

Special Study
Impaired Driving Problem Identification IMPACT Study

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0.0 Introduction

This document presents the results of a comparison of Impaired Driving (ID) crashes compared to non-ID crashes over a recent five-year period (CY2016-2020). This is an update of a previous special study that was based on three-years FY2015-2017 of data. Impaired Driving is a relatively recent term for what has for decades been called Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol or other drugs.

The analytical technique employed to generate most of the displays below is a component within the Critical Analysis Reporting Environment (CARE) called Information Mining Performance Analysis Control Technique (IMPACT). For a detailed description of the meaning of each element of the IMPACT outputs, please see:

<http://www.caps.ua.edu/software/care/>

The main objective of performing IMPACT comparisons is to surface “over-representations.” An *over-represented value* of an attribute is found when that attribute has a greater share of ID crashes than would be expected if its proportion were the same as for the non-ID crashes. That is, the non-ID crashes are serving as a *control* to which the ID crashes are being compared. As an example, we find that ID crashes on the day of the week attribute value of Saturday has almost 90% higher proportion of crashes than does the non-ID crashes. When such differences are statistically significant, this surfaces characteristics that should be subjected to attention, and in some cases, further analyses for countermeasure development. For example, additional selective enforcement for ID might be performed on Saturday and other over-represented days.

The ID crash reports being considered here are those reported to have been DUI (Alcohol or Drugs), which is about 6% of the total reported crashes. While this is an accurate statement of the number reported as such, no one claims that this is the actual number of ID crashes. Many ID-caused crashes cannot be verified, and they are therefore not reported as such. These reports over time provide excellent insight into the nature of ID crashes despite their not being a totally complete set of ID reports. Generally, as the severity of a given ID crash increases, the accuracy of reports in attributing them to ID also increases dramatically. To illustrate, the amount of effort that goes into investigating a fatal crash is at least 10 times the effort than goes into reporting and obtaining the details of most Property Damage Only (PDO) crashes.

This report continues with two short sections that provide a high-level summary of recommendations and findings for those who just need an executive summary. The sections are called: (1) Executive Summary and Recommendations, and (2) Summary of Findings. Section 3 is also introductory in that it provides a detailed definition of the complex filter that was used to define ID crashes in the analytical sections that follow. The comparison between ID and non-ID crashes will be presented under the following headings with their section numbers:

- 4. Geographic Factors,
- 5. Time Factors,
- 6. Factors Affecting Severity,
- 7. Driver and Vehicle Demographics, and
- 8. Driver Behavior.

Those who are only interested in a few of these should see the Table of Contents for a guide to the sections of interest.

1.0 Executive Summary and Recommendations

The recommendations of this special study are presented first for two reasons (1) for those who do not have time to go through all of the IMPACT analyses, and/or (2) as an introduction to the more detailed analyses. Recommendations are referenced to the more detailed analyses so that questions regarding the source of any given recommendation can be easily accessed.

Recommendations are organized into the three areas of (1) law enforcement concentration and direction, (2) Legal and judicial countermeasure development, and (3) PI&E information on ID content. The ordering of these, either generally or within their respective categories, is not at all meant to imply priority. However, the information given should be quite useful in the further prioritization and allocation of traffic safety resources. This process should consider all of the recommendations, which should be validated against the information presented in the IMPACT sections 4.0-7.0 (referenced sections are given in parenthesis).

The following recommendations are made to reduce the frequency and/or severity of Impaired Driving (ID) crashes in Alabama:

- **Law enforcement concentration and direction**
 - Increased recognition is essential, both on the part of law enforcement and the general public, that the relatively high deadly combination in ID crashes is caused by their comparatively high impact speeds (6.1, 6.2) coupled with a failure of ID drivers and their passengers to use restraints (6.5). Seek out new ways to increase law enforcement methods to address these issues, both of which stem from the acceptance of risk-taking behaviors.
 - More effective drug detection techniques (8.3, 8.4) should be identified, and law enforcement officers need increased training in their use.
 - Law enforcement training should focus on the concentration on the times of day, days of the week (5.5, 5.4, 5.7), and the particular over-represented vehicle types e.g., pickups and motorcycles (7.3).
 - Training needs to focus on the specific over-representations: males (7.2), age groups (7.1, ages 24-35), and the locations that these over-represented groups tend to be driving at the over-represented times (determined by hotspot analyses).
 - Increase law enforcement focus on interdicting pedestrians who are impaired (7.4), using whatever legal remedies that are currently available.
 - Counties with a combination of medium to large metropolitan areas and fairly large rural areas (4.5) should generally be given additional emphasis in ID selective enforcement programs (4.1, 4.2). These should be evaluated on a county-by-county basis taking the population and traffic volume crash rates into consideration.
 - The rural areas (4.5) of these counties, and especially the County Roads (4.6) should be given special consideration for enforcement, since that is where relative increased fatalities occur (4.4).

- Those cities with a high frequency of ID crashes (4.3) should be given special guidance and perhaps additional funding to address their ID crash problems. Many such large city areas have a considerable amount of Open Country (4.7) that would tend to multiply their ID crashes. It should be recognized that Residential areas of these cities also have a significant ID over-representation, but it is only about a third of that of Open Country areas (4.7)
 - Additional hotspot analysis needs to be done to surface those County Roads (4.6) that are largely accounting for their double over-representation in crash frequency in order to increase law enforcement presence on this road type. It appears that ID drivers may well be using the county roads as alternatives to avoid being apprehended.
 - Additional emphasis needs to be given to the recognized ID days, Saturday, Sunday, and to some extent Friday (5.3). Special attention needs to accommodate irregular days such as Sunday, which behave as a “virtual Saturday” when the three-day holiday weekend includes Monday (5.5, 5.6, 5.7). Consideration should be given to the number of persons not working on a given day and thus might over-indulge the night (and early morning) before (5.4, 2.2) their day off.
 - The increase in ID crashes in the springtime (5.2, March, April and July) should be recognized in general law enforcement strategic planning.
 - Time for enforcement might be optimized by local culture, but for the average statewide picture, if workers are typically “off” the following day, the optimal times for enforcement would begin shortly after the afternoon rush hour and continue through at least 3 AM (5.5-5.7).
- **Legal and judicial countermeasure development**
 - Drug/Alcohol Diversion Programs should continue (or new programs adopted) that concentrate on keeping the age 25 through 35 (typically *social users*) from becoming habitual to the point where they become part of the 36-55 year old over-representation of predominantly *problem users* (7.1).
 - The role that unemployment plays should be considered in formulating remedial measures (7.6). E.g., methods should be explored to communicate with appropriate individuals through the unemployment offices.
 - New legal countermeasures or existing laws need to be developed or modified to counter impaired walking (7.4). E.g., law enforcement should detain and inform those who are seen practicing unsafe walking that they are in violation of the law even if citations are not seen to be effective in specific cases.
 - Ideally, breath-alcohol ignition interlock devices are greatly reducing the problem caused by problem drinkers. An in-depth study needs to be conducted to determine if problems exist within the current program, and how this countermeasure can be expanded to be made more generally effective.

- **PI&E information on ID content**

- ID-related crashes continue to increase, and the general societal acceptance of certain recreational drugs is a significant part of the problem (8.3 and 8.4).
- Combinations of recreational or medical drugs and alcohol can be particularly lethal, and medical practitioners should warn against such problems and discourage all alcohol use for their patients who have indicated or displayed these problems, or who are taking other prescription drugs.
- Legalized recreational drugs are not a good alternative to alcohol use and should not be advertised as such. PI&E programs should take the opposite approach.
- It would be extremely beneficial to promote social drinkers patronizing bars that are closer to their homes and in urban areas. Not only would this lower their speed at impact (6.2, 6.3 and 6.4), but it would greatly reduce EMS delay times (6.8-6.9), both of which would reduce fatalities.
- Messages directed toward drinkers/users should concentrate on the use of a designated driver (i.e., who would not drive with any impairment at all). A subtle message, without encouraging the impaired person to drive, might be to stress the tendency of ID drivers to speed without restraints (6.3-6.5). This might also provide additional motivation for the “friends do not let friends ...” efforts.
- A new PI&E recognition needs to be developed to address “impaired and distracted walking” to counter the large increases recently experienced in pedestrian fatalities (7.4). This should emphasize the many rules for safe walking, and discourage all walking at night, but promote the use of bright reflective dress and walking against the traffic for those who must be out.
- One of the most critical needs is for the ID drivers and their passengers to buckle up (6.6). There is little hope of surviving a crash for a large proportion of them if they fail to realize this. This is seen not only in increased fatal crashes, but in the number of injured and killed in single crashes (6.7).
- While clearly the problems found in this study are those of ID, other driver behaviors (8.2) that are correlated with ID might provide alternatives to countermeasure development. These behaviors are:
 - Aggressive Operation,
 - Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side,
 - Over Speed Limit,
 - Ran off Road,
 - Fatigued/Asleep,
 - Ran Stop Sign and
 - Crossed Centerline.

These were the Primary Contributing Circumstances that were over-represented exclusive of ID/DUI even though the standard ID filter was in effect (indicating that ID was identified by attributes other than that of PCC).

2.0 Summary of Findings

Note: subsections 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 have been omitted in order to keep the numbering system in this Section consistent with that of the IMPACT displays that follow. The following findings are mainly from the IMPACT analysis below that compared ID vs Non-ID crashes for all five years (CY2016-2020):

- **2.4 Geographical Factors (4.0)**

- County (4.1) - Generally, the over-represented counties are those with combined large population centers and large rural areas, as opposed to the highly urbanized counties or the extremely rural counties. One reason that the highly urbanized counties are under-represented is the large number of low severity crashes that occur there separate and apart from ID crashes. See the rural-urban comparison below. Placed in Max Gain order, the ones with the highest potential for reduction were: Baldwin, Cullman, Madison, Marshall, Limestone and Blount.
- City Comparisons of ID crashes to Non-ID Frequency (4.2) and Odds Ratio (4.3) . There is little surprise in this output, which tracks the areas by population. Traffic safety professionals should look for any locations that fall counter to this trend. City (and rural area) Comparisons within Crash Frequency Ranges – analyses were performed for: (1) those areas that had 100-749 ID crashes with high Odds Ratios (4.2), and those that had 200-1,557 ID crash frequencies (4.3). There are presented separately to present fair comparisons among the various areas.
- Virtual Rural Areas of Counties (4.2). The county rural areas (virtual cities) with Max Gains in excess of 160 ID crashes over their expected numbers are: Rural Mobile, Rural Cullman, Rural Madison, Rural Baldwin, Rural Tuscaloosa, Rural Limestone, Rural Blount, Rural Marshall, and Rural Elmore. [Expected numbers (or expectations) here and below are obtained from the proportion for non-ID crashes.]
- Overall Area Comparisons Conclusions (4.1-4.4) – Generally those rural areas that are adjacent to (or contain) significant urbanized areas are over-represented, since their urban areas generate more traffic even in the rural areas. Possible factors for relatively fewer severe ID crashes within urban areas include:
 - Less need for motor vehicle travel and shorter distances to the drinking establishments;
 - Larger police presence in the metropolitan areas; and
 - Lower speeds in rural areas.

Note: The city, county, and area comparisons are, of necessity, a selection of the total outputs that could be generated. They are given to illustrate the capabilities as much as to present the numerical results. Anyone wishing additional areas, please contact CAPS – see e-mail address above.

- Severity of Crash by Rural-Urban (4.4) – While only about 41% of crashes occur in rural areas, nearly 68% of the fatal crashes occur there. Similar results are found for the highest severity non-fatal crashes. This is obviously the result of higher impact speeds in the rural areas. Note that additional causes of increased severity are given in the Factors Affecting Severity Section, below.
 - Rural/Urban ID Crash Frequency (4.5) – Not only are impaired driving crashes more severe in rural areas, but the frequency of ID crashes in rural areas is quite high, despite the much lower population and traffic volumes. ID crashes occurred in over 41% rural as compared to about 59% urban. While only 21.17% of the crashes are expected in the rural areas, the ID proportion of crashes in the rural areas is 41.37%, or close to double its expected value (significant Odds Ratio = 1.866).
 - Highway Classifications (4.6) – County roads had 2.09 times their expected proportion of crashes, and State routes had about 3.4% more than expected. All other roadway classifications were under-represented. County road characteristics no doubt contribute to the crash frequency. County roads are also known to be less “crashworthy” (i.e., they result in more severe crashes at comparable impact speeds).
 - Locale (4.7) – Reflecting the rural over-representation, open country and residential roadways show a high level of over-representation (1.612 and 1.333 Odds Ratios, respectively) as compared with the more urbanized area types, especially Shopping or Business, which only has about half of its expected proportion.
- **2.5 Time Factors (5.0)**
 - Year (5.1) – The years 2016 and 2020 were over-represented. There seems to be no pattern either in ID or non-ID over these years, which is further complicated by the COVID-19 outbreak in 2020.
 - Month (5.2) – The only significant over-representations by month were in March, April, and July. The number of ID crashes correlated fairly well with the other crashes during the rest of the months, with the exception of September and October, which were significantly under-represented. Weather seems to play some part in this with more outdoor activities in the spring.
 - Day of the Week (5.3-5.4) – This analysis is not only useful for the typical work week, but it also reflects the typical “holiday weekend” patterns. The days can be classified as follows:
 - Typical work weekday (Monday through Thursday) – these days are under-represented in ID crashes due to the need for many users to go to work the following day.
 - Friday – this pattern is also reflected in the day before a weekend (or holiday), i.e., before a day off. The high ID frequency on this day is due to

those who are getting an early substance abuse start to the weekend, recognizing that they have no work responsibilities the following day. However, the large numbers of non-ID crashes on Fridays causes Friday to be statistically under-represented compared to non-ID crashes. This is the typical Friday general increase due to the normal rush hours coupled with individuals leaving for vacations and weekend activities.

- Saturday – the “Saturday” pattern is the worse for ID crashes in that it has both an early morning component (like Sunday) and a late night component (like Friday). So, it could be viewed as a combination of the typical Friday and Sunday.
- Sunday – since this is the last day of a holiday sequence or weekend, its over-representation comes mainly from those who start on Saturday night and do not complete their use of alcohol/drugs until after midnight. Sunday is the most over-represented day with over twice its expected number of ID crashes; however, the low number of non-ID crashes on Sunday also contributes to this proportional over-representation.
- “Holiday Weekends” (5.4-5.7) – these can be viewed as a sequence of the weekend-pattern sequence. For example, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving would follow the Friday pattern assuming that most are at work on Wednesday. The Thursday, Friday and Saturday would follow the Saturday pattern, and the Sunday at the end of the weekend would follow the typical Sunday pattern. This is the reason that long holiday events (i.e., several days off) can be much more prone to ID crashes than the typical weekend. Three-day weekends typically give Monday off, so that Monday would behave like the typical Sunday, and both the Saturday and Sunday would follow the Saturday pattern. Exception: in the past decade the over-representation of Wednesdays before Thanksgivings has been reduced by the number leaving earlier during the week.
- Time of Day (5.5-5.6) – The extent to which night-time hours are over-represented is quite striking. Optimal times for ID enforcement would start immediately following any rush hour details, and would continue through at least 3:00 to 3:59 AM (odds ratio 5.839). The 4-5 and 5-6 AM hours are also significantly over-represented, but with lower odds ratios of 3.606 and 1.543, respectively.
- Time of Day by Day of the Week (5.7) – This quantifies the extent of the crash concentrations on Friday nights, Saturday mornings and Saturday nights and early Sunday mornings. This is a very useful summary for deploying selective enforcement details, especially during the weekend hours.

- **2.6 Factors Affecting Severity (6.0)**

- ID Crash Severity (6.1) -- The rate of injuries and fatalities are consistently higher in ID crashes than that of non-ID crashes. Fatality crashes are nearly 6.934 times their expected proportion, while the two highest non-fatal injury classifications also have over twice their expected values when compared with non-ID crashes. The Odds Ratio is over three (3.708) for the highest non-fatal classification, Incapacitation Injury.
- Speed at Impact (6.2) – zzzz All impact speeds above 45 MPH (with the exceptions of 61-70 and 66-70 MPH) are dramatically over-represented with Odds Ratios above 2.00. See the next attribute for the effect this has on fatalities. The over-representations increase, as expected, with increased speed with 46-50 MPH having an odds ratio of 1.835, while 96-100 MPH being 10.129. Past analyses have found the general rule of thumb that for every 10 MPH increase in impact speeds, the probability of the crash being fatal doubles. This was validated in the discussion below of the cross-tabulation of impact speeds by severity.
- Severity by Impact Speed (6.3-6.4) – Past analyses have found the general rule of thumb that for every 10 MPH increase in speeds, the probability of the crash being fatal doubles. This was validated in the discussion of the cross-tabulation. In the 41-45 MPH impact speed the probability is only a little over one in every 61 crashes. As impact speeds climb to the 51-55 MPH, this probability more than doubles to one in about 24 crashes. At 61-65 MPH it increases again (exponentially) to one in about every 15 crashes, and at 71-75 it is about one in nine, which is about double again. For above 90 MPH it is about one in 4 crashes.
- Restraint Use by Impaired Drivers (6.5) – The impaired drivers are over 8 times more likely to be unrestrained than the non-ID causal drivers. Clearly ID drivers lose a good part of their concept of risk when they are willing to drive while impaired.
- Fatality Crashes by Restraint Use for Impaired Drivers (6.6) – A comparison of the probability of a fatal crash indicates that a fatality is almost six (5.84) times more likely if the impaired driver is not using proper restraints. Generally, one in 30 ID crashes are fatal; but without restraints, the fatal crash ratio is 1 in about 11. So the combined effect of lower restraint use and higher speeds is a devastating combination that accounts for much of the high lethality of ID crashes.
- Number Injured -- Including Fatalities (6.7) – Not only are ID crashes generally more severe to the driver, but the number of multiple injuries in these ID crashes is over-represented as well. This might have something to do with the preference of those going out to socialize (or coming back) to take some of their friends with them. All of the multiple injury categories are over-represented in the ID crashes, as is the single injury classification. Those above 4 injuries had at least twice

their expectations, and the 1, 2, 3 and 4 injuries all had close to twice their expectations. Note: no statistical calculations are made if either of the values being compared is less than 20.

- Police Arrival Delay (6.8) – ID crashes generally had longer police arrival delays; in this case all arrival delays over 31 minutes were over-represented. There can be little doubt that this has to do with the rural nature of these crashes and the potential that the late night occurrence might not be discovered for some time. Delay times in the two over 90 minutes had over twice their expected proportions, up to 180 minutes and the over-180 was quite close to 2 (1.797).
- EMS Arrival Delay (6.9) – Higher EMS delays were over-represented for impaired driving injury crashes in all categories above ten minutes, and dramatically (over twice the expected) for the very longer times of 61 minutes and above. This obviously contributes to the severity of crashes and the chances that the crash results in one or more fatalities. As for the very long times, these might be due to the delay in discovering the crash as much as their generally over-represented rural locations.

- **2.7 Driver and Vehicle Demographics (7.0)**

- Driver Age (7.1) – Younger (16-20 year old) drivers have a very serious problem in crash causation even in the absence of ID. However, young-driver crashes are not over-represented in ID. Age 24 is the first age over-representation takes place and continues on to age 55. There is a bi-modal distribution in the 24-56 year olds; 24 through about 41, and a second group from 42 to 56. Generally, the first of these might be classified as largely social drinkers; while it is inescapable that the middle aged caused ID crashes would be largely attributed to problem drinkers or those addicted to drugs.
- Impaired Driver Gender (7.2) – Males are a far greater issue in ID crashes, and if there are countermeasures that can be directed toward them, doing so would be much more cost-effective than those that are not gender based, all other things being equal. The ratio of male to female causal ID drivers is over 3 to 1.
- Causal Vehicle Type (7.3) – Pick-ups had a significant over-representation and came out at the top of the Max Gain order because of their large number of ID involvements. Motorcycles were also highly over-represented. Also of interest is the proportion of pedestrians that involve ID, which is close to three times their expected number. ATVs had the highest over-representation (Odds Ratio = 4.445), perhaps because drivers do not believe that the ID laws apply to them as long as they are not on the public highways. In order of their Max Gains, the following had significant odds ratios: Pick-Up (Four-Tire Light Truck), Motorcycle, Pedestrian, and 4-Wheel Off Road ATV.

