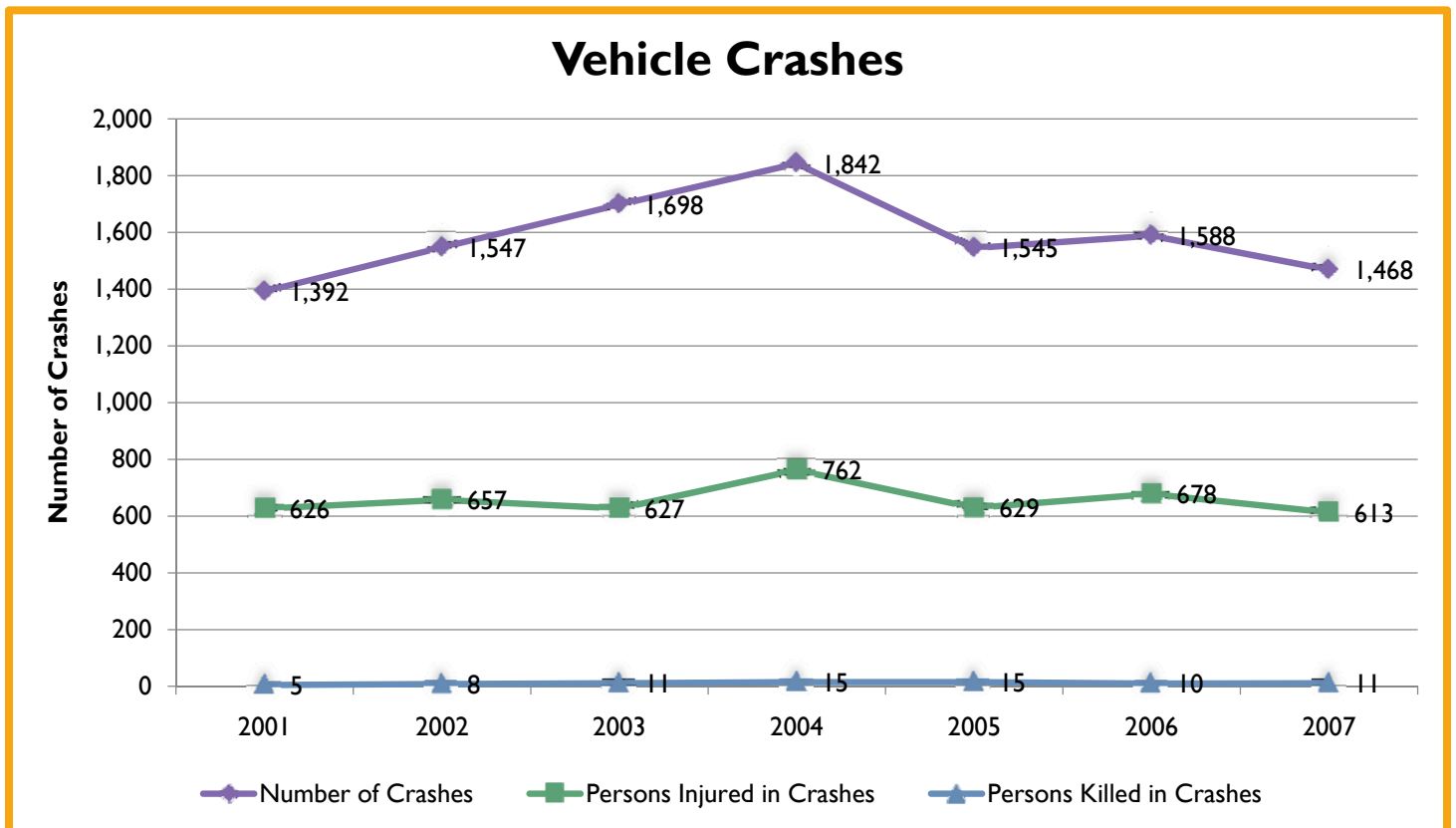


The number of crashes in Roanoke County has fluctuated from 2001-2007



Source: Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles maintains crash statistics on a jurisdictional basis across the Commonwealth through the Virginia Highway Safety Office.

Available data indicate consistency across most informational categories over the seven-year period.

The annual average of persons injured in crashes in Roanoke County was 656 with an annual average of 10.71 fatalities from 2001 – 2007. The highest total of injuries recorded was 762 in 2004 with a low of 613 in 2007. The highest number of fatalities was 15 occurring in both 2004 and 2005. The lowest fatality count was five occurring in 2001.

Pedestrian injuries due to vehicle crashes averaged 10.86 across the county with an average of 0.43 pedestrian fatalities involved in crashes over the seven-year period. The highest number of pedestrian injuries was 18 occurring in 2001 with the lowest yearly count at seven occurring in both 2005 and 2006. 2002, 2004 and 2005 each saw one pedestrian fatality due to a vehicle crash.

Roanoke County averaged four bicycle injuries annually due to vehicle crashes through the period with eight injuries occurring in 2005 and five each recorded in 2006 and 2007. Fortunately, no bicycle fatalities occurred from 2001 – 2007 in the county.

