

WORK ZONES: PennDOT: Slow down
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The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is reminding drivers to slow down and use caution in construction zones.

Statistics show there were 1,888 crashes in work zones in 2005, the most recent year for which data is available, according to PennDOT.

Aggressive driving, such as speeding and tailgating, and distracted drivers were the leading causes of those crashes. Nearly half of the crashes were rear-end collisions.

Drivers must turn on vehicle headlights when traveling through work zones where signs are in place telling them to do so. Those who don't could be subject to a \$25 fine.

Fines for certain traffic violations, such as speeding and driving under the influence, are doubled for active work zones. Those driving 11 mph or higher above the posted work zone speed limit will lose their license for 15 days.