



NHTSA Update

Texas Impaired Driving Forum

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Discussion Topics

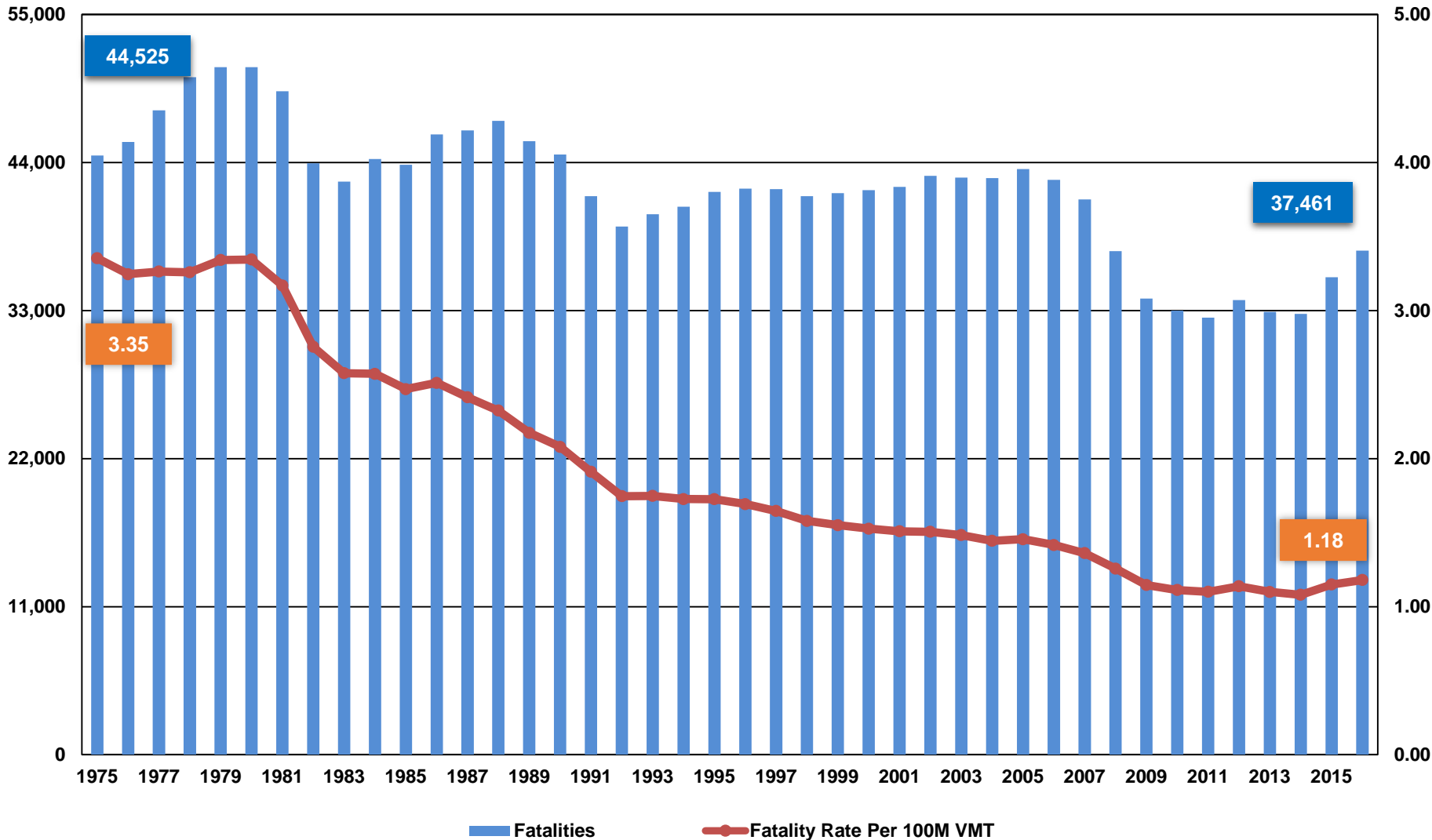
- **Region 6 office changes**
- **Current FARS data**
- **New Resources**