- Number of Pedestrians (7.4). Pedestrians are definitely an issue in ID crashes. There were 327 pedestrians involved in ID crashes and 3,849 that were non-ID, or a total of 4,176, of which $327/4176 = 7.8\%$ of the pedestrian crashes were ID. These resulted in 74 fatalities. Primary Contributing Circumstance shows 162 pedestrians were under the influence at the time of the crash. Some overlap of these with the total 327 pedestrians involved would be expected.
 - Driver License Status (7.5) – ID crashes are very highly over-represented in causal drivers without legitimate licenses, challenging the effectiveness of license suspension and revocations as a traffic safety countermeasure. There is no way to estimate its deterrent value. Revoked is over-represented for the ID causal drivers by close to seven times its expected proportion (compared to non-ID crashes). The following gives the highest over-represented categories along with the number of crashes (in parenthesis) that were attributed to the DL Status: Suspended (2,393), Revoked (1,716), Expired (534), and Cancelled (79).
 - Driver Employment Status (7.6) – ID driver unemployment rate at 33.80%, and its proportion is over 90% higher than expected. This factor should be watched carefully going forward.
- **2.8 Driver Behavior (8.0)**
 - Primary Contributing Circumstances (8.1-8.2). This was discussed at the end of Section 1.0; this was copied from that section. While clearly the problems found in this study are those of ID, other driver behaviors (8.2) that are correlated with ID might provide alternatives to countermeasure development. These behaviors are:
 - Aggressive Operation,
 - Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side,
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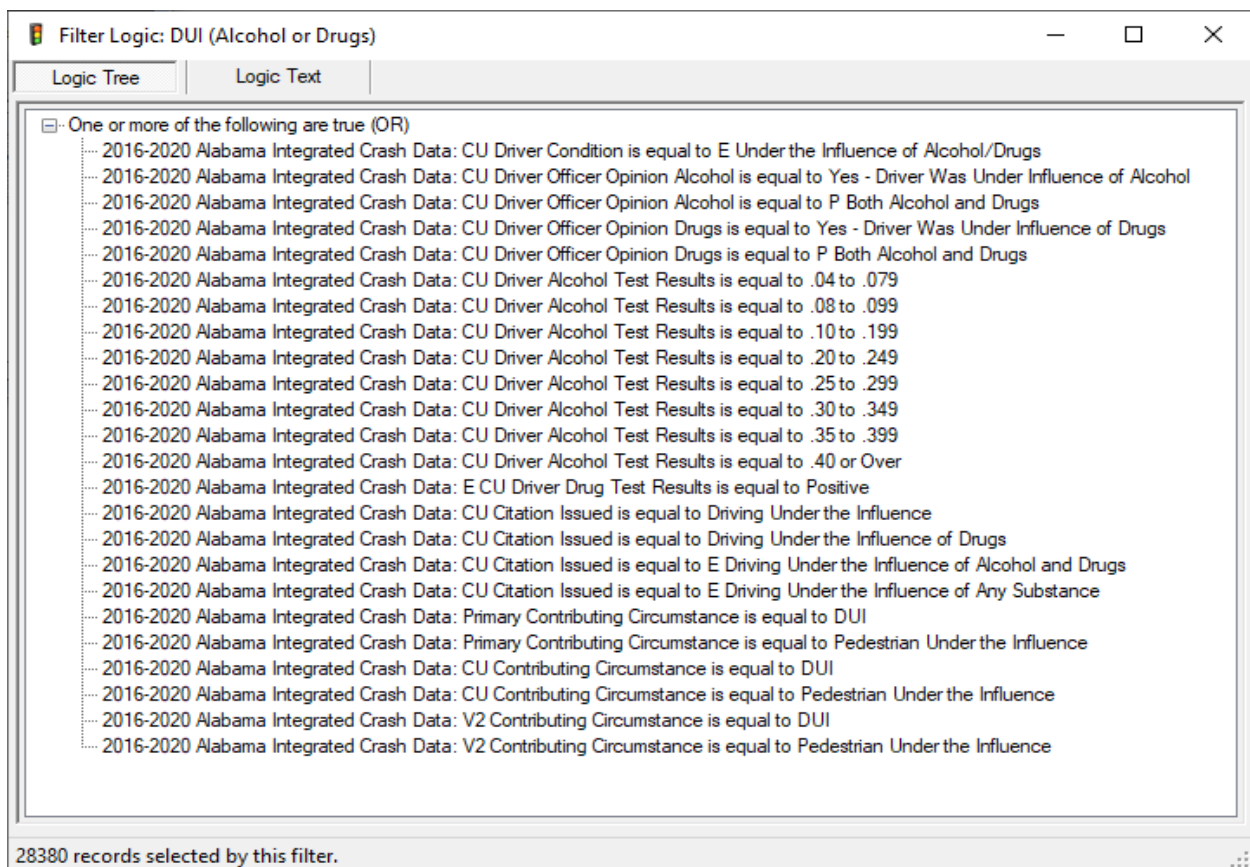
- CU Officer's Opinion Alcohol and non-alcohol Drugs (8.3-8.4). The main reason for producing this IMPACT is to enable a comparison with the next one. This shows the proportion of cases caused by alcohol (according to the crash reports) compared to the proportion caused by drugs other than alcohol.
 - The total of these two is 21,923 (alcohol) + 7,699 (other drugs) = 29,622 total cases for which an officer's opinion was assigned.
 - So 74.01% of the cases involved alcohol, and 25.99% of the cases involved non-alcohol drugs.
 - Thus, about 3 to 1 were alcohol involved.
 - There were very few reports of both alcohol and drugs; just one for Alcohol ID and one for non-alcohol Drugs ID..

3.0 Impaired Driving (ID) Definitions CY2016-2020

As part of the ongoing Alabama Office of Traffic Safety (AOTS) problem identification efforts, UA-CAPS compared FY2016-2020 Impaired Driving (ID) crashes against non-ID crashes over this same time period. The objective was to determine all significant differences between these two subsets of data. Impaired Driving (ID) includes both alcohol and all other drugs, and the goal was to pinpoint common factors and assess strategies that could be used to combat any identified issues. A review was also conducted of the current legislation in Alabama regarding ID laws and penalties. The findings were then taken into consideration when planning enforcement campaigns, as well as training and diversion programs to be funded in the upcoming fiscal year.

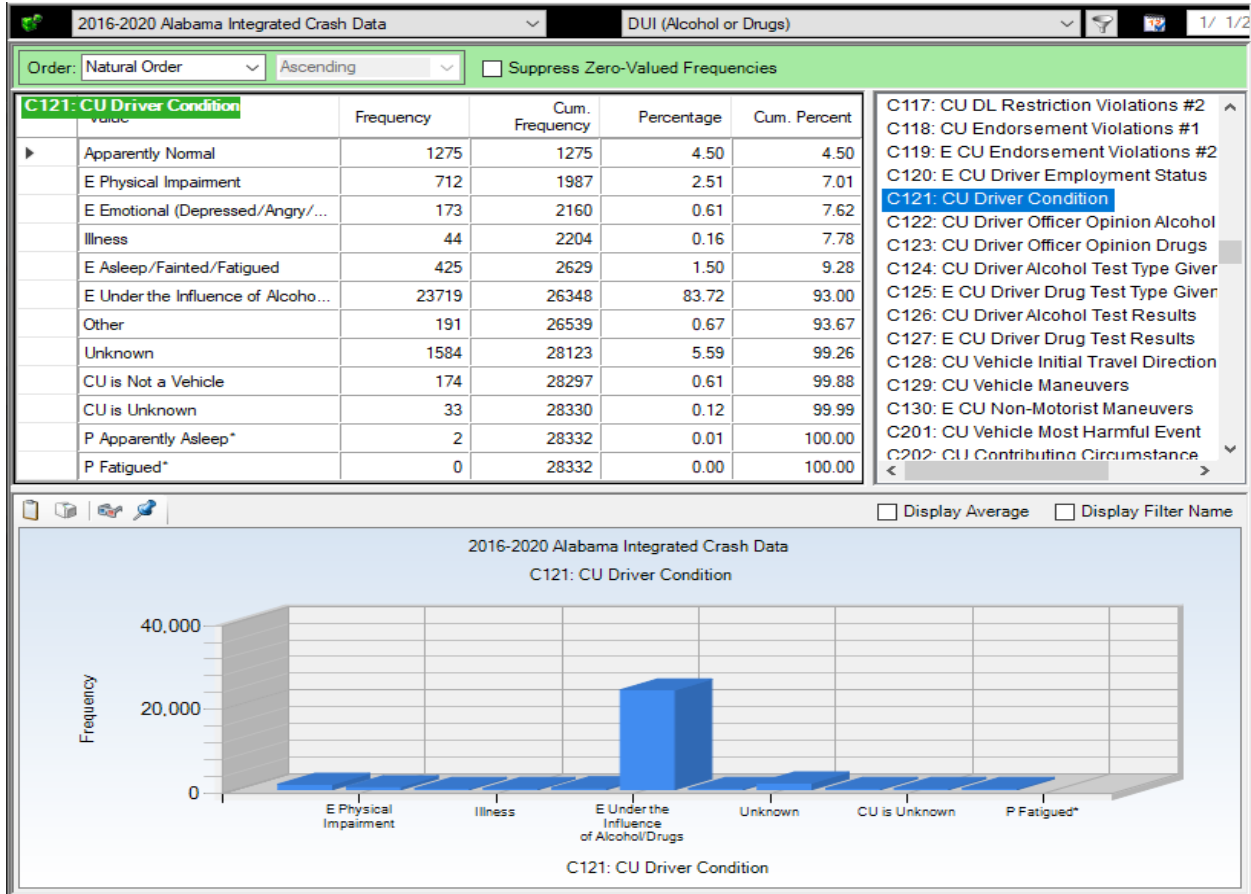
3.1 ID Filter Definition

The following is the formal filter definition for Impaired Driving (ID alcohol or drugs), which in past analyses has been called Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or other Drugs (DUI):



This is the standard ID (DUI alcohol or drugs) filter that is used for all HSP ID analyses.

With this filter in effect, we will now present the frequency distributions for each of the attributes that appear in the filter. These attributes are ORed together, so if any one of them showed ID, the record will be included in the ID subset.

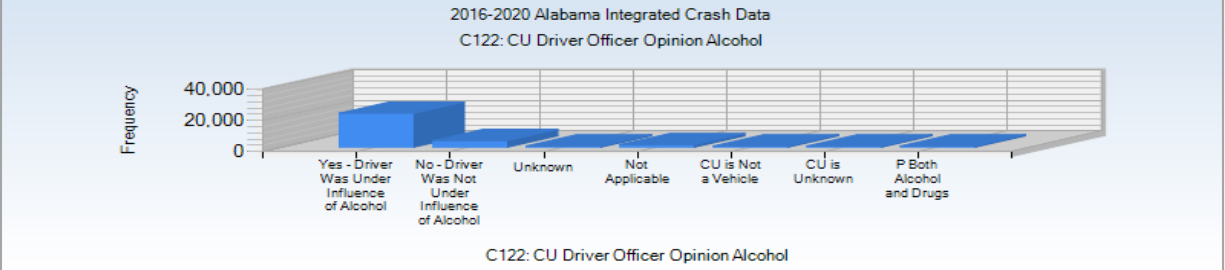


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Value	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
Yes - Driver Was Under Influence of Alc...	21923	21923	77.25	77.25
No - Driver Was Not Under Influence of ...	4190	26113	14.76	92.01
Unknown	507	26620	1.79	93.80
Not Applicable	1552	28172	5.47	99.27
CU is Not a Vehicle	174	28346	0.61	99.88
CU is Unknown	33	28379	0.12	100.00
P Both Alcohol and Drugs	1	28380	0.00	100.00

- C117: CU DL Restriction Violations #2
- C118: CU Endorsement Violations #1
- C119: E CU Endorsement Violations #2
- C120: E CU Driver Employment Status
- C121: CU Driver Condition
- C122: CU Driver Officer Opinion Alcohol**
- C123: CU Driver Officer Opinion Drugs
- C124: CU Driver Alcohol Test Type Giver
- C125: E CU Driver Drug Test Type Giver
- C126: CU Driver Alcohol Test Results

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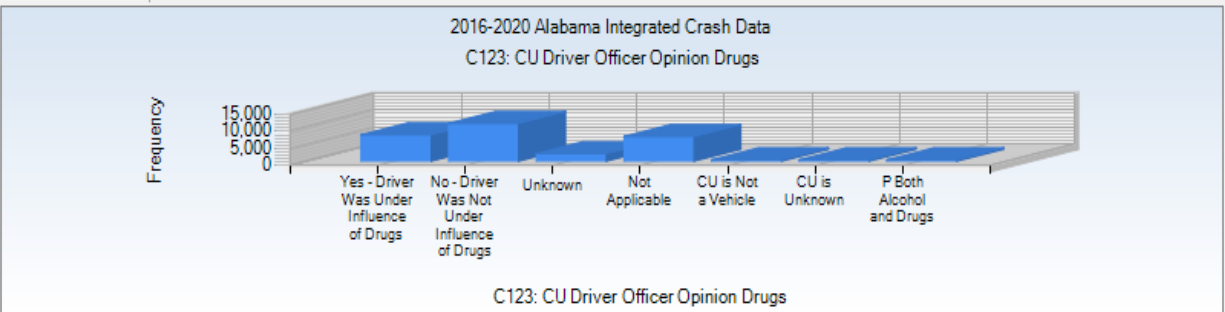


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Value	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
Yes - Driver Was Under Influenc...	7699	7699	27.13	27.13
No - Driver Was Not Under Infl...	11033	18732	38.88	66.00
Unknown	2234	20966	7.87	73.88
Not Applicable	7206	28172	25.39	99.27
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- C119: E CU Endorsement Violations #2
- C120: E CU Driver Employment Status
- C121: CU Driver Condition
- C122: CU Driver Officer Opinion Alcohol
- C123: CU Driver Officer Opinion Drugs**
- C124: CU Driver Alcohol Test Type Giver
- C125: E CU Driver Drug Test Type Giver
- C126: CU Driver Alcohol Test Results

Display Average | Display Filter Name



2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data | DUI (Alcohol or Drugs) | 1/ 1/2

Order: Natural Order | Ascending | Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies

Code	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
0.00	562	562	2.25	2.25
.01 to .039	586	1148	2.34	4.59
.04 to .079	744	1892	2.97	7.56
.08 to .099	596	2488	2.38	9.94
.10 to .199	4595	7083	18.37	28.31
.20 to .249	1240	8323	4.96	33.27
.25 to .299	426	8749	1.70	34.97
.30 to .349	128	8877	0.51	35.48
.35 to .399	25	8902	0.10	35.58
.40 or Over	24	8926	0.10	35.68
No Test Given	7005	15931	28.00	63.68
Not Applicable	8880	24811	35.49	99.17
CU is Not a Vehicle	174	24985	0.70	99.87
CU is Unknown	33	25018	0.13	100.00

Display Average Display Filter Name

2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data | DUI (Alcohol or Drugs) | 1/ 1/2

Order: Natural Order | Ascending | Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies

Code	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
Positive	737	737	2.60	2.60
Negative	207	944	0.73	3.33
No Test Given	16349	17293	57.61	60.93
Unknown	3027	20320	10.67	71.60
Not Applicable	7807	28127	27.51	99.11
CU is Not a Vehicle	174	28301	0.61	99.72
CU is Unknown	33	28334	0.12	99.84
Record from Paper System	46	28380	0.16	100.00

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2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data
C127: E CU Driver Drug Test Results

C127: E CU Driver Drug Test Results

2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data		DUI (Alcohol or Drugs)		1/ 1/2	
Order: Natural Order		Ascending		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies	
Vehicle	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent	
E None	10150	10150	36.34	36.34	C217: CU Hazardous Cargo
No Driver License	305	10455	1.09	37.43	C218: E CU Hazardous Released
E Driving a Commercial Vehicle without F...	2	10457	0.01	37.43	C219: CU Attachment
E Improper Class or Endorsements on Lic...	2	10459	0.01	37.44	C220: CU Oversized Load Requiring Pe
E No Proof of Insurance	531	10990	1.90	39.34	C221: CU Had Oversized Load Permit
Driving While Suspended	383	11373	1.37	40.71	C222: CU Contributing Vehicle Defect
Driving While Revoked	269	11642	0.96	41.68	C223: CU Speed Limit
Driving Under the Influence	11929	23571	42.70	84.38	C224: CU Estimated Speed at Impact
Driving Under the Influence of Drugs	1444	25015	5.17	89.55	C225: CU Citation Issued
E Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol ...	925	25940	3.31	92.86	C226: CU Vehicle Damage
E Driving Under the Influence of Any Su...	754	26694	2.70	95.56	C227: CU Vehicle Towed
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	852	27546	3.05	98.61	C230: CU Areas Damaged #1
E No Tag	4	27550	0.01	98.63	C231: E CU Areas Damaged #2
Improper Tag or Expired Tag	14	27564	0.05	98.68	C232: E CU Areas Damaged #3
E No Registration in Vehicle	2	27566	0.01	98.68	C233: CU Point of Initial Impact
Violation of Restrictions	10	27576	0.04	98.72	C301: CU Non-Motorist Prior Action
E Window Tint	1	27577	0.00	98.72	C303: E CU K-12 Child W/C To/From Sc
E Assault	26	27603	0.09	98.82	C304: E CU Non-Motorist Action at Time
Eluding Police	123	27726	0.44	99.26	C305: E CU Non-Motorist Action at Time
CU is Not a Vehicle	174	27900	0.62	99.88	C306: CU Non-Motorist Location at Tim
CU is Unknown	33	27933	0.12	100.00	C307: E Vehicle Unit That Struck CU No
P Child Restraint	1	27934	0.00	100.00	C308: CU Non-Motorist Condition
					C309: CU Non-Motorist Officer Opinion /
					C310: CU Non-Motorist Officer Opinion I
					C311: CU Non-Motorist Most Harmful Ev
					C321: CU Driver/Non-Motorist Seating F
					C322: CU Driver/Non-Motorist Victim/Oc
					C323: CU Driver/Non-Motorist Safety Eq

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2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data DUI (Alcohol or Drugs) 1/ 1/2

Order: Frequency Descending Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies

Code	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
C015: Primary Contributing Circumstance				
DUI	20577	20577	72.51	72.51
E Aggressive Operation	923	21500	3.25	75.76
E Ran off Road	839	22339	2.96	78.71
Over Speed Limit	561	22900	1.98	80.69
Unknown	450	23350	1.59	82.28
E Fatigued/Asleep	401	23751	1.41	83.69
Followed too Close	377	24128	1.33	85.02
Other	326	24454	1.15	86.17
Driving too Fast for Conditions	316	24770	1.11	87.28
Misjudge Stopping Distance	286	25056	1.01	88.29
Improper Lane Change/Use	250	25306	0.88	89.17
E Ran Traffic Signal	247	25553	0.87	90.04
E Crossed Centerline	222	25775	0.78	90.82
Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side	207	25982	0.73	91.55
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way Making Left or U-...	202	26184	0.71	92.26
E Ran Stop Sign	178	26362	0.63	92.89
Pedestrian Under the Influence	162	26524	0.57	93.46
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from Stop Sign	161	26685	0.57	94.03
E Distracted by Use of Electronic Communication...	134	26819	0.47	94.50
E Other Distraction Inside the Vehicle	133	26952	0.47	94.97
E Over Correcting/Over Steering	123	27075	0.43	95.40
E Other Improper Action	122	27197	0.43	95.83
Unseen Object/Person/Vehicle	116	27313	0.41	96.24
Made Improper Turn	111	27424	0.39	96.63
Improper Backing	106	27530	0.37	97.00
E Swerved to Avoid Vehicle	100	27630	0.35	97.36
E Swerved to Avoid Animal	84	27714	0.30	97.65
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from Traffic Signal	74	27788	0.26	97.91
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from Driveway	66	27854	0.23	98.15
Defective Equipment	60	27914	0.21	98.36
Improper Passing	56	27970	0.20	98.56
E Other Failed to Yield	46	28016	0.16	98.72
E Distracted by Passenger	35	28051	0.12	98.84
E Distracted by Use of Other Electronic Device	28	28079	0.10	98.94
Improper Parking/Stopped in Road	27	28106	0.10	99.03
E Other Distraction Outside the Vehicle	26	28132	0.09	99.13
E Other - No Improper Driving	25	28157	0.09	99.21

- C001: County
- C002: City
- C003: Year
- C004: Month
- C005: Day of Month
- C006: Day of the Week
- C007: Week of the Year
- C008: Time of Day
- C010: Rural or Urban
- C011: Highway Classification
- C012: Controlled Access
- C013: E Highway Side
- C015: Primary Contributing C**
- C016: Primary Contributing U
- C017: First Harmful Event
- C018: Location First Harmful
- C019: E Most Harmful Event
- C020: E Distracted Driving Op
- C021: Distance to Fixed Obje
- C022: E Type of Roadway Jun
- C023: E Manner of Crash
- C024: School Bus Related
- C025: Crash Severity
- C026: Intersection Related
- C027: At Intersection
- C028: Mileposted Route
- C029: National Highway Syst
- C030: Functional Class
- C031: Lighting Conditions
- C032: Weather
- C033: Locale
- C034: E Police Present at Tim
- C035: Police Notification Dela
- C036: Police Arrival Delay
- C037: EMS Arrival Delay
- C038: Adjusted EMS Arrival De
- C039: Non-Vehicular Property
- C040: Agency ORI
- C042: Highway Patrol Troops
- C043: Highway Patrol Posts
- C044: ALEA Division
- C045: ALDOT Area
- C046: ALDOT Region
- C047: ADECAHHSO Region
- C048: RPO
- C049: MPO
- C050: Has Coordinate

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Order: Frequency Descending Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies

C202: CU Contributing Circumstance	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
DUI	15578	15578	54.89	54.89
Over Speed Limit	1716	18959	6.05	66.80
E Ran off Road	1453	21708	5.12	76.49
Not Applicable	1448	28326	5.10	99.81
E Aggressive Operation	1086	16664	3.83	58.72
Unknown	744	26877	2.62	94.70
Driving too Fast for Conditions	413	19372	1.46	68.26
E Fatigued/Asleep	409	25048	1.44	88.26
Followed too Close	401	22109	1.41	77.90
Improper Lane Change/Use	393	23144	1.38	81.55
Other	363	26133	1.28	92.08
E Crossed Centerline	354	20230	1.25	71.28
E Over Correcting/Over Steering	334	22674	1.18	79.89
Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side	323	19876	1.14	70.04
E Ran Stop Sign	305	17221	1.07	60.68
Misjudge Stopping Distance	305	23548	1.07	82.97
E Ran Traffic Signal	252	16916	0.89	59.61
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way Mak...	243	24142	0.86	85.07
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	227	23881	0.80	84.15
E Distracted by Use of Electronic ...	216	24587	0.76	86.63
Made Improper Turn	177	19549	0.62	68.88
E Other Distraction Inside the Vehi...	160	25208	0.56	88.82
Pedestrian Under the Influence	134	25732	0.47	90.67
Unseen Object/Person/Vehicle	126	25486	0.44	89.80
E Other Improper Action	117	25352	0.41	89.33
E Swerved to Avoid Vehicle	113	22222	0.40	78.30
E Swerved to Avoid Animal	102	22340	0.36	78.72
Improper Backing	99	23243	0.35	81.90
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	79	24234	0.28	85.39
Improper Passing	77	22751	0.27	80.17
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	72	23654	0.25	83.35
Defective Equipment	64	25551	0.23	90.03
E Other Failed to Yield	45	24329	0.16	85.73
E Distracted by Passenger	42	24371	0.15	85.87
E Distracted by Use of Other Electr...	36	24623	0.13	86.76
E Wrong Side of Road	36	25770	0.13	90.80
Improper Parking/Stopped in Road	33	23582	0.12	83.09
CU is Unknown	33	28359	0.12	99.93

