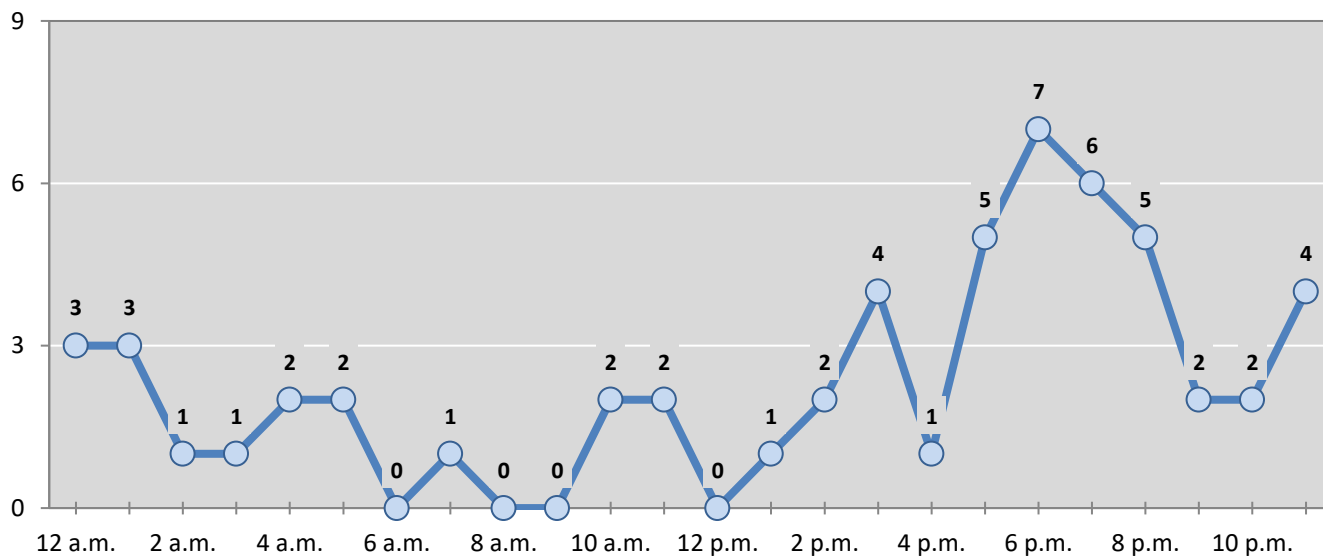
Month	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
January	3	4	3	2	4	3
February	6	1	1	2	6	3
March	5	2	4	5	5	4
April	4	11	4	5	5	6
May	6	5	2	3	3	4
June	6	2	2	3	2	3
July	7	3	2	5	3	4
August	3	4	4	4	5	4
September	6	1	4	6	9	5
October	3	0	4	5	5	3
November	3	1	3	5	6	4
December	1	7	5	4	3	4
Total Crashes	53	41	38	49	56	47

Figure 2: Crashes by Hour in Otero County, 2024



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

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



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

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

Day of Week	Total Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	90	88	103	107	96	97
Monday	116	142	113	131	125	125
Tuesday	123	128	119	132	134	127
Wednesday	122	135	135	121	120	127
Thursday	114	128	146	132	140	132
Friday	119	155	160	137	175	149
Saturday	109	137	124	123	128	124
Total Crashes	793	913	900	883	918	881

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

Day of Week	Heavy-truck Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	9	2	3	4	1	4
Monday	7	7	9	9	7	8
Tuesday	6	2	6	4	6	5
Wednesday	4	3	10	4	7	6
Thursday	8	6	9	3	3	6
Friday	9	7	10	7	10	9
Saturday	2	4	7	1	2	3
Total Crashes	45	31	54	32	36	40

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

Day of Week	Motorcycle Crashes ¹					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	6	2	5	5	5	5
Monday	6	4	2	8	3	5
Tuesday	0	8	2	4	7	4
Wednesday	3	3	3	6	3	4
Thursday	2	3	3	8	3	4
Friday	3	6	5	6	9	6
Saturday	6	11	6	6	9	8
Total Crashes	26	37	26	43	39	34

¹ "Motorcycles" exclude ATVs.

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

Day of Week	Alcohol-involved Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	9	9	4	8	9	8
Monday	5	7	7	8	1	6
Tuesday	4	4	6	4	9	5
Wednesday	7	5	5	2	9	6
Thursday	6	2	3	6	6	5
Friday	7	8	7	12	10	9
Saturday	15	6	6	9	12	10
Total Crashes	53	41	38	49	56	47

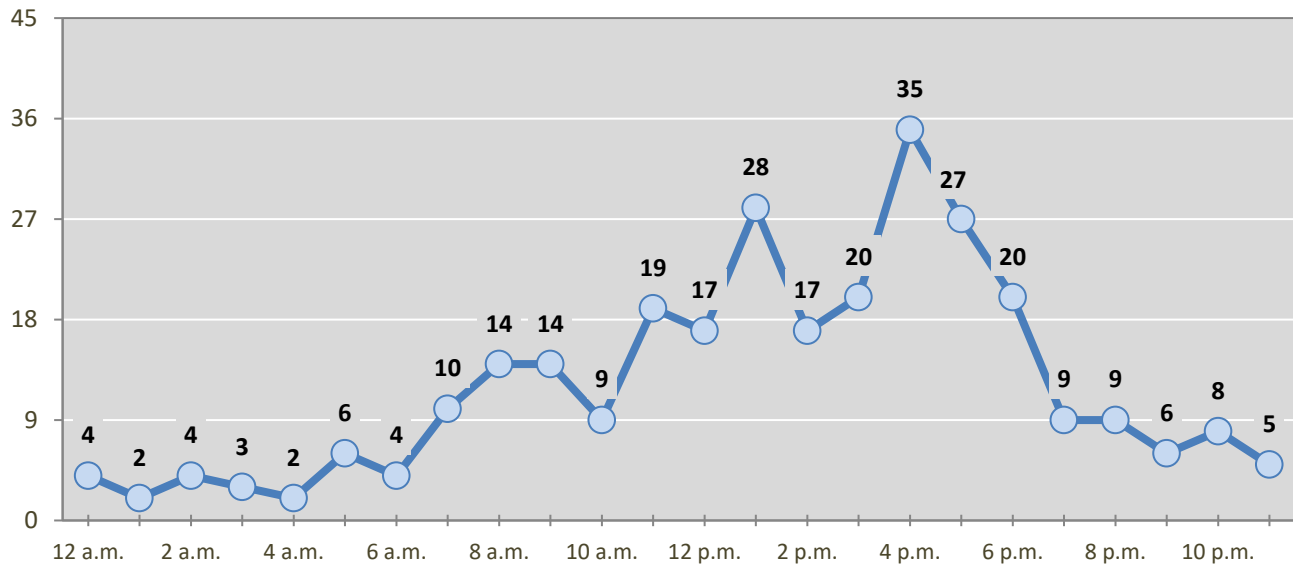
Table 8: Fatal and Injury Crashes by Day of Week in Otero County, 2020-2024

