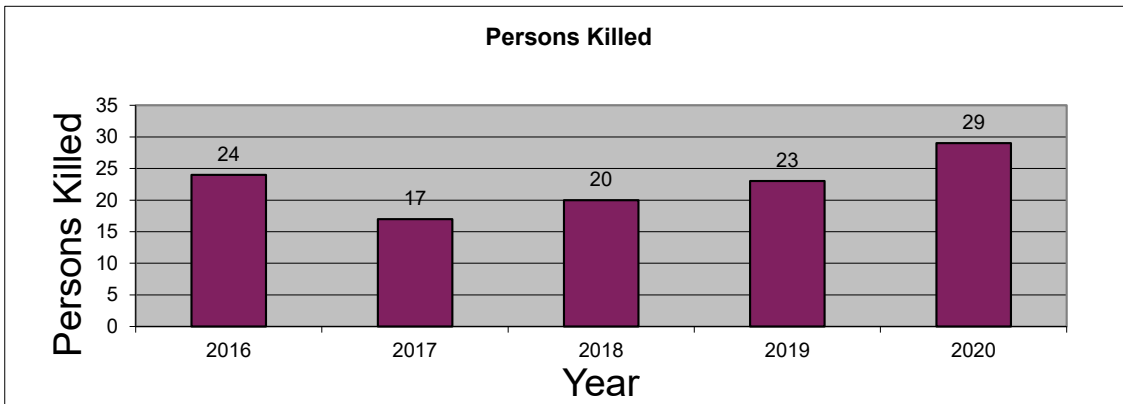
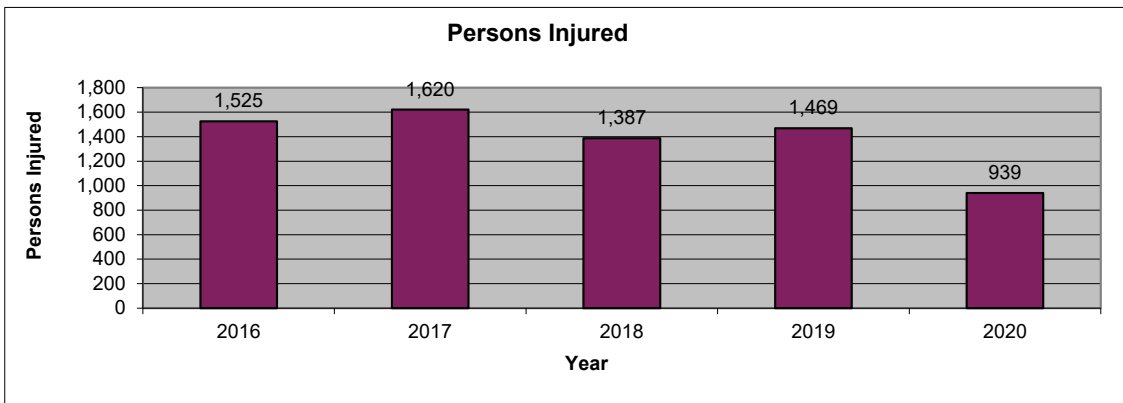
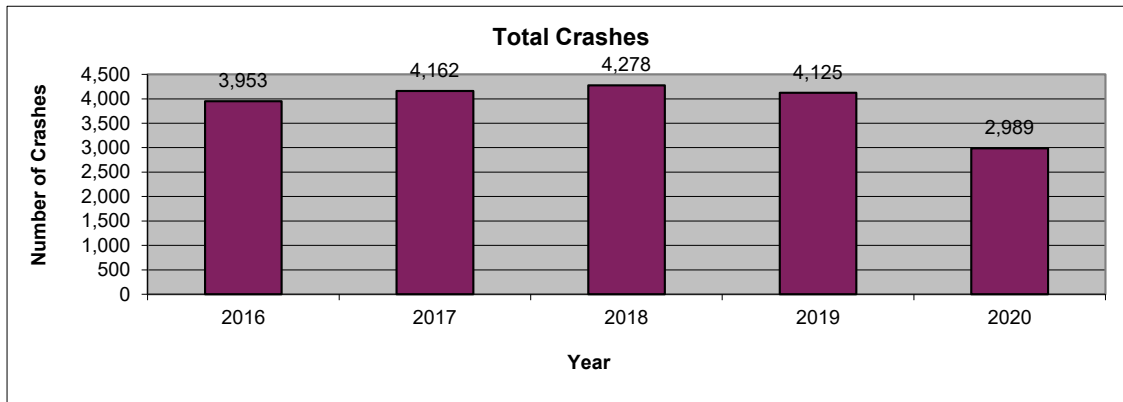


