

DRIVER INTENTIONS IN ALL REPORTED TRAFFIC COLLISIONS

DRIVER INTENTION	NUMBER	%
No External Cause of Maneuver	5,525	2.8
Traffic Signal	3,726	1.9
Stop Sign	2,456	1.3
Yield Sign	586	0.3
Uncontrolled Intersection	139	0.1
Crosswalk, Not at Intersection	16	0.0
Police Officer, School Crossing Guard , Etc.	122	0.1
Railroad Crossing	63	0.0
Railroad Crossing, Flasher or Gate	67	0.0
Other Control	203	0.1
TRAFFIC UNIT MANEUVERING FOR TRAFFIC CONTROLS, INTERSECTIONS OR RAILROAD CROSSINGS SUBTOTAL	12,903	6.6%
Pedestrian	79	0.0
Pedalcycle	51	0.0
Other Road Vehicle, (Except Pedalcycle)	161	0.1
Other Vehicle	881	0.5
Animal	386	0.2
Foreign Object in Roadway	126	0.1
Water, Ice, Snow or Hazardous Substance in Road	97	0.0
Road Defect	14	0.0
Road Maintenance or Construction Work	29	0.0
Fixed Object or Structure	21	0.0
Fog, Smoke or Dust	84	0.0
Previous Accident	95	0.0
Other Events	134	0.1
Curve in Roadway	86	0.0
Restriction in Roadway Width	1	0.0
Change in Roadway Alignment	14	0.0
Shoulder	43	0.0
Loose Gravel in Roadway	3	0.0
Unknown Object, Event, or Feature	593	0.3
TRAFFIC UNIT MANEUVERING OR AVOIDING SOMETHING IN ROADWAY SUBTOTAL	2,898	1.5%
Tire Failure	62	0.0
Steering Gear Failure	110	0.1
Engine Failure	139	0.1
Windshield Wiper Failure	152	0.1
Load Spilled or Dropped	54	0.0
Involved in Previous Accident	77	0.0
Other Failure	260	0.1
TRAFFIC UNIT MANEUVERING BECAUSE OF MECHANICAL FAILURE SUBTOTAL	854	0.4%
Moving Straight Ahead in Proper Direction	105,630	54.2
Merge with Traffic on Left	725	0.4
Merge with Traffic on Right	701	0.4
Left Turn	21,762	11.2
Right Turn	5,363	2.8
U Turn	529	0.3

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DRIVER INTENTION (CONTINUED)	NUMBER	%
Enter Roadway from Entrance Ramp on Left	122	0.1
Enter Roadway from Entrance Ramp on Right	454	0.2
Enter Roadway from Shoulder on Left	239	0.1
Enter Roadway from Shoulder on Right	822	0.4
Enter Roadway from Parking at Left Curb	74	0.0
Enter Roadway from Parking at Right Curb	266	0.1
Leave Roadway to Exit Ramp on Left	32	0.0
Leave Roadway to Exit Ramp on Right	93	0.0
Leave Roadway to Shoulder on Left	125	0.1
Leave Roadway to Shoulder on Right	200	0.1
Leave Roadway to Parking at Left Curb	23	0.0
Leave Roadway to Parking at Right Curb	52	0.0
Leave Roadway to Driveway on Left	326	0.2
Leave Roadway to Driveway on Right	266	0.1
Board or Discharge Passenger(s)	108	0.1
Backing	2,200	1.1
TRAFFIC UNIT MANEUVERING FOR OWN INTENDED MOVEMENT SUBTOTAL	140,112	71.9%
Overtaking Subject Unit on Left	1,191	0.6
Overtaking Subject Unit on Right	570	0.3
Changing Lanes to Left	1,730	0.9
Changing Lanes to Right	1,613	0.8
Merging from Left	125	0.1
Merging from Right	175	0.1
On Right Side of Roadway	140	0.1
In Wrong Direction on One Way Roadway	69	0.0
Swerving to Left	825	0.4
Swerving to Right	784	0.4
Slowing or Stopping	10,817	5.6
Stopped in Traffic	17,244	8.8
Stopped to Board or Discharge Passenger(s)	228	0.1
Skidding, Spinning, or Yawing	980	0.5
Jack Knifing	15	0.0
Turning Left from Same Direction	346	0.2
Turning Left from Opposite Direction	560	0.3
Making U Turn	78	0.0
Turning Right from Same Direction	149	0.1
Turning Right from Opposite Direction	59	0.0
Entering Roadway from Ramp on Left	19	0.0
Entering Roadway from Ramp on Right	142	0.1
Entering Roadway from Roadway on Left	261	0.1
TRAFFIC UNIT MANEUVERING AROUND OTHER TRAFFIC UNITS SUBTOTAL	38,120	19.6%
TOTAL UNITS	194,887	100.0

There are a total of eighty-one (81) categories of Driver Intentions that can be assigned to a driver involved in a traffic collision in South Carolina . In 1999, the top five categories accounted for over 4/5 of all drivers involved in traffic collisions during the year. These include: " Moving Straight Ahead in Proper Direction" with 105,630 or 54.2% of the total; followed by "Left Turn" with 21,762 (11.2 %); "Stopped in Traffic", 17,244 (8.8%); "Slowing or Stopping" 10,817 (5.6%); and "No External Cause of Maneuver" with 5,525 (2.8%). These figures only represent units defined as a motor vehicle.