C216: CU Driver Alcohol Test
 C217: E CU Driver Drug Test I
 C218: CU Vehicle Initial Trave
 C219: CU Vehicle Maneuvers
 C210: E CU Non-Motorist Mar
 C201: CU Vehicle Most Harmf
 C202: CU Contributing Circum
 C203: CU First Harmful Event
 C204: E CU Sequence of Eve
 C205: E CU Sequence of Eve
 C206: E CU Sequence of Eve
 C207: E CU Sequence of Eve
 C208: CU Model Year
 C209: CU Make
 C210: CU Body (Passenger C
 C211: E CU Owners State
 C212: CU License Tag State
 C213: CU Vehicle Usage
 C214: E CU Emergency Statu
 C215: E CU Placard Requirec
 C216: E CU Placard Status
 C217: CU Hazardous Cargo
 C218: E CU Hazardous Relea
 C219: CU Attachment
 C220: CU Oversized Load Re
 C221: CU Had Oversized Loa
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 C223: CU Speed Limit
 C224: CU Estimated Speed a
 C225: CU Citation Issued
 C226: CU Vehicle Damage
 C227: CU Vehicle Towed
 C230: CU Areas Damaged #1
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 C301: CU Non-Motorist Prior
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 C307: E Vehicle Unit That Stru
 C308: CU Non-Motorist Cond
 C309: CU Non-Motorist Office
 C310: CU Non-Motorist Office
 C311: CU Non-Motorist Most I
 C321: CU Driver/Non-Motorist

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Order: Frequency Descending Suppress Zero-Valued Frequencies

C542: V2 Contributing Circumstance	Frequency	Cum. Frequency	Percentage	Cum. Percent
No Second Vehicle	15821	28380	55.75	100.00
Not Applicable	10954	12526	38.60	44.14
DUI	434	434	1.53	1.53
E Other - No Improper Driving	352	1188	1.24	4.19
Unknown	227	1568	0.80	5.53
Other	145	1341	0.51	4.73
Unseen Object/Person/Vehicle	74	829	0.26	2.92
E Swerved to Avoid Vehicle	70	617	0.25	2.17
Followed too Close	36	547	0.13	1.93
CU is Unknown	33	12559	0.12	44.25
Improper Parking/Stopped in Road	30	684	0.11	2.41
E Aggressive Operation	20	454	0.07	1.60
Over Speed Limit	19	481	0.07	1.69
Misjudge Stopping Distance	12	648	0.04	2.28
E Other Improper Action	12	749	0.04	2.64
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way Mak...	10	709	0.04	2.50
E Crossed Centerline	9	509	0.03	1.79
Improper Lane Change/Use	8	632	0.03	2.23
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	8	698	0.03	2.46
E Other Failed to Yield	7	727	0.02	2.56
E Ran Traffic Signal	6	460	0.02	1.62
Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side	6	500	0.02	1.76
Under Minimum Speed	6	654	0.02	2.30
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	6	690	0.02	2.43
Vision Obstructed	6	755	0.02	2.66
Defective Equipment	6	835	0.02	2.94
Driving too Fast for Conditions	5	486	0.02	1.71
Improper or No Signal	5	494	0.02	1.74
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	5	715	0.02	2.52
Improper Backing	4	636	0.01	2.24
Pedestrian Under the Influence	4	1195	0.01	4.21
E Not Applicable Because Unit is ...	4	1572	0.01	5.54
Made Improper Turn	3	489	0.01	1.72
Improper Passing	3	624	0.01	2.20
E Failed to Yield Right-of-Way from...	3	718	0.01	2.53
E Other Distraction Inside the Vehi...	3	736	0.01	2.59
E Ran off Road	2	511	0.01	1.80
E Over Correcting/Over Steering	2	621	0.01	2.19

C401: E CU Involved Road/Br
C402: E CU Road Surface Typ
C403: CU Roadway Conditor
C404: E CU Environmental C
C405: CU Contributing Materi
C406: CU Contributing Materi
C407: CU Roadway Curvature
C408: CU Vision Obscured B
C409: CU Traffic Control
C410: CU Traffic Control Func
C411: CU Opposing Lane Sep
C412: CU Trafficway Lanes
C413: E CU Turn Lanes
C414: CU One-Way Street
C415: CU Workzone Related
C416: E CU Workzone Type
C417: E CU Workers Present
C418: E CU Law Enforcemen
C450: CU CMV Indicator
C451: E CU CMV Weight
C452: CU CMV Hazard Materi
C453: E CU CMV Hazard Mate
C454: E CU CMV Bus Usage
C455: E CU CMV Vehicle Con
C456: E CU CMV Cargo Type
C457: E CU CMV Cargo Body
C461: E CU CMV Sequence o
C462: E CU CMV Sequence o
C463: E CU CMV Sequence o
C464: E CU CMV Sequence o
C465: E CU CMV Motor Carri
C501: Vehicle 2 (V2) Type
C505: V2 Left Scene
C510: V2 Driver Residence D
C511: V2 Driver License State
C516: V2 DL Restriction Viola
C521: V2 Driver Condition
C522: V2 Driver Officer Opinio
C523: V2 Driver Officer Opinio
C528: V2 Vehicle Initial Travel
C529: V2 Vehicle Maneuvers
C541: V2 Vehicle Most Harmf
C542: V2 Contributing Circum
C556: V2 Hazardous Cargo
C558: V2 Attachment
C559: V2 Oversized Load Rec
C562: V2 Speed Limit

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3.2 Overall Crashes by Year 2016-2020 Data

Before analyzing the ID subset, it is good to get a feel for the overall difference in the crash frequencies over the past years. The following table gives a comparison of total crashes over CY2016-2020 by severity.

Crashes by Severity for Calendar Years 2016-2020

The screenshot shows a software window titled "CARE 10.2.1.3 - [Crosstab Results - 2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data]". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Dashboard, Filters, Analysis, Crosstab, Locations, Tools, Window, Help) and a toolbar with options like "Suppress Zero Values: None" and "Select Cells". The main area displays a table with columns for years (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020) and a "TOTAL" column. Rows represent crash severity levels: Fatal Injury, Suspected Serious Injury, Suspected Minor Injury, Possible Injury, Property Damage Only, Unknown, and a final "TOTAL" row. Each cell contains a count and a percentage. The 2016 row for Fatal Injury and Suspected Serious Injury is highlighted in red, while other rows are highlighted in yellow.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	TOTAL
Fatal Injury	996 0.64%	861 0.55%	871 0.54%	845 0.53%	844 0.63%	4417 0.58%
Suspected Serious Injury	6111 3.91%	5583 3.55%	5234 3.27%	3903 2.46%	3569 2.67%	24400 3.18%
Suspected Minor Injury	11607 7.42%	11689 7.44%	11906 7.44%	12785 8.04%	11276 8.44%	59263 7.73%
Possible Injury	14947 9.56%	15012 9.55%	15115 9.44%	14772 9.29%	11473 8.59%	71319 9.31%
Property Damage Only	118633 75.87%	119542 76.04%	122710 76.66%	122443 77.03%	102979 77.07%	586307 76.52%
Unknown	4072 2.60%	4513 2.87%	4240 2.65%	4210 2.65%	3472 2.60%	20507 2.68%
TOTAL	156366 20.41%	157200 20.52%	160076 20.89%	158958 20.75%	133613 17.44%	766213 100.00%

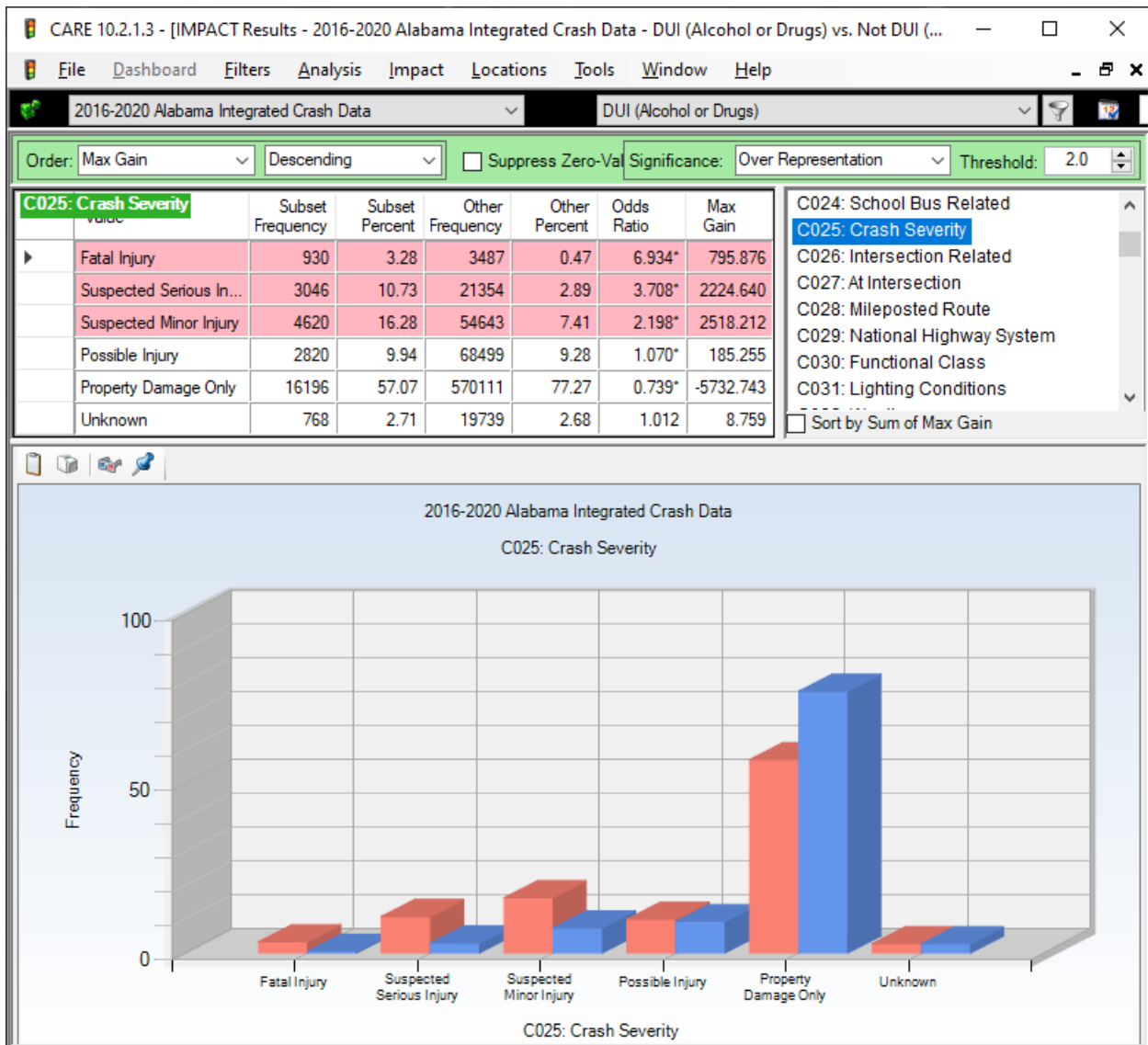
We conclude from considering the percentage numbers at the bottom of the table that 2019 was not significantly different in total crashes from 2016 through 2018. However, there was clearly a reduction in crashes in 2020 due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Fatal and Suspected Serious Injury crashes had a dramatic increase in 2016, but there was a regression to the mean in 2017 through 2019.

Considerable study has been performed in an attempt to identify the reason for the 2016 outlier in fatal crashes. The conclusions drawn pointed to increased speed, and a high correlation between ID-caused crashes with both the increased speed and the reluctance of close to half these drivers to be restrained. The correlation is due to a willingness to take risks.

3.3 Overall Severity Comparisons

The following presents a comparison of the severities of ID crashes in over the five year period (2016-2020) against non-ID crashes.

In the table above the chart the Subset Frequency and Percent are for ID crashes, while the Other Frequency and Percent are for non-ID crashes. Comparisons must be against the percentage proportions to determine if there is a trend direction being set in increased or decreased severity for these crashes.



It is clear that ID crashes are much more severe than their non-ID counterparts. All four of the injury values are over-represented, and the top most severe all by at least twice the proportion of the non-ID crashes. For fatal crashes the Odds Ratio multiplier is close to seven (6.934). In the other injury severities, there is a very significant increase in both the Incapacitating Injury and the Possible Injury. This difference tends to confirm the increase in the fatal crashes, since quite often the characteristics of an Incapacitating Injury crash are not at that different from that crash being fatal.

The following gives the severities by year for *just the ID crashes*.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	TOTAL
Fatal Injury	239 3.92%	183 3.21%	182 3.18%	185 3.35%	141 2.64%	930 3.28%
Suspected Serious Injury	738 12.10%	639 11.20%	595 10.41%	570 10.33%	504 9.44%	3046 10.73%
Suspected Minor Injury	1032 16.92%	906 15.88%	960 16.79%	887 16.07%	835 15.64%	4620 16.28%
Possible Injury	579 9.49%	561 9.83%	582 10.18%	554 10.04%	544 10.19%	2820 9.94%
Property Damage Only	3365 55.18%	3261 57.14%	3232 56.52%	3171 57.47%	3167 59.32%	16196 57.07%
Unknown	145 2.38%	157 2.75%	167 2.92%	151 2.74%	148 2.77%	768 2.71%
TOTAL	6098 21.49%	5707 20.11%	5718 20.15%	5518 19.44%	5339 18.81%	28380 100.00%

Year 2020 cannot be included in these conclusions since it was not at all typical. It seems clear that 2016 was an outlier for all three of the highest severity crashes, and that generally, there was a regression to the mean for subsequent years. This should be taken into consideration in the interpretation of the findings regarding the various attributes that are given in the remainder of this problem identification.

The following sections provide the IMPACT displays for the various attributes that could have an influence on countermeasure development. Unless otherwise indicated in the Order box, the outputs will be in highest Max Gain first. The Max Gain is a term that CARE users have assigned to indicate the number of crashes that would be reduced if the respective value was not at all over-represented (had an Odds Ratio of 1.000). An over-represented value of an attribute is a situation found where that attribute has a greater share of ID crashes than would be expected if it were the same as that attribute in non-ID crashes. That is, the non-ID crashes are serving as a control to which the ID crashes are being compared. In this way anything different about ID

crashes surfaces and can be subjected to further analyses. The analytical technique employed to generate most of the displays below is called Information Mining Performance Analysis Control Technique (IMPACT). For a detailed description of the meaning of each element of the IMPACT outputs, see:

<http://www.caps.ua.edu/software/care/>

4.0 Geographical Factors

4.1 County

2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data								DUI (Alcohol or Drugs)	
Order: Max Gain		Descending		<input type="checkbox"/> Suppress		Significance: Over Representation		Threshold: 2.0	
C001: County	Subset frequency	Subset Percent	Other frequency	Other Percent	Odds Ratio	Max Gain			
Baldwin	1463	5.16	26858	3.64	1.416*	429.934	C001: County		
Cullman	803	2.83	10902	1.48	1.915*	383.666	C002: City		
Madison	2526	8.90	56242	7.62	1.168*	362.708	C003: Year		
Marshall	745	2.63	12293	1.67	1.576*	272.162	C004: Month		
Limestone	542	1.91	8280	1.12	1.702*	223.518	C005: Day of Month		
Blount	362	1.28	4308	0.58	2.185*	196.297	C006: Day of the Week		
Jackson	372	1.31	5118	0.69	1.890*	175.141	C007: Week of the Year		
Walker	458	1.61	7436	1.01	1.601*	171.982	C008: Time of Day		
Elmore	521	1.84	9328	1.26	1.452*	162.208	C010: Rural or Urban		
St Clair	525	1.85	9791	1.33	1.394*	148.399	C011: Highway Classifications		
Chilton	333	1.17	4974	0.67	1.741*	141.680	C012: Controlled Access		
Dekalb	312	1.10	4982	0.68	1.628*	120.372	C013: E Highway Side		
Dale	282	0.99	4217	0.57	1.739*	119.797	C015: Primary Contributing Circums		
Escambia	265	0.93	3854	0.52	1.788*	116.760	C016: Primary Contributing Unit Num		
Morgan	729	2.57	16037	2.17	1.182*	112.153	C017: First Harmful Event		
Lauderdale	522	1.84	10708	1.45	1.267*	110.128	C018: Location First Harmful Event		
Tallapoosa	233	0.82	3246	0.44	1.866*	108.146	C019: E Most Harmful Event		
Talladega	469	1.65	9679	1.31	1.260*	96.707	C020: E Distracted Driving Opinion		
Calhoun	752	2.65	17108	2.32	1.143*	93.958	C021: Distance to Fixed Object		
Covington	209	0.74	3086	0.42	1.761*	90.300	C022: E Type of Roadway Junction/f		
Geneva	159	0.56	2049	0.28	2.017*	80.187	C023: E Manner of Crash		
Pike	270	0.95	5062	0.69	1.387*	75.295	C024: School Bus Related		
Monroe	135	0.48	1596	0.22	2.199*	73.611	C025: Crash Severity		
Lawrence	163	0.57	2464	0.33	1.720*	68.225	C026: Intersection Related		
Franklin	159	0.56	2563	0.35	1.613*	60.417	C027: At Intersection		
Crenshaw	104	0.37	1203	0.16	2.248*	57.728	C028: Mileposted Route		
Coffee	297	1.05	6239	0.85	1.238*	57.023	C029: National Highway System		
Marion	145	0.51	2392	0.32	1.576*	52.994	C030: Functional Class		
Macon	188	0.66	3516	0.48	1.390*	52.761	C031: Lighting Conditions		
Bibb	112	0.39	1629	0.22	1.787*	49.342	C032: Weather		
Conecuh	121	0.43	1877	0.25	1.676*	48.803	C033: Locale		
Colbert	331	1.17	7362	1.00	1.169*	47.828	C034: E Police Present at Time of C		
Coosa	89	0.31	1097	0.15	2.109*	46.805	C035: Police Notification Delay		
Choctaw	79	0.28	881	0.12	2.331*	45.113	C036: Police Arrival Delay		
Lowndes	103	0.36	1686	0.23	1.588*	38.150	C037: EMS Arrival Delay		
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The above has been arranged in highest Max Gain order to indicate the counties that have the highest potential for gain (by reducing the over-representation) at the top. The following output is the rest of the counties in the ordering, so it also contains those that are under-represented.

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C001: County	Subset frequency	Subset Percent	Other frequency	Other Percent	Odds Ratio	Max Gain			
Coosa	89	0.31	1097	0.15	2.109*	46.805			
Choctaw	79	0.28	881	0.12	2.331*	45.113			
Lowndes	103	0.36	1686	0.23	1.588*	38.150			
Autauga	293	1.03	6648	0.90	1.146	37.291			
Lamar	65	0.23	853	0.12	1.981*	32.190			
Pickens	81	0.29	1305	0.18	1.614*	30.804			
Dallas	203	0.72	4489	0.61	1.176	30.335			
Henry	83	0.29	1371	0.19	1.574*	30.266			
Butler	158	0.56	3346	0.45	1.228*	29.299			
Washington	67	0.24	1021	0.14	1.706*	27.728			
Randolph	87	0.31	1573	0.21	1.438*	26.496			
Wilcox	50	0.18	693	0.09	1.876*	23.344			
Bullock	58	0.20	913	0.12	1.652*	22.882			
Barbour	130	0.46	2805	0.38	1.205	22.109			
Marengo	81	0.29	1556	0.21	1.353*	21.150			
Fayette	66	0.23	1263	0.17	1.359*	17.420			
Hale	69	0.24	1391	0.19	1.290	15.497			
Peny	33	0.12	495	0.07	1.733*	13.960			
Cleburne	95	0.33	2110	0.29	1.171	13.841			
Cherokee	110	0.39	2507	0.34	1.141	13.571			
Winston	69	0.24	1464	0.20	1.225	12.689			
Clarke	92	0.32	2166	0.29	1.104	8.687			
Clay	46	0.16	1018	0.14	1.175	6.844			
Greene	62	0.22	1448	0.20	1.113	6.304			
Etowah	585	2.06	15170	2.06	1.003	1.501			
Sumter	49	0.17	1264	0.17	1.008	0.382			
Chambers	161	0.57	4195	0.57	0.998	-0.356			
Lee	860	3.03	23005	3.12	0.972	-24.864			
Russell	434	1.53	12458	1.69	0.906	-45.184			
Houston	655	2.31	18700	2.53	0.911*	-64.277			
Tuscaloosa	1374	4.84	39832	5.40	0.897*	-158.098			
Shelby	898	3.16	31001	4.20	0.753*	-294.422			
Mobile	2182	7.69	75356	10.21	0.753*	-716.492			
Montgomery	1095	3.86	49160	6.66	0.579*	-795.890			
Jefferson	3211	11.31	157194	21.30	0.531*	-2835.3...			

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Baldwin, Cullman, Madison, Marshall, Limestone and Blount have the highest potential for ID crash reduction. At the other end of the spectrum, the counties with the largest cities (e.g., Jefferson, Montgomery, and Mobile counties) were the most under-represented counties, although their numbers of ID crashes is still very large. Generally, the over-represented counties contain larger rural areas. See the rural-urban comparison below.