### Howard County Crash Summary

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	5 Year AVG.	%
Fatal Crashes	21	17	19	21	26	21	0.5
Injury Crashes	1,098	1,186	1,064	1,030	681	1012	25.9
Property Damage Crashes	2,834	2,959	3,195	3,074	2,282	2869	73.5
<b>Total Crashes</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3901</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total of All Fatalities</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>Total Number Injured</b>	<b>1,525</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>1,469</b>	<b>939</b>	<b>1,388</b>	



2020 is subject to change. Data are based on reports provided by the Maryland State Police Central Records Division (CRD). 2020 crash reports submitted to CRD during calendar year 2021 (up to Dec. 31, 2021) will be accepted in the database; however, based on an analysis of previous reporting years, nearly all crash reports completed by local agencies have been submitted and processed by this time of year. Revised summary reports may be produced after an analysis is completed on crash reports submitted, or revised, between the run date of this report and Dec. 31, 2021.

**Howard County**  
**Route Type**

Route Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
IS	809	836	992	941	701	856	21.9
US	618	681	691	665	474	626	16.0
MD	806	886	976	814	631	823	21.1
CO	1,274	1,269	1,237	1,266	895	1188	30.5
MU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
GV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
SR	0	1	0	0	1	0	0.0
OP	10	13	9	7	6	9	0.2
Balto. City CY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Parking Lots	136	130	106	141	70	117	3.0
Unknown	300	346	267	291	211	283	7.3
<b>Total Crashes</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3901</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Route Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
IS	196	225	190	178	159	190	18.7
US	214	231	199	214	124	196	19.4
MD	239	256	262	208	152	223	22.1
CO	354	355	320	338	198	313	30.9
MU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
GV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
SR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
OP	3	3	2	2	1	2	0.2
Balto. City CY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Parking Lots	27	22	22	24	9	21	2.1
Unknown	65	94	69	66	38	66	6.6
<b>Injury Crashes</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Route Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
IS	5	3	3	10	8	6	27.9
US	4	2	3	3	2	3	13.5
MD	6	7	6	5	7	6	29.8
CO	6	5	7	3	8	6	27.9
MU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
GV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
SR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
OP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Balto. City CY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Parking Lots	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	1	0	1.0
<b>Fatal Crashes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County**  
**County**

County	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Allegany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Anne Arundel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Calvert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Caroline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Carroll	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Cecil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Charles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Dorchester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Garrett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Harford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Howard	3,953	4,162	4,278	4,125	2,989	3,901	100.0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Montgomery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Prince George's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Queen Anne's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Talbot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wicomico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Worcester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total Crashes</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3,901</b>	<b>100.0</b>

County	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Allegany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Anne Arundel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Calvert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Caroline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Carroll	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Cecil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Charles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Dorchester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Garrett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Harford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Howard	1,098	1,186	1,064	1,030	681	1,012	100.0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Montgomery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Prince George's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Queen Anne's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Talbot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wicomico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Worcester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Injury Crashes</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>100.0</b>

County	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Allegany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Anne Arundel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Calvert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Caroline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Carroll	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Cecil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Charles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Dorchester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Garrett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Harford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Howard	21	17	19	21	26	21	100.0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Montgomery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Prince George's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Queen Anne's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Talbot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wicomico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Worcester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Baltimore City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Fatal Crashes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County**  
**Month**

Month	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
January	296	313	354	327	338	326	8.3
February	295	262	313	313	296	296	7.6
March	253	295	325	319	240	286	7.3
April	328	306	304	321	149	282	7.2
May	364	363	358	408	177	334	8.6
June	327	327	318	340	212	305	7.8
July	326	366	336	328	247	321	8.2
August	331	356	310	323	239	312	8.0
September	341	324	393	297	268	325	8.3
October	354	445	426	387	272	377	9.7
November	389	412	437	366	268	374	9.6
December	349	393	404	396	283	365	9.4
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total Crashes</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3,901</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Month	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
January	88	80	80	70	82	80	7.9
February	70	79	75	71	65	72	7.1
March	68	76	98	72	53	73	7.3
April	96	87	73	85	35	75	7.4
May	99	102	99	102	40	88	8.7
June	93	106	72	83	55	82	8.1
July	105	129	92	90	62	96	9.4
August	104	97	84	93	48	85	8.4
September	92	96	92	83	65	86	8.5
October	97	112	107	94	61	94	9.3
November	104	118	99	100	48	94	9.3
December	82	104	93	87	67	87	8.6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Injury Crashes</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Month	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
January	0	3	3	0	1	1	6.7
February	2	0	1	1	1	1	4.8
March	1	3	1	1	4	2	9.6
April	1	0	4	2	1	2	7.7
May	2	2	1	1	2	2	7.7
June	3	3	2	0	2	2	9.6
July	2	0	0	2	4	2	7.7
August	3	2	1	5	1	2	11.5
September	4	3	1	2	4	3	13.5
October	2	0	2	3	4	2	10.6
November	0	0	1	2	1	1	3.8
December	1	1	2	2	1	1	6.7
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Fatal Crashes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0</b>

