

CAPS ADECA TRCC Support

ADECA TRAFFIC RECORDS COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

November 8, 2017



Agenda for the Meeting



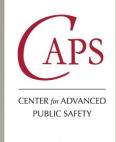
- Opening Remarks Terry Henderson
- Traffic Records Assessment Announcement
- PPT: Fatalities 2017 vs 2016 Dave Brown
 - ✓ Fatality picture for 2017 based on first 9 months
 - Analysis of the data
 - 2014 vs 2016 complete years
 - 2016 vs 2017 first 9 months
 - Thanksgiving analysis
 - Countermeasure recommendations
- Questions and Discussions
- Closing Remarks Terry Henderson

TRA Announcement



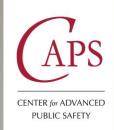
- Federal Register: Comments on Advisory
 - "Description of the ideal traffic records system"
 - "Associated assessment questions in the Advisory"
- Comments Directly until December 26, 2017
- Two Ways to Respond
 - ✓ Through ADECA/CAPS: brown@cs.ua.edu
 - Directly to NHTSA (URL in Minutes to this meeting)

Introduction: PPT Organization

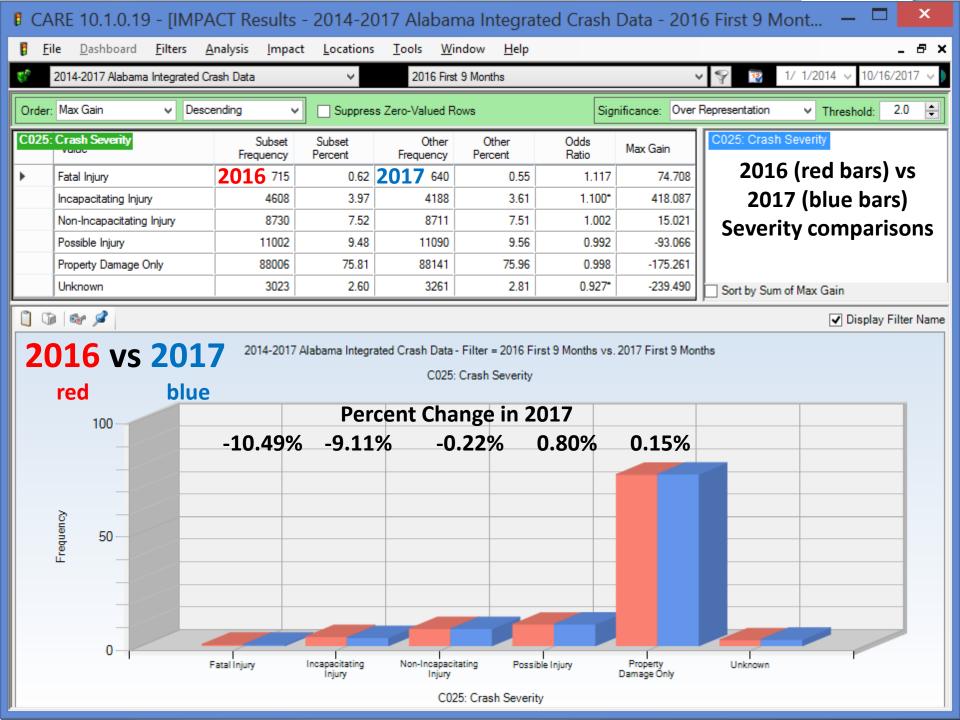


- Rationale for Comparisons
 - ✓ 2016 vs 2014 complete year to further compare with ...
 - 2017 vs 2016 first 9 months*
- CUCC = Causal Unit Contributing Circumstances
- CUCC Differences in Fatal Crashes
- IMPACT and Frequency Comparison Results
 - ✓ IMPACT comparisons of proportions
 - Straight numerical and percentage comparisons
- Presentation Approach
 - Summary given first for each section
 - Analytical support for conclusions
 - * 2017" always means first 9 months of 2017 2017 comparisons are against first 9 months of 2016

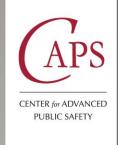
Analysis Organization



- High Level CU Contributing Circumstances
- Driver Behavior
 - ✓ CUCCs, DUI, Speed, etc.
- Geographical Characteristics
 - ✓ County, Rural/Urban
- Crash Severity Causes
 - Restraints and Helmets
- Pedestrian Behavior
- Thanksgiving Study Results

