

Which sex is the better driver and why?

We've gathered the facts around driving performance and attitudes including:

- Numbers killed in auto crashes by gender
- Crash rates per driver age and gender
- Impact of alcohol
- Insurance costs
- Traffic offenses
- Do men or women think they're better drivers?

Violations Ratio

Men scored higher than women:

- Reckless driving, 3.41 to 1
- DUI, 3.09 to 1
- Seat belt violation, 3.08 to 1
- Speeding, 1.75 to 1
- Failure to yield, 1.54 to 1
- Signal Violation, 1.53 to 1

Fatal passenger vehicle crash involvements

Per miles traveled, men were involved in fatal crashes at a rate of 2.5, compared to women at 1.7

Driving under the influence (DUI)

Males drive drunk more often than females, with .61% male drivers receiving a DUI compared to .16% female.

Offenses

Women versus Men

- 30% of women have driven drunk compared to 55% of men
- 38% of women have rudely gestured other drivers compared to 47% of men
- 77% of women have crashed their vehicle compared to 84% of men
- 40% of women have been distracted by billboards while driving compared to 51% of men
- 36% of women have admitted to verbally abusing another driver compared to 46% of men
- 15% of women have used their phone without a hands free accessory compared to 22% of men

What does the other sex think?

84% of women think gender does not play a role in driving skill, while 8% believe women are better drivers. Conversely, 57% of men think gender does not play a role in driving skill, while 40% believe men are better drivers

Are Men or women better drivers?

Our sources conclude that women are better drivers than men for the following reasons:

- Males break more traffic laws and drive more dangerously than women
- Males are at least 50% more likely to be cited for reckless driving, seat belt violations, speeding, failure to yield and stop sign violations
- Males cause more accidents and expensive damage
- Males drive drunk more often than females
- Males have much higher numbers of car crashes than females
- Males commit more offenses than women
- Males pay higher insurance premiums
- Females have fewer traffic violations