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration  
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September 28, 2021

**Howard County**  
**Day of Week**

Day of Week	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Monday	523	620	644	640	427	571	14.6
Tuesday	619	640	702	607	398	593	15.2
Wednesday	622	648	644	577	477	594	15.2
Thursday	652	616	656	663	469	611	15.7
Friday	631	679	712	683	499	641	16.4
Saturday	530	528	472	477	398	481	12.3
Sunday	376	431	448	478	321	411	10.5
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total Crashes</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3,901</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Day of Week	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Monday	126	200	161	153	97	147	14.6
Tuesday	190	170	183	139	87	154	15.2
Wednesday	155	183	160	159	112	154	15.2
Thursday	187	182	153	161	117	160	15.8
Friday	167	178	178	194	115	166	16.4
Saturday	154	150	117	110	89	124	12.3
Sunday	119	123	112	114	64	106	10.5
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Injury Crashes</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Day of Week	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Monday	1	4	5	6	4	4	19.2
Tuesday	4	0	4	4	4	3	15.4
Wednesday	3	4	1	2	1	2	10.6
Thursday	3	1	0	3	6	3	12.5
Friday	3	1	2	4	2	2	11.5
Saturday	4	3	2	2	5	3	15.4
Sunday	3	4	5	0	4	3	15.4
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Fatal Crashes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County**  
**Time of Day**

Time of Day	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>12:00 Midnight</b>	76	90	98	80	70	83	2.1
<b>1:00</b>	70	59	61	73	56	64	1.6
<b>2:00</b>	69	69	74	55	61	66	1.7
<b>3:00</b>	56	51	61	50	41	52	1.3
<b>4:00</b>	56	64	58	47	37	52	1.3
<b>5:00</b>	79	75	99	100	85	88	2.2
<b>6:00</b>	113	144	180	144	121	140	3.6
<b>7:00</b>	195	211	240	222	113	196	5.0
<b>8:00</b>	219	232	250	258	120	216	5.5
<b>9:00</b>	197	215	209	196	137	191	4.9
<b>10:00</b>	156	170	153	184	115	156	4.0
<b>11:00</b>	189	177	176	175	138	171	4.4
<b>12:00 Noon</b>	185	188	201	166	149	178	4.6
<b>1:00</b>	224	218	198	207	157	201	5.1
<b>2:00</b>	243	284	264	266	177	247	6.3
<b>3:00</b>	262	297	324	319	204	281	7.2
<b>4:00</b>	321	333	318	321	202	299	7.7
<b>5:00</b>	302	358	349	338	237	317	8.1
<b>6:00</b>	268	271	274	233	184	246	6.3
<b>7:00</b>	169	168	179	186	148	170	4.4
<b>8:00</b>	157	140	135	135	126	139	3.6
<b>9:00</b>	136	139	140	130	122	133	3.4
<b>10:00</b>	116	110	117	124	98	113	2.9
<b>11:00</b>	95	99	120	116	91	104	2.7
<b>Unknown</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total Crashes</b>	3,953	4,162	4,278	4,125	2,989	3,901	100.0

Time of Day	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>12:00 Midnight</b>	24	19	23	15	22	21	2.0
<b>1:00</b>	16	14	13	19	12	15	1.5
<b>2:00</b>	17	23	18	12	9	16	1.6
<b>3:00</b>	10	11	14	15	4	11	1.1
<b>4:00</b>	11	20	11	10	9	12	1.2
<b>5:00</b>	23	15	20	30	14	20	2.0
<b>6:00</b>	38	48	45	45	30	41	4.1
<b>7:00</b>	43	61	68	50	25	49	4.9
<b>8:00</b>	61	68	59	64	23	55	5.4
<b>9:00</b>	44	49	49	47	38	45	4.5
<b>10:00</b>	49	49	41	47	19	41	4.1
<b>11:00</b>	58	51	41	48	39	47	4.7
<b>12:00 Noon</b>	51	59	53	45	35	49	4.8
<b>1:00</b>	85	57	56	39	34	54	5.4
<b>2:00</b>	81	82	63	65	43	67	6.6
<b>3:00</b>	72	96	83	74	40	73	7.2
<b>4:00</b>	79	122	65	85	51	80	7.9
<b>5:00</b>	78	81	92	83	52	77	7.6
<b>6:00</b>	79	73	74	68	52	69	6.8
<b>7:00</b>	44	50	49	55	36	47	4.6
<b>8:00</b>	49	41	39	35	22	37	3.7
<b>9:00</b>	40	29	37	30	29	33	3.3
<b>10:00</b>	27	35	28	27	28	29	2.9
<b>11:00</b>	19	33	23	22	15	22	2.2
<b>Unknown</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Injury Crashes</b>	1,098	1,186	1,064	1,030	681	1,012	100.0

