

Headlines:Deaths Increase for Drivers, Bikers, Pedestrians

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The [city streets are less safe for commuters](#) than they were a year ago. The [Mayor's Management Report](#) shows that traffic fatalities increased from June 2011 to July 2012 by 29 percent. The number of deaths increased from 236 to 291--the first major increase since 2007 when there were 307 deaths. 176 cyclists or pedestrians were killed in crashes while 115 were drivers or their passengers. The Bloomberg administration attributed the increase to distracted driving and walking although the data does not support that claim. Meanwhile, transportation advocates say that motorists are increasingly getting away with reckless driving and are [pushing legislation](#) to crack down on it.

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