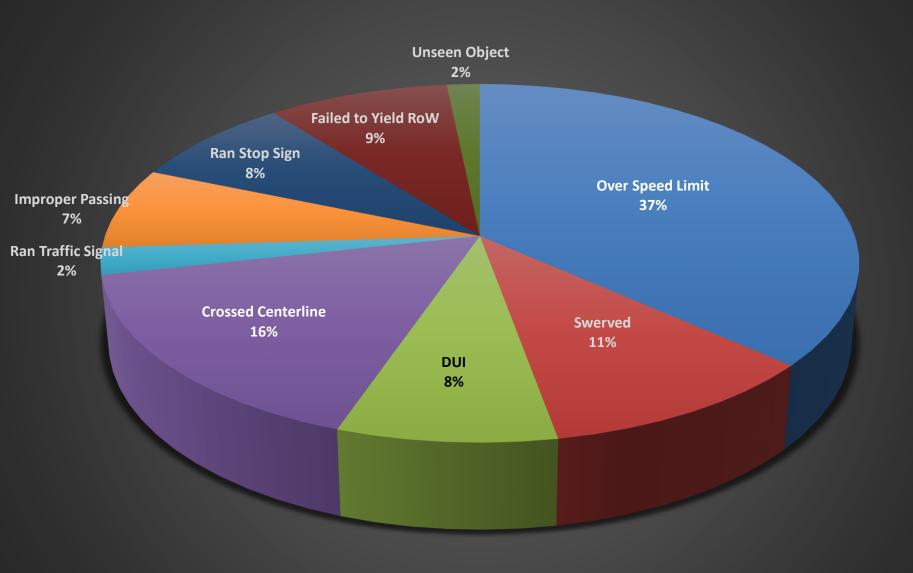


Highest Level View

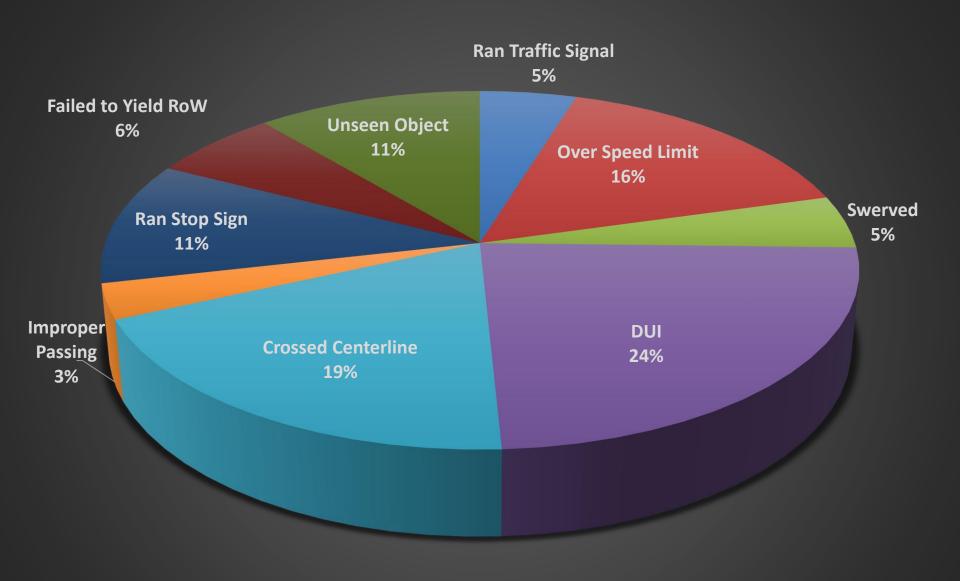


- 2016-2017 Crashes by Severity
 - ✓ Good news: 10% reduction in fatal and incapacitating
 - ✓ No significant changes in the other categories
- CUCC Largest Increases for 2014 to 2016:
 - ✓ Speed 37%; Crossed Centerline 16%; Fail to Yield 11%
 - ✓ Swerved 9%; DUI 8%; Ran Stop Sign 8%
- CUCC Largest Decreases for 2016 to 2017
 - ✓ Speed -16%; Crossed Centerline -19%; Fail Yield -6%; Swerved -5%; <u>DUI -24%</u>; Ran Stop Sign -11%;

2014 vs 2016 Percent INCREASE in Fatal Crashes



2016 vs 2017 Percent Reduction in Fatal Crashes



2014-2016 Crash Percent *Increase* by CUCC 2016-2017 Compares First 9 Months

	Per Cent Crash Increase*	
Contrib Circumstances	2014-2016	2016-2017
Speed	37 %	-16%
DUI	8%	-24%
Crossed Centerline	16%	-19%
Failed to Yield RoW	11%	-6%
Over Steering/Swerved	9%	-5%
Ran Stop Sign	8%	-11%
*Percentages are of the overall increase or reduction in CU Contributing Circumstances		



Driver Behavior Geographical Features Restraints and Helmets Pedestrian Behavior Thanksgiving Report

Driver Behavior

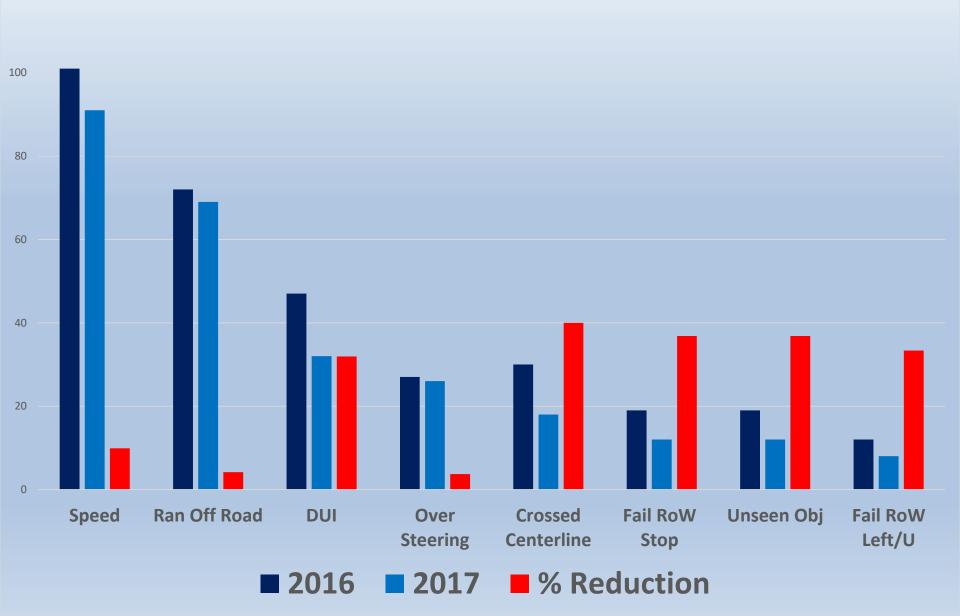


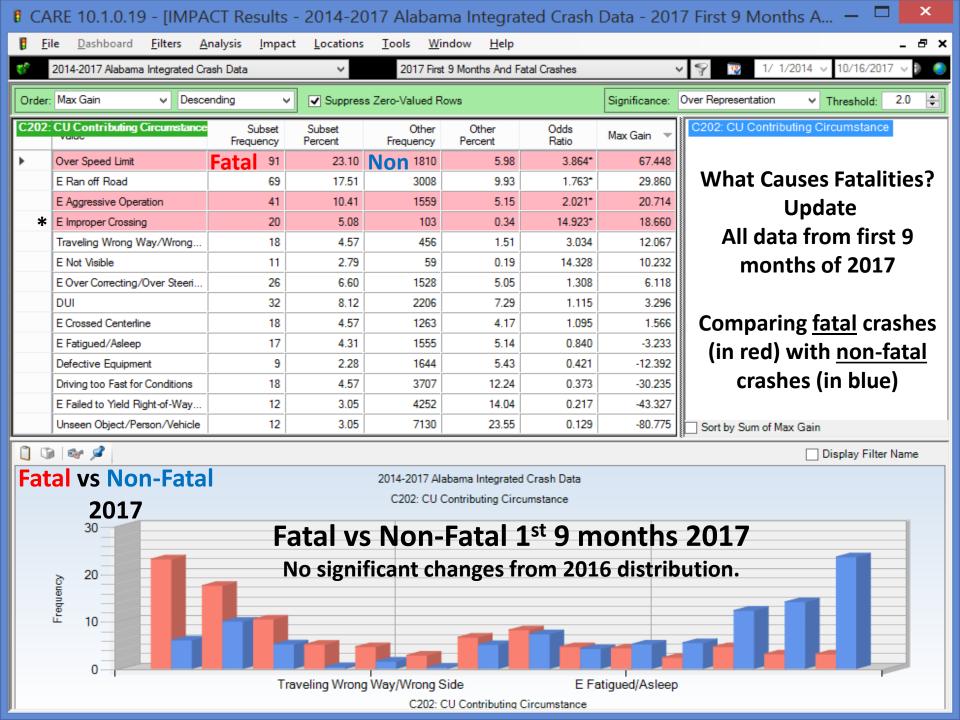
- Top CUCCs have strong speed cofactors
- Unseen Object/Person/Vehicle = Proxy for DD
- Major Cause of Death
 - ✓ Speed, DUI, Aggressive, Pedestrians, Ran off Road, Wrg Way
 - ✓ Very similar Fatality CUCCs in 2016 and 2017
- For Fatality Crashes:
 - ✓ DUI/ID Increase in Drug Use in 2014 to 2016
 - ✓ ID Decrease both Drugs & Alcohol 2016 to 2017
 - ✓ ID had the Largest Improvement 2016 to 2017
 - Major changes discovered in ID impact speeds