Time of Day	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>12:00 Midnight</b>	0	1	3	2	2	2	7.7
<b>1:00</b>	1	1	2	1	1	1	5.8
<b>2:00</b>	1	1	1	1	1	1	4.8
<b>3:00</b>	2	1	2	0	0	1	4.8
<b>4:00</b>	3	0	0	0	1	1	3.8
<b>5:00</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.0
<b>6:00</b>	3	0	0	0	0	1	2.9
<b>7:00</b>	0	1	1	0	1	1	2.9
<b>8:00</b>	0	2	0	2	1	1	4.8
<b>9:00</b>	1	0	0	0	1	0	1.9
<b>10:00</b>	2	0	0	1	0	1	2.9
<b>11:00</b>	0	0	0	2	0	0	1.9
<b>12:00 Noon</b>	3	1	1	3	0	2	7.7
<b>1:00</b>	0	2	0	3	0	1	4.8
<b>2:00</b>	0	0	1	1	2	1	3.8
<b>3:00</b>	0	0	1	0	2	1	2.9
<b>4:00</b>	0	0	1	1	2	1	3.8
<b>5:00</b>	1	2	0	1	2	1	5.8
<b>6:00</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.0
<b>7:00</b>	1	0	3	1	2	1	6.7
<b>8:00</b>	1	0	0	0	1	0	1.9
<b>9:00</b>	0	2	1	1	3	1	6.7
<b>10:00</b>	1	1	0	0	3	1	4.8
<b>11:00</b>	1	2	0	1	1	1	4.8
<b>Unknown</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Fatal Crashes</b>	21	17	19	21	26	21	100.0

**Howard County**  
**Driver Age**

Driver Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
15 and Under	7	2	2	5	4	4	0.1
16	50	51	37	34	28	40	0.6
17	147	162	147	129	65	130	1.8
18	146	172	167	166	106	151	2.1
19	163	175	181	165	132	163	2.3
20	164	181	169	144	125	157	2.2
21 - 24	733	737	787	698	482	687	9.7
25 - 29	895	921	947	858	621	848	11.9
30 - 34	796	804	884	877	559	784	11.0
35 - 39	682	724	768	745	497	683	9.6
40 - 44	636	582	631	639	413	580	8.2
45 - 49	542	597	603	592	367	540	7.6
50 - 54	586	584	573	560	364	533	7.5
55 - 59	463	471	525	490	353	460	6.5
60 - 64	348	349	356	365	267	337	4.7
65 - 69	227	242	244	255	153	224	3.2
70 - 79	223	293	267	286	163	246	3.5
80 +	92	83	93	86	51	81	1.1
Unknown	424	488	478	519	395	461	6.5
<b>Total Drivers</b>	<b>7,324</b>	<b>7,618</b>	<b>7,859</b>	<b>7,613</b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>7,112</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Driver Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
15 and Under	3	1	1	1	0	1	0.1
16	2	8	4	3	3	4	0.4
17	17	16	18	16	5	14	1.5
18	15	22	22	12	9	16	1.6
19	19	31	23	18	10	20	2.0
20	18	30	22	18	18	21	2.1
21 - 24	98	109	103	85	67	92	9.3
25 - 29	140	128	109	112	73	112	11.3
30 - 34	98	134	113	98	94	107	10.8
35 - 39	129	126	91	105	64	103	10.4
40 - 44	103	94	89	80	52	84	8.4
45 - 49	87	100	82	93	58	84	8.5
50 - 54	104	104	89	93	60	90	9.1
55 - 59	72	104	88	80	48	78	7.9
60 - 64	55	53	66	75	41	58	5.9
65 - 69	42	41	31	45	25	37	3.7
70 - 79	48	57	45	61	33	49	4.9
80 +	17	17	23	14	12	17	1.7
Unknown	4	2	0	6	0	2	0.2
<b>Injured Drivers</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Driver Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
15 and Under	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
17	1	0	0	0	3	1	5.6
18	0	1	0	1	0	0	2.8
19	0	2	0	0	1	1	4.2
20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21 - 24	2	1	3	1	3	2	14.1
25 - 29	1	4	1	1	2	2	12.7
30 - 34	0	2	5	1	0	2	11.3
35 - 39	0	1	1	1	1	1	5.6
40 - 44	0	0	0	0	3	1	4.2
45 - 49	1	1	0	1	0	1	4.2
50 - 54	0	0	0	1	3	1	5.6
55 - 59	0	1	1	4	1	1	9.9
60 - 64	0	1	0	2	1	1	5.6
65 - 69	3	0	0	1	0	1	5.6
70 - 79	1	0	0	2	0	1	4.2
80 +	1	0	1	0	1	1	4.2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Driver Fatalities</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County  
 Driver Gender**