Day of Week	Fatal and Injury Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	32	38	39	36	33	36
Monday	35	55	33	38	42	41
Tuesday	31	43	34	47	39	39
Wednesday	41	50	31	39	42	41
Thursday	32	45	48	55	43	45
Friday	41	54	49	52	51	49
Saturday	36	58	43	46	42	45
Total Crashes	248	343	277	313	292	295

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

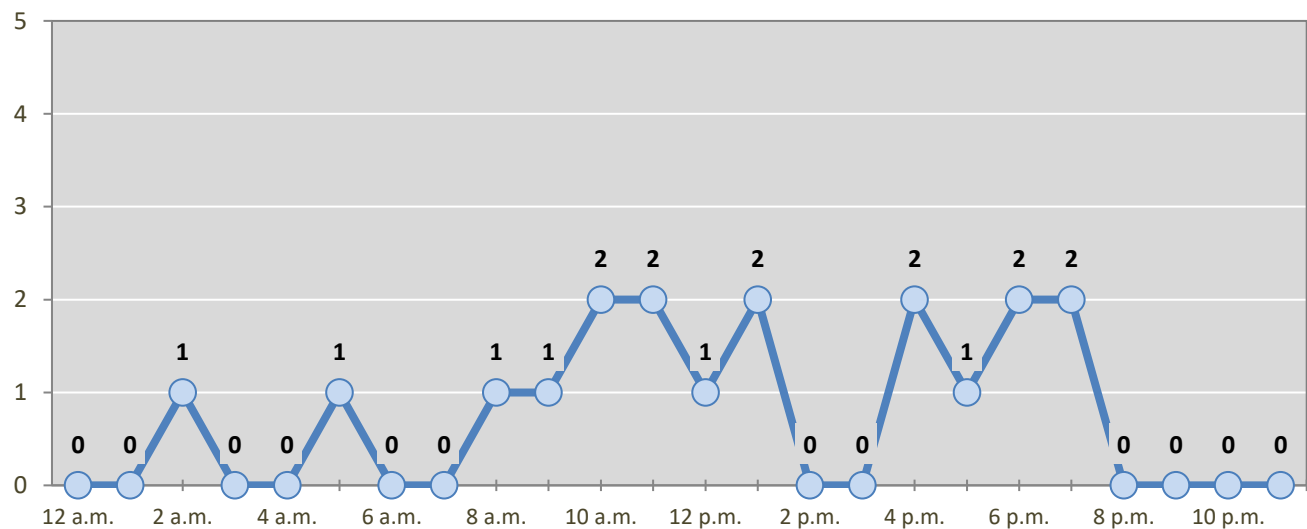
Day of Week	All Pedestrian and Pedalcycle Crashes					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	1	1	0	2	2	1
Monday	0	4	1	0	3	2
Tuesday	3	1	2	3	2	2
Wednesday	0	3	1	0	7	2
Thursday	0	1	2	2	1	1
Friday	0	4	3	2	1	2
Saturday	0	1	3	3	2	2
Total Crashes	4	15	12	12	18	12

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



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

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



* In 2024, Otero 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 Otero 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	3	5	18	13	58	97
Urban	2	3	10	8	33	56
Rural Non-Interstate	1	2	8	5	25	41
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
People in Crashes	13	40	160	199	1,793	2,205
Urban	5	14	71	149	1,185	1,424
Rural Non-Interstate	8	26	89	50	608	781
Rural Interstate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percent in Alcohol-involved Crashes	23%	13%	11%	7%	3%	4%

Table 11: Total Crashes by Rural and Urban Locations and Crash Severity in Otero 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	326	306	366	351	372	345
Fatal Crash	5	8	5	8	8	7
Injury Crash	92	116	116	134	111	114
Property Damage Only Crash	229	182	245	209	253	224
Total Urban	467	607	534	532	546	537
Fatal Crash	1	4	4	4	5	4
Injury Crash	150	215	152	167	168	170
Property Damage Only Crash	316	388	378	361	373	363

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

First Harmful Event ¹	Total Crashes by Year					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Collision with Animal	82	83	71	77	81	79
Collision with Fixed Object	104	108	134	126	143	123
Collision with Motor Vehicle	507	611	594	567	586	573
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	16	23	15	24	18	19
Collision with Person	4	15	12	12	18	12
Pedalcycle	1	6	6	4	9	5
Pedestrian	3	8	6	7	9	7
Other Non-Motorist	0	1	0	1	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	66	54	33	51	72	55
Overturn/Rollover	45	34	19	25	36	32
All Other Non-Collision	21	20	14	26	36	23
Other	9	19	41	26	0	19
Missing Data	5	0	0	0	0	1
Total Crashes	793	913	900	883	918	881

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 Otero County, 2020-2024

Vehicle Type ¹	Vehicles in Crashes by Vehicle Type					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Buses	2	4	4	8	3	4
Motorcycles/ATVs	37	44	30	45	52	42
Passenger Cars	631	790	743	712	749	725
Pedalcycles	1	6	6	4	9	5
Pedestrians, All	3	9	6	9	9	7
Pickups	320	358	364	341	375	352
Semis/Heavy Trucks	45	33	55	35	36	41
Vans/SUVs/4WDs	266	319	305	311	313	303
Other Vehicles	3	5	5	2	5	4
Missing Data	29	26	27	27	29	28
Total Vehicles	1,337	1,594	1,545	1,494	1,580	1,510

