

Delaware DDATA

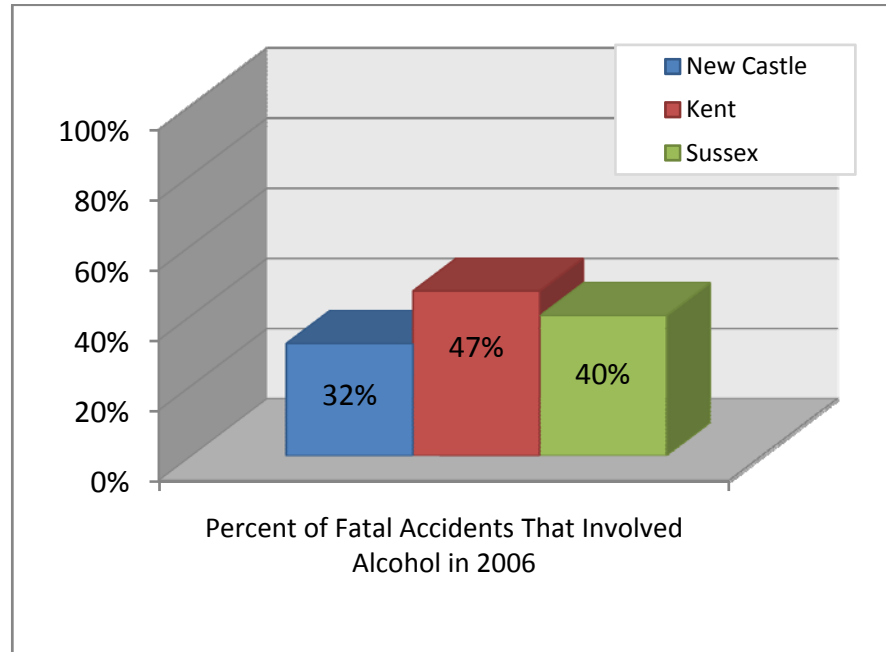
Delaware Drug and Alcohol Tracking Alliance

July 15, 2008

Volume 3, Issue 11

Fatal Alcohol-Related Motor Vehicle Crashes

In 2006, more than one-third of all fatal motor vehicle accidents in the state of Delaware (57 out of 148) were alcohol-related. In Delaware's Kent County, nearly half involved alcohol. Fatalities included some drivers, but were not restricted to drivers. The percentage of fatalities which were alcohol-related was highest among 21-29 year olds and 30-34 year olds, and was higher among males than among females. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), an alcohol related motor vehicle fatality results in "an average discounted lifetime cost of \$977,000" (Blincoe L, Seay A, Zaloshnja E, Miller T, Romano E, Luchter S, et al. The Economic Impact of Motor Vehicle Crashes, 2000. Washington (DC): Dept of Transportation (US), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA); 2002.).



Source: Fatal Accident Reporting System (FARS), State Epidemiological Data System (SEDS)

DDATAgrams may be copied without permission. Please cite DDATA as source.

Additional DDATAgrams are available at: www.udel.edu/delawaredata