## THE REGION'S

# MOST DANGEROUS ROADS FOR WALKING

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Fact sheets and maps are available at tstc.org

### **KEY FINDINGS**

- In the three-year period from 2011 to 2013, 1,266 pedestrians lost their lives on Connecticut, New Jersey and downstate New York roads.
- With 445 pedestrian deaths, 2013 was more deadly than 2012 (427 deaths), 2011 (394 deaths) and 2010 (415 deaths) for the entire region.
- Roads classified as arterials multi-lane roads, often with speed limits of 40 mph or higher and little pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure are the region's most deadly for pedestrians. About 15 percent of lane miles in the region are classified as arterials, but 53 percent of pedestrian fatalities in the region occurred on this type of road.
- \*With 20 deaths in the three-year period, Route 25 in Suffolk County, NY (Middle County Road, Jericho Turnpike, East Main Street, Main Road) is the region's most dangerous road for walking.
- With nine deaths in the three-year period, U.S. Route 130 (Burlington Pike) is New Jersey's most dangerous road for walking.
- ★ With nine deaths in the three-year period, U.S. Route 1 is Connecticut's most dangerous road for walking.
- With 10 fatalities each, Brooklyn's Flatbush Avenue and Grand Concourse in the Bronx were the most dangerous roads for walking in New York City during the three-year period.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

State and local governments, departments of transportation, and metropolitan planning organizations must:

- Make pedestrian safety a policy and investment priority by dedicating funds exclusively for walking and bicycling infrastructure in state budgets and capital programs.
- ★ Use the flexibility of federal transportation funding to prioritize improvements for walking and bicycling.
- Protect the most vulnerable pedestrians through increased spending on Safe Routes to School, Safe Routes to Transit and Safe Routes for Seniors programs.
- Adopt and implement Complete Streets laws and policies to ensure that new and retrofitted roads safely accommodate all users -- not just motorists.

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ROAD	COUNTY/BOROUGH	STATE	FATALITIES
SR-25 (Jericho Turnpike, Middle Country Road, E Main St, Main Rd)	<b>Suffolk County</b>	NY	20
SR-24 (Hempstead Turnpike, Fulton Ave, Conklin St)	Nassau County	NY	11
Grand Concourse	Bronx	NY	10
Flatbush Avenue	Brooklyn	NY	10
U.S. Route 1	statewide	СТ	9
Burlington Pike (US-130)	Burlington County	NJ	9
Merrick Road	Nassau County	NY	9
Woodhaven Boulevard	Queens	NY	9
SR-110 (New York Ave, Broadhollow Rd, Broadway)	<b>Suffolk County</b>	NY	9
U.S. Route 30 (White Horse Pike, Admiral Wilson Blvd)	Camden County	NJ	8
U.S. Route 9	<b>Middlesex County</b>	NJ	8
Queens Boulevard	Queens	NY	8
SR-27A (Merrick Rd, Montauk Hwy, CR-85, CR-80, Main St)	Suffolk County	NY	8

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