



The North Carolina Department of Transportation

Work Zone Safety Program

North Carolina Work Zone Safety Fact Sheet

- There are more than 200 major work zones in North Carolina.
- In 2009, there were 2,125 work zone crashes in North Carolina.
- In 2009, 1,208 people were injured as a result of motor vehicle crashes in North Carolina construction, utility and maintenance work zones.
- In 2009, there were 11 fatalities in North Carolina work zones.
- More than four out of five persons killed in work zone crashes are motorists.
- Speeding and distracted driving account for more than 50% of all work zone crashes.
- In 2009, 71% of North Carolina's reported work zone crashes occurred on clear days.
- In 2009, nearly 82% of North Carolina's reported work zone crashes occurred during dry road conditions.
- Of North Carolina's reported work zone crashes in 2009, more than 75% occurred during daylight hours.
- It takes less than one minute longer to travel through a two-mile work zone at 45 miles per hour than at 65 miles per hour – 49 seconds to be exact!

For additional information, please visit www.ncdot.org/~workzone.