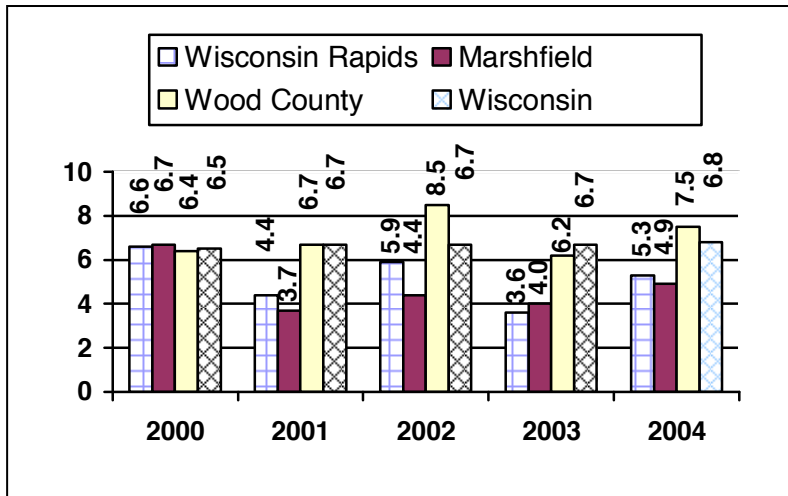


Alcohol and Speed Related Crashes Top the List of Concerns for WI DOT



Key Facts

Wood County crashes in 2004 by type:

Speed	230
Alcohol.....	103
Hit & Run.....	88
Deer.....	61
Construction Zones.....	9
Motorcycles.....	34
Bicycles.....	13
Pedestrians.....	11
School Bus.....	9

- Alcohol related crashes in Wood County in 2004 resulted in 4 deaths and 74 people being injured.
- Speed related crashes in Wood County in 2004 resulted in 4 deaths and 120 people being injured.

Why is this Information Important?

Virtually everyone travels on rural and urban streets, county trunks, or interstate highways each day. The safety of our roadways is an integral component in our quality of life.

Alcohol-Related Crashes

By definition, a traffic crash involves at least one motor vehicle and results in an injury or death to any person, or damage to any property.

Using and abusing alcoholic beverages increases the likelihood for nearly all types of injury. Consequences are most serious when a motor vehicle is involved. An alcohol related crash is one in which a driver, bicyclist, or pedestrian is listed on a police or medical examiner’s report as having alcohol in his/her system at the time of the crash.

The annual *Wisconsin Traffic Crash Facts* book is available online at the Department of Transportation website: www.dot.state.wi.us/dtim/bts/safety-fact.htm

Sources: Wisconsin Department of Transportation; Wood County Emergency Government