Utah Department of Public Safety
Utah Highway Patrol

DRUG- IMPAIRED DRIVING

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UHP STATISTICS AND EFFORTS

*Drugs Crash Only Chart

Drug Only Crash Data						
Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD 09/14	Total's
Total Statewide Crashes	64,594	51,629	61,406	58,991	44,012	280,632
No Injury Drug-Related crashes	45	58	31	28	21	183
Possible Injury Drug-Related	19	29	10	16	7	81
Suspected Minor Injury Drug-Related	16	19	14	11	10	70
Suspected serious injury Drug-Related	6	6	9	4	6	31
Fatal Drug-Related	72	86	86	100	33	377
Total Drug-Related Crashes	158	198	150	159	77	742
Fatalities	81	95	100	112	40	428

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*Both Drugs And Alcohol Crash Charts

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Total Statewide Crashes	64,594	51,629	61,406	58,991	44,012	280,632
No Injury Drugs & Alcohol crashes	15	11	7	14	9	56
Drugs & Alcohol Possible Injury	11	2	3	8	1	25
Drugs & Alcohol Suspected Minor Injury	2	6	5	2	1	16
Drugs & Alcohol Suspected serious injury	0	2	0	2	3	7
Drugs & Alcohol Fatal	14	25	25	37	5	106
Total Both Drugs & Alcohol Crashes	42	46	40	63	19	210
Fatalities	15	25	28	43	8	119

Year	Drug 1	Drug 2	Drug 3	Drug 4	Drug 5
2017	Methamphetamine 24 (18.3%)	THC 14 (10.7%)	Oxycodone 7 (5.3%)	Amphetamine 6 (4.6%)	Citalopram 6 (4.6%)
2018	Methamphetamine 18 (16.5%)	THC 14 (12.8%)	Acetaminophen 6 (5.5%)	Sertraline 6 (5.5%)	Trazodone 6 (5.5%)
2019	THC 26 (25.7%)	Methamphetamine 15 (14.9%)	Fluoxetine 7 (6.9%)	Diphenhydramine 6 (5.9%)	Amphetamine 5 (5%)
2020	THC 31 (19.5%)	Methamphetamine 30 (18.9%)	Acetaminophen 7 (4.4%)	Citalopram 7 (4.4%)	Morphine 7 (4.4%)
2021	THC 31 (19.3%)	Methamphetamine 28 (17.4%)	Citalopram 8 (5%)	Trazodone 7 (4.3%)	Diphenhydramine 6 (3.7%)
2022	THC 37 (18.3%)	Methamphetamine 31 (15.3%)	Citalopram 11 (5.4%)	Ketamine 10 (5%)	Amphetamine 8 (4%)
Overall	THC 153 (17.7%)	Methamphetamine 146 (16.9%)	Citalopram 39 (4.5%)	Diphenhydramine 37 (4.3%)	Trazodone 29 (3.4%)

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TOP 5 DRUGS WHEN POSITIVE FOR DRUGS ONLY

**Top 5 Drugs when Positive for Drugs Only In Fatal Crashes

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CRIMINAL INTERDICTION TEAM

- Efforts to Identify Drug - Impaired Drivers
- DUI Squad

	2023	(To Utah)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Fentanyl Pills (units)	197,070	60,650	617,125	139,568	6,125	3	10,750	-
Fentanyl Powder (pounds)	70	-	14	17	3	2	-	1
Meth (pounds)	269	84	842	273	241	563	309	565
Cocaine (pounds)	164	64	265	106	5	26	12	105
Marijuana (pounds)	1,666	46	4,118	4,594	2,185	2,493	3,019	4,649
THC Cartridges (pounds)	9,274	3,712	28,475	13,486	7,685	40,122	13,011	-
Heroin (pounds)	35	0	53	19	12	42	44	48
Psilocybin (pounds)	45	-	2	21	1	-	10	-
Guns (units)	31		82	68	22	34	20	32

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DRUG IMPAIRED DRIVING



- Standard Field Sobriety Tests (SFSTS)
  - Horizonal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN)
  - Walk and Turn
  - One-Leg Stand
- Followed by a Portable Breath Tester (PBT- Not admissible in court)
- On Scene Observations
  - Plain Sight/View
  - Plain Smell
  - Physical Observations





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TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES & TECHNOLOGY

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)

- 12-15 classes a year, dependent on requests (250 - 300 a year)
- Additional training and skills
  - Lack of convergence
  - Finger to nose
  - Romberg Test
  - 7 Drug Categories and Mixtures

Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

- 1 DRE school a year (20-25 a year)
- We have 21 UHP DRE's in the state of Utah

SoToxa Handheld Analyzer (Not admissible in court)

- Six-panel Drug Screen
  - Cocaine
  - Methamphetamine
  - Opiates
  - Cannabis (THC)
  - Amphetamine and Benzodiazepines

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