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 Otero County, 2024**

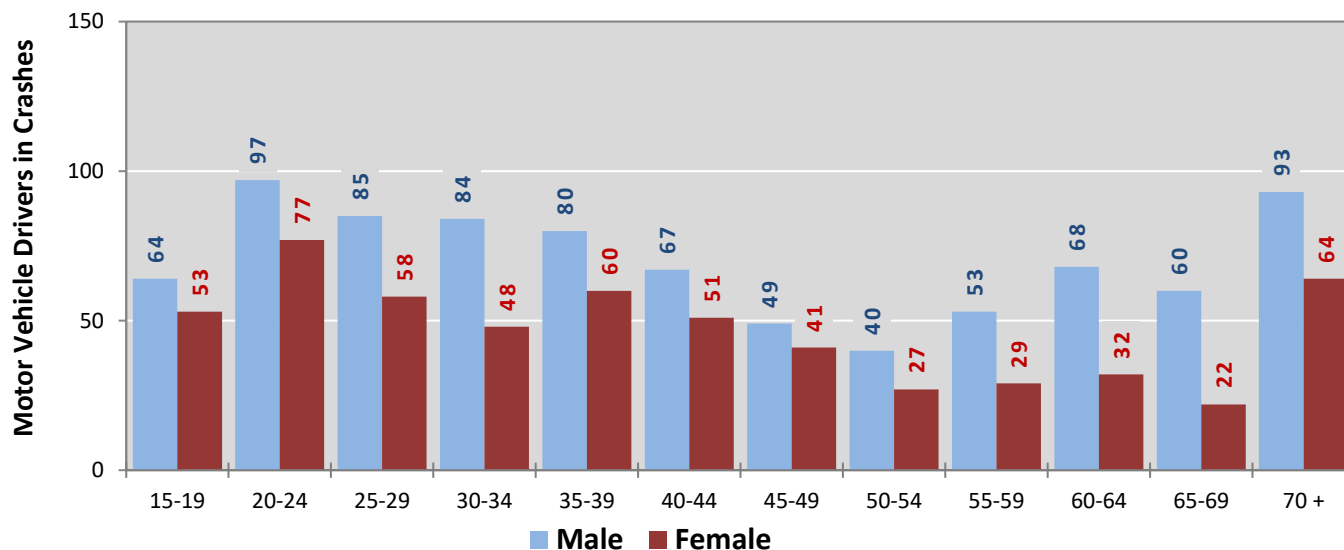
Age Groups	Motor Vehicle ¹ Drivers by Vehicle Type and Age Group								Total Drivers
	Bus	Motor-cycle/ATV	Passenger	Pickup	Semi/Heavy Truck	Van 4WD SUV	Other Vehicle	Missing Data	
15-19	0	3	72	21	0	21	0	0	117
20-24	0	12	108	26	1	28	0	0	175
25-29	0	7	76	25	1	35	1	0	145
30-34	0	9	61	26	4	31	1	0	132
35-39	0	5	54	37	3	42	0	0	141
40-44	0	0	58	38	2	22	0	0	120
45-49	0	1	53	17	3	16	1	0	91
50-54	0	4	34	20	1	8	0	0	67
55-59	1	3	31	26	5	15	1	0	82
60-64	1	0	44	33	4	19	1	0	102
65-69	1	0	27	30	7	18	0	0	83
70 +	0	2	75	46	0	34	0	0	157
Missing Data	0	6	56	30	5	24	0	29	150
Total Drivers	3	52	749	375	36	313	5	29	1,562

**Table 15: Alcohol-involved Motor Vehicle Drivers in Crashes by Vehicle Type
and Age Group in Otero 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	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
20-24	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	7
25-29	0	0	8	2	0	1	0	0	11
30-34	0	1	2	1	0	4	0	0	8
35-39	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	4
40-44	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
45-49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-54	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
55-59	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
60-64	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
65-69	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
70 +	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Missing Data	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
Total Drivers	0	4	26	16	0	6	0	0	52

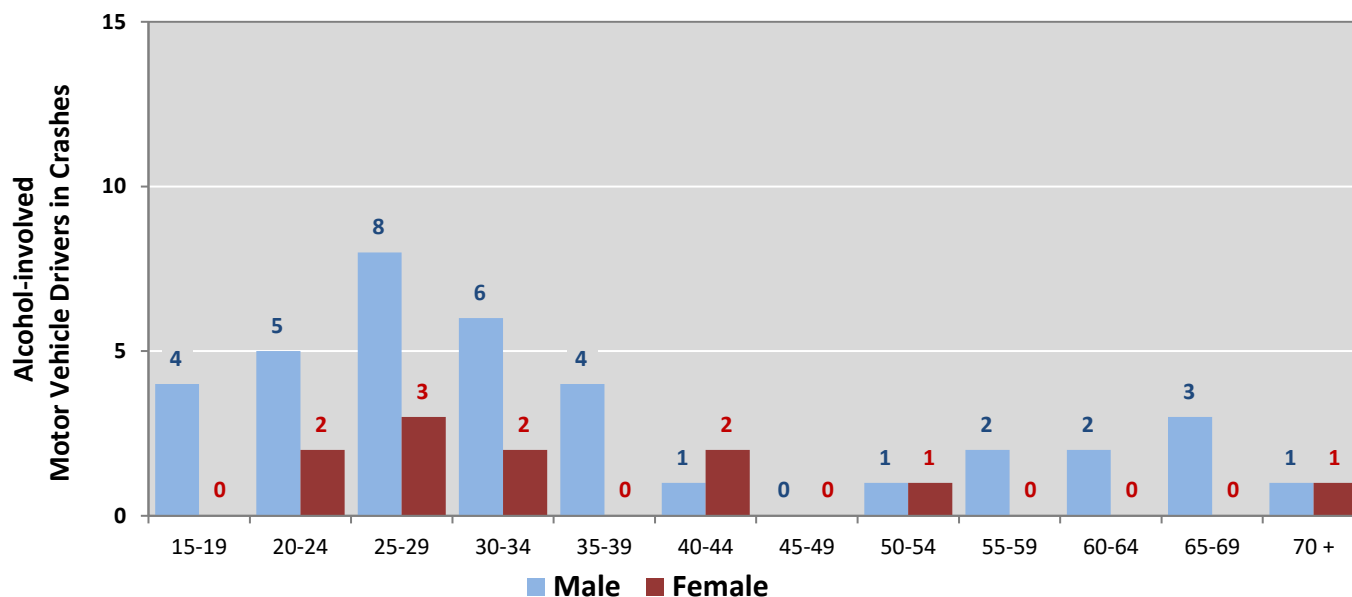
¹ See Page 18 for data on drivers of non-motorized vehicles in crashes (i.e. pedestrians and pedalcyclists).