4.2 Cities Over-represented by High Odds Ratios

For comparison purposes, the rural areas of counties are considered to be “virtual cities” in that crashes that occur there are listed as “Rural County” so that these crashes can be duly accounted for and compared. Generally, these rural areas are adjacent to (or contain) significant urban areas. Contrasted with this finding, there was significant under-representation for impaired driving crashes in the largest cities themselves (e.g., Birmingham, Mobile, Montgomery, Huntsville, Tuscaloosa, etc.). This can be attributed to a number of possible factors in urban areas:

- Less need for motor vehicle travel to the drinking establishments;
- Larger police presence in the metropolitan areas; and
- Lower speeds in rural areas resulting in a lower severity of crashes, which may be less apt to be reported as caused by impaired driving. Urban crashes contain many described as fender-benders or low-speed rear-end bumper crashes.

The output display below is a list of what are considered to be the most critical cities because of their high Max Gains, which indicate the potential for crash reduction. The criteria for this list were (1) a total of 60 or more ID crashes in the five-year period, and (2) at least 1.505 times the expected proportion in the non-ID portions of these cities. The red background indicates those (virtual) city areas that had over twice their expected proportion of ID crashes.

This display is in Max Gain ordering to put those cities that have the highest potential for ID crash reduction at the top.

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2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data DUI (Alcohol or Drugs)

Order: Max Gain Descending Suppress Zero- Significance: Over Representation Threshold: 2.0

C002: City	Value	Subset Frequency	Subset Percent	Other Frequency	Other Percent	Odds	Max Gain
Rural Mobile		749	2.64	9340	1.27	2.085*	389.753
Rural Cullman		565	1.99	4926	0.67	2.982*	375.530
Rural Madison		715	2.52	9043	1.23	2.056*	367.177
Rural Baldwin		511	1.80	6478	0.88	2.051*	261.835
Rural Tuscaloosa		557	1.96	8420	1.14	1.720*	233.139
Rural Limestone		397	1.40	4569	0.62	2.259*	221.261
Rural Blount		283	1.00	2325	0.32	3.165*	193.573
Rural Marshall		281	0.99	2524	0.34	2.894*	183.919
Rural Elmore		287	1.01	2858	0.39	2.611*	177.072
Rural Walker		266	0.94	3157	0.43	2.191*	144.571
Rural Lee		284	1.00	3890	0.53	1.898*	134.378
Rural Escambia		206	0.73	1957	0.27	2.737*	130.727
Rural Houston		215	0.76	2194	0.30	2.548*	130.612
Rural Chilton		234	0.82	2697	0.37	2.256*	130.265
Rural Talladega		274	0.97	4126	0.56	1.727*	115.301
Rural Calhoun		292	1.03	4900	0.66	1.549*	103.530
Rural Colbert		169	0.60	1746	0.24	2.516*	101.843
Rural Autauga		190	0.67	2321	0.31	2.128*	100.727
Rural Jackson		160	0.56	1551	0.21	2.682*	100.343
Rural DeKalb		178	0.63	2064	0.28	2.242*	98.612
Rural St. Clair		243	0.86	3776	0.51	1.673*	97.763
Rural Pike		152	0.54	1483	0.20	2.665*	94.959
Rural Lauderdale		194	0.68	2694	0.37	1.872*	90.380
Rural Morgan		218	0.77	3428	0.46	1.653*	86.148
Rural Coffee		141	0.50	1548	0.21	2.368*	81.459
Rural Dale		125	0.44	1204	0.16	2.699*	78.690
Rural Covington		121	0.43	1109	0.15	2.837*	78.344
Rural Montgomery		226	0.80	3904	0.53	1.505*	75.839
Rural Tallapoosa		107	0.38	886	0.12	3.140*	72.922
Rural Etowah		159	0.56	2354	0.32	1.756*	68.457
Rural Lawrence		135	0.48	1796	0.24	1.954*	65.920
Orange Beach		128	0.45	1684	0.23	1.976*	63.228
Rural Geneva		103	0.36	1074	0.15	2.493*	61.690

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4.3 Cities by Number of ID Crashes in FY2016-2020

The display on the next page lists the cities with over 200 ID crashes in 2016-2020 (at least 40 per year) in order of ID crash frequency.

Huntsville, at the top of the list, is interesting in that it also has a relatively high proportion of non-ID crashes (5.58%). And while it is at the top of the list for frequency, it is slightly under-represented in ID crashes ($5.49/5.58=0.983$ Odds Ratio). The three largest cities that follow are shown with a green background in that their Odds Ratios are less than 0.500 (i.e., less than half) of the ID crashes that you would expect from the proportion of non-ID crashes.

Some of the highest frequency ID cities tend to be under-represented because of the large proportion of their crashes that are non-ID. The red background indicates that the cell has over twice the expected number of ID crashes, and the green indicates that they have less than half of those expected.

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2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data DUI (Alcohol or Drugs)

Order: Subset Frequency Descending Suppress Zero Significance: Over Representation Threshold: 2.0

Value	Subset Frequency	Subset Percent	Other Frequency	Other Percent	Odds	Max Gain
Huntsville	1557	5.49	41189	5.58	0.983	-27.263
Birmingham	1239	4.37	87941	11.92	0.366*	-2143.497
Mobile	1049	3.70	56728	7.69	0.481*	-1132.944
Montgomery	859	3.03	45049	6.11	0.496*	-873.731
Rural Mobile	749	2.64	9340	1.27	2.085*	389.753
Rural Madison	715	2.52	9043	1.23	2.056*	367.177
Rural Jefferson	654	2.30	18113	2.46	0.939	-42.685
Tuscaloosa	627	2.21	24843	3.37	0.656*	-328.543
Rural Cullman	565	1.99	4926	0.67	2.982*	375.530
Rural Tuscaloosa	557	1.96	8420	1.14	1.720*	233.139
Rural Baldwin	511	1.80	6478	0.88	2.051*	261.835
Decatur	409	1.44	10182	1.38	1.044	17.367
Hoover	402	1.42	14999	2.03	0.697*	-174.910
Rural Limestone	397	1.40	4569	0.62	2.259*	221.261
Dothan	386	1.36	15678	2.13	0.640*	-217.027
Rural Calhoun	292	1.03	4900	0.66	1.549*	103.530
Auburn	291	1.03	9088	1.23	0.832*	-58.554
Phenix City	291	1.03	10097	1.37	0.749*	-97.364
Rural Elmore	287	1.01	2858	0.39	2.611*	177.072
Florence	285	1.00	7092	0.96	1.045	12.219
Rural Lee	284	1.00	3890	0.53	1.898*	134.378
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Rural Marshall	281	0.99	2524	0.34	2.894*	183.919
Rural Talladega	274	0.97	4126	0.56	1.727*	115.301
Bessemer	272	0.96	8535	1.16	0.829*	-56.284
Rural Walker	266	0.94	3157	0.43	2.191*	144.571
Opelika	257	0.91	9475	1.28	0.705*	-107.439
Madison	244	0.86	6269	0.85	1.012	2.874
Rural St. Clair	243	0.86	3776	0.51	1.673*	97.763
Anniston	235	0.83	5844	0.79	1.045	10.221
Rural Chilton	234	0.82	2697	0.37	2.256*	130.265
Gadsden	233	0.82	8320	1.13	0.728*	-87.014
Rural Montgomery	226	0.80	3904	0.53	1.505*	75.839
Rural Morgan	218	0.77	3428	0.46	1.653*	86.148
Rural Shelby	217	0.76	6832	0.93	0.826*	-45.781
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Rural Escambia	206	0.73	1957	0.27	2.737*	130.727

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4.4 Severity of Crash by Rural-Urban

It is obvious in the above outputs that the rural areas tend to be more over-represented in ID crashes than do the urbanized areas. It is interesting to perform a cross-tabulation over the rural and urban areas to determine to what extent their crashes might be causing relatively more fatalities than would be expected from just a comparison of their crash frequencies. The following, *which is strictly for ID crashes*, gives this analysis.

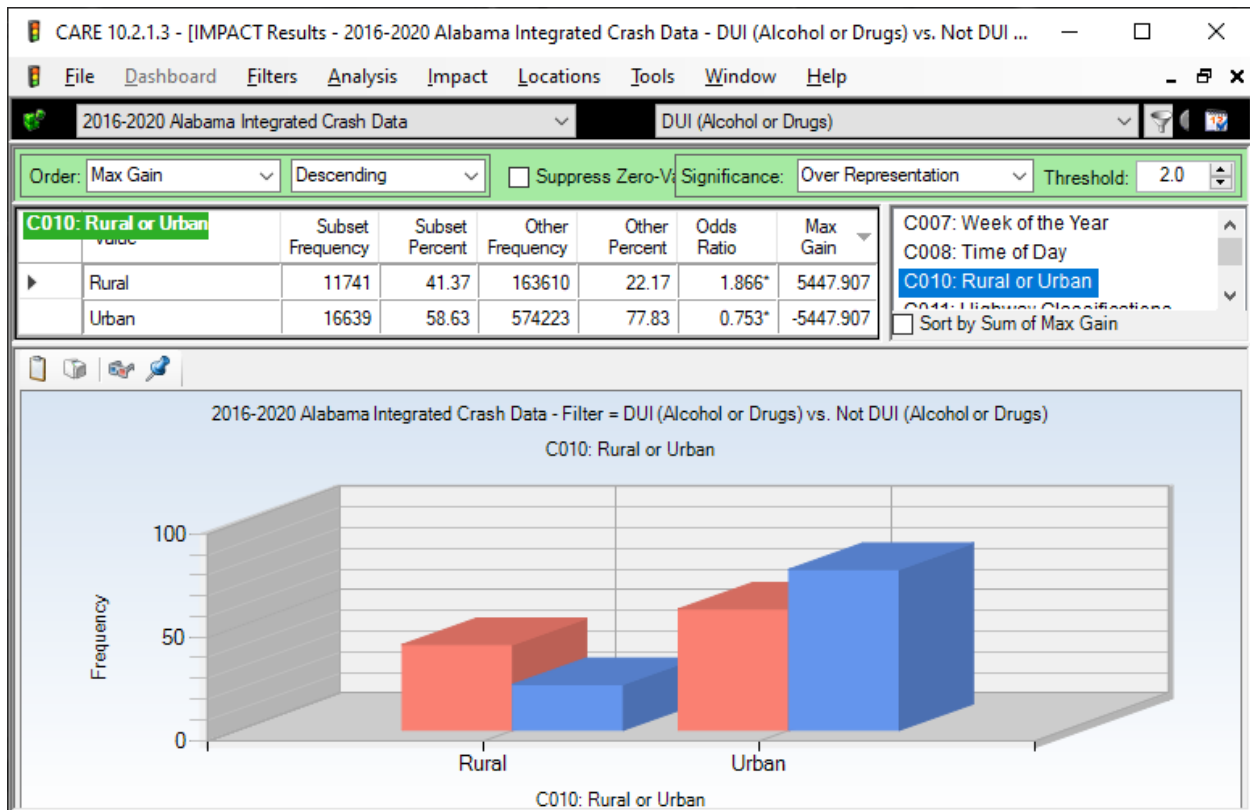
	Fatal Injury	Suspected Serious Injury	Suspected Minor Injury	Possible Injury	Property Damage Only	Unknown	TOTAL
Rural	630 67.74%	1789 58.73%	2158 46.71%	824 29.22%	6102 37.68%	238 30.99%	11741 41.37%
Urban	300 32.26%	1257 41.27%	2462 53.29%	1996 70.78%	10094 62.32%	530 69.01%	16639 58.63%
TOTAL	930 3.28%	3046 10.73%	4620 16.28%	2820 9.94%	16196 57.07%	768 2.71%	28380 100.00%

The red cells in the cross-tabulation above indicate over-representation by more than 10%. For example, while 41.37% of crashes occur in rural areas, close to 68% of the fatal crashes occur there. It is imperative to take into consideration crash severity when making geographical decisions regarding countermeasure implementation. Any of the geographic analyses shown in this report could be restricted to fatal crashes or some combination of fatal and severe injury crashes.

Clearly fatalities and the highest severity of injuries are over-represented in the rural areas, since all three of the most severe crashes are over-represented there.

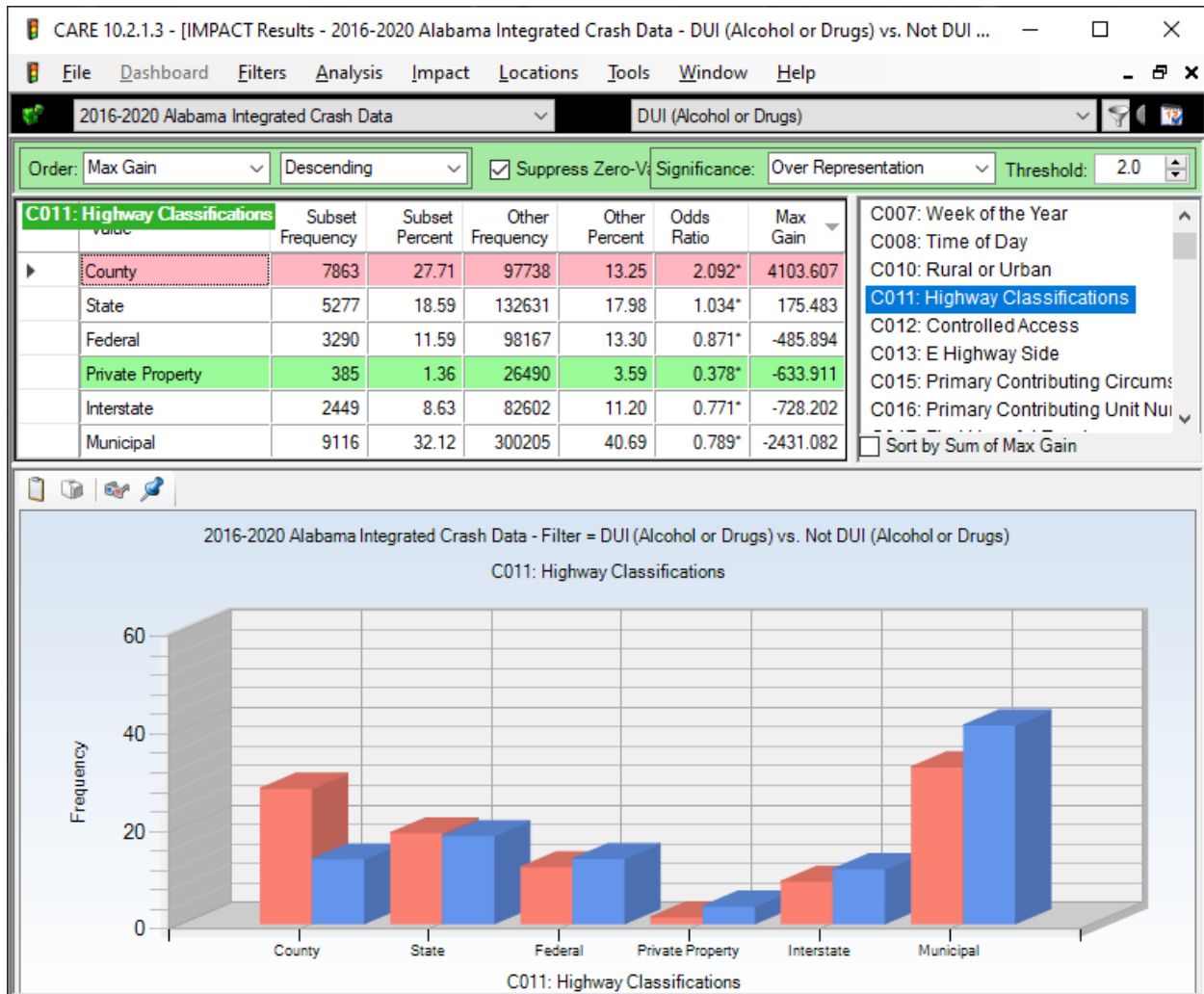
Some recent ads have stated that some large urban areas contain the ID hotspots. This is only true if looking at the total frequency of the ID crashes as the criterion and ignoring severity. It also ignores the high number of crashes in general that are expected to occur in the large population centers. Lifesaving is more important than just crash-saving.

4.5 Rural or Urban



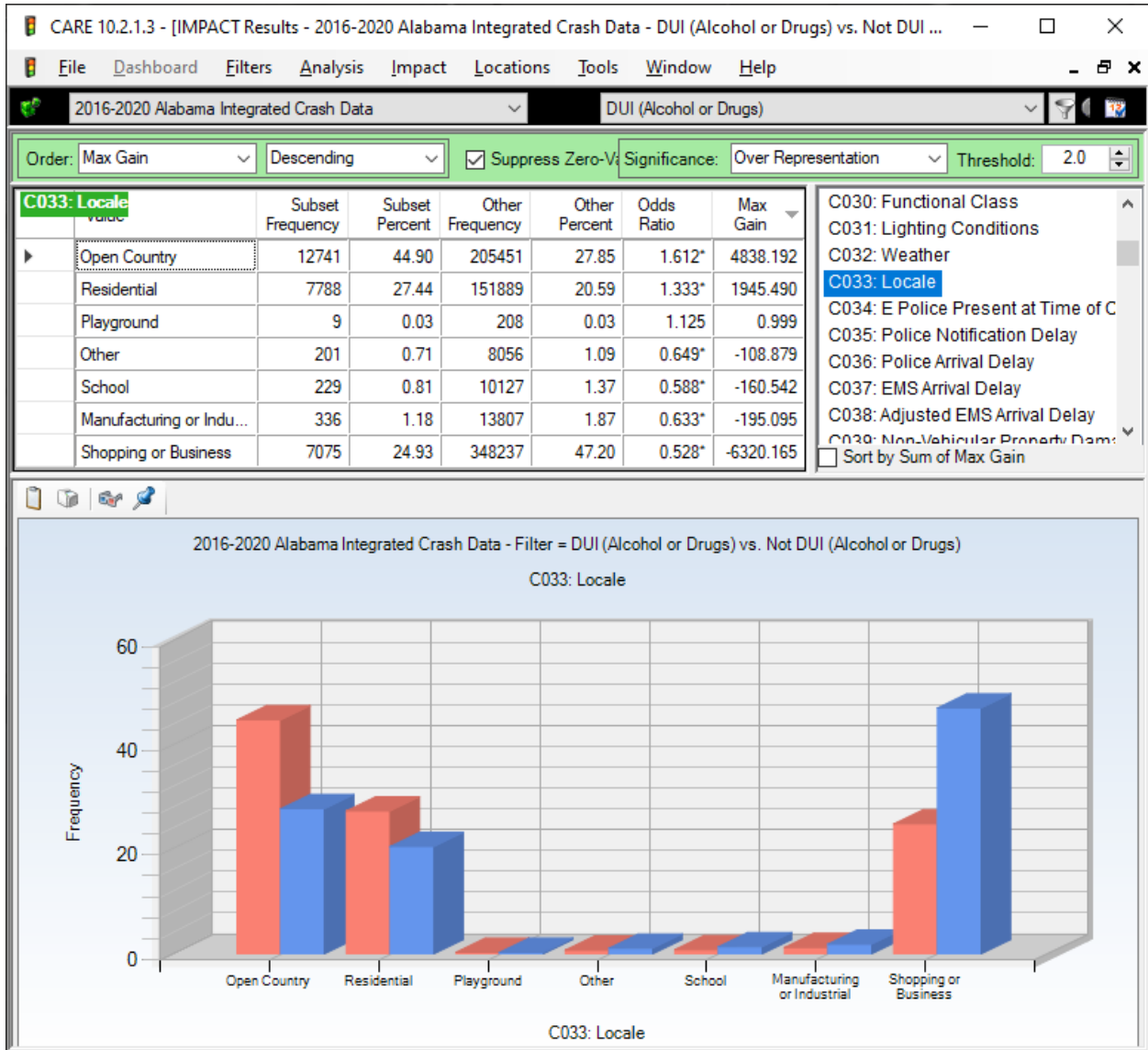
Not only are impaired driving crashes more severe in rural areas, but the table above shows that 41.37% of the ID crashes occur in the rural areas. This is almost double what would be expected from the rural crashes in general (22.17%).

4.6 Highway Classifications



Analysis of highway classifications indicates that ID crashes had their greatest over-representation on county roads. County roads had well over twice their expected proportion of crashes, while, except for State routes, all other roadway classifications were under-represented. It is very possible that ID locals in the rural areas use the county road system to evade police. Their cunning in this regard does not seem to extend to making it home safely. It is recommended that further hotspot analysis be performed to identify the specific county roads that are most highly over-represented, and that some enforcement activities be conducted on the county roads in an attempt to move this traffic onto the safer (more forgiving) roadways. Just law enforcement presence could have a major effect here.

