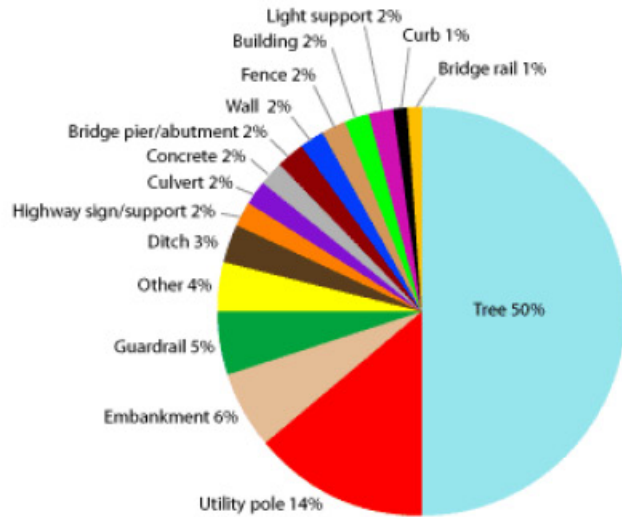


- Trees are the most common fixed object struck. Fifty percent of deaths in fixed object crashes in 2005 involved a vehicle striking a tree. Utility poles and embankments were the next most common objects struck, accounting for 14 and 6 percent of deaths, respectively.

Percent distribution of fixed object crash deaths by object struck, 2005



Deaths in fixed object crashes by object struck, 2005

Object struck	Num	%
Tree	4,573	50
Utility pole	1,223	14
Embankment	567	6
Guardrail	451	5
Other	364	4
Ditch	261	3
Highway sign support	226	2
Culvert	220	2
Concrete	214	2
Bridge pier/abutment	171	2
Wall	164	2
Fence	163	2
Building	158	2
Light support	131	2
Curb	91	1
Bridge rail	80	1
Total	9,057	100