2016 to 2017 Fatal Differential by CUCC

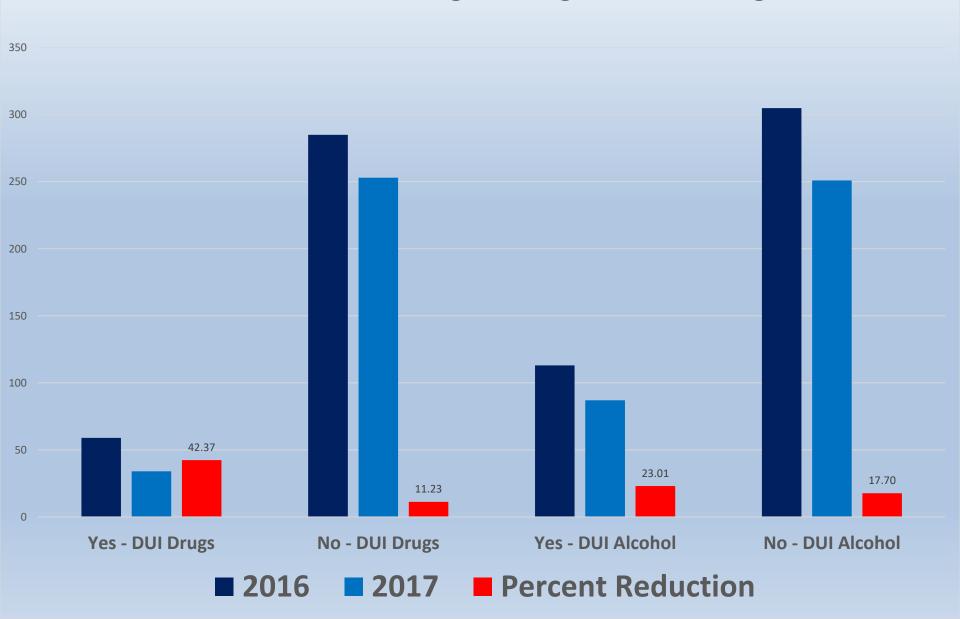
Ordered by number of crashes in 2017 (light blue bars)

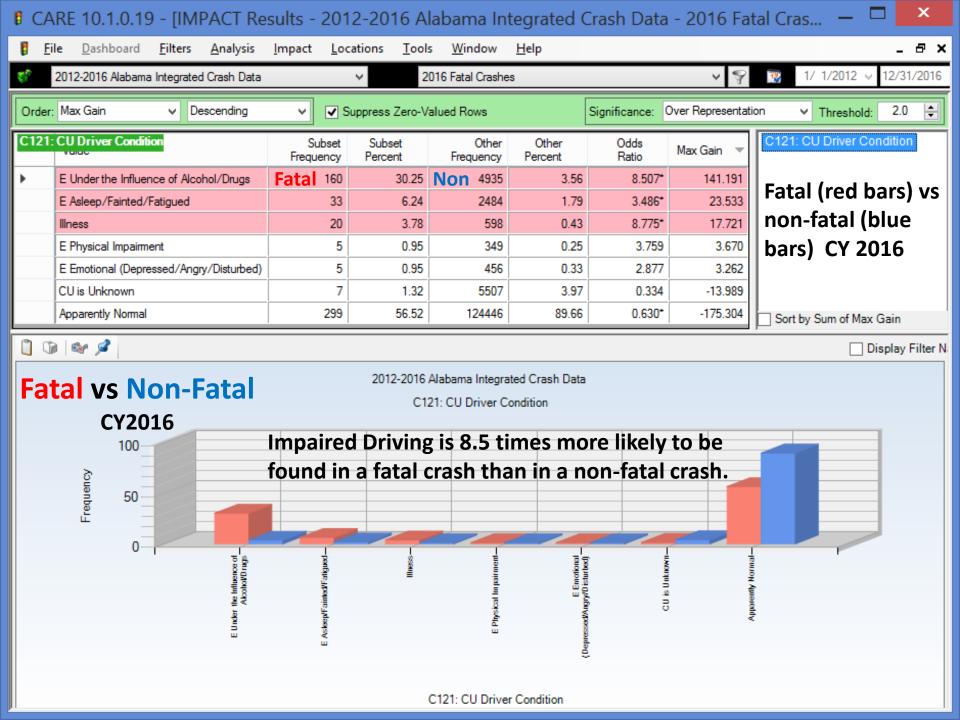
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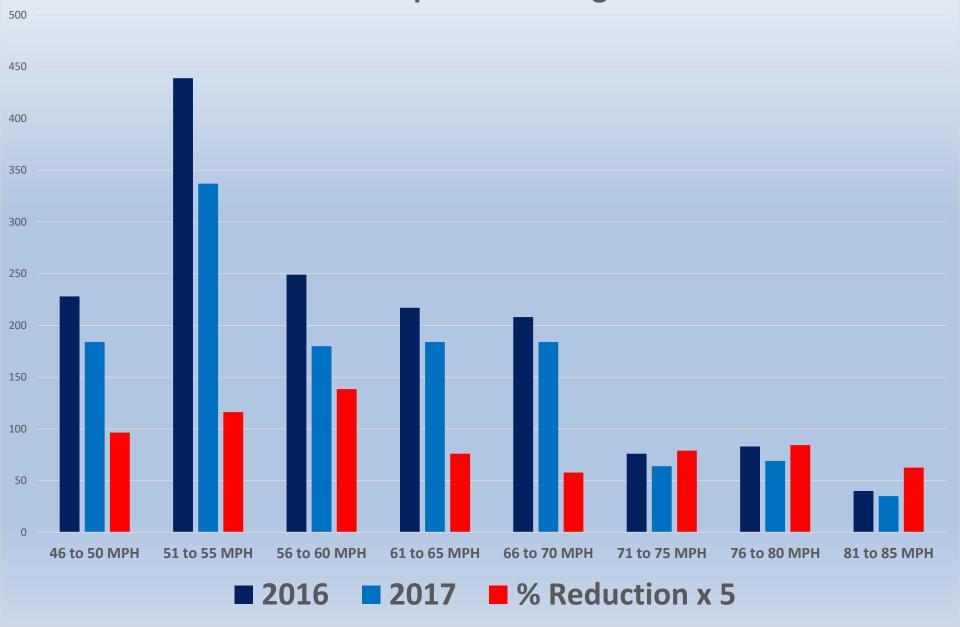