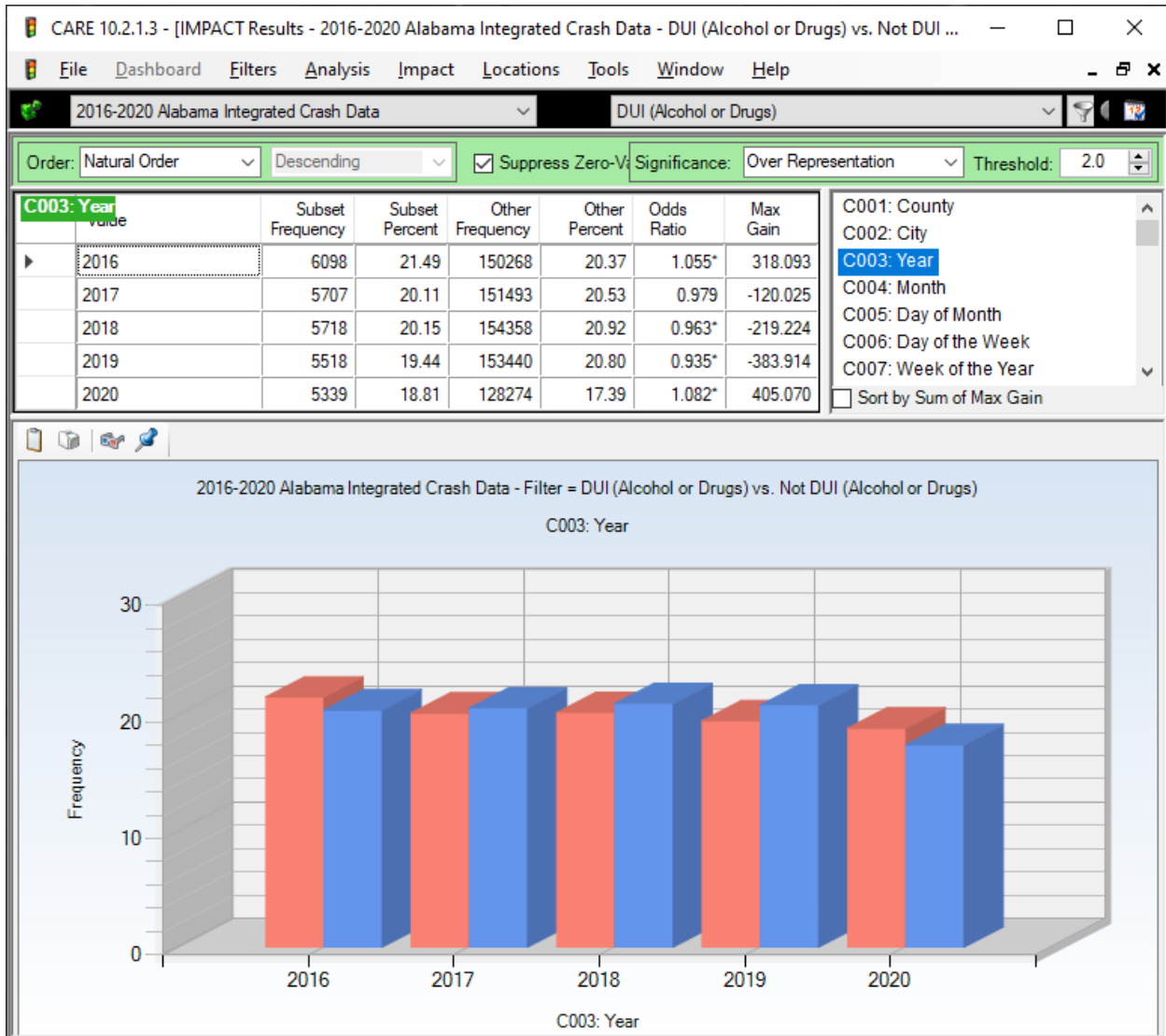
4.7 Locale



Reflecting the urban over-representation, open country and residential roadways show a higher level of over-representation as compared to the more urbanized roadways.

5.0 Time Factors

5.1 Year



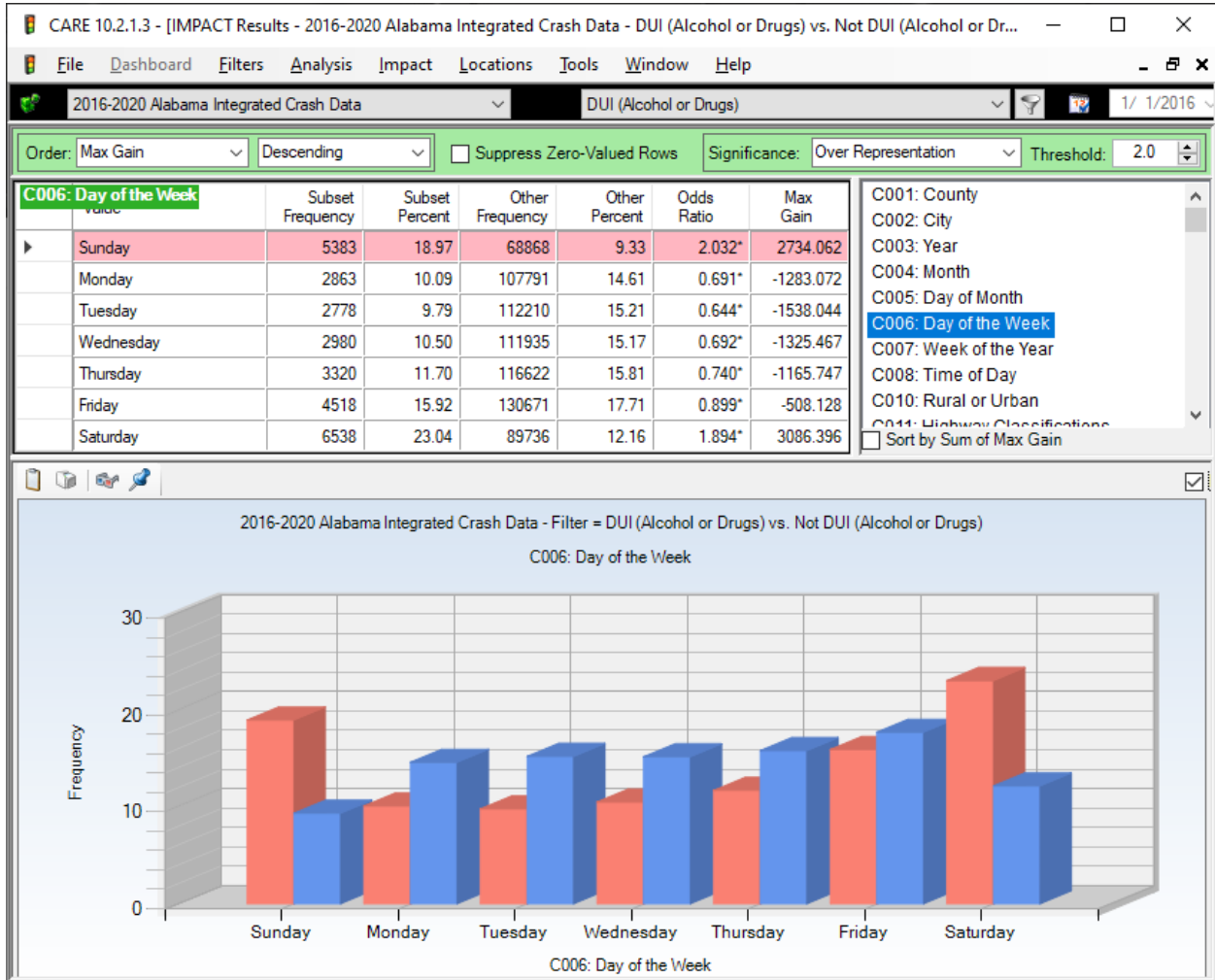
The chart above is useful for tracking the relative changes. ID crashes were significantly over-represented in CY2016, and even to a greater degree in 2020. The three years between were all under-represented in ID crashes, with 2018 and 2019 being significantly so. It is clear that there are no overall consistent trends here, and 2020 should be recognized for its irregularities due to COVID-19.

5.2 Month



Significant over-representations by month were found in March, April and July. Significant under-representations occurred in September and October. We do not see any practical applications to these differences with the possible exception of pleasant weather in the Spring months.

5.3 Day of the Week



The above is a well-established and recognized pattern for ID crashes, with their concentrations on the weekend periods.

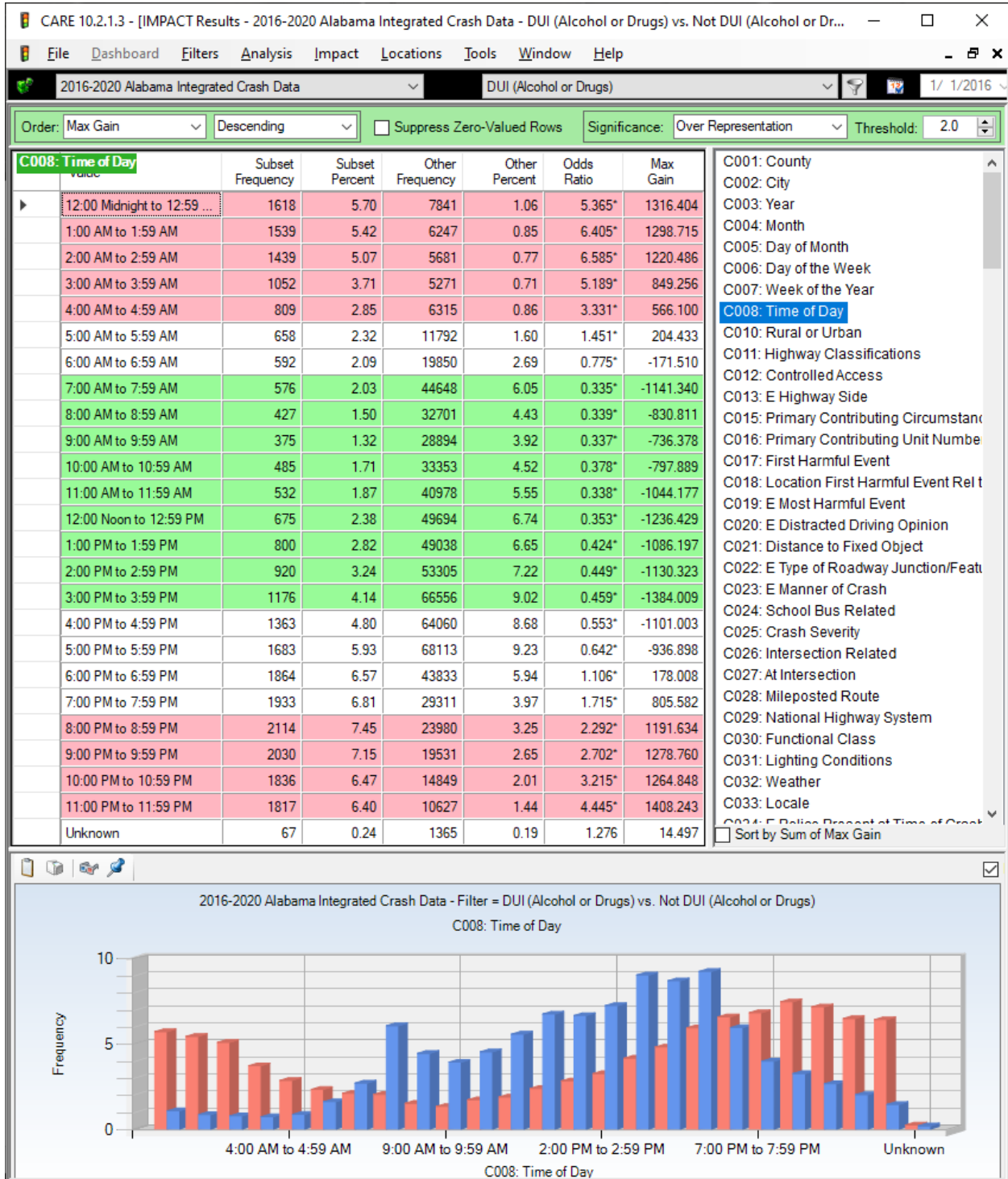
5.4 Day of the Week Discussion

The chart above shows the typical non-holiday week pattern that has been experienced for ID for decades. The days can be classified as follows:

- Weekday (Monday through Thursday) – these days are under-represented in ID crashes we would surmise due to the need for many to go to work the following day.
- Friday – the day before a weekend (or holiday) before a day off work. The Friday pattern is slightly under-represented in ID crashes, not because they do not occur more frequently than weekdays, but because non-ID crashes occur even more. Friday is both “work commuting day” and a “departure for recreation” time, causing increased traffic of combined commuters and vacationers (including short week-end vacations) that also resulting in a bad traffic mix. It may be only slightly denser than a typical rush hour, but it is not homogeneous and restricted to commuters as is the case during most weekday rush hours. No doubt much drug use and increased alcohol consumption is initiated on Friday afternoons.
- Saturday – the “Saturday” pattern is the worse for ID crashes in that it has both an early morning component (like Sunday) and a late (pre-midnight) night component (like Friday). So, it could be viewed as a combination of the typical Friday and Sunday, with one exception. It does not have the increased complexity of the Friday afternoon commuters.
- Sunday – this is the last day of a holiday sequence or as given above, the weekend. Its over-representation comes strictly from those who start on Saturday night and do not complete their use of alcohol/drugs until after midnight.

A holiday “weekend,” such as Thanksgiving, can be viewed as a sequence of a Friday-, Saturday- and Sunday-pattern sequence. The Wednesday before Thanksgiving would follow the Friday pattern assuming that most are at work that Wednesday. The Thursday, Friday and Saturday would follow the Saturday pattern, and the Sunday would follow the typical Sunday pattern. Holidays that fall mid-week could also be so mapped. This is the reason that long holiday events (i.e., several days off from work) can be much more prone to ID crashes than the normal weekend. There could be a cumulative effect that could show up at any time of the day for some problem abusers. Recently the trend on the pre-Thanksgiving week has been for the holiday to start earlier and earlier in the week, so that Wednesday itself is not one of the worse crash days of the year, as it had been a decade or more ago. This is favorable in reducing the concentration of the traffic and the resultant conflicts.

5.5 Time of Day



5.6 Discussion on Time of Day

It is no surprise to find ID crashes over-represented during the late night/early morning hours. The extent of these over-representations, however, is quite amazing. The blue bars above follow the typical traffic patterns of high traffic in the morning and afternoon rush hours. ID crashes are just getting started in the afternoon rush hours and they continue to grow through midnight and the early morning hours, not tapering off until about 5:00 AM. It is clear that if selective enforcement is going to have an effect on ID crashes, it would have to be conducted at the times when these crashes are most occurring. Optimal times for enforcement would start immediately following any rush hour details, and would continue through at least 3:00 AM.

The *Time of Day by Day of the Week* cross-tabulation (given in the next section) shows the optimal times for selective enforcement, with one qualifier: Saturday night (before midnight). Generally, the worst times in any day are given in red for that day. This works well for Saturday and Sunday mornings, and also for Friday night. Why does it not work for Saturday night? The answer is that Saturday morning has drained all the red into its cells, so to speak, and there is none left over for Saturday night. Note, for example, that the frequencies of crashes on Saturday exceed those on Friday for *all time slots*. However, because of the high numbers and proportions on Saturday morning, the proportions on Saturday night are lower despite the frequencies being higher. We urge users to look at both the numbers and the colors. This is also especially true when the numbers in all of the cells is relatively low. When the cell numbers get less than 20, it is best to ignore the colors and just look at the cell frequencies to get a feel for the situation.

This is an excellent example to demonstrate how the color coding of CARE cross-tabulations can be misleading in some special cases. The red background indicates that the over-representation of the cell is greater than expected. The expected proportion for all cells in a given row is given at the extreme right in the total row percentage for that row. If there were absolutely no over-representations for the columns, then all of the proportions for that column cell would be identical to the one for the total. Notice for example, the 12 midnight to 12:59 AM row has a total percentage value of 5.85%. Those that are under this value have a neutral (white) background. Those that are higher, but not more than 10% of the proportion are yellow; and those above 10% of the proportion are red.

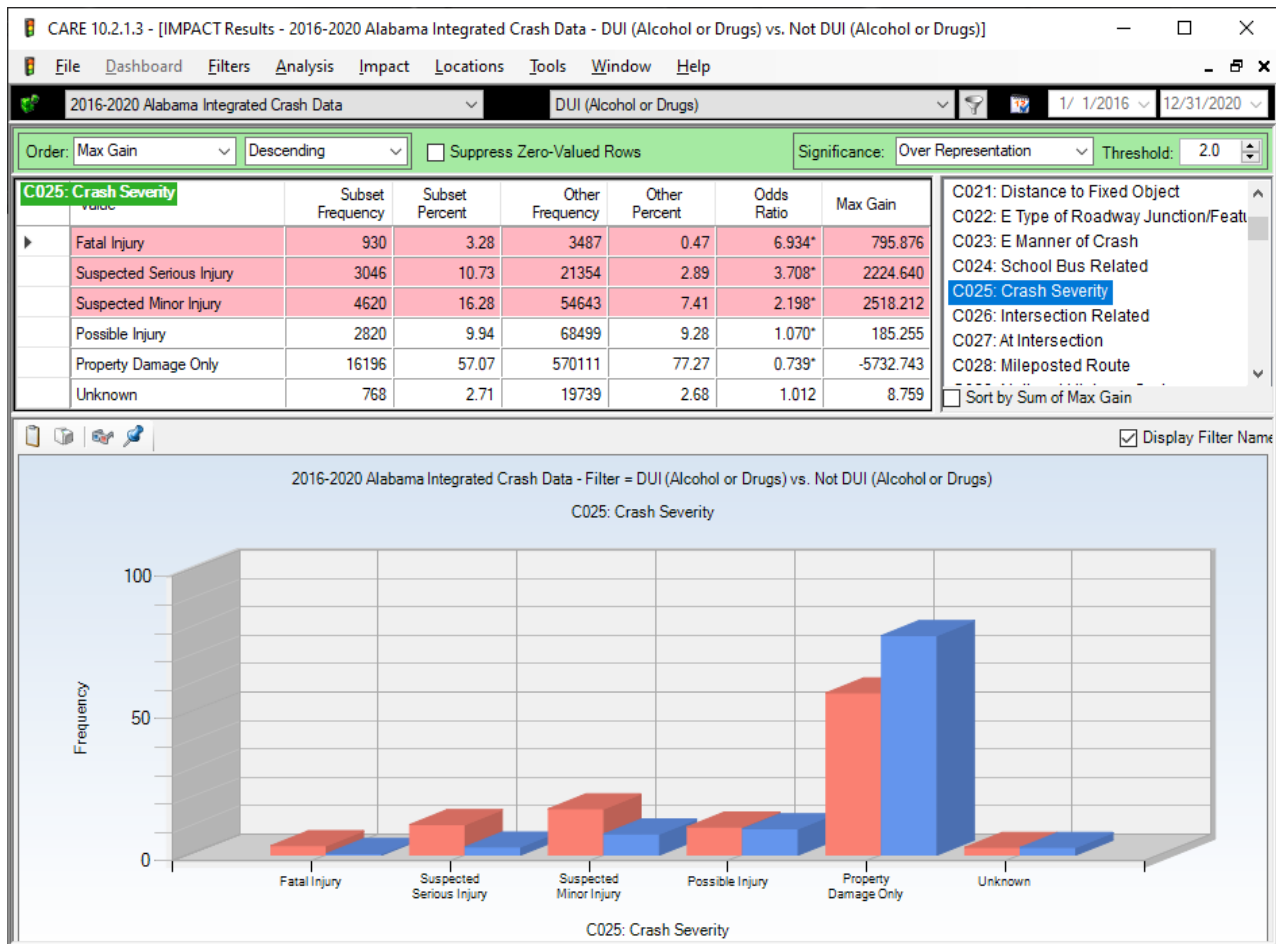
5.7 Time of Day by Day of the Week

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2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data DUI (Alcohol or Drugs) 1/ 1/2016 12/31/2020								
Suppress Zero Values: None Select Cells: Column: Day of the Week ; Row: Time of Day								
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
12:00 Midnight to 12:59 AM	489 9.08%	145 5.06%	118 4.25%	130 4.36%	126 3.80%	195 4.32%	415 6.35%	1618 5.70%
1:00 AM to 1:59 AM	489 9.08%	114 3.98%	101 3.64%	126 4.23%	149 4.49%	172 3.81%	388 5.93%	1539 5.42%
2:00 AM to 2:59 AM	497 9.23%	93 3.25%	73 2.63%	94 3.15%	101 3.04%	165 3.65%	416 6.36%	1439 5.07%
3:00 AM to 3:59 AM	351 6.52%	59 2.06%	55 1.98%	64 2.15%	66 1.99%	104 2.30%	353 5.40%	1052 3.71%
4:00 AM to 4:59 AM	263 4.89%	47 1.64%	50 1.80%	60 2.01%	58 1.75%	72 1.59%	259 3.96%	809 2.85%
5:00 AM to 5:59 AM	208 3.86%	58 2.03%	49 1.76%	51 1.71%	56 1.69%	67 1.48%	169 2.58%	658 2.32%
6:00 AM to 6:59 AM	173 3.21%	47 1.64%	59 2.12%	54 1.81%	55 1.66%	64 1.42%	140 2.14%	592 2.09%
7:00 AM to 7:59 AM	118 2.19%	55 1.92%	59 2.12%	62 2.08%	72 2.17%	95 2.10%	115 1.76%	576 2.03%
8:00 AM to 8:59 AM	62 1.15%	43 1.50%	54 1.94%	54 1.81%	51 1.54%	56 1.24%	107 1.64%	427 1.50%
9:00 AM to 9:59 AM	61 1.13%	49 1.71%	41 1.48%	42 1.41%	45 1.36%	63 1.39%	74 1.13%	375 1.32%
10:00 AM to 10:59 AM	83 1.54%	71 2.48%	63 2.27%	61 2.05%	60 1.81%	70 1.55%	77 1.18%	485 1.71%
11:00 AM to 11:59 AM	70 1.30%	72 2.51%	67 2.41%	66 2.21%	83 2.50%	72 1.59%	102 1.56%	532 1.87%
12:00 Noon to 12:59 PM	92 1.71%	89 3.11%	71 2.56%	101 3.39%	90 2.71%	109 2.41%	123 1.88%	675 2.38%
1:00 PM to 1:59 PM	111 2.06%	93 3.25%	90 3.24%	92 3.09%	113 3.40%	138 3.05%	163 2.49%	800 2.82%
2:00 PM to 2:59 PM	112 2.08%	132 4.61%	128 4.61%	123 4.13%	119 3.58%	147 3.25%	159 2.43%	920 3.24%
3:00 PM to 3:59 PM	160 2.97%	140 4.89%	148 5.33%	156 5.23%	150 4.52%	215 4.76%	207 3.17%	1176 4.14%
4:00 PM to 4:59 PM	204 3.79%	154 5.38%	176 6.34%	158 5.30%	186 5.60%	221 4.89%	264 4.04%	1363 4.80%
5:00 PM to 5:59 PM	241 4.48%	202 7.06%	208 7.49%	227 7.62%	240 7.23%	257 5.69%	308 4.71%	1683 5.93%
6:00 PM to 6:59 PM	301 5.59%	223 7.79%	219 7.88%	232 7.79%	222 6.69%	309 6.84%	358 5.48%	1864 6.57%
7:00 PM to 7:59 PM	277 5.15%	207 7.23%	224 8.06%	198 6.64%	264 7.95%	344 7.61%	419 6.41%	1933 6.81%
8:00 PM to 8:59 PM	295 5.48%	239 8.35%	219 7.88%	219 7.35%	283 8.52%	383 8.48%	476 7.28%	2114 7.45%
9:00 PM to 9:59 PM	264 4.90%	202 7.06%	193 6.95%	235 7.89%	253 7.62%	387 8.57%	496 7.59%	2030 7.15%
10:00 PM to 10:59 PM	256 4.76%	151 5.27%	145 5.22%	197 6.61%	244 7.35%	389 8.61%	454 6.94%	1836 6.47%
11:00 PM to 11:59 PM	187 3.47%	173 6.04%	158 5.69%	175 5.87%	228 6.87%	415 9.19%	481 7.36%	1817 6.40%
Unknown	19 0.35%	5 0.17%	10 0.36%	3 0.10%	6 0.18%	9 0.20%	15 0.23%	67 0.24%
TOTAL	5383 18.97%	2863 10.09%	2778 9.79%	2980 10.50%	3320 11.70%	4518 15.92%	6538 23.04%	28380 100.00%