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



* In 2024, Otero County had 160 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 Otero County, 2024



* In 2024, Otero County had 4 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 Otero County, 2020-2024

Age ¹	Year					5-Year Total
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
15	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	1	0	0	0	0	1
17	0	0	0	1	0	1
18	1	0	2	0	0	3
19	1	1	0	2	4	8
20	1	0	0	0	2	3
Total Drivers	4	1	2	3	6	16

Table 17: Motor Vehicle Drivers Under 21 (Ages 15-20) in Crashes by Age, Sex and Alcohol Involvement in Otero 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	5	2	7	5%	0	0	0	0%
16	6	11	17	11%	0	0	0	0%
17	12	17	29	19%	0	0	0	0%
18	22	11	33	21%	0	0	0	0%
19	19	12	31	20%	4	0	4	67%
20	22	15	37	24%	1	1	2	33%
Total Drivers	86	68	154	100%	5	1	6	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 Otero 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	35	473	696	1,204
Driver Inattention	9	155	267	431
Failed to Yield Right of Way	4	71	77	152
Other Improper Driving	0	29	47	76
Driver Distracted by Other Activity	1	19	45	65
Under the Influence Of Alcohol	3	27	26	56
Excessive Speed	8	34	13	55
Avoid No Contact Vehicle	0	23	29	52
Made Improper Turn	0	16	32	48
Following Too Closely	0	21	22	43
Passed Stop Sign	0	16	17	33
Disregarded Traffic Signal	0	17	12	29
Drove Left of Center	1	10	16	27
Improper Lane Change	0	7	18	25
Avoid No Contact Other	0	8	14	22
Improper Backing	0	0	18	18
Speed Too Fast For Conditions	1	4	9	14
Under the Influence Of Drugs	5	1	7	13
Cell Phone	0	3	9	12
Improper Overtaking	1	4	7	12
Driver Distracted by Talking on Cell Phone	0	4	2	6
Driver Distracted by Passenger	0	2	2	4
Driver Distracted By Texting	0	0	3	3
Failed to Yield For Police Vehicle	0	1	1	2
High-Speed Pursuit	1	0	1	2
Failed to Yield For Emer. Vehicle	0	1	0	1
Pedestrian Error	1	0	0	1
Driver Distracted by Talking on Hands-Free Device	0	0	1	1
Vehicle Skidded Before Braking	0	0	1	1
Driverless Moving Vehicle	0	0	0	0
Vehicle	0	14	27	41
Defective Tires	0	3	8	11
Inadequate Brakes	0	5	5	10
Other Mechanical Defect	0	4	5	9
Defective Steering	0	2	4	6
Coupling Device (Hitch, Chains)	0	0	4	4
Wheels	0	0	1	1
Exhaust System	0	0	0	0
Lights (Head, Signal, Tail)	0	0	0	0
Mirrors	0	0	0	0
Suspension	0	0	0	0
Windows/Windshield	0	0	0	0
Wipers	0	0	0	0
Environment	2	39	139	180
Animal(s) In Roadway	0	16	82	98
Road Surface Conditions	1	4	14	19
Weather Conditions	1	4	7	12
Low Visibility Due to Glare	0	3	7	10
Other Visual Obstruction(s)	0	3	7	10
Backup - Prior Crash	0	0	9	9
Obstruction in Road	0	3	4	7
Debris	0	2	3	5
Traffic Congestion	0	3	0	3
Road Defect	0	1	2	3
Traffic Control Missing	0	0	3	3
Backup - Prior Incident	0	0	1	1
Low Visibility Due to Smoke	0	0	0	0
Other	5	198	442	645
Other - No Driver Error	5	192	424	621
Missing Data	0	5	14	19
None	0	1	4	5
Total	42	724	1,304	2,070

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 Otero 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	0	6	3	126	135
Elk	0	0	4	3	86	93
Deer	0	0	1	0	16	17
Other Large Game Animal	0	0	1	0	14	15
Small Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	3	3
Small Game Animal	0	0	0	0	3	3
Cattle/Cow	0	0	0	0	1	1
Horse	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other Large Domestic Animal	0	0	0	0	1	1
Antelope	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bear	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (Bird, Cougar, Sheep, Goat)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	1	1
Collision with Fixed Object	3	8	29	10	137	187
Tree (standing)	0	3	4	2	14	23
Other Post, Pole or Support	0	0	1	2	17	20
Utility Pole/Light Support	0	0	6	0	13	19
Other Fixed Object	1	1	3	2	11	18
Guardrail, End or Face	1	0	4	0	12	17
Fence	0	0	3	1	11	15
Curb	0	1	2	0	11	14
Embankment	0	1	3	1	5	10
Wall or Building	0	0	0	1	9	10
Traffic Sign Support	0	0	0	0	7	7
Ditch	0	0	1	1	4	6
Median	0	0	1	0	4	5
Traffic Barrier, Concrete	0	0	0	0	3	3
Bridge Pier, Support, Rail, or Overhead	1	1	0	0	0	2
Culvert	0	0	0	0	1	1
Traffic Barrier, Cable	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (incl. hydrant, box, cattle guard, plant)	0	0	1	0	15	16
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	1	0	0	0	1
Collision with Motor Vehicle	3	23	80	176	1,430	1,712
MV in Transport	3	23	79	173	1,319	1,597
Parked MV	0	0	1	3	107	111
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	4	4
Collision with Other Non-Fixed Object	0	0	3	2	19	24
Struck by falling, shifting cargo	0	0	0	0	1	1
Railway Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work Zone/Maintenance Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-fixed Object	0	0	3	2	18	23
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Collision with Person	2	2	9	4	21	38
Pedestrian	2	2	4	1	11	20
Pedalcycle	0	0	5	3	10	18
Other Non-Motorist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Collision	5	7	33	4	60	109
Overturn/Rollover	5	6	24	4	19	58
Cargo/Equipment Loss or Shift	0	0	0	0	12	12
Fell/Jumped from MV	0	0	3	0	2	5
Fire/Explosion	0	0	0	0	3	3
Jackknife	0	0	0	0	3	3
Thrown or Falling Object	0	0	0	0	1	1
Immersion, Full or Partial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-Collision	0	1	6	0	20	27
Missing Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing FHE and Subanalysis Data	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total People	13	40	160	199	1,793	2,205

