

# Ride **Smart.** Drive **Smart.**

Motorcyclists and other drivers sharing the road safely.

*Motorcycle fatalities have risen steadily statewide over the last three years. In 2008, there were 216 fatalities.*

## **PLEASE HELP US MAKE THIS A SAFER RIDING SEASON.**

Driving and riding responsibly is about being aware of whose lives you have in your hands — literally — when you are in control of a motorcycle or car. State troopers want you to remember you only have one chance to be aware of your surroundings. Don't ruin that one chance and risk ending your life or someone else's.

**Immediately report aggressive or drunk drivers to your nearest Patrol Post or call 1-877-7-PATROL.**



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## Motorcycle Crash Information | ST. CLAIRSVILLE POST



This crash occurred on SR 647 in Belmont County. The operator was traveling at a slow speed when he lost control and the bike tipped. Both occupants were ejected, and neither was wearing a helmet. The passenger sustained serious injuries and the operator sustained a fatal head injury. The operator tested positive for alcohol.

Even in a slow speed crash, a rider without a helmet greatly increases his chance of serious or fatal injury.

### **Did you know...**

In 2008, the St. Clairsville Post investigated 100 motorcycle crashes, which resulted in 87 injuries and seven fatalities.

Remember to always **Ride Trained, Ride Licensed and Ride Sober.**