Overall Fatality Picture



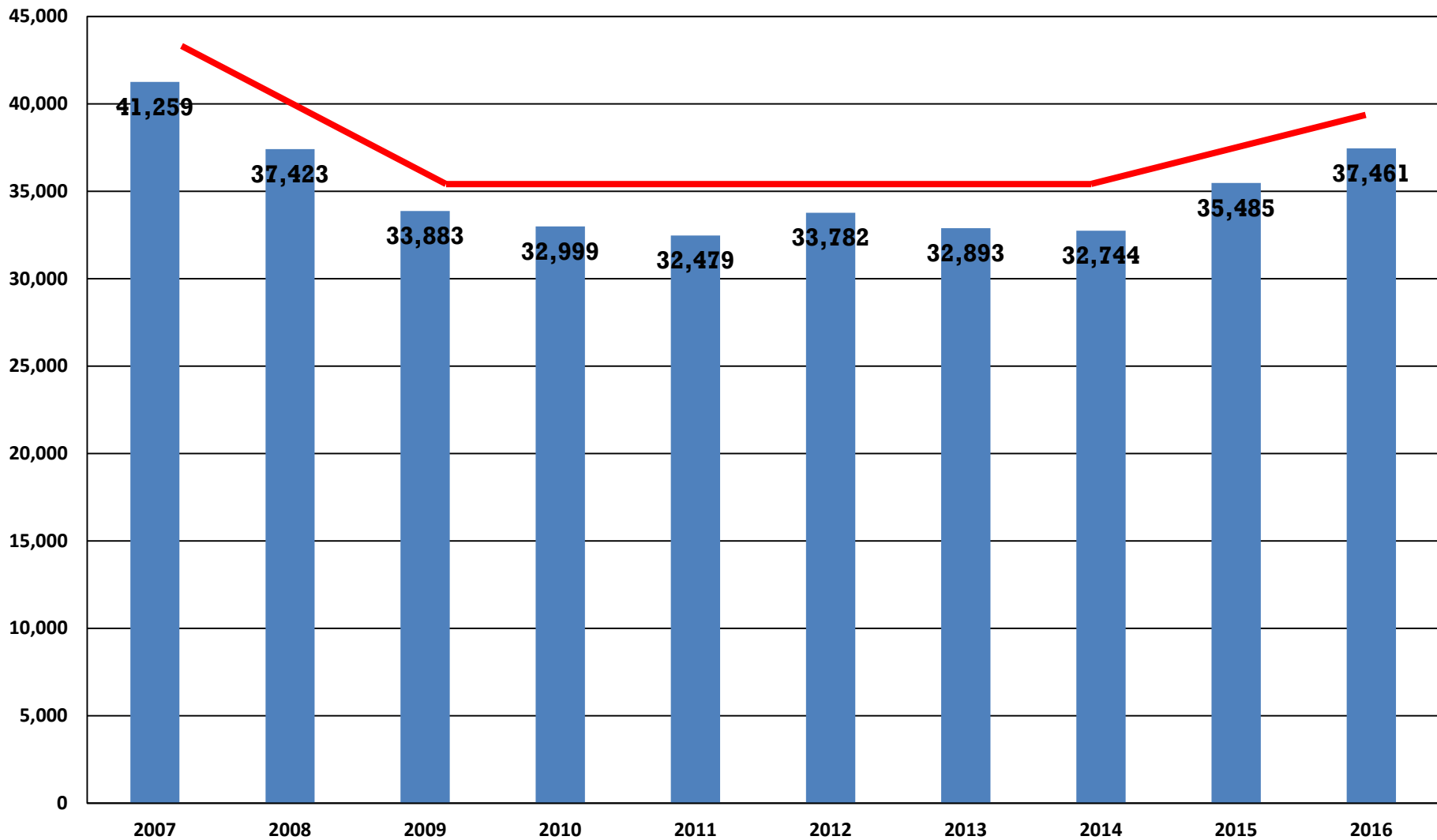
Fatalities and Fatality Rate per 100M VMT