**Table 20: Killed or Injured Unbelted People in Crashes
by Sex and Age Group in Otero 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	5%	1
5-9	1	8%	0	0%	1
10-14	0	0%	0	0%	0
15-19	0	0%	1	5%	1
20-24	0	0%	7	35%	7
25-29	3	23%	5	25%	8
30-34	1	8%	0	0%	1
35-39	1	8%	1	5%	2
40-44	3	23%	2	10%	5
45-49	0	0%	0	0%	0
50-54	0	0%	1	5%	1
55-59	1	8%	1	5%	2
60-64	0	0%	0	0%	0
65-69	2	15%	0	0%	2
70 +	0	0%	1	5%	1
Missing Data	1	8%	0	0%	1
Total People	13	100%	20	100%	33

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 Otero County, 2020-2024**

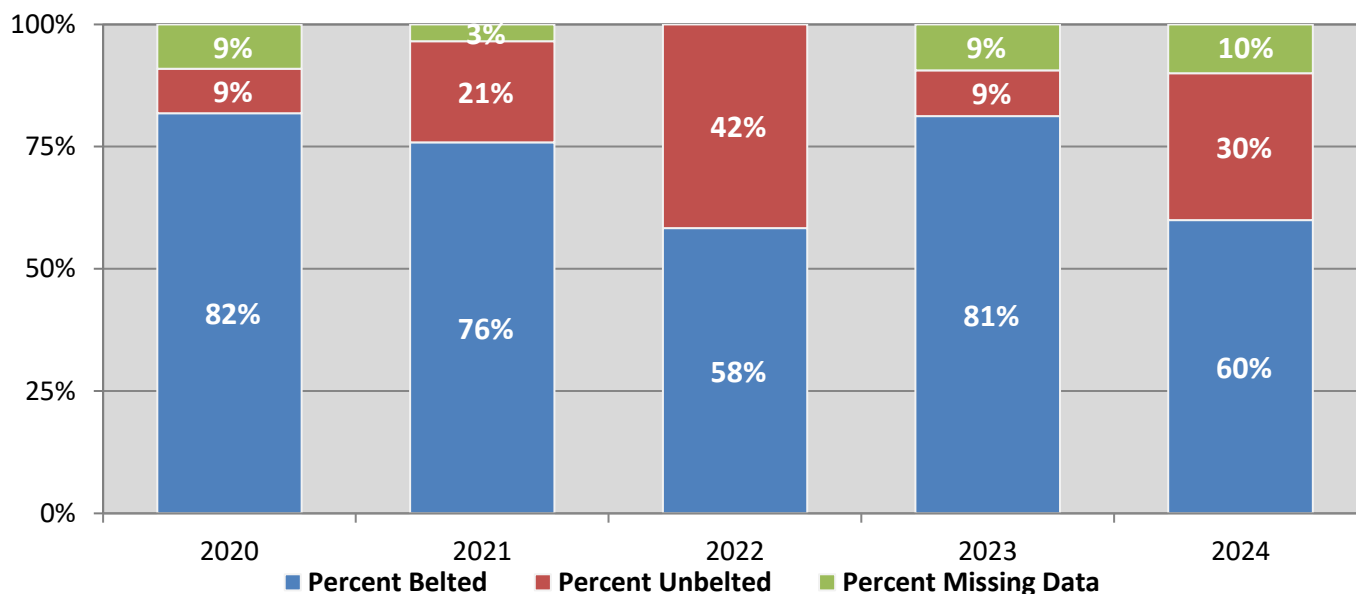
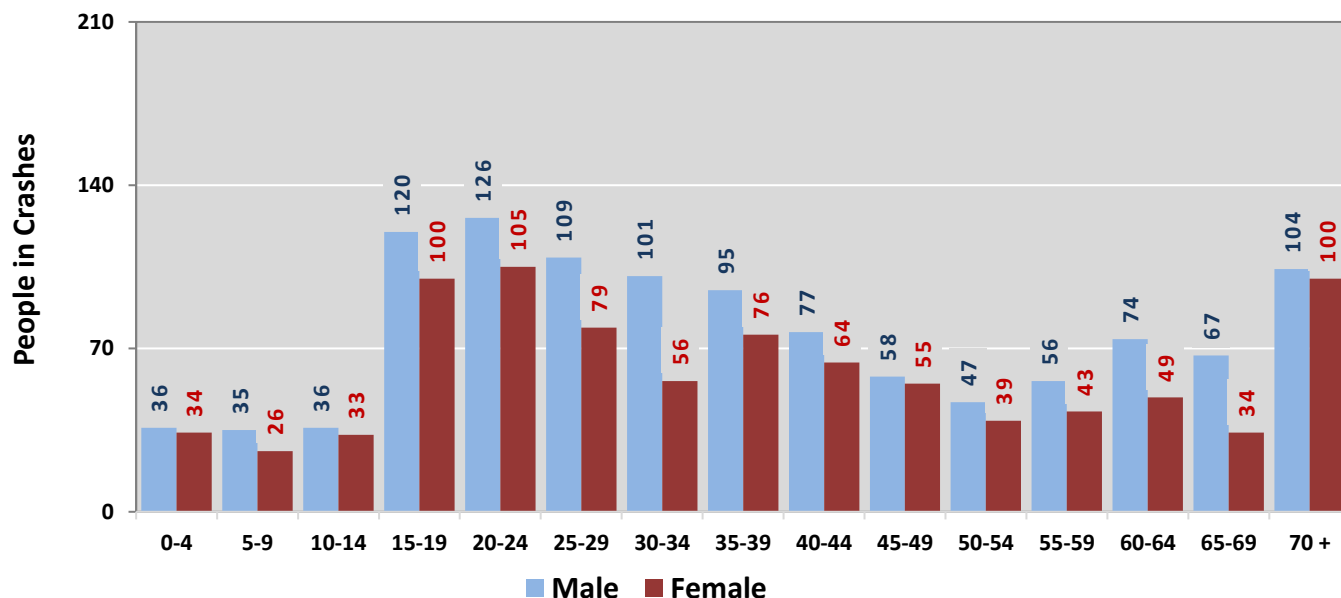
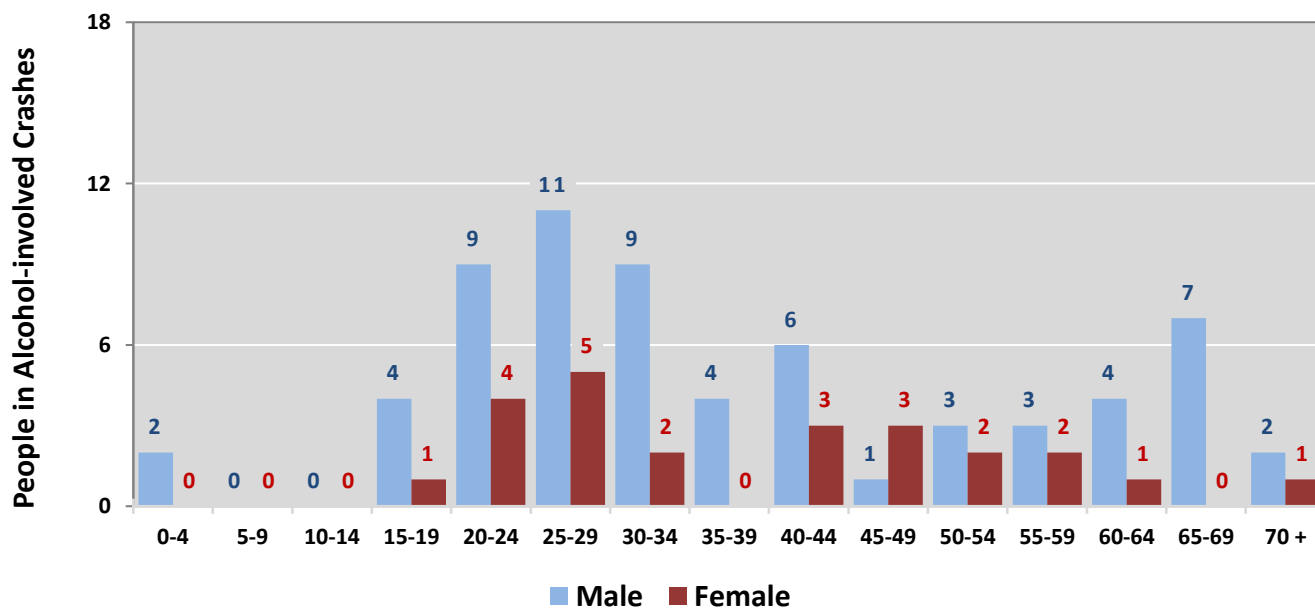