6.0 Factors Affecting Severity

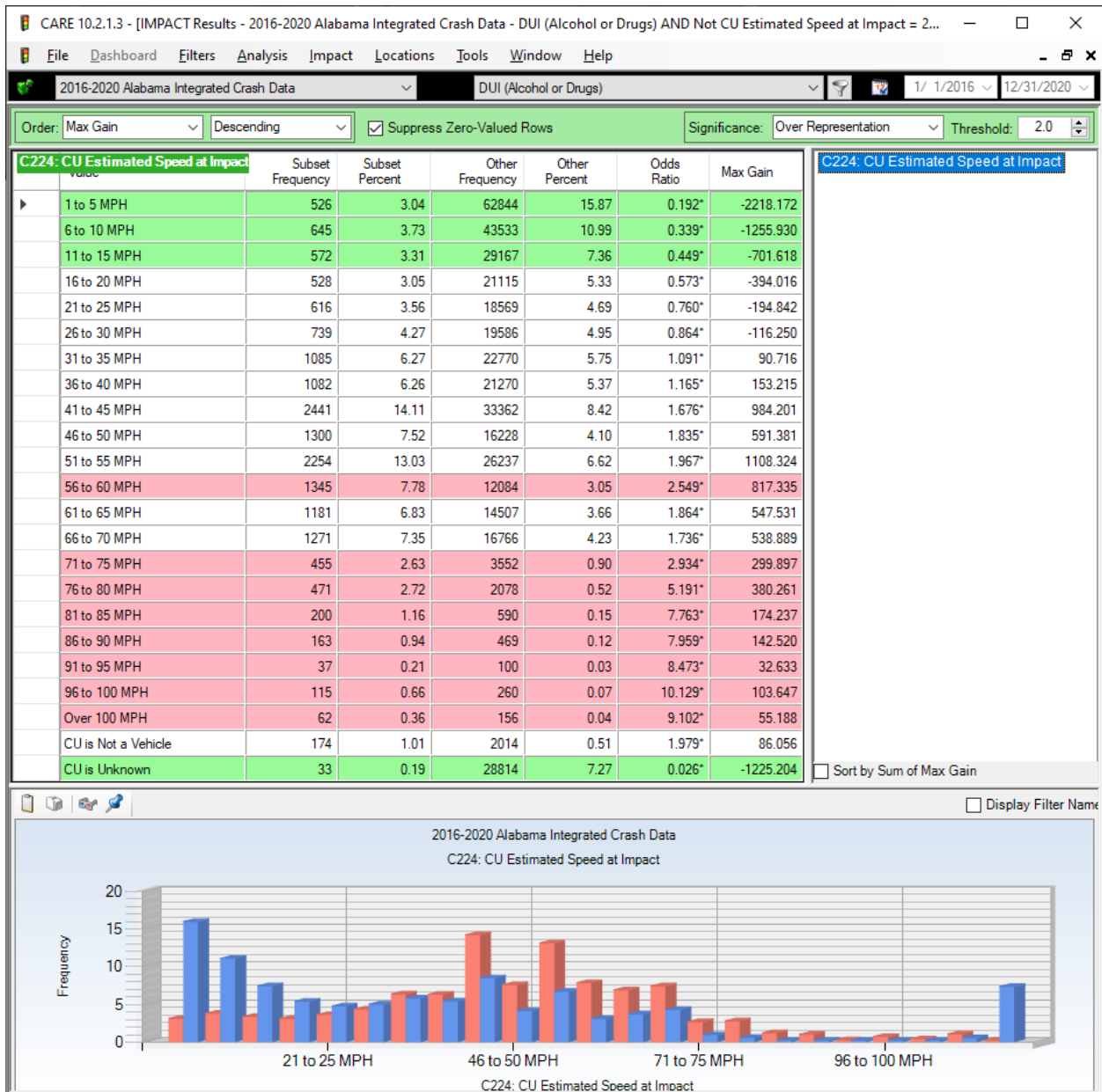
6.1 ID Crash Severity

The following compares crash severities for ID (Subset, red bars) vs. Non-ID crashes (Other, blue bars).



The rate of fatal injury crashes and the two highest injury classifications are consistently higher in ID crashes than that of non-ID crashes. Fatality crashes have close to seven times their expected proportion, while the two highest non-fatal injury classifications have over twice their expected values when compared with non-impaired driving crashes. The Speed-at-Impact variable, considered next, indicates one of the primary reasons for this. However, the greatest cause of ID increased severity is their lack of proper restraints.

6.2 Speed at Impact



It should be noted that the speed limit on county roads is generally 45 MPH. All speeds above 40 MPH are dramatically over-represented, and the over-representation increases with the increase in impact speeds: from 1.676 at 45 MPH to 10.129 at 100 MPH. Why do those who know they are not in full command of their physical capabilities insist upon speeding? It all gets back to the affinity toward risk-taking.

The next cross-tabulation quantifies how this relates to the severity of the crash for ID crashes.

6.3 Severity by Impact Speed

2016-2020 Alabama Integrated Crash Data		DUI (Alcohol or Drugs)		1/ 1/2016			
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	Fatal Injury	Suspected Serious Injury	Suspected Minor Injury	Possible Injury	Property Damage Only	Unknown	TOTAL
0 MPH	1 0.11%	0 0.00%	0 0.00%	0 0.00%	1 0.01%	0 0.00%	2 0.01%
1 to 5 MPH	4 0.43%	23 0.76%	37 0.80%	40 1.42%	413 2.55%	9 1.17%	526 1.85%
6 to 10 MPH	8 0.86%	40 1.31%	50 1.08%	58 2.06%	476 2.94%	13 1.69%	645 2.27%
11 to 15 MPH	6 0.65%	31 1.02%	55 1.19%	58 2.06%	416 2.57%	6 0.78%	572 2.02%
16 to 20 MPH	3 0.32%	33 1.08%	60 1.30%	53 1.88%	371 2.29%	8 1.04%	528 1.86%
21 to 25 MPH	2 0.22%	28 0.92%	71 1.54%	50 1.77%	453 2.80%	12 1.56%	616 2.17%
26 to 30 MPH	7 0.75%	42 1.38%	107 2.32%	60 2.13%	508 3.14%	15 1.95%	739 2.60%
31 to 35 MPH	11 1.18%	67 2.20%	134 2.90%	134 4.75%	725 4.48%	14 1.82%	1085 3.82%
36 to 40 MPH	11 1.18%	112 3.68%	175 3.79%	111 3.94%	649 4.01%	24 3.13%	1082 3.81%
41 to 45 MPH	40 4.30%	293 9.62%	454 9.83%	236 8.37%	1386 8.56%	32 4.17%	2441 8.60%
46 to 50 MPH	28 3.01%	180 5.91%	277 6.00%	117 4.15%	679 4.19%	19 2.47%	1300 4.58%
51 to 55 MPH	93 10.00%	374 12.28%	488 10.56%	159 5.64%	1112 6.87%	28 3.65%	2254 7.94%
56 to 60 MPH	71 7.63%	263 8.63%	286 6.19%	98 3.48%	599 3.70%	28 3.65%	1345 4.74%
61 to 65 MPH	78 8.39%	229 7.52%	218 4.72%	94 3.33%	550 3.40%	12 1.56%	1181 4.16%
66 to 70 MPH	89 9.57%	244 8.01%	250 5.41%	91 3.23%	576 3.56%	21 2.73%	1271 4.48%
71 to 75 MPH	49 5.27%	92 3.02%	91 1.97%	35 1.24%	184 1.14%	4 0.52%	455 1.60%
76 to 80 MPH	55 5.91%	94 3.09%	93 2.01%	38 1.35%	186 1.15%	5 0.65%	471 1.66%
81 to 85 MPH	20 2.15%	44 1.44%	44 0.95%	14 0.50%	76 0.47%	2 0.26%	200 0.70%
86 to 90 MPH	15 1.61%	44 1.44%	39 0.84%	13 0.46%	49 0.30%	3 0.39%	163 0.57%
91 to 95 MPH	11 1.18%	9 0.30%	6 0.13%	0 0.00%	10 0.06%	1 0.13%	37 0.13%
96 to 100 MPH	25 2.69%	34 1.12%	17 0.37%	9 0.32%	29 0.18%	1 0.13%	115 0.41%
Over 100 MPH	19 2.04%	13 0.43%	7 0.15%	4 0.14%	18 0.11%	1 0.13%	62 0.22%
E Stationary	3 0.32%	12 0.39%	30 0.65%	13 0.46%	80 0.49%	4 0.52%	142 0.50%
Unknown	233 25.05%	665 21.83%	1492 32.29%	1252 44.40%	6273 38.74%	454 59.11%	10369 36.54%
Not Applicable	3 0.32%	29 0.95%	79 1.71%	65 2.30%	349 2.16%	45 5.86%	570 2.01%
CU is Not a Vehicle	42 4.52%	50 1.64%	53 1.15%	14 0.50%	10 0.06%	5 0.65%	174 0.61%
CU is Unknown	3 0.32%	1 0.03%	7 0.15%	4 0.14%	16 0.10%	2 0.26%	33 0.12%
TOTAL	930 3.28%	3046 10.73%	4620 16.28%	2820 9.94%	16194 57.07%	768 2.71%	28378 100.00%

6.4 Discussion of Severity vs Speed Cross-Tabulation

The display above presents information on the effect of increased impact speed on the severity of the crash. Notice the red in the fatality and severe injury cells as speeds increase. What is more enlightening is the probability that the crash results in a fatality as a function of impact speed.

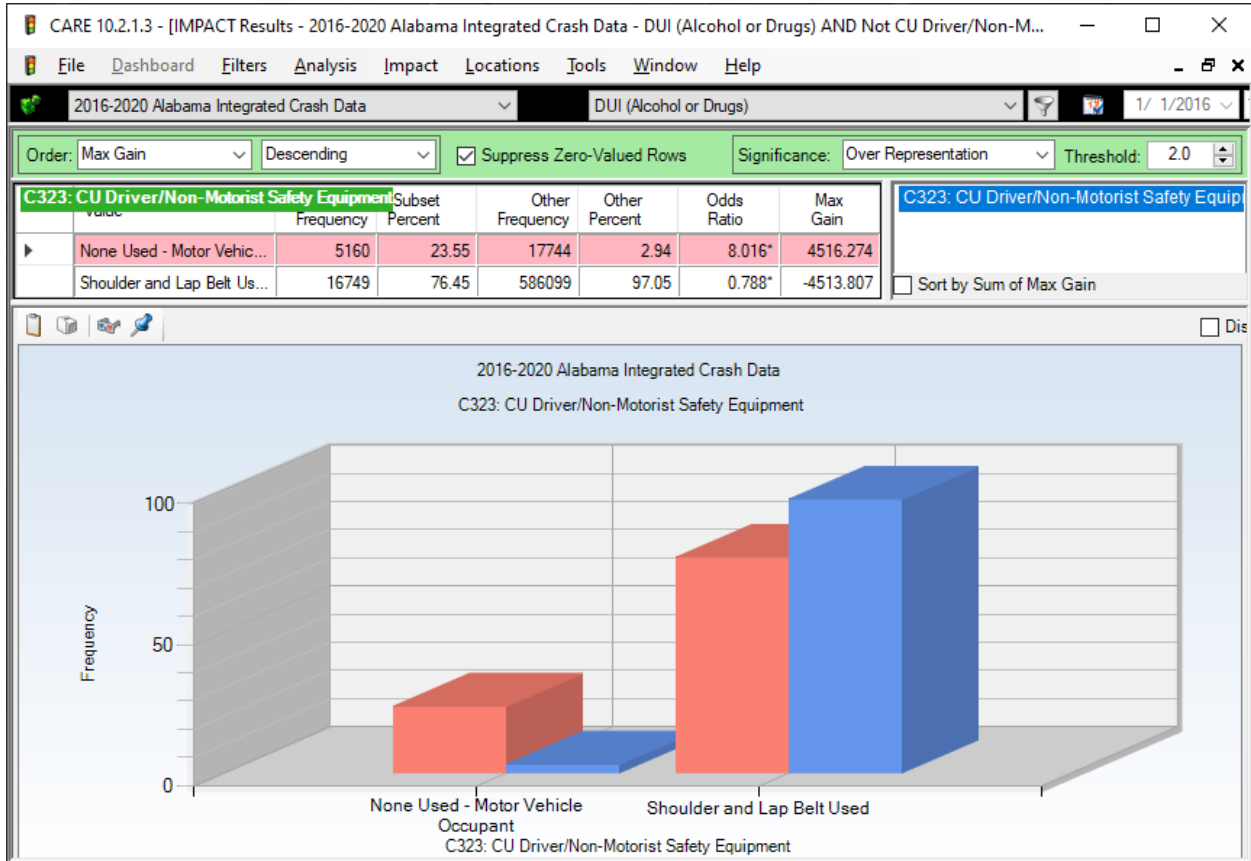
In the 41-45 MPH impact speed the probability is only a little over one in every 61 crashes. As impact speeds climb to the 51-55 MPH, this probability more than doubles to one in about 24 crashes. At 61-65 MPH it increases again (exponentially) to one in about every 15 crashes, and at 71-75 it is about one in nine, which is about double again. For above 90 MPH it is about one in 4 crashes.

The rule of thumb is that for every 10 MPH increase in speeds, the averaged probability that the given crash will be fatal doubles. Conversely, a reduction in impact speeds by 10 MPH would cut the number of fatal crashes in half. Even a 5 MPH reduction in speed of impact could result in significant fatality reduction. This is the reason that selective enforcement is effective.

However, there is another major factor in effect here as well – the failure of ID drivers to be properly restrained, which will be covered in a separate attribute below (Restraint Use by Impaired Drivers).

6.5 Restraint Use by Impaired Drivers

The following display presents a comparison of ID driver safety belt use against those who were not ID in the same five-year time period.



Risk-taking involved in ID does not stop with excess speed; it extends to not being properly restrained. The above analysis demonstrates that the impaired driver is over eight (8.016) times more likely to be unrestrained as in the non-ID crash. The next analysis demonstrates how this contributes to fatality crashes.

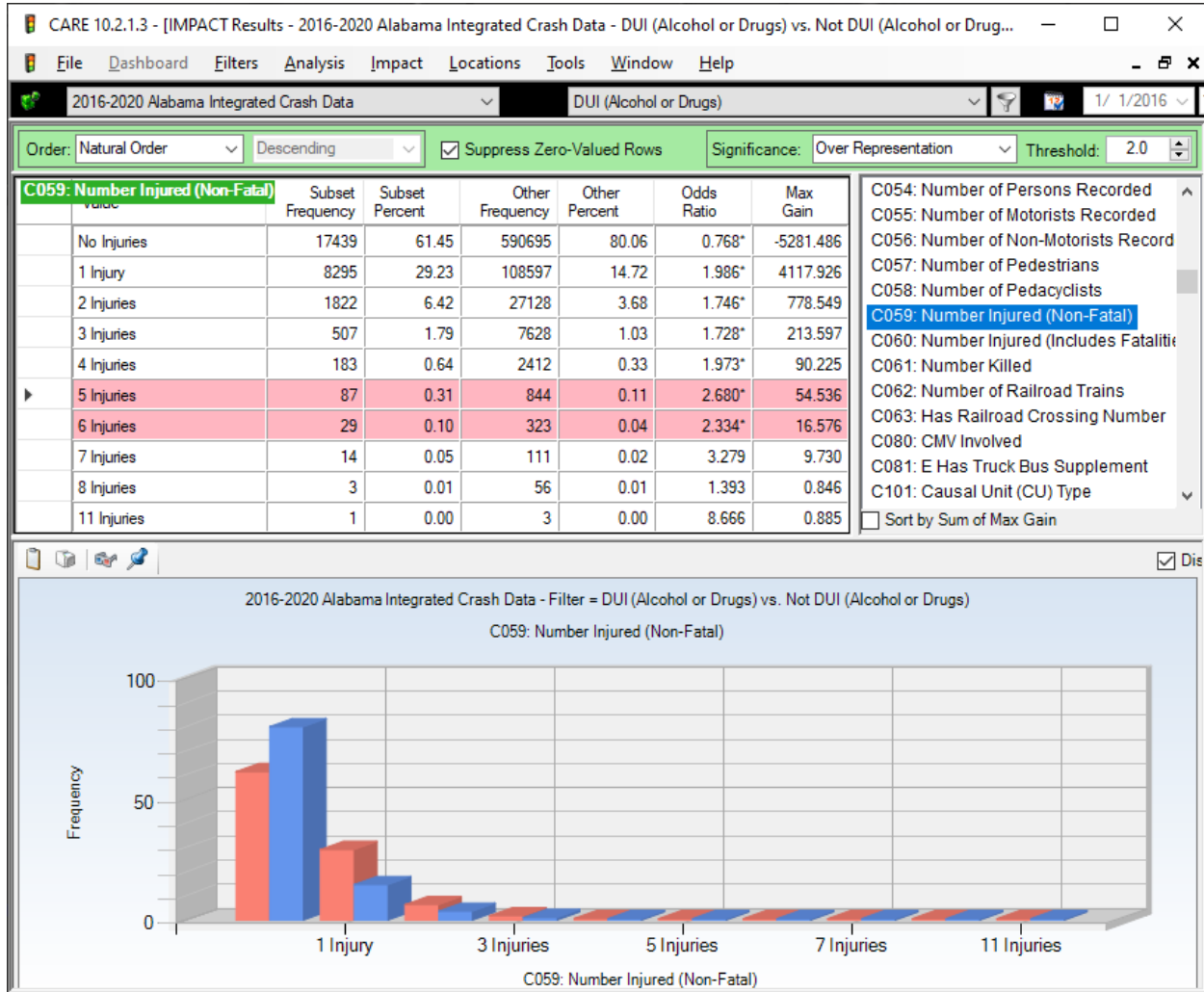
6.6 Fatality Crashes by Restraint Use for Impaired Drivers

	Fatal Injury	Suspected Serious Injury	Suspected Minor Injury	Possible Injury	Property Damage Only	Unknown	TOTAL
None Used - Motor Vehicle Occupant	466 50.16%	1263 41.59%	1169 25.31%	416 14.77%	1735 10.73%	111 14.45%	5160 18.21%
Shoulder and Lap Belt Used	259 27.88%	1271 41.85%	2594 56.16%	1790 63.57%	10534 65.13%	301 39.19%	16749 59.10%

A comparison of the probability of a fatal crash indicates that a fatality is almost six (5.84) times more likely if the impaired driver is not using proper restraints. The probability is estimated by 466 fatality crashes out of 5,160 when restraints were not used (1 in 11.1), as opposed to only 259 fatal crashes out of 16,749 crashes when restraints were used (1 in 64.7). So the combined effect of lower restraint use and higher speed is a devastating combination that accounts for the high lethality of ID crashes. But that is not all; see the following three items for additional related information.