2016 to 2017 C122-3 Officer's Opinion Drug and Alcohol Use
Dark blue bars still represent 2016
Reductions seen in all categories; largest is that of drugs

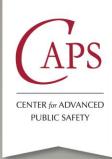




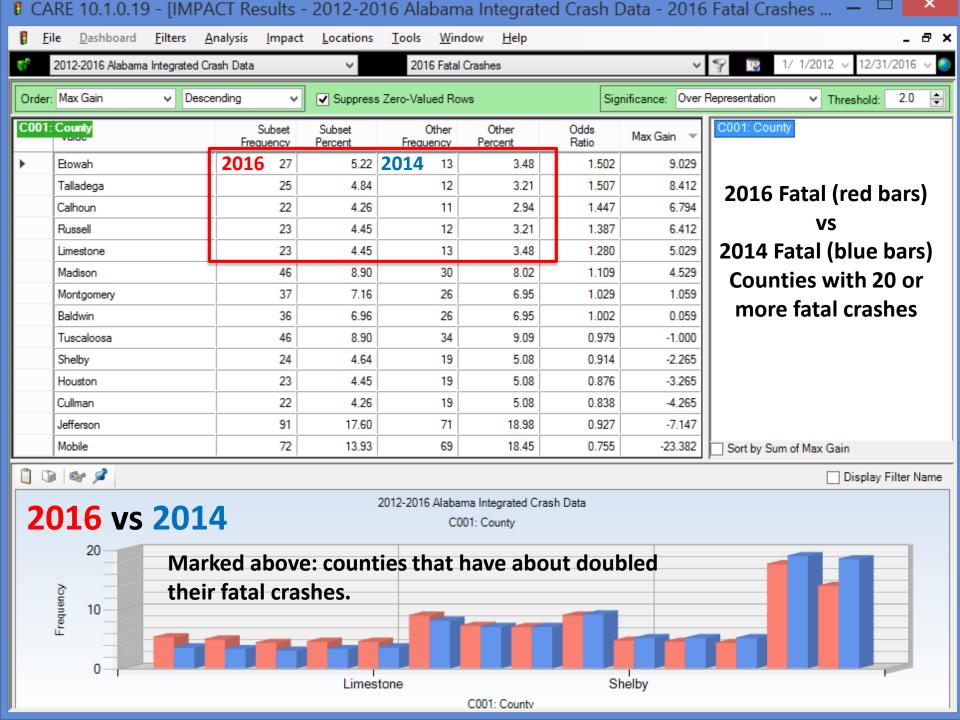
2016 to 2017 Impact Speed Reduction for Impaired Driving



Geographical Features

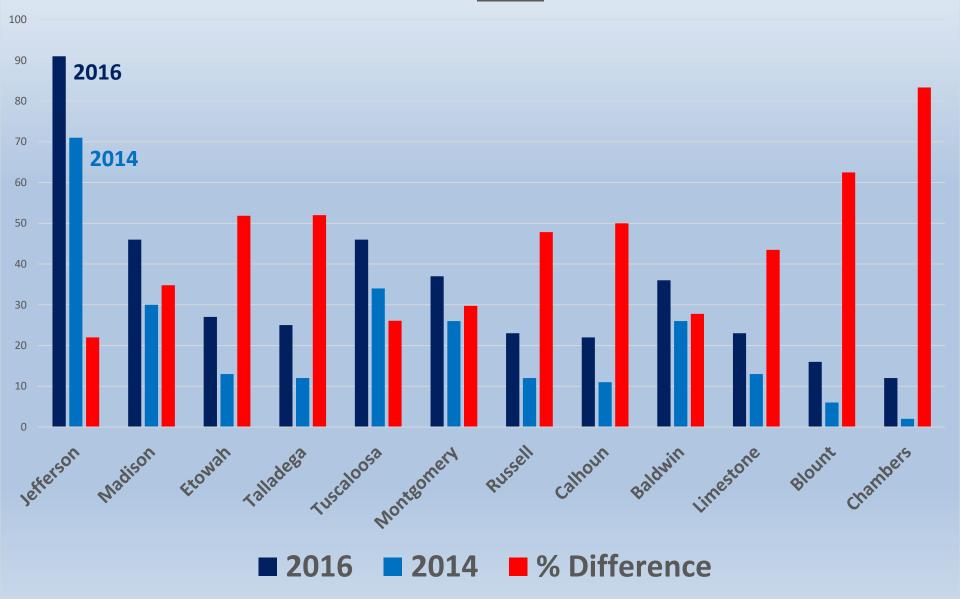


- Counties that about doubled fatal crashes in 2016
 - ✓ Talladega, Limestone, Etowah, Calhoun and Russell
- Greatest Increases in 2016 Most Increased First
 - ✓ Jefferson, Madison, Etowah, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Montgomery
 - ✓ <u>Russell</u>, Calhoun, <u>Baldwin</u> Limestone, Blount, Chambers
- Greatest Reductions in 2017 Most Reduced First
 - ✓ Montgomery, Elmore, <u>Jefferson</u>, Mobile, Houston, Dale
 - <u>Baldwin</u>, Chilton, Tallapoosa, <u>Tuscaloosa</u>, <u>Etowah</u>, <u>Russell</u>
- Rural Areas are Over-Represented by About 3x



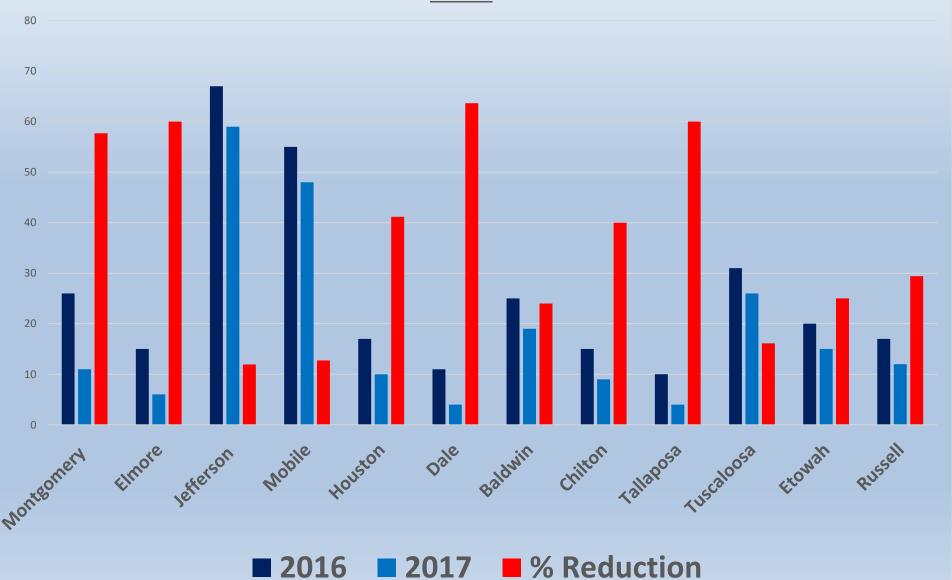
2014 to 2016 Fatal Crash Increase by County