Driver Gender	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Male	4,191	4,196	4,494	4,287	3,159	4,065	57.2
Female	2,699	2,914	2,866	2,786	1,581	2,569	36.1
Unknown	434	508	499	540	405	477	6.7
<b>Total Drivers</b>	<b>7,324</b>	<b>7,618</b>	<b>7,859</b>	<b>7,613</b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>7,112</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Driver Gender	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Male	564	617	527	517	399	525	53.0
Female	503	557	485	490	273	462	46.6
Unknown	4	3	7	8	0	4	0.4
<b>Driver Injuries</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Driver Gender	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Male	6	13	7	15	18	12	83.1
Female	4	1	5	1	1	2	16.9
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Driver Fatalities</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Howard County  
 Driver Safety Equipment Use**

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	167	245	138	234	167	190	2.7
None	94	107	87	80	85	91	1.3
Lap belt only	9	10	5	8	1	7	0.1
Shoulder belt only	34	34	23	37	20	30	0.4
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	6,439	6,548	6,978	6,504	4,300	6,154	86.5
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	0	1	1	0	1	1	0.0
Child restraint rear	0	1	2	0	0	1	0.0
Booster seat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/Bike helmet	30	35	21	16	20	24	0.3
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	15	29	16	20	14	19	0.3
Protective pads	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
Reflective clothing	0	1	1	0	1	1	0.0
Lighting	1	2	0	0	1	1	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	5	3	4	3	4	4	0.1
Unknown	530	602	582	711	531	591	8.3
<b>Total Drivers</b>	<b>7,324</b>	<b>7,618</b>	<b>7,859</b>	<b>7,613</b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>7,112</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	14	26	15	33	16	21	2.1
None	34	37	30	20	26	29	3.0
Lap belt only	3	0	0	1	0	1	0.1
Shoulder belt only	5	10	3	5	3	5	0.5
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	951	1,024	926	879	579	872	88.0
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint rear	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Booster seat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/Bike helmet	23	26	17	9	16	18	1.8
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	9	25	14	14	9	14	1.4
Protective pads	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Reflective clothing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Lighting	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0
Unknown	31	28	14	54	22	30	3.0
<b>Driver Injuries</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.4
None	2	6	4	5	8	5	35.2
Lap belt only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shoulder belt only	0	0	0	0	1	0	1.4
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	6	5	5	10	7	7	46.5
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint rear	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Booster seat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint unk.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/Bike helmet	0	2	1	1	2	1	8.5
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	1	0	0	0	1	0	2.8
Protective pads	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Reflective clothing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Lighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	1	1	1	0	0	1	4.2
<b>Driver Fatalities</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Note: None & Air Bag are counted as no safety equipment in use.

