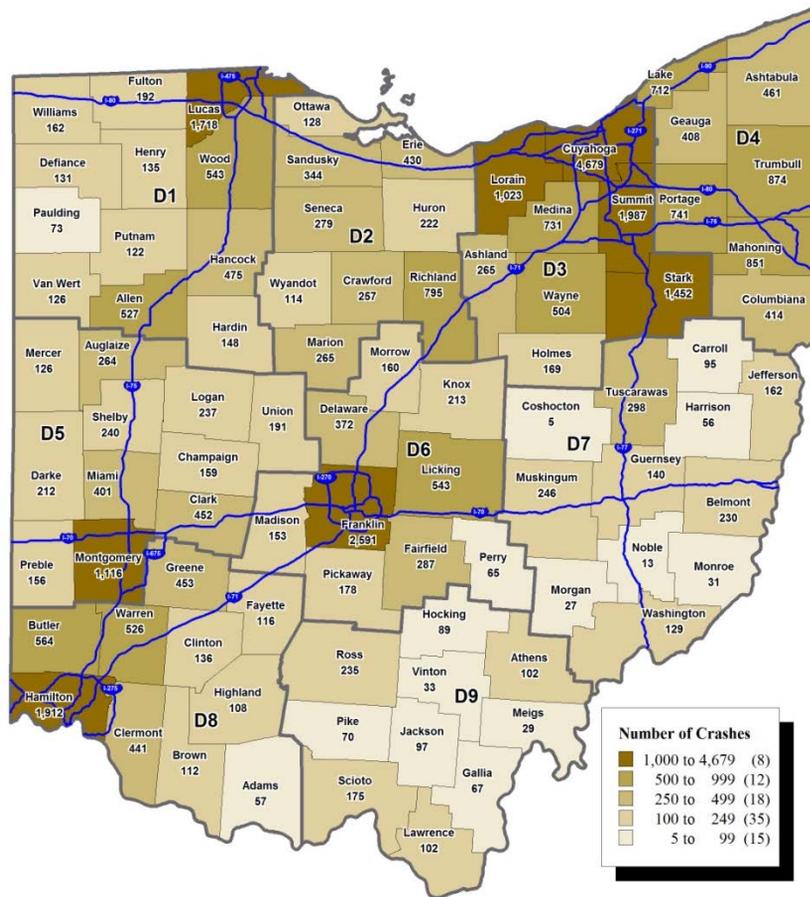




## Winter Driving



**Map and Table:** December 2010 through March 2011 crashes on snow, ice or slush covered roads.\*

OSHP District	Number of Crashes
District 1	4,352
District 2	2,834
District 3	10,810
District 4	4,461
District 5	3,554
District 6	4,562
District 7	1,432
District 8	4,425
District 9	999
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37,429</b>

### Winter Driving Crashes

- In Ohio, 37,429 crashes occurred on roads containing snow, ice or slush from December 2010 to March 2011. This includes 46 fatal crashes and 7,844 injury crashes.
- Counties with the highest number of crashes on snow, ice or slush covered roads include Cuyahoga (4,679), Franklin (2,591), Summit (1,987), Hamilton (1,912) and Lucas (1,718).
- Overwhelmingly, speed\*\* was reported as the cause of crashes on snow, ice or slush covered roads (77%). Failure to yield and running a red light or stop sign accounted for another 9%.

### Winter Driving Tips

- Prepare your vehicle for winter driving by ensuring that your battery, cooling system, tires, wipers, and defrosters are all in good condition and working properly. Click [here](#) for more on preparing your car for winter driving.
- Drive slowly. Everything – accelerating, turning, braking – takes longer on snow-covered roads. Give yourself time to maneuver by slowing down. Click [here](#) for more safe winter driving tips.
- Carry a winter car kit in case you get stranded. It should include, among other things, a flashlight, jumper cables, flares, a small shovel, a blanket, food and water and a cell phone and car charger. Click [here](#) to see a complete list of items for a winter driving kit.

\*Crashes on the Ohio turnpike are counted in the county in which they occurred. \*\*Speed-related causes include "exceeded speed limit," "unsafe speed," "followed to closely/ACDA" and "failure to control."