

# Snowmobile and ATV

## Chapter 13

Snowmobile and All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) use has increased in Maine in the last decade. Recreational motor vehicle use is important to Maine’s economy and way of life.



### Snowmobiles

- There are over 13,000 miles of maintained snowmobile trails in Maine.
- During the last 10 years, 85 people have died in snowmobile crashes and 1,794 were injured.
- Over 73% of all reported crashes resulted in some kind of injury.
- The three most commonly cited reasons for snowmobile crashes during the last 10 seasons were Unsafe Speed, Operator Inattention, and Operator Inexperience.
- Alcohol-related crashes account for 5%-7% of all snowmobile crashes.

SNOWMOBILE ACCIDENTS					
Year	Incidents	Injuries	Fatalities	OUI Arrests	Registrations
2008-2009	66				
2007-2008	192	144	12	14	
2006-2007	172	155	6	18	91,733
2005-2006	117	92	7	17	75,235
2004-2005	298	160	7	15	102,802
2003-2004	206	166	8	21	92,633 (1)
2002-2003	401	307	16	28	107,285
2001-2002	265	174	12	26	95,395
2000-2001	428	330	12	38	96,921
1999-2000	369	266	**5	17	86,501
(1)Registration number will be adjusted per licensing.					
**One additional fatality occurred as a result of death from complications from a snowmobile/motor vehicle incident. (2008-2009 data not yet fully available)					



**All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs)**

- ATV registrations have increased by 58% in the last 10 years.
- Crash trends are inconclusive due to reporting changes.
- In the past 10 years, 2,857 persons have been injured and 68 have died in ATV crashes in Maine. This is a significant increase over the prior reporting period.
- There were 267 alcohol-related crashes (10.2% of all ATV crashes).

<b>ATV Incidents</b>						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Injuries</b>	<b>OUI</b>	<b>Fatal</b>	<b>Juveniles (fatal)</b>	<b>Registrations</b>
2008	144	148	20	5	2	N/A
2007	214	255	14	9	2	63,467
2006	246	284	27	9	2	62,268
2005	268	307	35	9	3	62,774
2004	332	362	28	11	1	66,044
2003	313	340	38	6	0	56,784
2002	323	333	40	6	1	52,830
2001	279	298	24	1	0	46,141
2000	261	277	5	5	1	44,796
1999	256	253	38	7	0	40,264