Figure 9: People in Crashes by Age Group and Sex in Otero County, 2024



* In 2024, Otero County had 171 people in crashes for which age or sex data were missing.

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



* In 2024, Otero County had 8 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 Otero County, 2020-2024

Age Groups	All Pedestrians and All Pedalcyclists ¹ in Crashes					5-Year Total People
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
0-4	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-9	0	1	2	0	1	4
10-14	0	1	1	0	1	3
15-19	1	2	0	0	0	3
20-24	1	1	0	1	2	5
25-29	0	1	1	4	3	9
30-34	0	2	2	0	1	5
35-39	0	1	1	3	0	5
40-44	1	2	2	0	0	5
45-49	0	0	0	0	2	2
50-54	0	0	0	1	2	3
55-59	0	1	1	3	2	7
60-64	0	0	1	0	0	1
65-69	0	2	0	0	2	4
70 +	1	1	1	1	1	5
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total People	4	15	12	13	18	62

Table 22: All Pedestrians and Pedalcycle Operators in Crashes by Alcohol Involvement and Severity of Injuries in Otero 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	5	3	1	9
Involved	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Involved	0	0	5	3	1	9
All Pedestrians	2	2	4	1	0	9
Involved	1	2	0	1	0	4
Not Involved	1	0	4	0	0	5
Total People	2	2	9	4	1	18

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 Otero County, 2024**

Severity of Injuries	Injury Class	Occupants of Passenger Vehicles ¹			
		Belted	Unbelted	Missing Data	Total
Fatalities	K	1	5	0	6
Suspected Serious Injuries	A	17	4	3	24
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	95	15	8	118
Possible Injuries	C	172	9	6	187
No Apparent Injuries	O	1,487	17	203	1,707
Total Occupants of Passenger Vehicles		1,772	50	220	2,042

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 Otero 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	7	3	0	10
Suspected Minor Injuries	B	14	8	4	26
Possible Injuries	C	2	1	0	3
No Apparent Injuries	O	0	0	3	3
Total Motorcyclists		23	13	7	43

¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

**Table 25: Occupants of Passenger Vehicles in Crashes
by Year, Belt Usage, and Percent Killed in Otero 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	0	0	0	0	1,433	11	192	1,636	0.00%	0.0%
2021	2	6	0	8	1,813	28	217	2,058	0.11%	21.4%
2022	1	8	0	9	1,761	51	192	2,004	0.06%	15.7%
2023	4	3	0	7	1,668	23	199	1,890	0.24%	13.0%
2024	1	5	0	6	1,772	50	220	2,042	0.06%	10.0%
Average	1.6	4.4	0.0	6.0	1,689.4	32.6	204.0	1,926.0	0.09%	13.5%

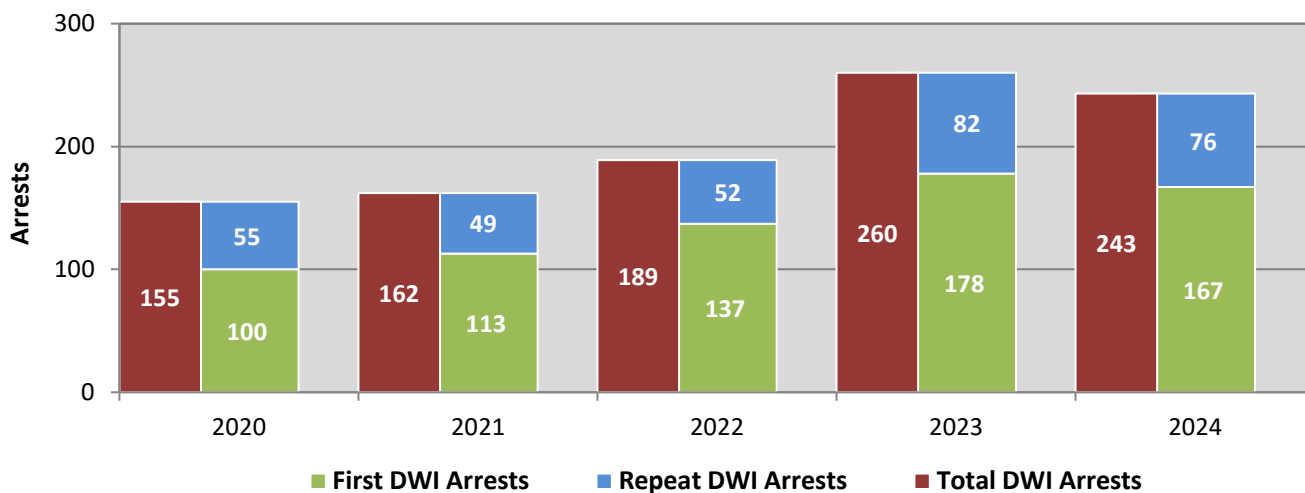
¹ Occupants of passenger cars, SUVs, 4WDs, vans, and pickup trucks only.

