1Charlotte Car Accident Lawyer Network Cites 2025 Crash Data

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The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department recorded 38,400 total crashes in Charlotte in 2025, including 4,950 injury crashes and 176 fatalities, according to figures reported through the NCDOT Crash Data Portal and the CMPD Traffic Safety Unit. The 2025 total reflects a 9 percent increase over the department's 2024 count and, according to the same sources, continues a three-year upward trend in reported crash volume alongside a reported 7 percent rise in serious injuries. In response to those figures, 1Charlotte Injury Lawyers has published an analysis of the legal challenges Charlotte car accident victims may face under North Carolina's contributory negligence standard.

Separately, NCDOT crash data identifies Sugar Creek Road at North Tryon Street as the Mecklenburg County intersection with the highest reported collision frequency, recording more than 66 crashes in the reviewed period. NCDOT data also lists I-485 at Nations Ford Road, Albemarle Road at West T. Harris Boulevard, and Josh Birmingham Parkway at Wilkinson Boulevard among the higher-frequency crash locations in the region. According to combined CMPD and NCDOT datasets, higher-density crash zones cluster in the Uptown Charlotte grid and along the South Boulevard corridor, with severe-injury crashes reported more often in high-speed transition zones and at urban intersections with limited sightlines. Readers

seeking to verify these figures can consult the NCDOT Crash Data Portal and the CMPD Traffic Safety Unit's published reports directly.

Statewide, and distinct from the 2025 Charlotte totals above, NCDOT data attributes approximately 17 percent of all reported North Carolina crashes in 2024 to distracted driving, corresponding to 48,015 accidents, 19,230 injuries, and 147 deaths across the state that year. The same statewide 2024 data indicates that drivers aged 20 to 29 were involved in more than 27 percent of reported crashes, a demographic well represented in Charlotte's young professional population and the area near UNC Charlotte. NCDOT reporting also identifies Charlotte as the North Carolina city with the highest total reported crash volume.

North Carolina applies a contributory negligence doctrine that, in general application, can bar a car accident victim from recovering damages if the victim is found to share any fault for the collision, though courts recognize exceptions such as the last clear chance doctrine and the doctrine's application remains fact-specific to each case. In distracted driving claims, that standard can prompt insurers representing an at-fault driver to examine whether the victim was also using a mobile device or otherwise inattentive, because a finding of shared fault may affect the claim. The firm's analysis describes this dynamic as a particular consideration for Charlotte car accident victims pursuing distracted driving claims. According to the firm, a car accident lawyer within the network works to document an at-fault driver's distraction before an insurer develops a contributory negligence defense.

"Charlotte's crash volume concentrates at intersections such as Sugar Creek Road and North Tryon Street and along the South Boulevard corridor, and adjusters handling these claims often examine both drivers' potential distraction," said a spokesperson for 1Charlotte Injury Lawyers. "In many distracted driving crashes, the question of who was inattentive is informed by dashcam footage, traffic camera records, and mobile device data, some of which retention policies may limit over time. The firm reviews available evidence early in a matter to help address that concern."

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