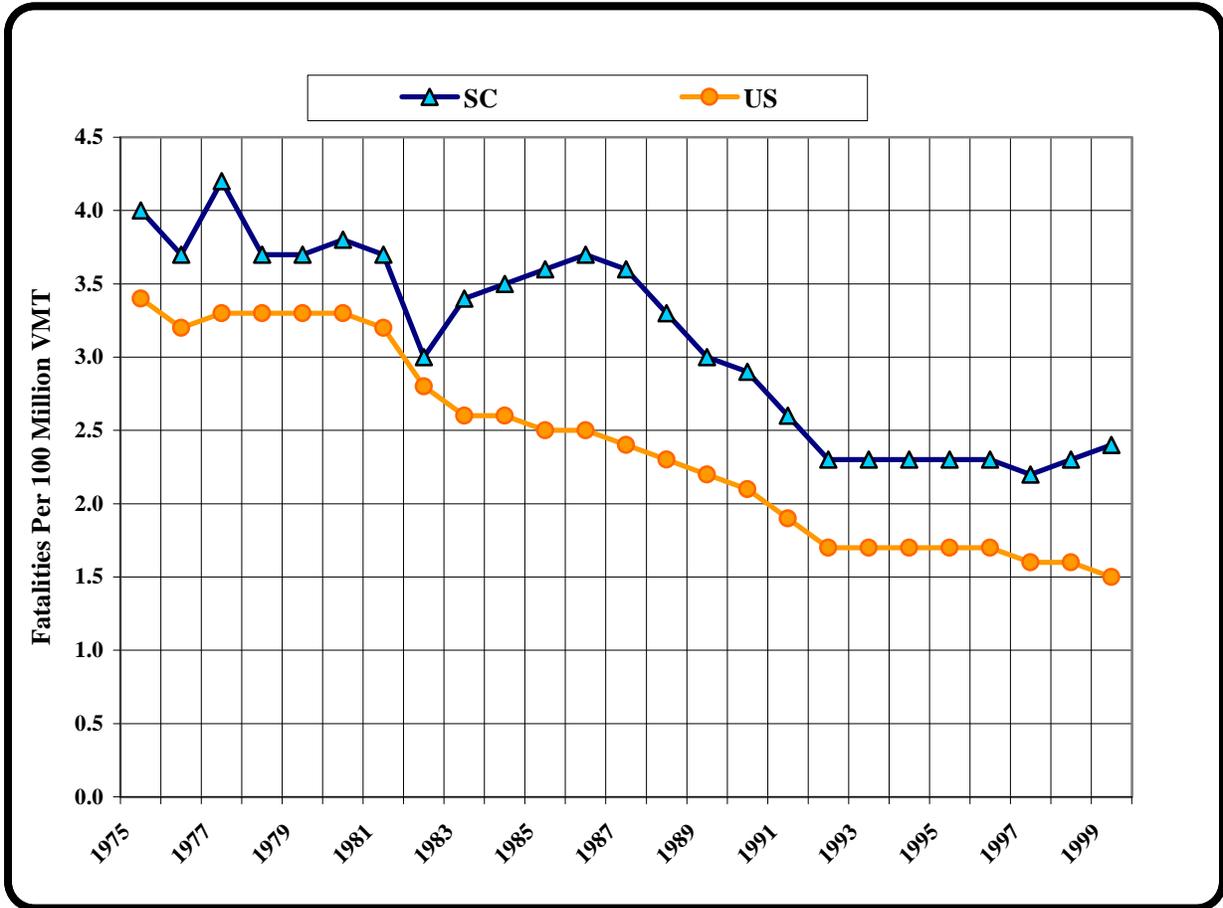


MILEAGE DEATH RATE SOUTH CAROLINA vs. UNITED STATES 1975-1999



1999 U.S. data is estimated.

Source for U.S. data: Fatality Analysis Reporting System. (FARS)

South Carolina's mileage death rate, MDR, (defined as the number of traffic fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles of travel) shows a declining trend similar to the national trend. After four years of a MDR of 2.3 for the state it fell to an all time low of 2.2 in 1997. However, In 1998 the MDR returned to 2.3 and has since risen to 2.4 in 1999.