**Howard County**  
**Passenger Age**

Passenger Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	172	180	181	197	115	169	8.1
5 - 9	144	349	221	520	125	272	13.1
10 - 11	62	158	121	254	48	129	6.2
12 - 13	49	117	158	150	45	104	5.0
14 - 15	76	122	156	198	92	129	6.2
16 - 17	117	168	166	207	105	153	7.3
18 - 19	107	127	117	122	62	107	5.2
20 - 24	220	232	231	214	135	206	9.9
25 - 29	135	176	181	174	105	154	7.4
30 - 34	103	137	140	130	90	120	5.8
35 - 39	83	97	107	101	64	90	4.4
40 - 44	64	87	81	91	57	76	3.7
45 - 49	47	82	93	75	44	68	3.3
50 - 54	64	81	86	80	36	69	3.3
55 - 59	54	66	65	73	32	58	2.8
60 - 64	48	59	55	57	35	51	2.4
65 - 69	32	40	37	37	27	35	1.7
70 - 79	43	51	55	70	24	49	2.3
80 +	30	49	38	59	17	39	1.9
Unknown	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total Passengers</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>2,289</b>	<b>2,809</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Passenger Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	30	28	18	31	17	25	7.8
5 - 9	24	24	15	33	21	23	7.3
10 - 11	16	17	8	9	5	11	3.4
12 - 13	9	8	6	6	5	7	2.1
14 - 15	13	14	11	12	10	12	3.8
16 - 17	22	24	19	16	17	20	6.1
18 - 19	18	20	16	14	7	15	4.7
20 - 24	50	38	36	41	28	39	12.1
25 - 29	34	36	23	33	14	28	8.8
30 - 34	30	25	26	29	16	25	7.9
35 - 39	22	28	19	20	11	20	6.3
40 - 44	17	27	16	17	10	17	5.4
45 - 49	12	13	12	18	8	13	3.9
50 - 54	19	12	16	13	10	14	4.4
55 - 59	10	13	16	18	8	13	4.1
60 - 64	16	12	8	20	4	12	3.8
65 - 69	9	8	5	7	6	7	2.2
70 - 79	9	10	11	14	6	10	3.1
80 +	9	9	12	13	4	9	2.9
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Injured Passengers</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Passenger Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	2	0	0	0	0	0	11.8
5 - 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
10 - 11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12 - 13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
14 - 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
16 - 17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
18 - 19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
20 - 24	1	0	2	1	0	1	23.5
25 - 29	0	1	0	0	2	1	17.6
30 - 34	1	0	0	0	1	0	11.8
35 - 39	1	0	0	0	0	0	5.9
40 - 44	0	0	0	1	1	0	11.8
45 - 49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
50 - 54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
55 - 59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
60 - 64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
65 - 69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
70 - 79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
80 +	0	0	0	3	0	1	17.6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Passenger Fatalities</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County  
 Passenger Gender**

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Passenger Gender</b>							
Male	772	1,206	1,128	1,369	596	1,014	48.8
Female	842	1,162	1,145	1,409	659	1,043	50.2
Unknown	38	10	16	31	3	20	0.9
<b>Total Passengers</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>2,289</b>	<b>2,809</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>100.0</b>

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Passenger Gender</b>							
Male	158	180	122	152	80	138	43.3
Female	205	183	171	212	127	180	56.2
Unknown	6	3	0	0	0	2	0.6
<b>Passenger Injuries</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>100.0</b>

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Passenger Gender</b>							
Male	2	1	0	1	3	1	41.2
Female	3	0	2	4	1	2	58.8
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Passenger Fatalities</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County**  
**Passenger Safety Equipment Use**

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	63	190	190	301	46	158	7.6
None	94	343	269	635	134	295	14.2
Lap belt only	12	84	19	41	37	39	1.9
Shoulder belt only	6	2	2	5	2	3	0.2
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	1,215	1,421	1,535	1,433	856	1,292	62.2
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	89	120	124	124	77	107	5.1
Child restraint rear	38	40	53	47	28	41	2.0
Booster seat	24	26	27	28	19	25	1.2
Child restraint unk.	30	28	15	23	4	20	1.0
Mc/Bike helmet	1	3	0	3	4	2	0.1
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	0	3	0	1	0	1	0.0
Protective pads	0	0	1	26	0	5	0.3
Reflective clothing	0	1	2	0	1	1	0.0
Lighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	6	4	12	1	3	5	0.3
Unknown	74	113	40	141	47	83	4.0
<b>Total Passengers</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>2,289</b>	<b>2,809</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	10	12	5	8	4	8	2.4
None	26	36	35	29	24	30	9.4
Lap belt only	1	0	2	13	1	3	1.1
Shoulder belt only	0	0	1	1	0	0	0.1
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	261	271	221	257	149	232	72.5
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	19	18	10	18	9	15	4.6
Child restraint rear	9	6	5	8	4	6	2.0
Booster seat	7	3	3	4	4	4	1.3
Child restraint unk.	8	3	0	4	1	3	1.0
Mc/Bike helmet	1	2	0	3	2	2	0.5
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	0	2	0	1	0	1	0.2
Protective pads	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Reflective clothing	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.1
Lighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.1
Unknown	25	13	11	18	8	15	4.7
<b>Passenger Injuries</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Safety Equipment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not Applicable	0	1	0	0	0	0	5.9
None	1	0	1	2	2	1	35.3
Lap belt only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shoulder belt only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shoulder/Lap belt(s)	3	0	1	3	1	2	47.1
Child/Youth restraint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint forward	1	0	0	0	0	0	5.9
Child restraint rear	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Booster seat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Child restraint unk.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/Bike helmet	0	0	0	0	1	0	5.9
Mc/bike shield only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Mc/bike helmet & shield	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Protective pads	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Reflective clothing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Lighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Air bag and belts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Passenger Fatalities</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Note: None & Air Bag are counted as no safety equipment in use.