**Table 26: Motorcyclists in Crashes
by Year, Helmet Usage, and Percent Killed in Otero 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	2	0	2	7	10	10	27	0.0%	20.0%
2021	1	2	0	3	18	19	4	41	5.6%	10.5%
2022	1	0	0	1	18	5	5	28	5.6%	0.0%
2023	4	0	0	4	25	17	6	48	16.0%	0.0%
2024	0	1	0	1	23	13	7	43	0.0%	7.7%
Average	1.2	1.0	0.0	2.2	18.2	12.8	6.4	37.4	6.6%	7.8%

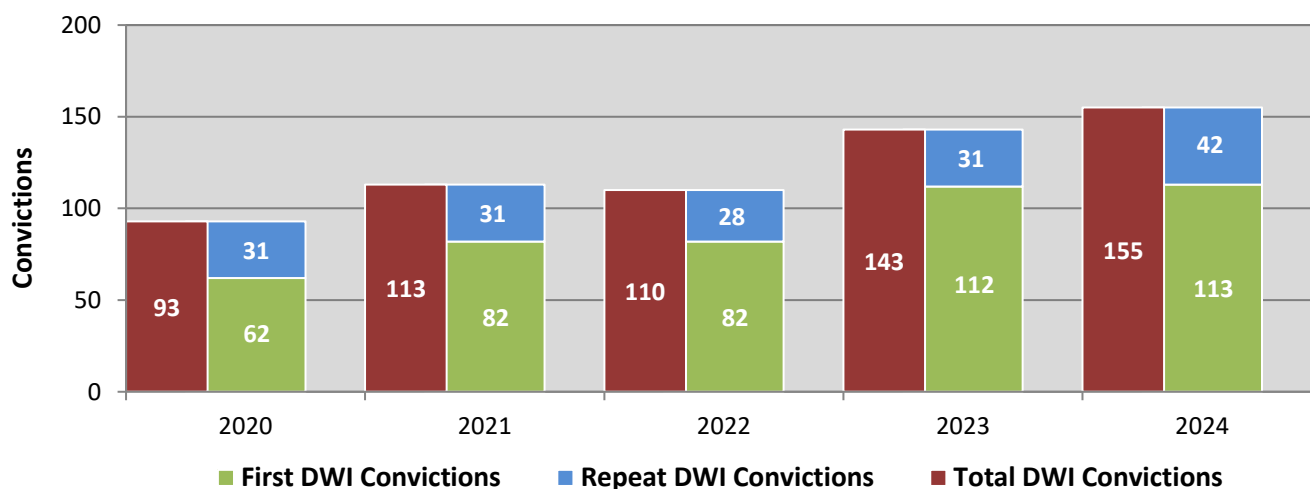
¹ Excludes people on ATVs.

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



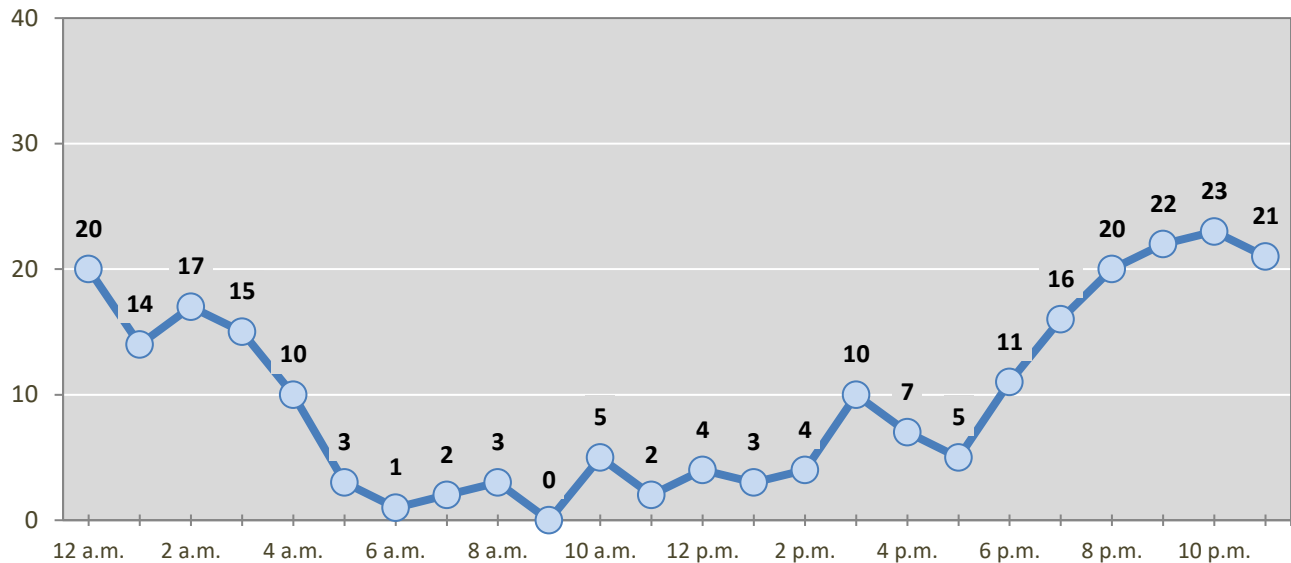
*Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

**Figure 12: DWI Convictions in Otero 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 Otero County, 2024



* In 2024, Otero County had 5 arrests for which hour data were missing.

