

Easter Road Safety: The Fatal Five

The issue

Six Australians lost their lives on the nation's roads over the five-day period from Thursday through to Easter Monday, compared with 19 during the same period last year.

Six deaths is less than half of the five-year average of 15 deaths, with the lowest Easter road toll in recent years being eight people in 2016.

State deaths over 2020 Easter period



Don't become a Fatal Five statistic

There is a **21%** increase in the odds of death or injury over the Christmas or holiday period ⁽³⁾.



If you are traveling this Easter, take care on the roads.



The Fatal Five



Speeding

one third of all road fatalities are due to speeding.

Alcohol and illicit drugs

40% of drivers and motorcyclists killed on the roads had drugs and/or alcohol in their system



Failure to wear a seat belt

156 vehicle occupants killed in one year failed to wear a seat belt



1 in 5 fatal crashes and **300** serious injuries each year are due to fatigue





Distraction

250 people lost their lives on Victorian roads due to distraction in the past five years