**Howard County  
 Non-Motorist Age**

Non-Motorist Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	5	2	3	1	2	3	2.4
5 - 9	3	2	6	6	4	4	3.9
10 - 15	3	10	6	11	5	7	6.5
16 - 17	3	7	4	4	2	4	3.7
18 - 19	3	4	4	5	0	3	3.0
20 - 24	10	8	3	6	5	6	6.0
25 - 29	12	9	10	6	3	8	7.5
30 - 34	12	4	13	7	10	9	8.6
35 - 39	9	7	10	8	10	9	8.2
40 - 44	9	3	5	9	5	6	5.8
45 - 49	10	5	13	3	4	7	6.5
50 - 54	9	6	6	15	6	8	7.8
55 - 59	9	7	10	9	11	9	8.6
60 - 64	4	6	6	6	4	5	4.9
65 - 69	7	4	8	3	1	5	4.3
70 - 79	10	10	5	14	8	9	8.8
80 +	4	6	0	5	2	3	3.2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.4
<b>Total Non-Motorists</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	1	1	1	0	2	1	1.3
5 - 9	3	2	4	6	3	4	4.7
10 - 15	3	10	6	9	3	6	8.0
16 - 17	3	5	3	3	1	3	3.9
18 - 19	0	4	1	5	0	2	2.6
20 - 24	6	8	3	6	4	5	7.0
25 - 29	9	8	6	5	2	6	7.8
30 - 34	8	3	8	6	7	6	8.3
35 - 39	7	5	8	7	6	7	8.5
40 - 44	8	2	4	4	4	4	5.7
45 - 49	9	4	9	2	3	5	7.0
50 - 54	4	4	3	10	6	5	7.0
55 - 59	7	6	6	6	10	7	9.0
60 - 64	3	4	4	6	4	4	5.4
65 - 69	6	2	5	2	0	3	3.9
70 - 79	6	7	4	11	3	6	8.0
80 +	2	2	0	2	1	1	1.8
Unknown	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.3
<b>Inj. Non-Motorists</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Under 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
5 - 9	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
10 - 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
16 - 17	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
18 - 19	2	0	0	0	0	0	8.0
20 - 24	2	0	0	0	0	0	8.0
25 - 29	1	0	0	1	0	0	8.0
30 - 34	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
35 - 39	0	1	0	0	0	0	4.0
40 - 44	0	0	1	0	0	0	4.0
45 - 49	0	0	2	0	1	1	12.0
50 - 54	1	0	1	0	0	0	8.0
55 - 59	1	0	1	0	1	1	12.0
60 - 64	0	1	1	0	0	0	8.0
65 - 69	1	0	0	0	0	0	4.0
70 - 79	1	0	0	1	0	0	8.0
80 +	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
<b>Non-Motor. Fatalities</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County**  
**Non-Motorist Gender**

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Non-Motorist Gender</b>							
Male	94	75	73	67	52	72	67.4
Female	27	24	37	49	31	34	31.3
Unknown	1	1	2	2	1	1	1.3
<b>Total Non-Motorists</b>	122	100	112	118	84	107	100.0

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Non-Motorist Gender</b>							
Male	64	56	51	49	37	51	66.4
Female	21	21	24	41	23	26	33.6
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Non-Motorist Injuries</b>	85	77	75	90	60	77	100.0

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
<b>Non-Motorist Gender</b>							
Male	5	2	3	2	4	3	64.0
Female	4	0	3	0	2	2	36.0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Non-Motorist Fatalities</b>	9	2	6	2	6	5	100.0

