

Older Pedestrians AT RISK

Nationally, older pedestrians are disproportionately at risk of being killed by a car or truck when walking than their younger neighbors.

- ✦ Although they made up 17.7% of the total U.S. population, people aged 60 years and older comprised 25.2% of the 46,959 pedestrians killed nationwide from 2003 to 2012.
- ✦ Those ages 75 years and older represented 6.1% of the total population, yet 11.2% of pedestrian fatalities.
- ✦ While the nationwide pedestrian fatality rate for people under 60 years of age was 1.40 per 100,000, the fatality rate for those over 60 years was 2.23 and 2.87 for those aged 75 and older.

The tri-state region is far more dangerous for older pedestrians than the rest of the country.

- ✦ The pedestrian fatality rate for people 60 years and older living in Connecticut, New Jersey and downstate New York was 54.5% higher than for the rest of the country.
- ✦ Those 75 years and older suffered a fatality rate that was 60.1% higher.

OLDER PEDESTRIANS IN THE UNITED STATES

United States Average Pedestrian
Fatality Rate by Age Group (2003-2012)