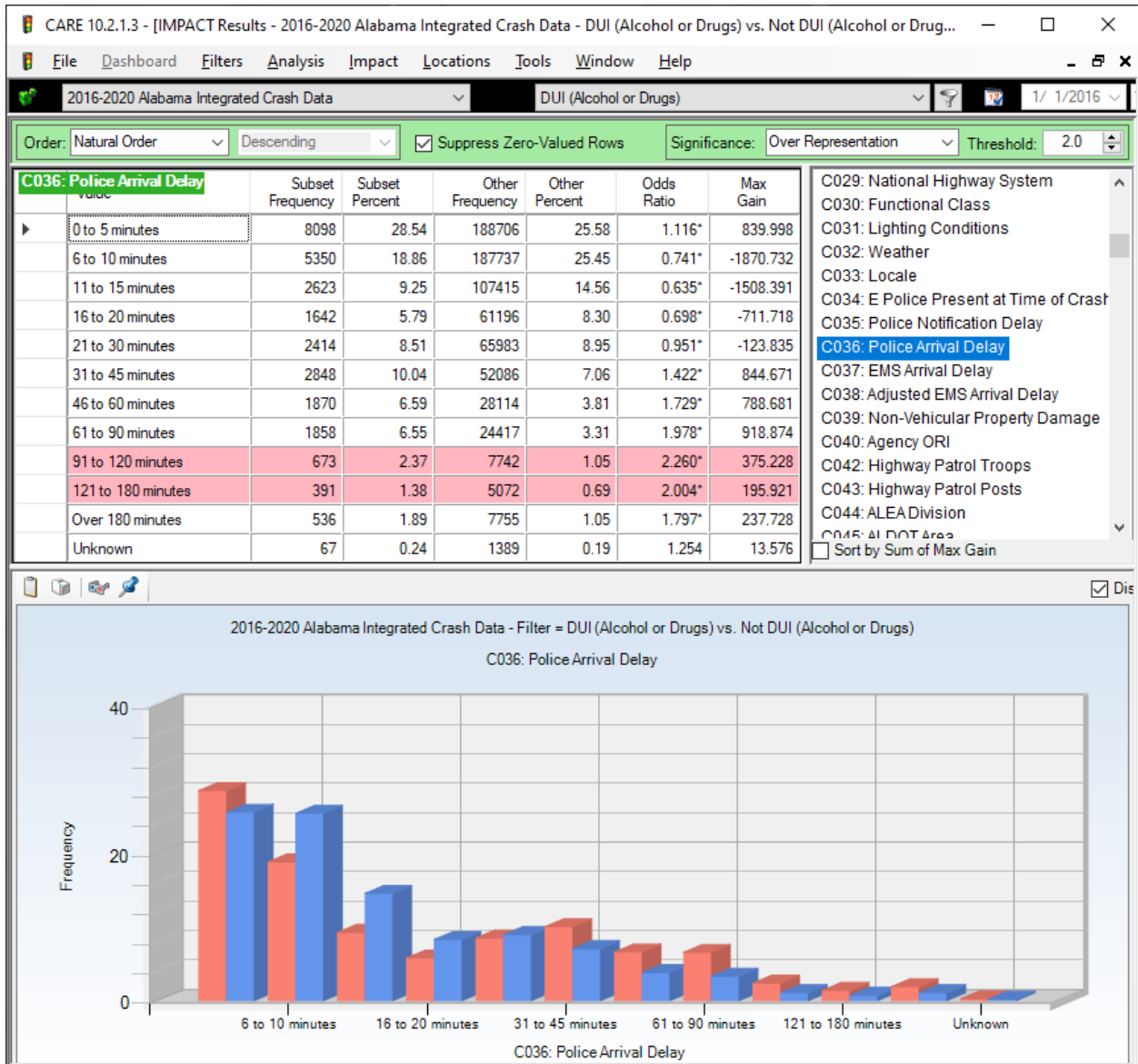
6.7 Number Injured (Including Fatalities)

The following display presents a comparison of ID crash number of injuries against number of injuries in crashes that were not ID in the same time period.



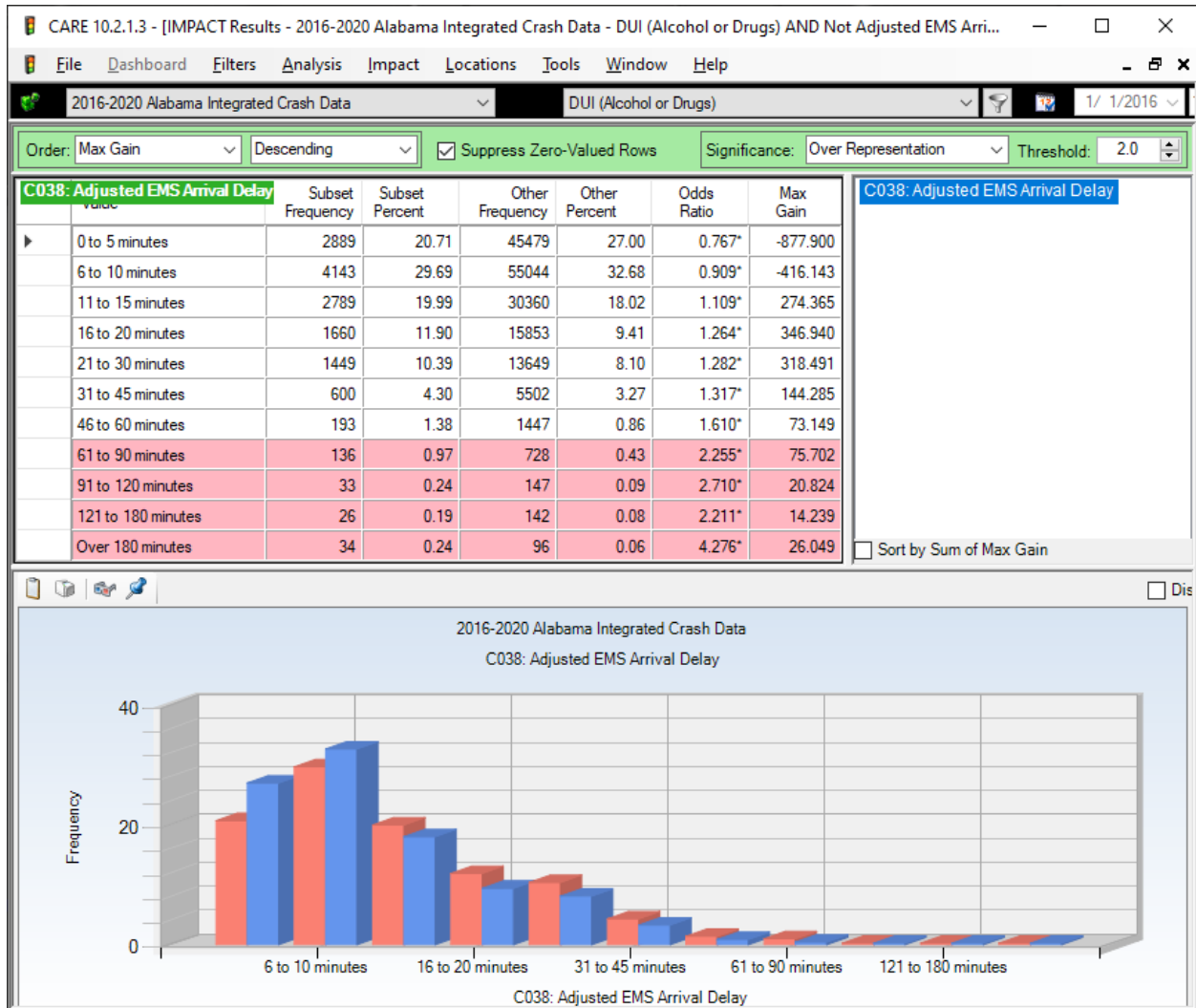
The above shows that not only are ID crashes more severe to those injured, but also the number of multiple injuries in these ID crashes is over-represented as well. Some might suspect that an ID crash might involve just a driver returning home from a night of indulgence. However, rarely is the impaired driver alone, and, of course, if another vehicle is involved, then that would also generally increase the number of injuries. It is interesting that all of the multiple-injury categories are significantly over-represented (not computed for less than 20 occurrences).

6.8 Police Arrival Delay



ID crashes generally had longer police arrival delays; in this case all arrival delays over 30 minutes were over-represented. There can be little doubt that this has to do with the rural nature of these crashes and the potential that at night they might not be discovered for some time. The analysis below shows how this impacts EMS arrival time, which is a comparison of crashes that include injuries, and thus would generally call for an EMS response.

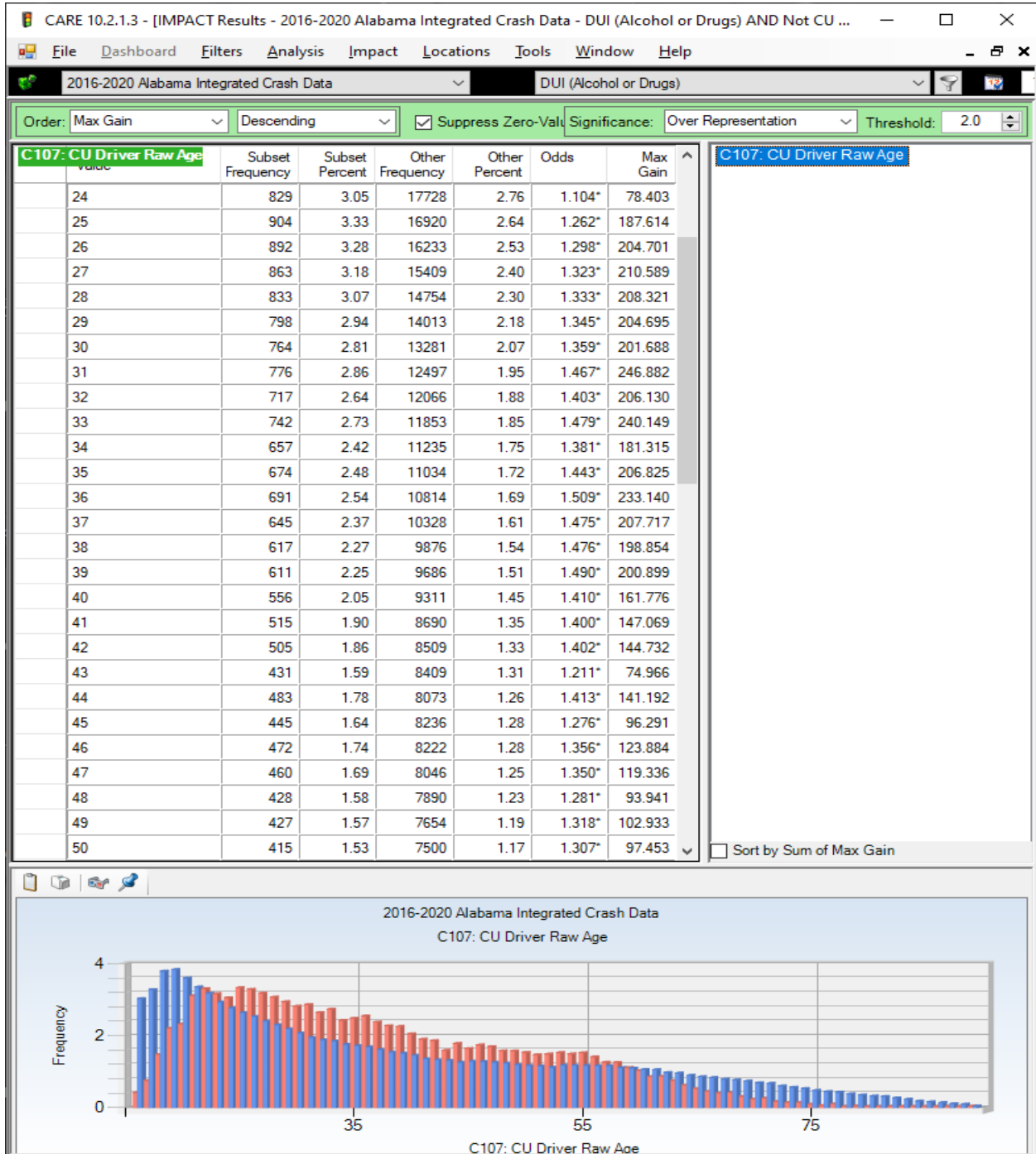
6.9 EMS Arrival Delay



For much the same reasons as the longer police arrival delays, EMS delays were over-represented for impaired driving crashes in all categories above ten minutes, and dramatically for the very longer times of 61 minutes and above (indicated by the red background in the table). This obviously contributes to the severity of crashes and the chances that the crash results in one or more fatalities. As for the very long times, these might be due to the delay in discovering the crash since they generally over-represented late night in rural locations.

7.0 Driver and Vehicle Demographics

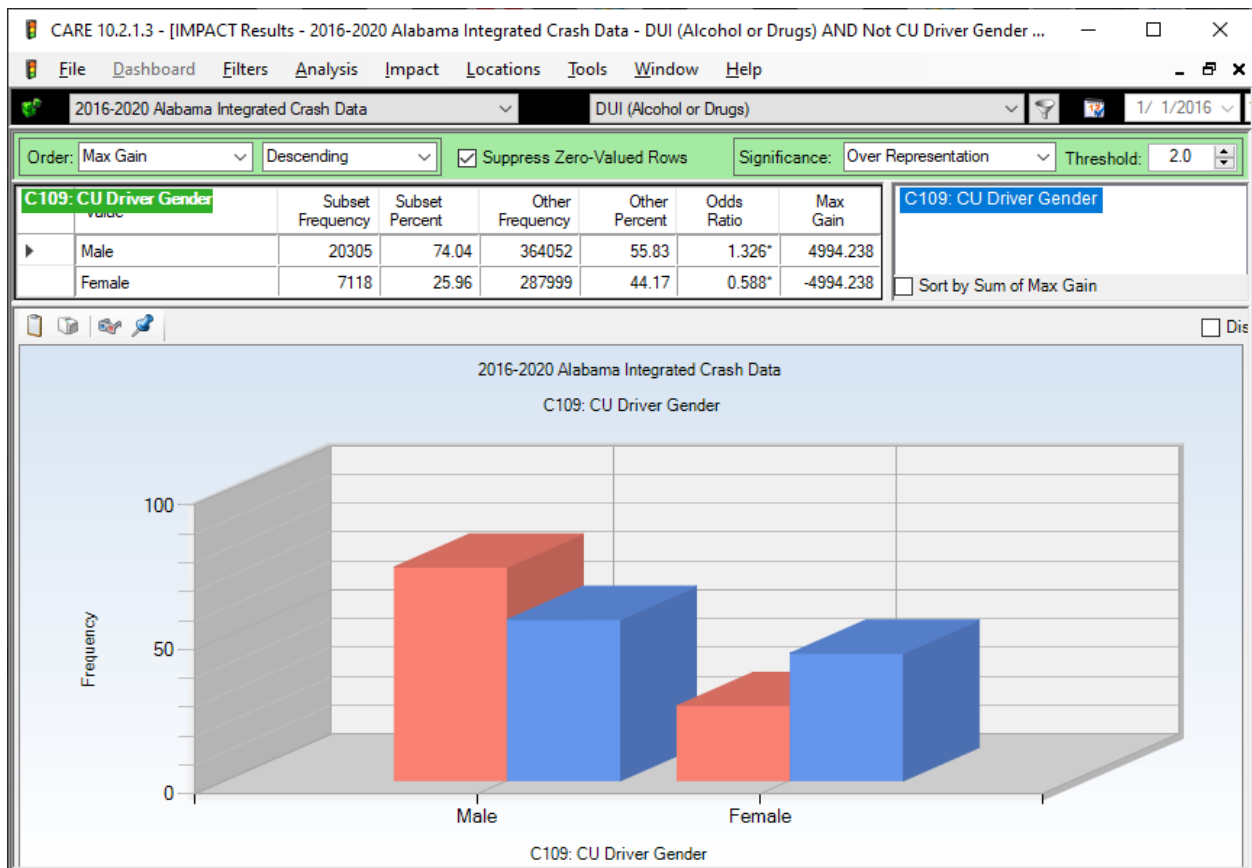
7.1 Driver Age



The display above presents a comparison of ID crash causal driver age against the same for crashes that were not ID for Odds Ratios of 1.300 and higher. The blue (non-ID) bars illustrate the problems that 16-20-year-old drivers have in general, but they are under-represented in ID crashes. ID over-representation does not appear until age 24 and it continues on to age 56.

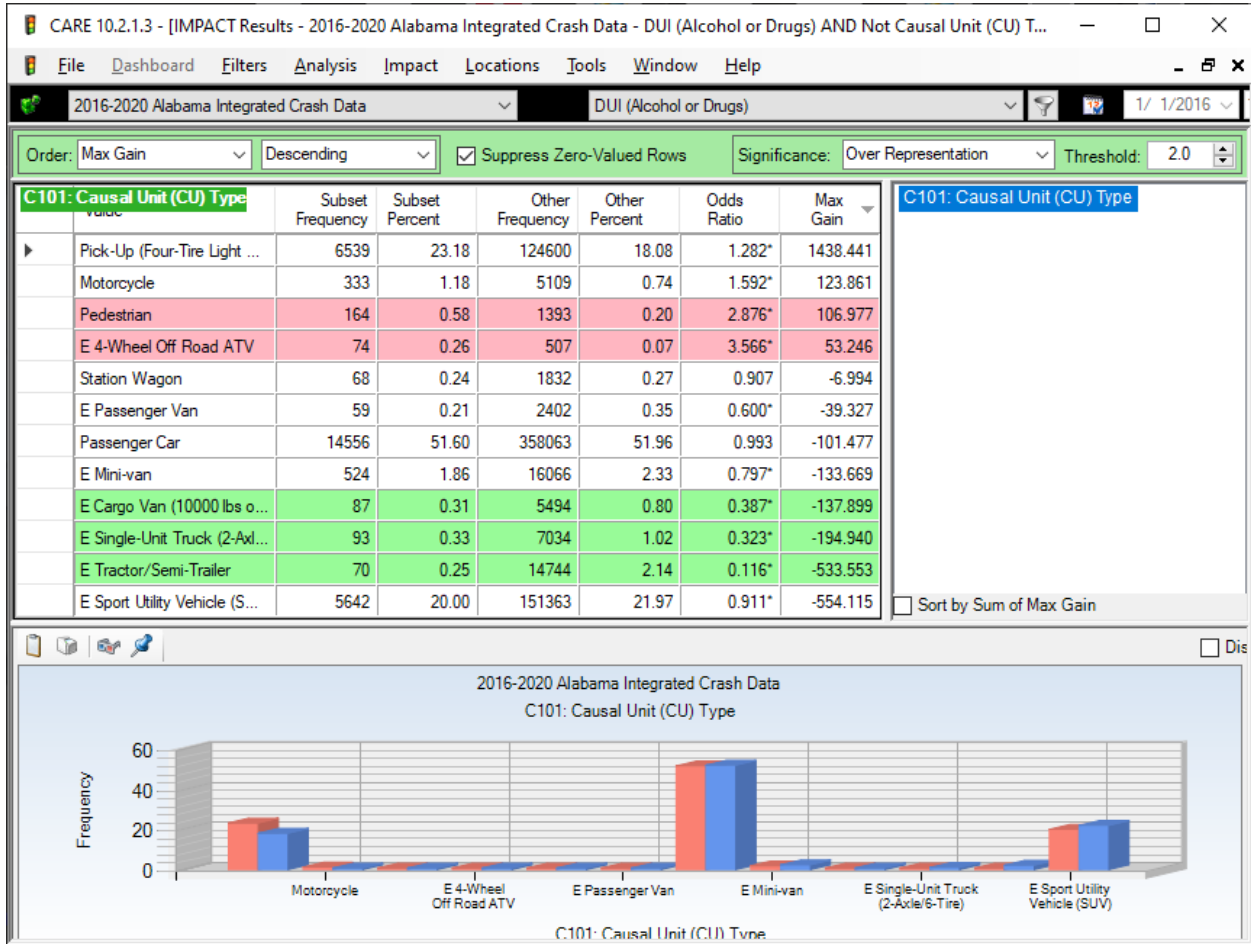
There is a bi-modal distribution in the 24-56 year olds; 21 through about 35, and a second group from 36 to 56. Generally, the first of these are classified as social drinkers. However, it is hard to escape the fact that those who are in their late 30s up through their middle ages would not be close to becoming problem drinkers, if not already. Countermeasures for these two groups will typically be quite different.

7.2 Impaired Driver Gender



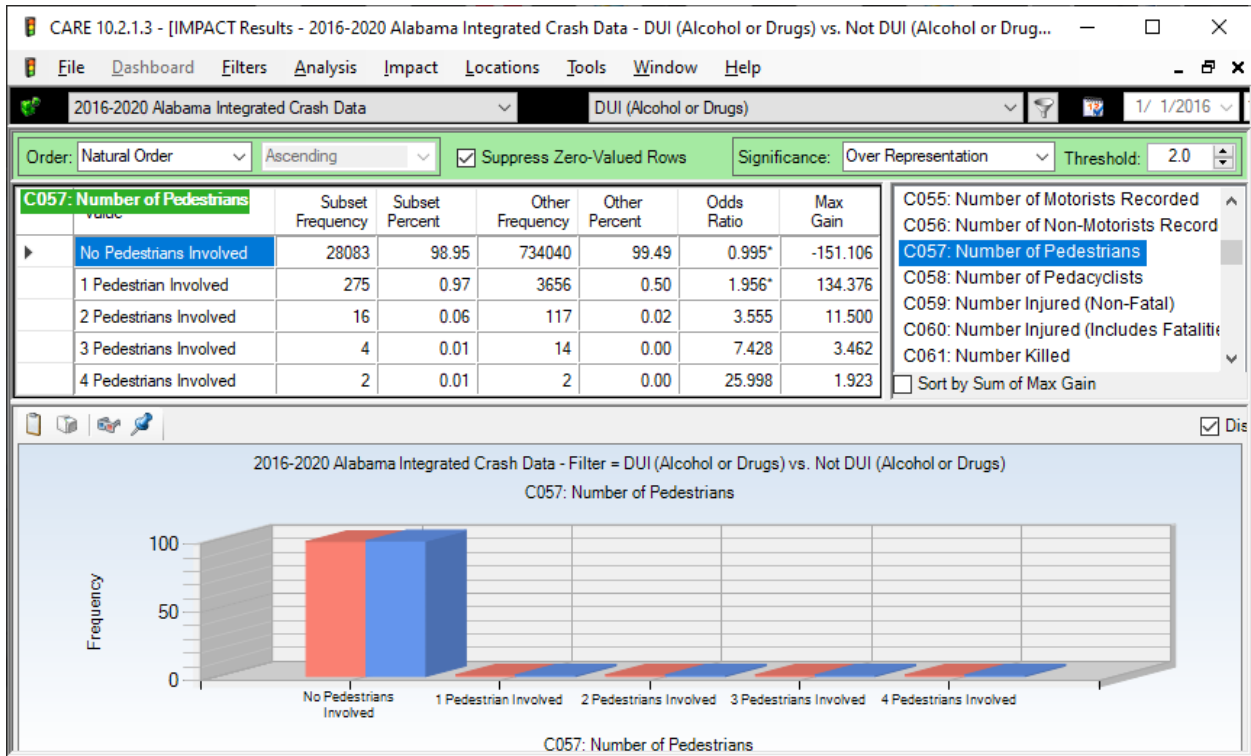
The red bars and the blue bars each sum to 100%. So the breakdown in male ID causal drivers is 74.04% male and 25.96% female. For non-ID, the percentage is 55.83 male and 44.17 female. These differences certainly indicate that males are a far greater cause of the ID problems, and if there are countermeasures that can be directed toward them, doing so would be much more cost-effective, all other things being equal.

