

# RUNNING THE ROADS

## FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES TO ROADWAY INCIDENTS

LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS RESPONDED TO

**5,282,000**

**INCIDENTS ON ROADWAY PROPERTIES IN 2018**

14% of fire department responses were to roadway properties



**2020**

**42,338** people died in motor vehicle crashes

**TOP 3 CAUSES**

**ALCOHOL, SPEEDING, and LACK OF SEAT BELT USE**

**2/3** of roadway responses were  
**EMS CALLS OR RESCUES**

Number of **FIREFIGHTERS**  
**STRUCK & KILLED**  
on roadways from 2000-2021

**102**

**27%**  
**OF ROADWAY INCIDENTS**  
occurred on  
highways or divided highways



**177**

Number of **EMERGENCY RESPONDERS**  
**STRUCK & KILLED**  
from 2019 to April 2022

as of 4/20/2022

**PROTECT YOUR RESPONDERS**  
**AT ROADWAY SCENES.**



**PUT DOWN YOUR PHONE.**  
**SLOW DOWN AND MOVE OVER**  
**GIVE THEM ROOM TO SAVE LIVES!**

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