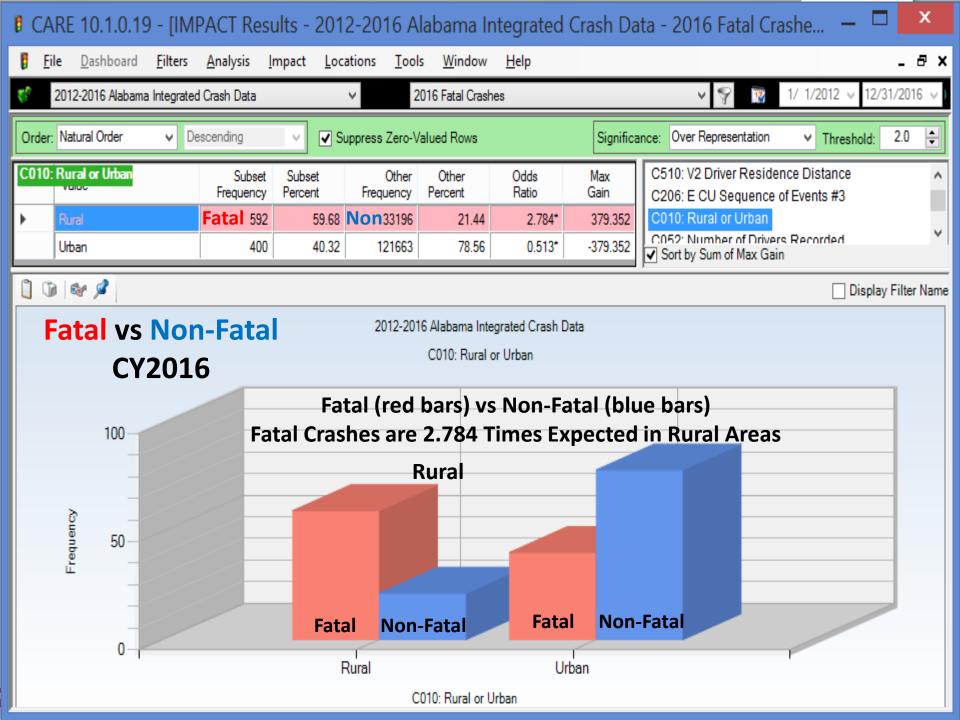
Counties with an Increase of at Least 10 Fatal Crashes in 2016
Ordered by <u>Numeric</u> Increase
Red bars are the <u>Percent</u> Increase



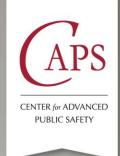
2016 to 2017 Fatal Crash Decrease by County

Counties with an Decrease of at Least 5 Fatal Crashes in 2017
Ordered by <u>Numeric</u> Decrease in 2017
Red Bars are the <u>Percent</u> Reductions in 2017



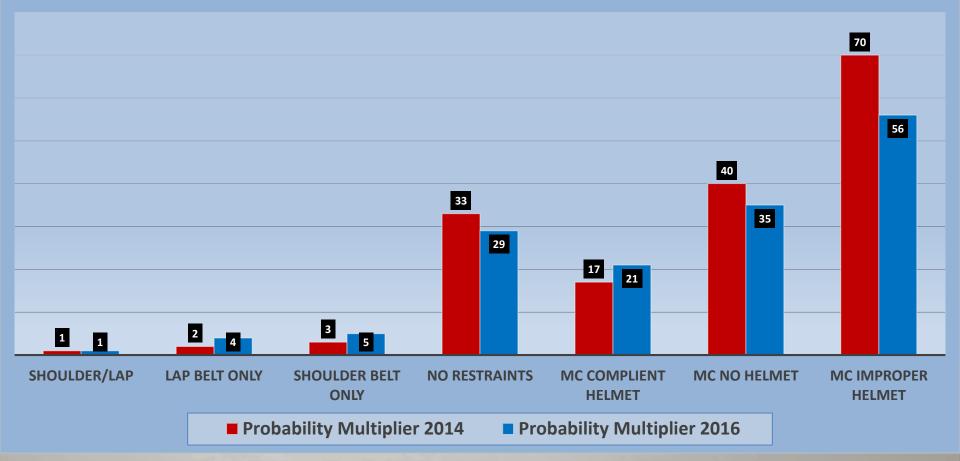


Restraints and Helmets Effects on Crash Severity

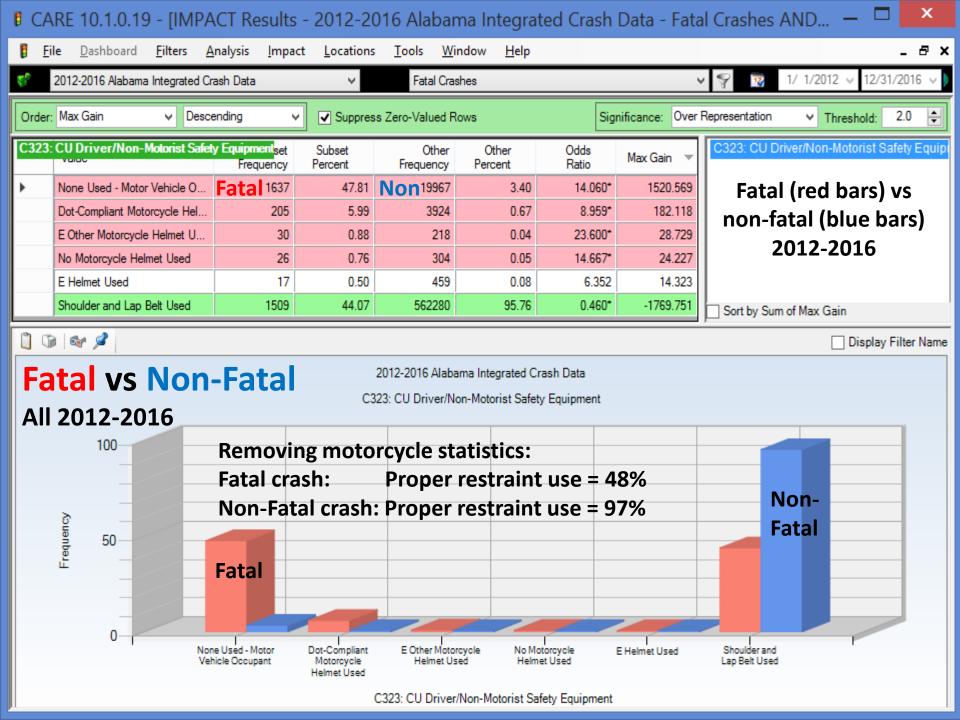


- Probability of Death Multipliers in 2016
 - ✓ Increases about 30 times when not restrained
 - ✓ Increases about 35 times for no MC helmet
 - ✓ Increases over 56 times for improper MC helmet
 - ✓ Increases over 42 times if thrown from vehicle
- Seatbelt Use: Non-Fatal 97%; Fatal 48%
- Changes in 2017
 - ✓ No major change in general seatbelt use
 - ✓ Slight non-significant increase in fatal crash non-use

