

New Mexico DWI Driving Habits, In Perspective

Inputs	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; text-align: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow; width: 15%;">Drivers drove 25.582 billion miles on NM</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow; width: 15%;">There were 1,493,766 licensed drivers</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow; width: 15%;">166 NM crash deaths involved alcohol, and 220 did not --</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow; width: 15%;">There were an estimated 2,920 injuries in NM alcohol-related crashes in 2014 - - DRC</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow; width: 15%;">There were 11,967 DWI arrests in NM in 2014 -- NMDOT</div> </div>
DWI miles	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; text-align: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; background-color: #e0e0e0; width: 30%;">Alcohol-Impaired drivers drove 0.749 billion miles on NM roads in 2014</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; background-color: #e0e0e0; width: 30%;">Sober drivers drove 2.833 billion miles on NM roads in 2014</div> </div>
How much Impaired Drivers Drive	<p>About 15% of NM drivers drive while impaired each year – that’s 224,065 drivers (source: DRC, from NM alcoholism & risk factor statistics)</p> <p>The average NM drunk driver drove 3,345 miles while drunk in 2014 (.749 billion/224,065)</p> <p>The average NM drunk driver drove 64 miles drunk each week (3,345/52 weeks per year)</p> <p>About 3% of NM miles driven involve a drunk driver.</p> <p>For miles driven by drunk drivers, they are sober for 80% of them and drunk for 20%.</p> <p>Based on average NM driving trip length, the average NM drunk driver drives drunk 145 times per year, or 2.8 times per week.</p> <p>On a typical NM weekend night, 155,871 drunk drivers are out on NM roads. On a weekday night, there are 62,348.</p>
Damage Impaired drivers cause	<p>In NM in 2014, impaired drivers drove 3% of the miles driven but caused 43% of crash deaths.</p> <p>At 2014 rates, over ten years 13% of chronic drunk drivers will cause DWI injury, and 1% will kill someone.</p>
Risk of arrest	<p>On average, in 2014, there is one DWI arrest for every 2,709 DWI trips.</p> <p>On a given DWI trip in 2014 in NM, a drunk driver has a 0.04% chance being arrested for DWI.</p> <p>Over a year’s period, a chronic drunk driver has a 12% chance of being arrested for DWI in NM, based on 2014 rates.</p>
Trends	<p>There were 26% more drunk driving trips in NM in 2014 than in 1995, since population is higher.</p> <p>On a given DWI trip, a drunk driver in 2014 is 43% less likely to be arrested compared to 1995, when police were more active against DWI.</p> <p>By comparison, alcohol-related crash deaths declined 31% over that period.</p>