

The Tallahassee-Leon County 21st Century Council Quality of Life / Sustainability

COMMUNITY INDICATOR

Quality of Life / Sustainability Segment:

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Title: Youth and Motor Vehicle Crashes

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Indicator:

The reported number of licensed drivers in motor vehicle crashes per 1,000 licensed drivers, ages 15-18 and 19-21; and the number of child passengers injured or killed in motor vehicle crashes per 100,000 population, ages 5-11 and 12-18; both Leon County and statewide.

Commentary:

Leon County has had more than twice the number of youth age 19-21 in motor vehicle crashes per 1,000 licensed drivers than the state rate 2007-08. Leon County has also had higher rates of motor vehicle crashes in the 15-18 age group at about 1.7 times state averages. The rate of young people age 12-18 injured or killed in Leon County over the two three-year periods has been similar to the statewide average. However, Leon County children age 5-11 have been injured or killed in motor vehicle crashes at about 1.25 times the state averages 2005-08. The significant number of Leon County young licensed drivers in motor vehicle crashes, and child passengers injured or killed, are indicators that should be examined carefully.

Source(s):

FloridaCHARTS Reports and FloridaCHARTS School-aged Child and Adolescent Profile, http://www.floridacharts.com/charts/

<u>Note</u>: Florida Community Health Assessment Resource Tool Set (CHARTS) School-aged Child and Adolescent Profile is currently available for Leon County for years 2007 and 2008.

Chart 1: Licensed Drivers in Motor Vehicle Crashes

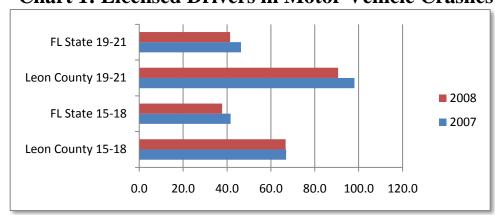


Chart 2: Child Passengers Injured or Killed