Safety Equipment Comparisons Fatality Probability Multipliers



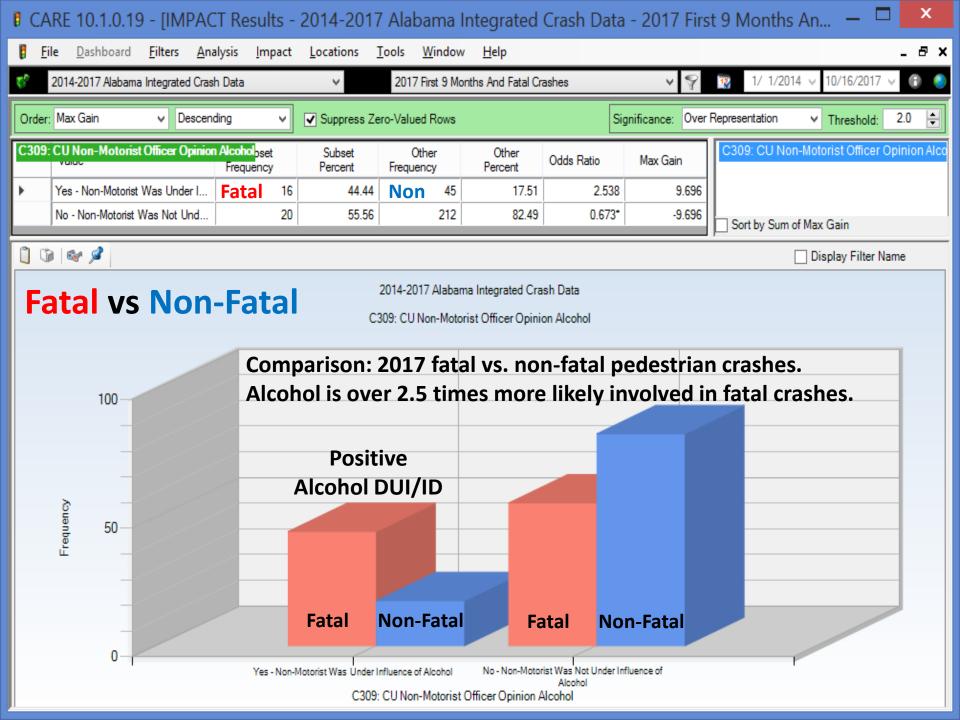
Best case motorcycle is 17-21 times worse than the best case passenger car, i.e., with restraints used.

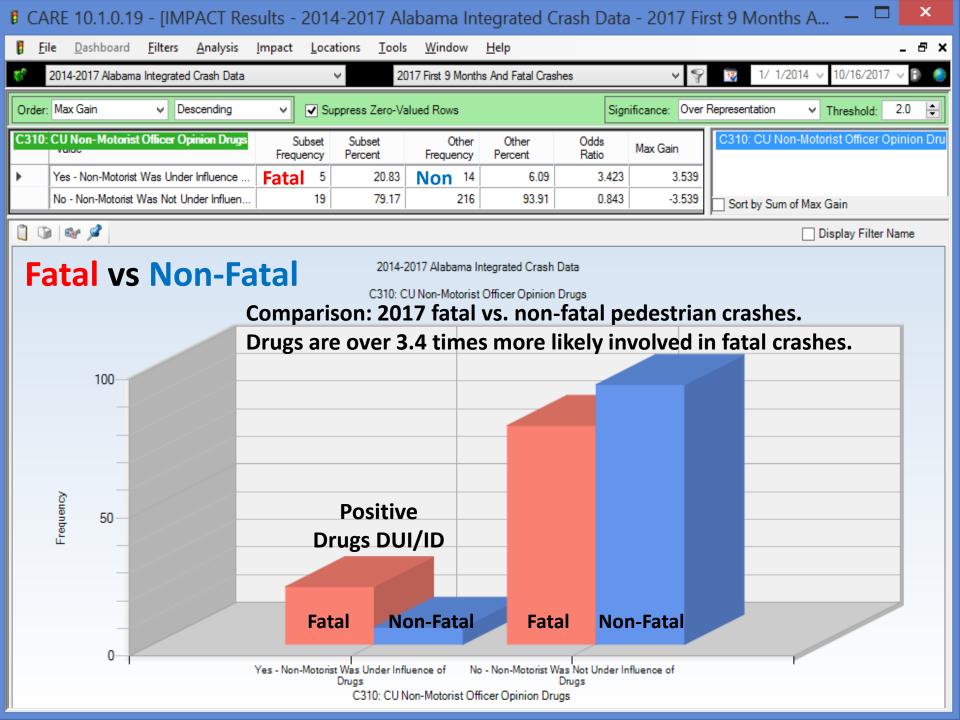






- Increased Ped Fatal in 2014-2016: 97 to 120
- Reduced Ped Fatal 2016-2017: 89 to 79
- Prorated to a year: 120 to 107 = 13 (-11.2%)
- Over-Rep Ped Acts, Fatal Crashes ('16, '17):
 - ✓ Improper crossing (26, 20)
 - ✓ In roadway (13, 13)
 - \checkmark Not visible (4, 7)
- Fatal Ped has 3 Times Expected Walking UI (2016-7)