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

Day of Week	Year					5-Year Average
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Sunday	36	32	41	56	36	40
Monday	14	20	20	25	27	21
Tuesday	13	19	14	23	28	19
Wednesday	19	20	14	23	27	21
Thursday	10	12	23	32	22	20
Friday	29	20	31	34	42	31
Saturday	34	39	46	67	61	49
Total Arrests	155	162	189	260	243	202

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

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Arrests ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	11	11	11	10	15
20-24	18	25	26	37	30
25-29	16	25	33	27	39
30-34	14	18	20	27	19
35-39	12	8	16	28	14
40-44	9	6	10	16	20
45-49	4	7	7	10	8
50-54	4	6	3	8	7
55-59	7	1	5	4	5
60-64	3	4	3	6	5
65-69	0	1	2	3	4
70 +	0	1	1	1	1
Missing Data	2	0	0	1	0
Total Drivers	100	113	137	178	167

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

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

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Arrests ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	1	0	0	0	0
20-24	3	6	2	5	7
25-29	9	5	7	11	5
30-34	11	10	11	17	12
35-39	9	7	4	14	11
40-44	4	7	7	8	11
45-49	6	3	2	5	6
50-54	6	3	3	2	7
55-59	1	2	9	9	6
60-64	2	4	4	7	6
65-69	2	2	3	2	3
70 +	1	0	0	2	2
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	55	49	52	82	76

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

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

Age Groups	Driver First DWI Convictions ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	6	7	5	6	7
20-24	10	20	18	22	22
25-29	4	15	22	28	16
30-34	11	12	14	15	18
35-39	6	7	6	15	20
40-44	8	7	5	8	8
45-49	6	5	6	6	7
50-54	3	5	1	3	2
55-59	6	2	1	3	4
60-64	2	2	1	2	7
65-69	0	0	2	3	2
70 +	0	0	1	1	0
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	62	82	82	112	113

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

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

Age Groups	Driver Repeat DWI Convictions ¹				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
15-19	0	0	0	0	0
20-24	4	2	3	1	4
25-29	11	5	3	4	3
30-34	3	6	6	5	7
35-39	3	7	2	4	5
40-44	0	4	5	8	4
45-49	3	3	1	1	1
50-54	1	0	3	3	2
55-59	3	0	2	4	8
60-64	1	2	0	0	5
65-69	2	2	3	1	2
70 +	0	0	0	0	1
Missing Data	0	0	0	0	0
Total Drivers	31	31	28	31	42

¹ Values are based upon the year of the conviction.

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

Court Disposition of DWI Arrest ¹	Otero County	Statewide	Percent of Statewide
Total DWI Arrests	243	9,465	2.6%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Convictions	134	5,274	2.5%
DWI Arrests Resulting in Dismissals ²	18	666	2.7%
DWI Arrests Awaiting Disposition	91	3,525	2.6%

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 in Otero County and the State, 2024

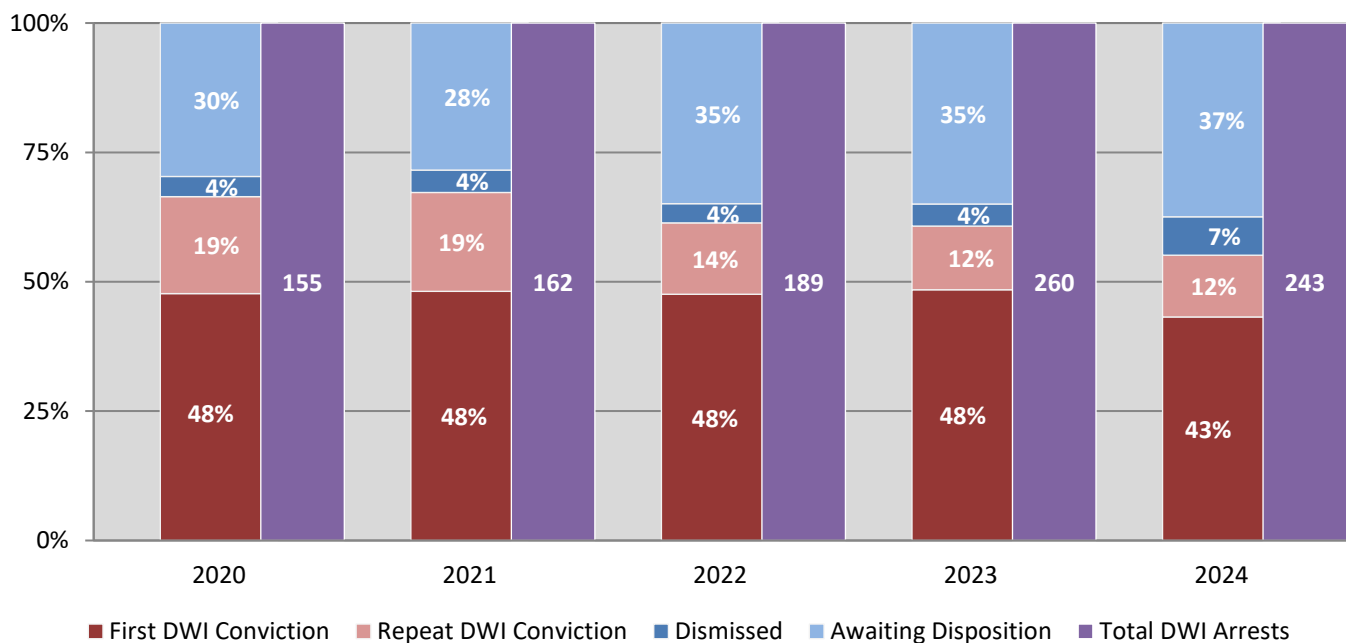
Court Disposition	Average Number of Days		Deviation from Statewide Average
	Otero County	Statewide	
DWI Conviction	162	170	-9
DWI Dismissal	202	163	39

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

Year of DWI Arrest ¹	Court Disposition				Total DWI Arrests
	First DWI Conviction	Repeat DWI Conviction	Dismissed	Awaiting Disposition	
2020	74	29	6	46	155
2021	78	31	7	46	162
2022	90	26	7	66	189
2023	126	32	11	91	260
2024	105	29	18	91	243

¹ Values are based upon the year of the arrest.

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



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