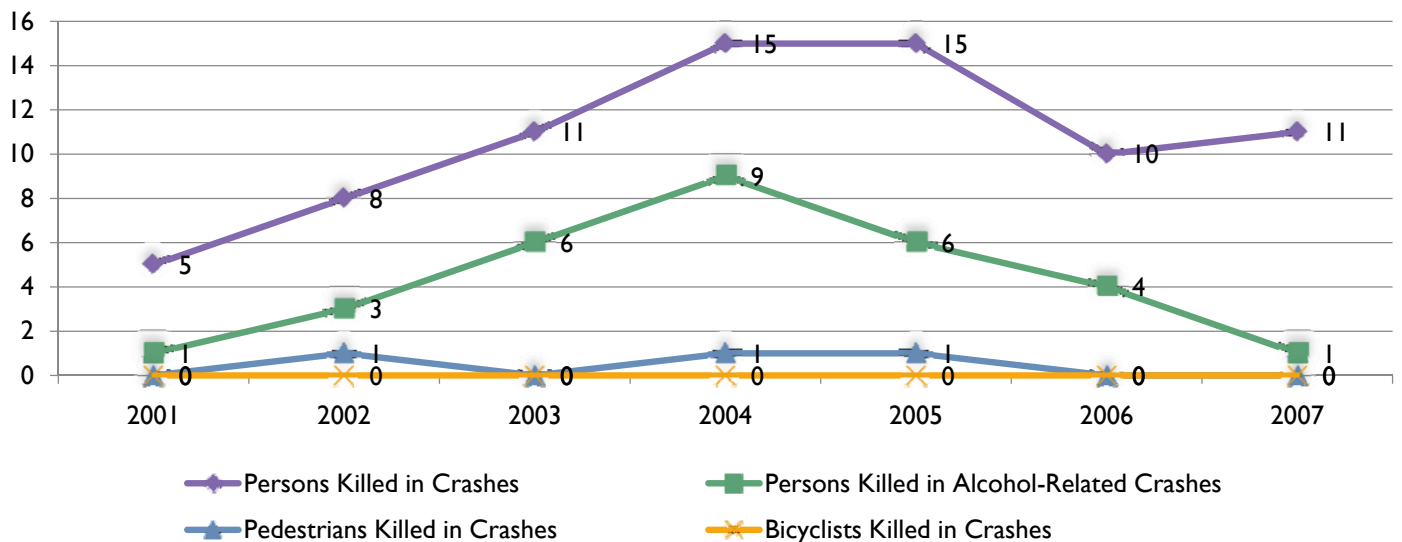
Alcohol-Related Crashes



Source: Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

An average of 131.14 alcohol-related crashes occurred over the period with a yearly average of 80.14 persons injured in alcohol-related crashes (highest and lowest injury rates in the period were 96 and 72 occurring in 2001 and 2002, respectively). 164 alcohol-related crashes occurred in 2004 and 115 were recorded in 2002 as the high and low figures, respectively. A total of 30 people were killed in alcohol-related crashes in Roanoke County over the seven-year period. The most fatalities recorded were nine in 2004 with one as the lowest, recorded both in 2001 and in 2007.

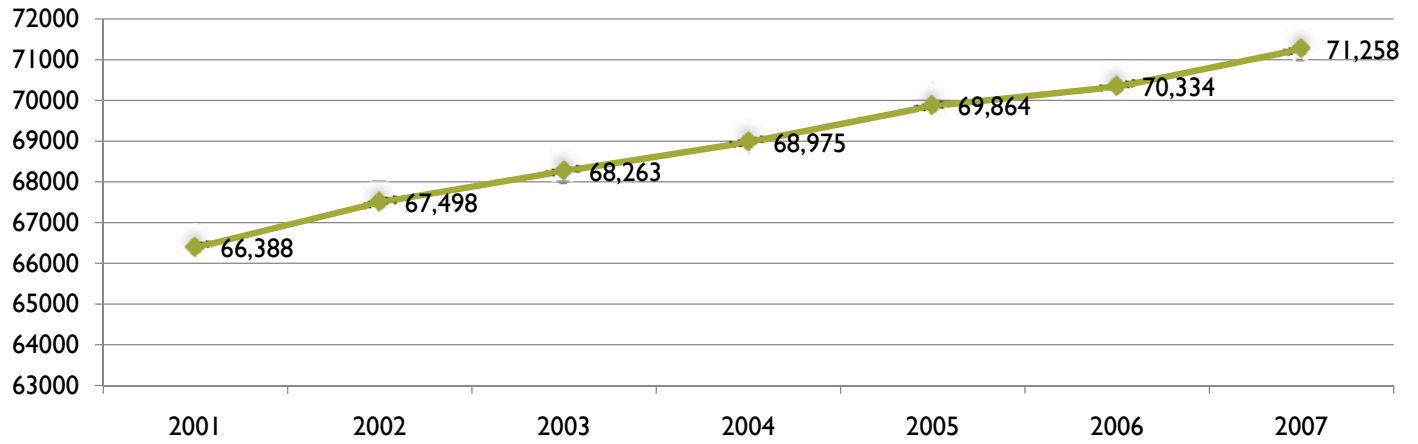
Fatalities Resulting From Crashes



Source: Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

A sobering statistic regarding alcohol-related crashes and fatalities indicates that **40 percent** of all persons killed in crashes during the seven-year period died in alcohol-related wrecks (30 of 75).

Number of Licensed Drivers



Source: Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles

The number of licensed drivers residing in Roanoke County has slowly risen each year from 66,388 in 2001 to 71,258 in 2007.