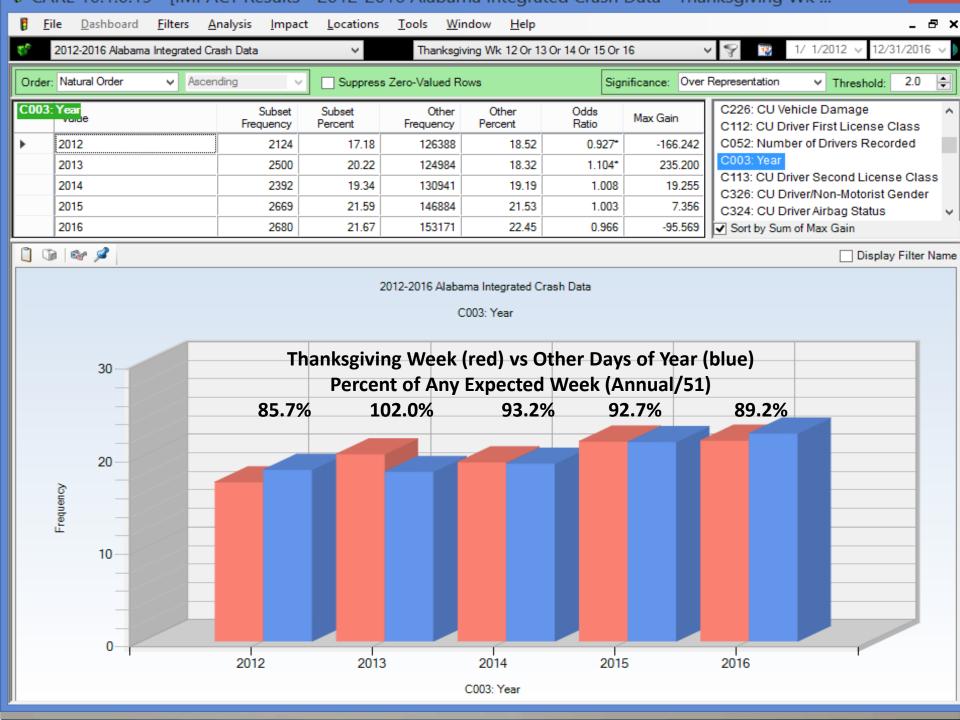


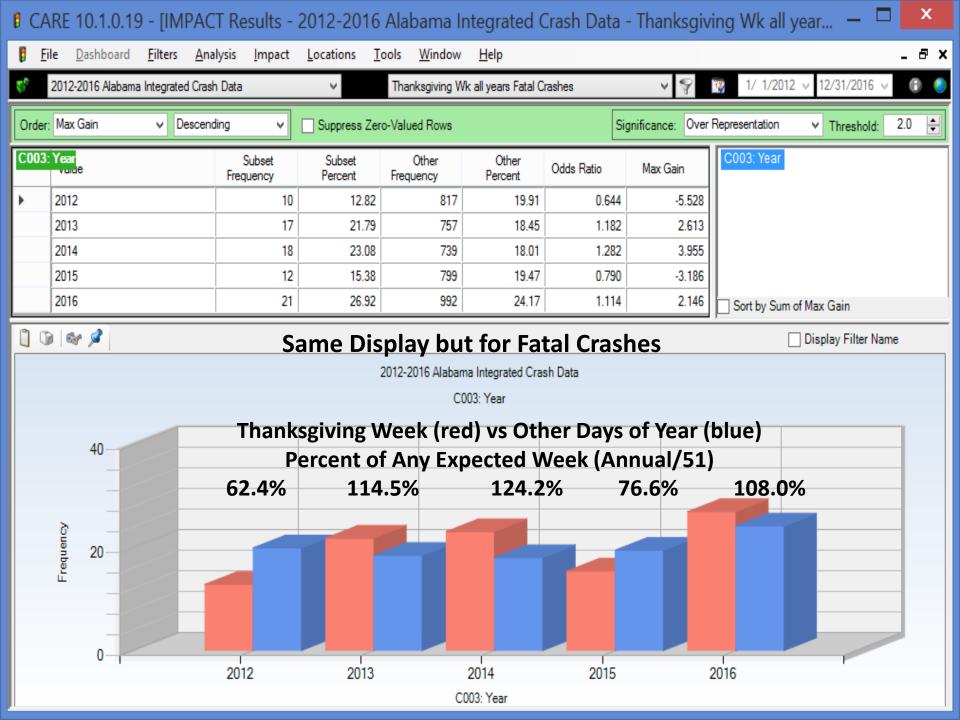
Special Holiday Study Thanksgiving

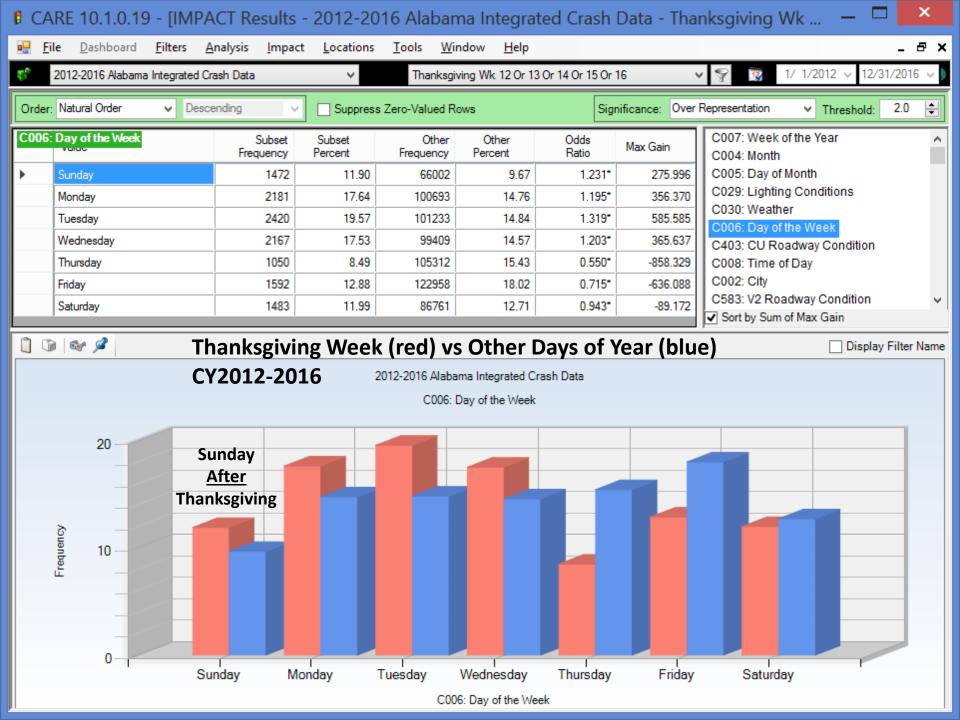


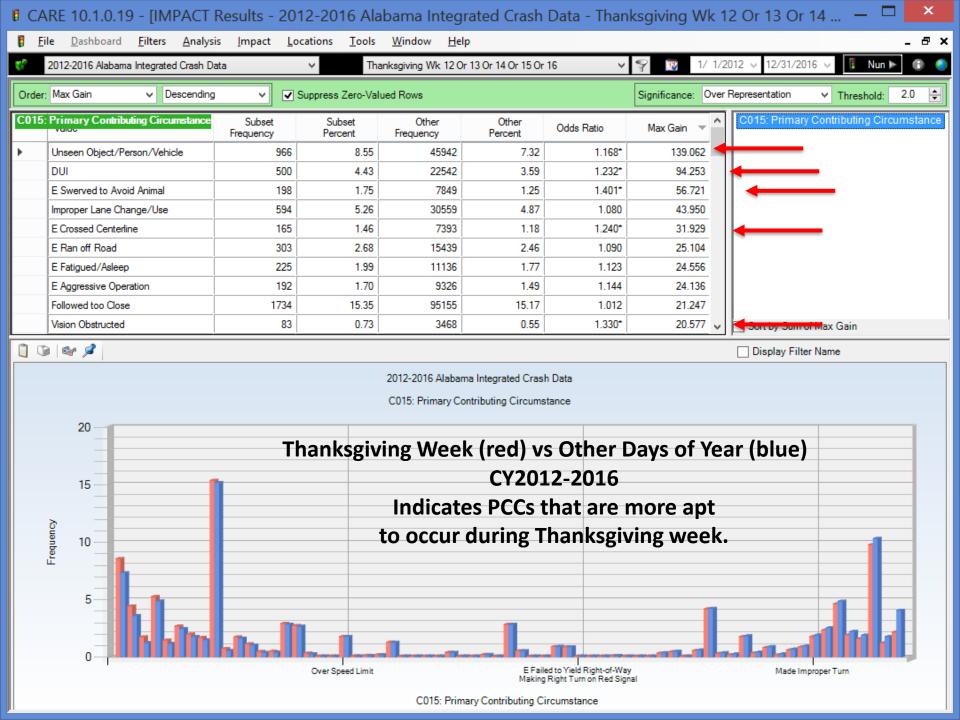
- Slight Drop in 2014; Back Up in 2015-2016
- Day of the Week
 - Tuesday is most Over-Represented DoW
 - Monday and Wednesday also Over-Represented
 - ✓ Thursday, Friday, Saturday Under-Represented
 - ✓ Sunday After is about the Same as Saturday Frequency
- Over-Rep PCC Behavior in Thanksgiving Week
 - ✓ Unseen Object (proxy for DD; 1.16)
 - ✓ DUI (1.23)
 - ✓ <u>Deer</u> (1.40)

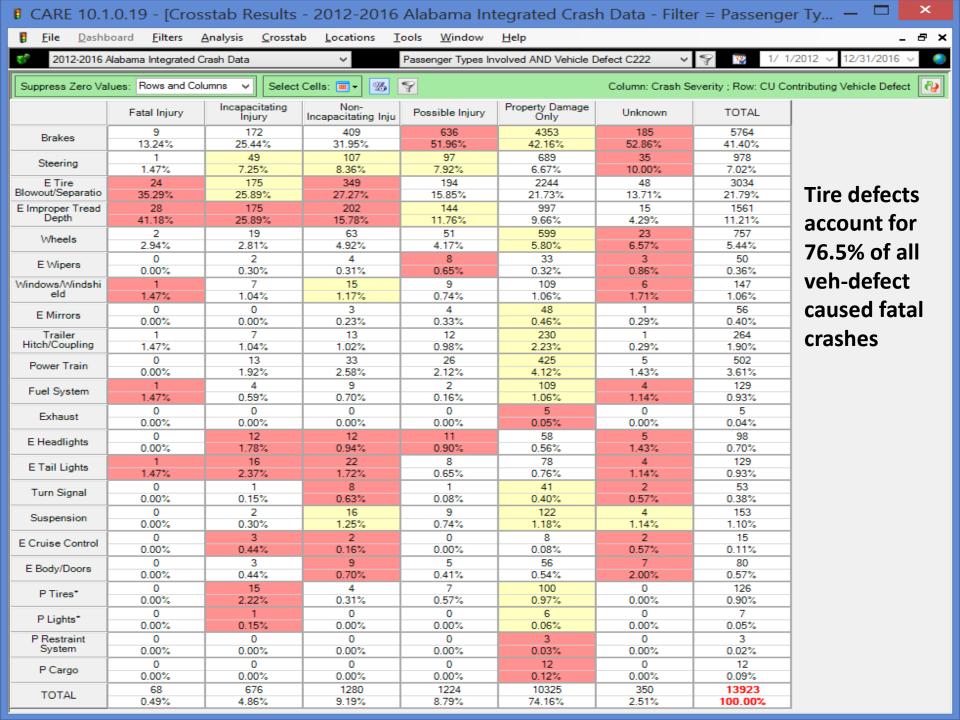
- **Crossed Centerline (1.24)**
- Vision Obscured (1.33)

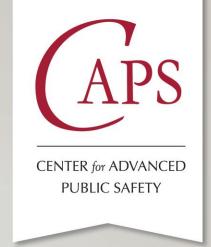












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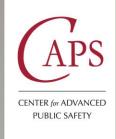
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Recommended Countermeasures



Speed Reduction

Analysis: Fatal Crash AND Speed vs Fatal and NOT Speeding

- Rural roadways about 77% of speed fatalities
- County roads almost 50% of speed fatalities
- Younger Drivers 16-35 (60% speed vs 37% non-speed)
- Potential Immediate Actions:
 - Increase in patrol officers ALEA and local
 - Demonstration speed reduction project (comprehensive)
 - Legislative action to recognize problem
 - ✓ Assure compliance with selective enforcement targeting
 - Roadway improvements: trees, rollovers, utility poles, culverts, ditches, embankments (Most Harmful Event)



Seatbelt Use Target Groups