Sources: FARS, FHWA



Total Fatalities



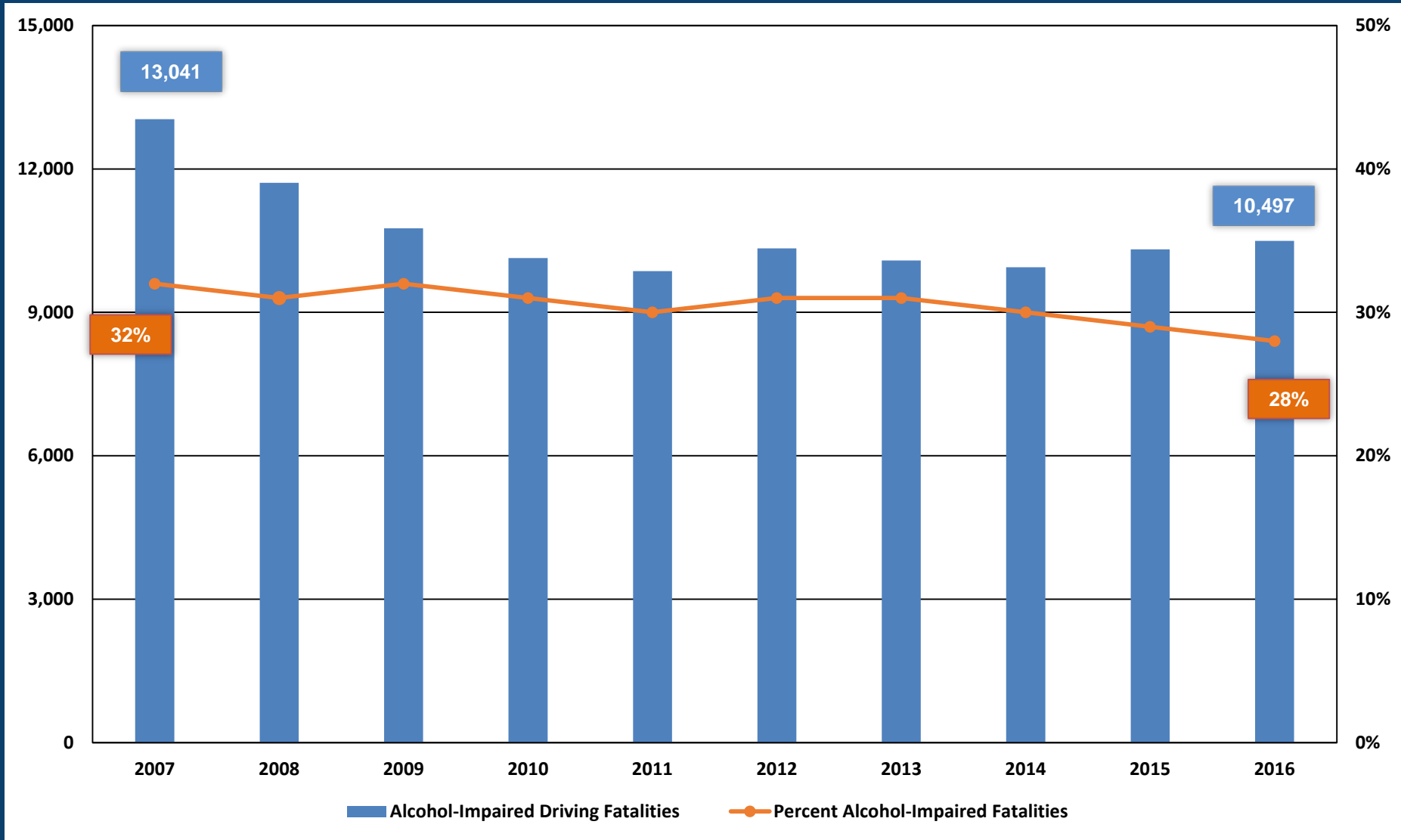
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Behavioral Factors



