
How Do Most Car Accidents Happen in Louisiana

A practical evidence + insurance toolkit you can print and save.

Fast Answer: The Most Common Crash Drivers

- Speeding or driving too fast for conditions.
- Distraction, especially phones or in-car tasks.
- Impairment from alcohol or drugs.
- Failure to yield at intersections or left turns.
- Unsafe lane changes, merges, and following too closely.

First 72 Hours: Evidence Checklist

- Photograph vehicle positions, all sides of all vehicles, skid marks, debris, and traffic controls.
- Get driver names, plates, insurance details, and a reliable way to reach witnesses.
- Back up dashcam footage and note nearby cameras that may overwrite quickly.
- Write down what you remember while it is fresh: speed, lanes, signals, and timing.
- Be cautious with recorded statements until you have your facts and documents organized.
- Keep repair estimates, tow/storage receipts, and any damaged parts that are replaced.

Timeline Builder (Fill In)

Time	Event	Source	Notes

Infographic 1: Evidence Blueprint

Use this as a quick map for what to collect and what to write down.

Evidence Blueprint

Proving How the Crash Happened

1 **Secure the Scene**
911 + photos first
Before tow/cleanup

2 **Capture Road Proof**
Signs, lights, marks
Weather + visibility

3 **Identify Witnesses**
Names, numbers, cameras
Ask about dashcams

4 **Build a Timeline**
Minute-by-minute notes
Who said what, when

5 **Save the Paper Trail**
Reports, bills, receipts
Insurer messages saved

First 72 Hours

Quick checklist

- Photo every vehicle
- Get names + policies
- Back up dashcam
- Ask about cameras
- Avoid recorded talk
- Keep repair parts

Infographic 2: Defense vs. Evidence

Match common insurer narratives with specific records that answer them.

Defense vs. Evidence

Close the Proof Gaps Early

Defense Angle	Evidence Anchor
Minor impact = no injury	Photos + repair data Damage map + EDR
You changed lanes into my path	Dashcam + witnesses Paint transfer
You stopped without warning	Signal timing notes Skid marks + video
You waited to get care	Timeline entries Visit summaries
You are 51%+ at fault	Neutral cameras Consistent statements

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Free Case Review: Protect the Facts

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Car crash claims often turn on the earliest evidence: photos, video, vehicle data, and the first recorded description of how the wreck happened.

If you are worried the story is being flipped onto you, the fastest way to protect yourself is to preserve proof, spot deadlines, and control communications with the insurer.

What We Focus On First

- Evidence triage: what can disappear in days (video, data, witness memories).
- Fault and comparative-fault risks: identifying the disputes that insurers lean on.
- A clean documentation packet that supports the timeline, injuries, and expenses.

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