Analysis: Fatal NOT Restrained vs N-F Properly Restrained

- DUI (5 times the expected)
- Other Severe Violations
 - ✓ Speed (8.3); Aggressive (5.4)
- Age 16-20 (risk); 21-37 (correlation with DUI)
- Single Vehicle Crashes (3.3 times expected)
- Potential Immediate Actions
 - ✓ Get "Budweiser" to promote seatbelt use ("save our customers")
 - ✓ PI&E targeting the worst offenders
 - Their friends and relatives people of influence over them
 - Need to draw from intensive psychological studies



Multi-Fatality Crash Target Groups

Analysis: Multiple Fatality Crashes vs Single Fatality Crashes

- Age 16-21
- State/Federal Roads as Opposed to County
- Severest of Violations
 - Cross centerline, wrong way, aggressive driving
 - ✓ DUI same as for single fatality crashes & seatbelts
- Collisions with other Vehicles
 - As opposed to roadside objects (e.g., trees)
- Countermeasures Must Target Worst Offenders

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Pedestrian Fatality Target Groups

Analysis: Pedestrian Fatalities vs. Pedestrian Non-Fatal

- All Roadway Types O-R other than Municipal
- Impaired Walking (ID = DUI > IW = WUI)
 - 4 times the drug use indicators (including prescription)
 - ✓ 2 times the alcohol use indicators
- Time of Day Validates Drug/Alcohol Use
- "Not Visible" and Other Pedestrian Violations
 - Validates lack of concern
 - ✓ No good data on <u>distractions</u> but ample anecdotal evidence
- CMs: Target IW/DW Same as for ID/DD
 - ✓ Combined Impaired DUI/WUI = ID/IW PI&E efforts
 - ✓ Combined Distracted DD/DW PI&E efforts