7.3 Causal Vehicle Types with 30 or more Crashes



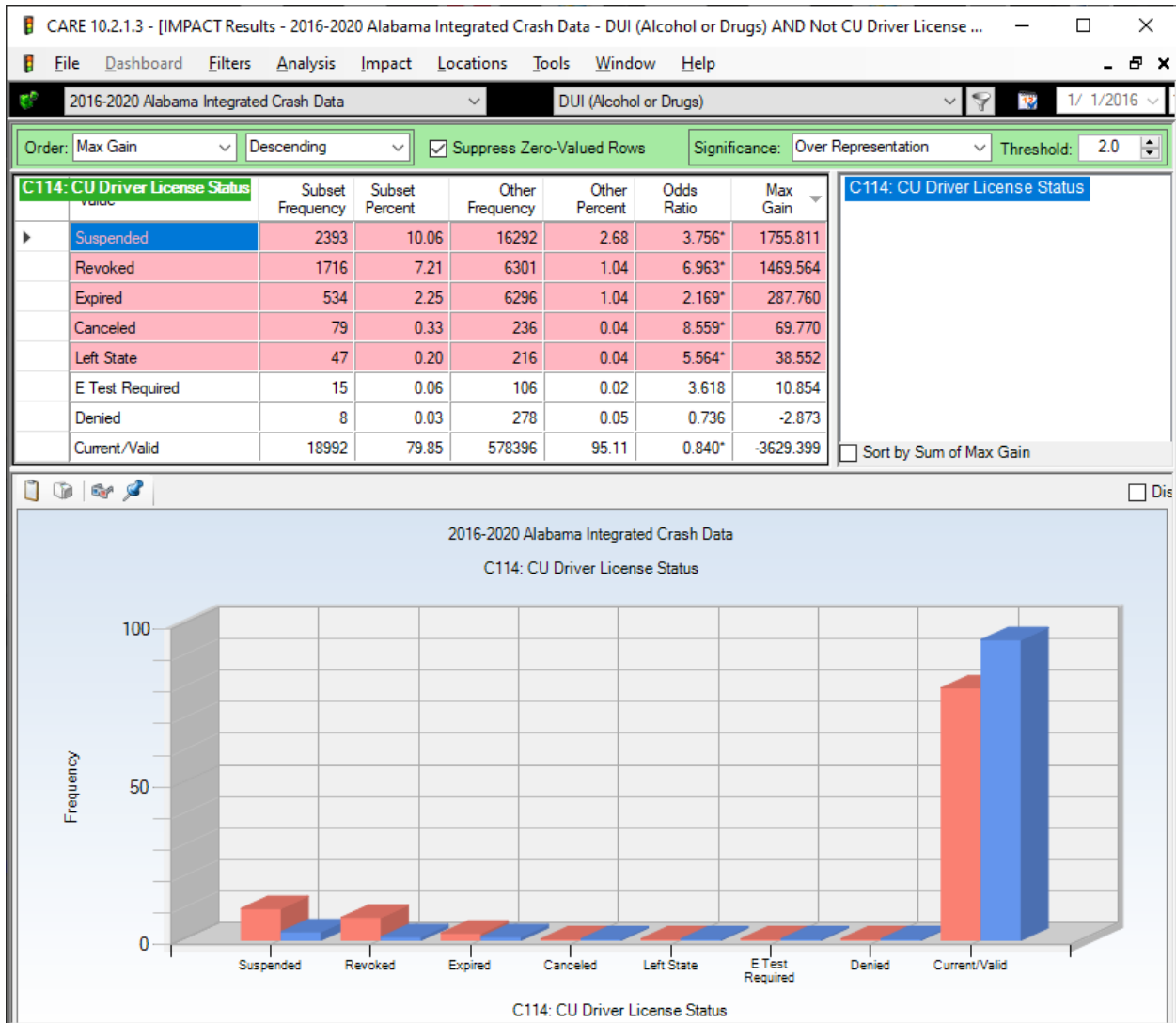
The display above presents a comparison of ID crash causal unit type against the same for crashes that were not ID. Vehicles types with less than 30 crashes in the ID dataset were removed for the above display, and pedestrians were considered a unit type. While pickups have the highest Max Gain indicating the greatest potential for reduction, Motorcycles, Pedestrian and ATVs all have higher over-representations (by Odds Ratio), but their Max Gains are lower because of their lower frequencies. Of interest is the proportion of pedestrians and off road 4-wheelers that involve ID, both of which are over two times their expected proportion. So the major finding of this analysis is that motorcycle, pedestrian and 4-wheeler crashes have far more than their share of ID causation. Pedestrians will be given additional consideration in the next attribute considered.

7.4 Number of Pedestrians



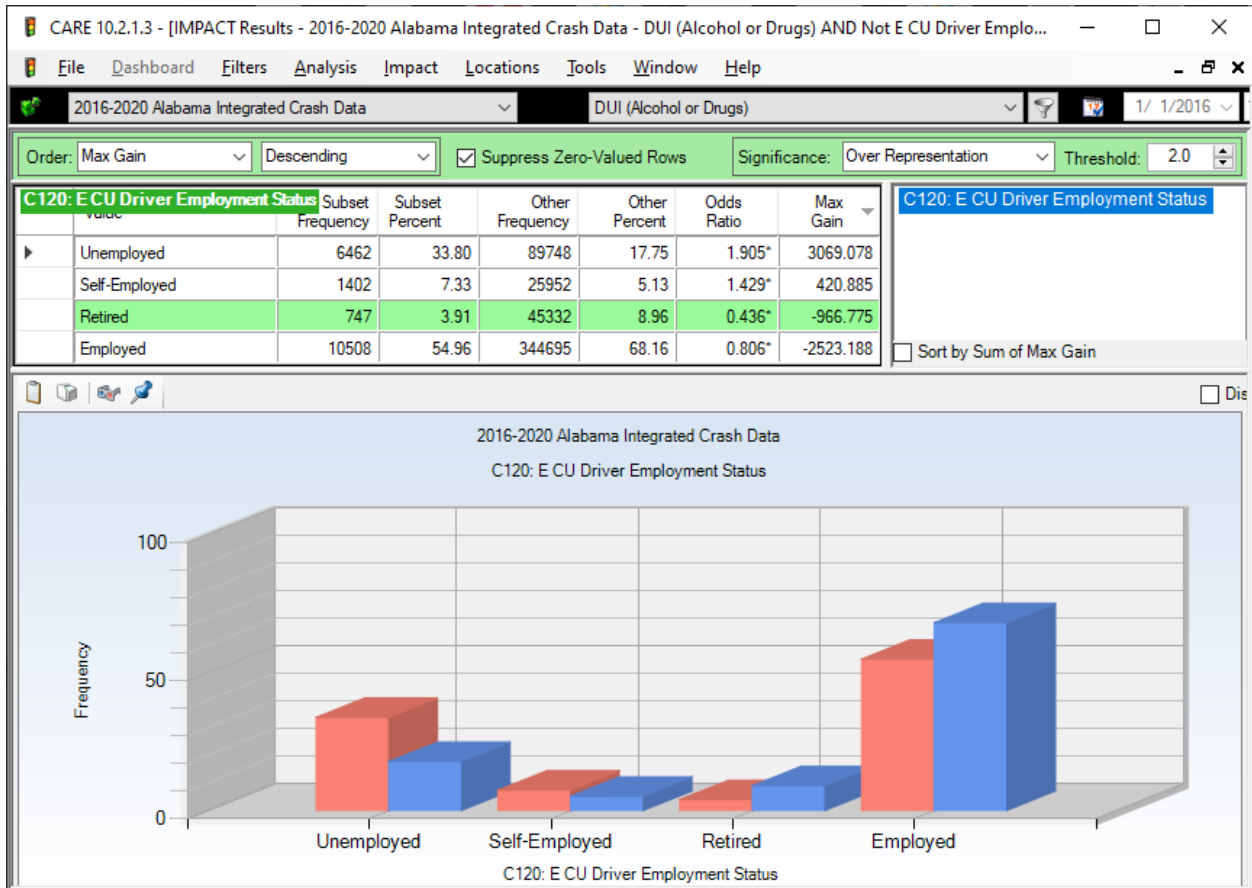
Pedestrians are definitely an issue in ID crashes. There were 327 pedestrians involved in ID crashes and 3,849 that were non-ID, or a total of 4,176, of which $327/4176 = 7.8\%$ of the pedestrian crashes were ID. These resulted in 74 fatalities. Primary Contributing Circumstance shows 162 pedestrians were under the influence at the time of the crash. There would be some overlap of these with the total 327 pedestrians involved.

7.5 Driver License Status



Clearly ID crashes are extremely over-represented in ID causal drivers without legitimate licenses, so that the question might be asked: Does suspending or revoking their licenses even make a difference? Making it a mandatory arrest if a driver is found to not have a current license might be considered. The results of this analysis need to be given serious consideration by those determining the direction of the legislative process regarding ID. It seems clear that the suspension/revocation of licenses is not bringing about the desired effect, although it cannot be concluded that it is having no effect.

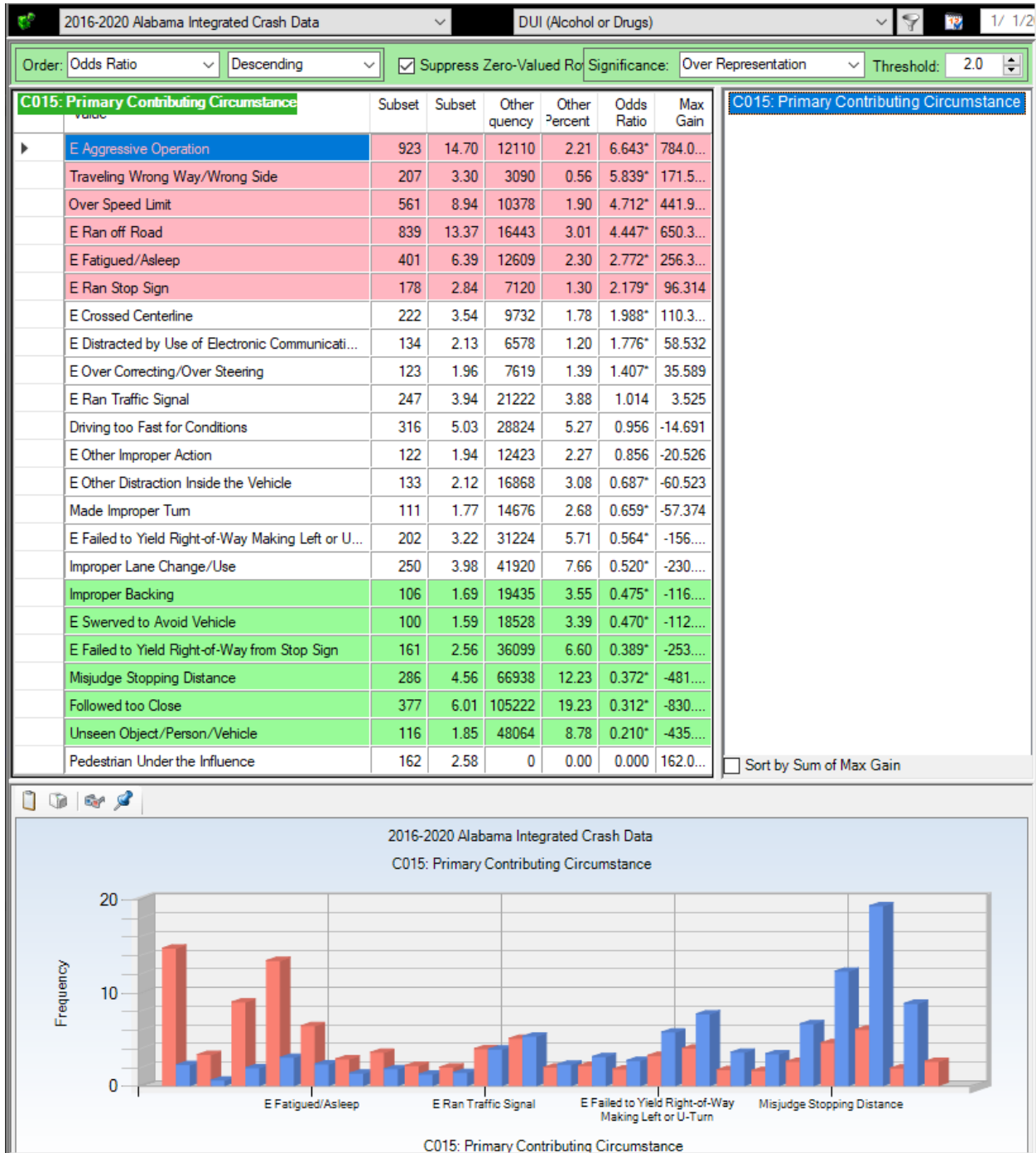
7.6 Driver Employment Status



In our current era when the economy is playing such a big role in traffic safety, the quantification and tracking of the employment proportion of drivers involved in ID crashes will be important. This indicates that their unemployment rate is about 90.5% higher than expected. This is probably not surprising, and the correlation between not having a job and being involved in an ID crash should be watched carefully going forward in that it could affect the type and location for countermeasures.

8.0 Driver Behavior

8.1 Primary Contributing Circumstances (ID & Items < 100 Crashes Removed)



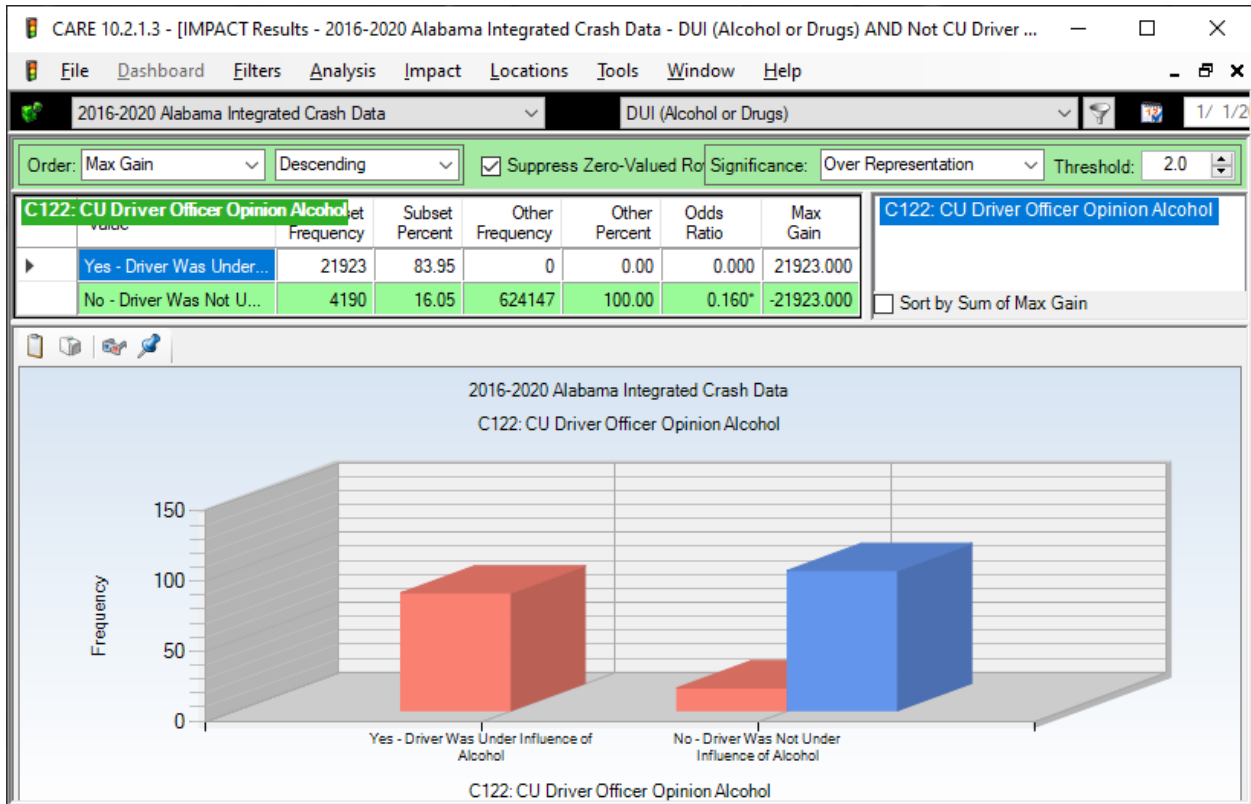
8.2 Discussion of Primary Contributing Circumstances (PCC) Result Above

ID (Frequency:20,577 ; Proportion: 72.51%) was removed from the comparisons for this analysis because it prevented the other items from being apparent. It was forced to be this high by the filter (see 3.1). Items listed were reported along with the other non-PCC items. So, in essence, these results demonstrate the driver behaviors that accompanied the ID as it was defined by other attributes in the filter. The display above is for all crash PCCs that had 100 or more occurrences. Unlike most other IMPACT displays that are sorted by Max Gain, this one is sorted by highest Odds Ratio first.

Items over-represented by over twice their expected results (when compared to non-ID crashes) are ordered by Odds Ratio as follows:

- Aggressive Operation,
- Traveling Wrong Way/Wrong Side,
- Over Speed Limit,
- Ran off Road,
- Fatigued/Asleep,
- Ran Stop Sign and
- Crossed Centerline.

8.3 Officer's Opinion Alcohol



The main reason for producing this IMPACT is to enable a comparison with the next one. This shows the proportion of cases caused by alcohol (according to the crash reports) compared to the proportion caused by drugs other than alcohol.

The total of these two is 21,923 (alcohol) + 7,699 (other drugs) = 29,622

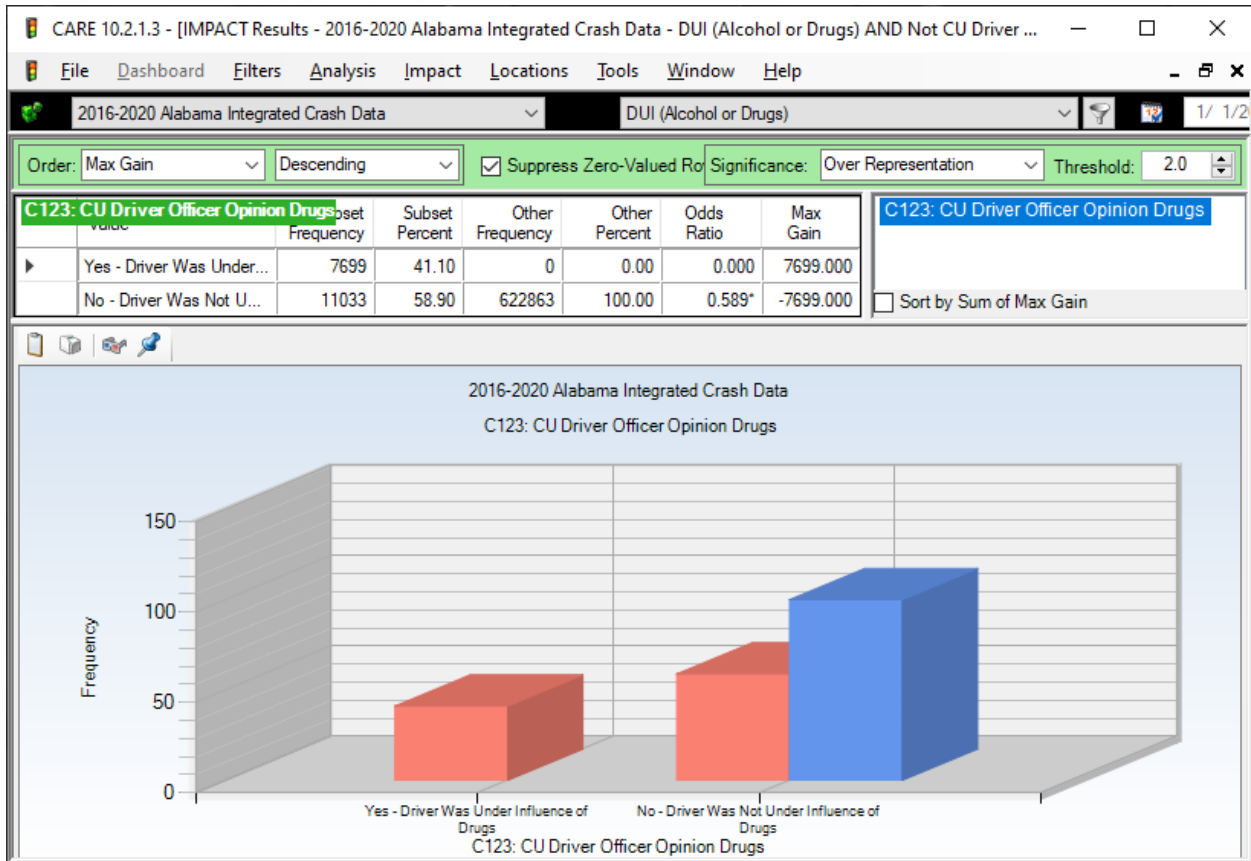
So 74.01 of the cases involved alcohol,

and 25.99 of the cases involved non-alcohol drugs.

About 3 to 1 alcohol involved.

Very few reported both alcohol and drugs.

8.4 CU Driver Officer's Opinion Drugs



For general information on Impaired Driving from NHTSA and other sources, please see: <http://www.safehomealabama.gov/tag/impaired-driving/>