ATV-related Death and Injury

Mississippi State Department of Health

All-terrain vehicles, or ATVs, pose significant risks for fatality and injury. Here are the facts:

FACT: Between 1999 and 2008, **205** Mississippians have died due to ATV crash-related injuries.

FACT: 43% of Mississippi deaths due to ATV crashes are persons under the age of 22 years.

FACT: In Mississippi, four out of every five deaths due to ATV-related crashes are males. On average, 79% of all ATV-related deaths are among whites.

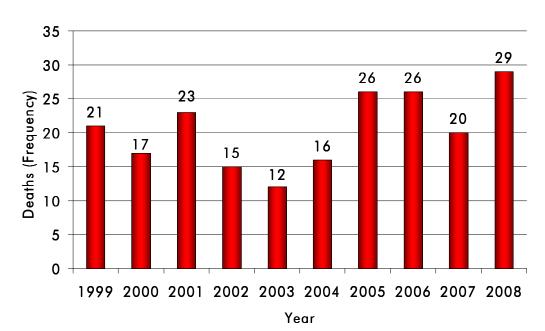
FACT: Between 1999 and 2008, **58 Mississippi children** under the age of 16 died from ATV crash-related injuries.

- One death was an **8 year-old boy** that was killed when his ATV rolled over and pinned him underneath it.
- In 2005, a 10 year-old and a 16 year-old died from **traumatic brain injuries** due to ATV crashes.
- Of the ATV-related deaths in Mississippi children in 2007, **four out of five** were not wearing a helmet.

FACT: In Mississippi, ATV injury rates are rising at a significantly higher rate in children less than sixteen years of age than older persons.

• In 2008, the ATV injury rate of 50.1 per 100,000 in youth (under age 16) was **nearly double** the injury rate of 28.7 per 100,000 for those sixteen and over.

ATV Crash-related Deaths in Mississippi, 1999 - 2008



References

Mississippi State Department of Health, Vital Statistics, 1999 – 2008.

Mississippi State Department of Health, Trauma Registry, 1999 – 2008. [Note: Only hospitals participating in the formal statewide trauma system reported to the trauma registry.]

Mississippi State Department of Health, Child Death Review Panel Annual Reports, 2006 – 2008.