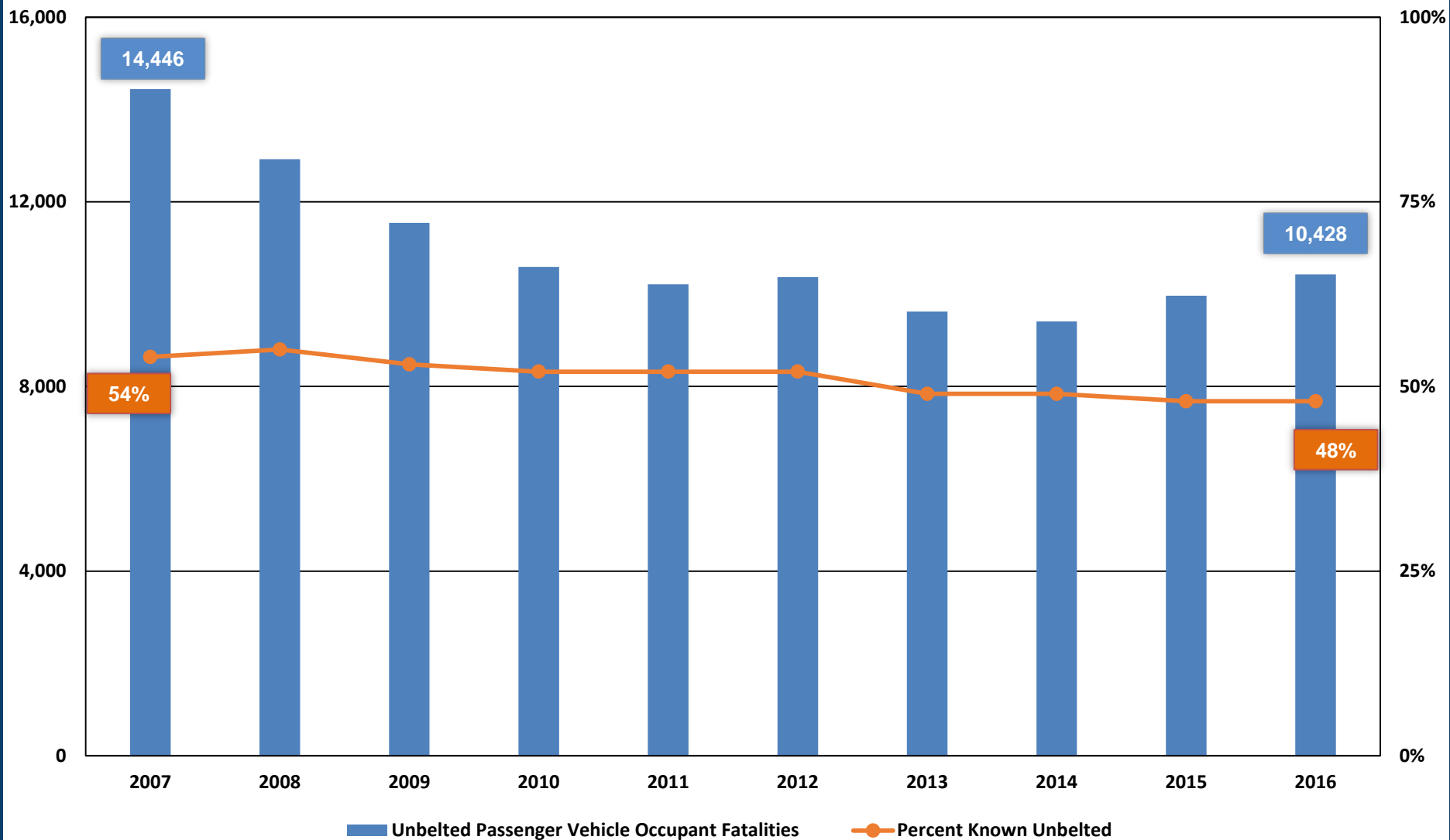
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities



Source: FARS



Unbelted Passenger Vehicle Occupant Fatalities



Source: FARS



Resources



Drug-Impaired Driving Campaign Toolkit

DUI is more than alcohol. Pass It On.

Drug-impaired driving is a problem on America's highways. Like drunk driving, drugged driving is impaired driving. It is dangerous and illegal in all 50 States, Puerto Rico, and Washington, DC. Whether the drug is legally prescribed or illegal, driving while drug-impaired poses a threat to the driver, vehicle passengers, and other road users.

Spread the word about drug-impaired driving and remind all drivers: If you are impaired by drugs and thinking about driving, pass your keys on to a sober driver.

Click [here](#) to view the materials available.

<https://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/>



Medication Effects That May Impair Driving Ability WebMD/Medscape Training Program

WebMD has launched a free webinar to educate and increase awareness among clinicians regarding the potential adverse effects of prescription and Over-the-Counter (OTC) medication on driving. The training webinar reviews the types of drugs that may impair driving and discusses the importance of clinicians communicating the risks to their patients, to help decrease drug-impaired driving crashes. At the end of the webinar, clinicians (including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, pharmacists and pharmacy technicians) will have greater knowledge regarding the potential adverse effects of OTC and prescription medication that may impair driving ability among drivers and strategies to mitigate these adverse effects.

Free continuing education credits are available with this webinar. Click [here](#) to participate

<https://www.medscape.com/>



Recent NHTSA Research Publications

Interlock Data Utilization (August 2017; DOT HS 812 445)

This report summarizes findings on ignition interlock data that is used for DWI offender monitoring and offender-related programs such as screening, assessments, and treatment for alcohol abuse problems

The Feasibility of Ignition Interlocks as a Prevention Strategies for Young Drivers (June 2017; DOT HS 812 425)

This report explores interlocks as a prevention tool for 16-20 year old drivers.

Impact of Legalization and Decriminalization of Marijuana on the DWI System (June 2017; DOT HS 812 430)

NHTSA and GHSA convened an expert panel of professionals involved in and impacted by enactment of recreational and/or medical marijuana laws. Lessons learned from States such as Washington, Colorado, Oregon and California are detailed in this report.



Questions?

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