**Howard County  
 Non-Motorist Location**

Non-Motorist Location	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not App.	11	6	16	9	8	10	9.3
Shoulder	15	6	13	7	11	10	9.7
Curb	1	2	0	1	1	1	0.9
Sidewalk	2	2	4	4	1	3	2.4
Outside Right of Way	4	3	3	1	1	2	2.2
On Rd. at Crosswalk	10	12	7	14	8	10	9.5
On Rd. Not at Cross.	34	28	32	39	26	32	29.7
In School Bus Zone	0	3	0	2	0	1	0.9
In Bikeway	1	2	0	1	2	1	1.1
At Inter Marked Crosswalk	5	1	1	1	1	2	1.7
At Inter No Crosswalk	12	8	6	9	3	8	7.1
Driveway Access	2	1	0	0	0	1	0.6
Median	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.4
Island	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.4
Shared Use Path or Trail	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.2
Inside Building	3	4	2	5	0	3	2.6
Midblock Marked Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other/Unk.	22	20	27	23	22	23	21.3
<b>Total Non-Motorists</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Location	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not App.	4	1	3	1	2	2	2.8
Shoulder	8	5	11	7	10	8	10.6
Curb	1	2	0	0	1	1	1.0
Sidewalk	1	2	2	3	1	2	2.3
Outside Right of Way	3	3	2	1	1	2	2.6
On Rd. at Crosswalk	10	12	7	11	7	9	12.1
On Rd. Not at Cross.	22	21	24	32	18	23	30.2
In School Bus Zone	0	3	0	2	0	1	1.3
In Bikeway	1	2	0	1	2	1	1.6
Inter Marked Crosswalk	4	1	1	1	1	2	2.1
At Inter No Crosswalk	11	8	6	9	3	7	9.6
Driveway Access	2	1	0	0	0	1	0.8
Median	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.5
Island	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.3
Shared Use Path or Trail	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.3
Inside Building	1	1	1	1	0	1	1.0
Midblock Marked Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other/Unk.	17	13	17	20	14	16	20.9
<b>Injured Non-Motorists</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Location	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Not App.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shoulder	2	0	0	0	1	1	12.0
Curb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Sidewalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Outside Right of Way	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
On Rd. at Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
On Rd. Not at Cross.	7	2	4	1	2	3	64.0
In School Bus Zone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
In Bikeway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Inter Marked Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
At Inter No Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Driveway Access	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Median	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shared Use Path or Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Inside Building	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Midblock Marked Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other/Unk.	0	0	2	1	2	1	20.0
<b>Non-Motorist Fatalities</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Howard County  
 Non-Motorist Movement**

Non-Motorist Movement	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Cross. at Intersection	32	20	19	29	10	22	20.5
Cross. Not at Inter.	18	13	19	16	7	15	13.6
Walk/Ride with Traff.	15	14	10	9	17	13	12.1
Walk/Ride against Tra.	4	3	3	5	5	4	3.7
Playing	0	3	3	6	4	3	3.0
Standing	14	5	15	9	8	10	9.5
Getting On/Off Veh.	3	2	1	7	2	3	2.8
Push/Work on Veh.	1	0	3	0	0	1	0.7
Other Working	2	4	4	5	4	4	3.5
Hitchhiking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
On / Off School Bus	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.2
Walking to from school	0	0	1	1	1	1	0.6
Walking cycling on sidewalk	0	5	1	0	1	1	1.3
Other / Unknown	33	30	33	31	25	30	28.4
<b>Total Non-Motorists</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Movement	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Cross. at Intersection	28	19	17	25	8	19	25.1
Cross. Not at Inter.	13	10	15	14	6	12	15.0
Walk/Ride with Traff.	8	12	8	7	14	10	12.7
Walk/Ride against Tra.	3	3	2	5	4	3	4.4
Playing	0	3	2	5	4	3	3.6
Standing	10	5	10	8	5	8	9.8
Getting On/Off Veh.	3	2	1	6	2	3	3.6
Push/Work on Veh.	1	0	2	0	0	1	0.8
Other Working	0	4	3	3	3	3	3.4
Hitchhiking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
On / Off School Bus	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.3
Walking to from school	0	0	1	1	0	0	0.5
Walking cycling on sidewalk	0	5	0	0	1	1	1.6
Other / Unknown	19	13	14	16	13	15	19.4
<b>Injured Non-Motorists</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-Motorist Movement	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG.	%
Cross. at Intersection	0	0	1	0	2	1	12.0
Cross. Not at Inter.	3	1	2	1	0	1	28.0
Walk/Ride with Traff.	2	0	1	1	1	1	20.0
Walk/Ride against Tra.	1	0	0	0	0	0	4.0
Playing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Standing	1	0	0	0	1	0	8.0
Getting On/Off Veh.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Push/Work on Veh.	0	0	1	0	0	0	4.0
Other Working	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.0
Hitchhiking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
On / Off School Bus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Walking to from school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Walking cycling on sidewalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other / Unknown	2	1	1	0	1	1	20.0
<b>Non-Motorist Fatalities</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>100.0</b>