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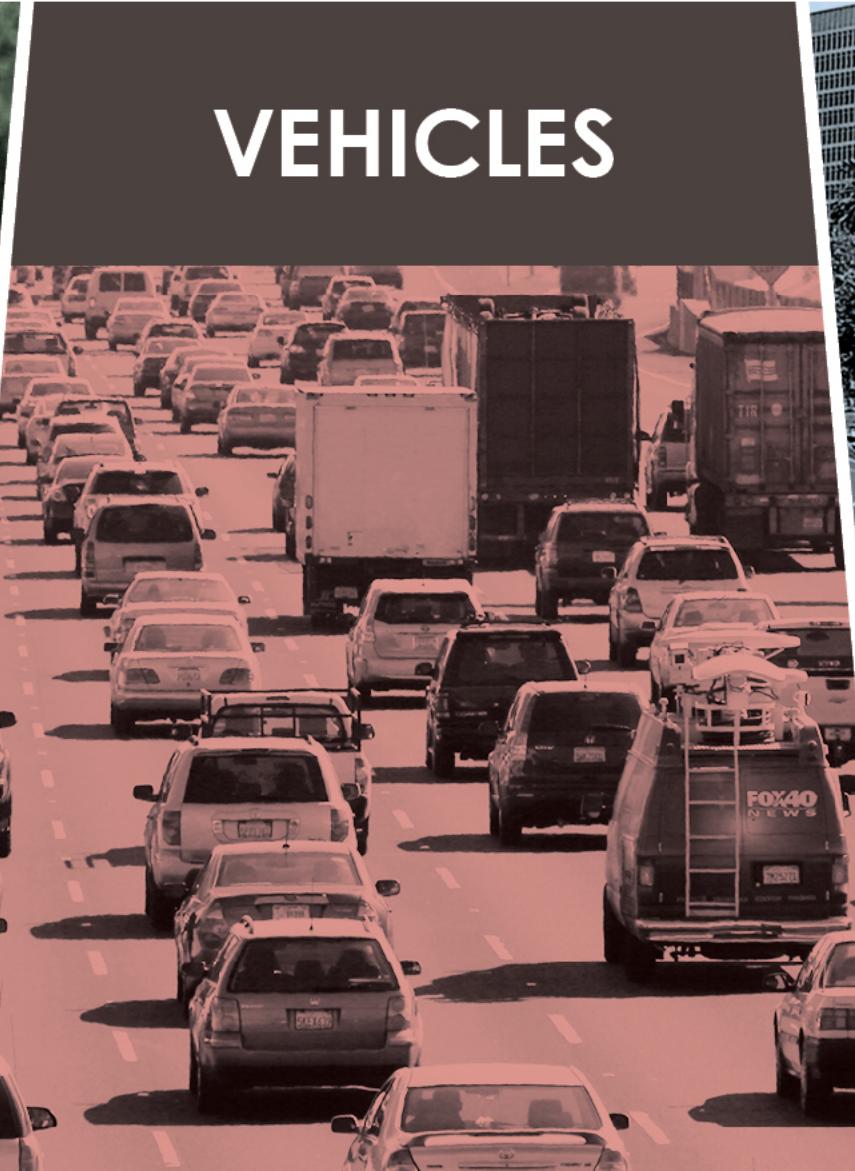
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# SAFETY



## VEHICLES



## VULNERABLE USERS

## ZERO DEATHS

# STRATEGIC PLAN



## CALTRANS 2020-2024 STRATEGIC PLAN



SAFETY FIRST



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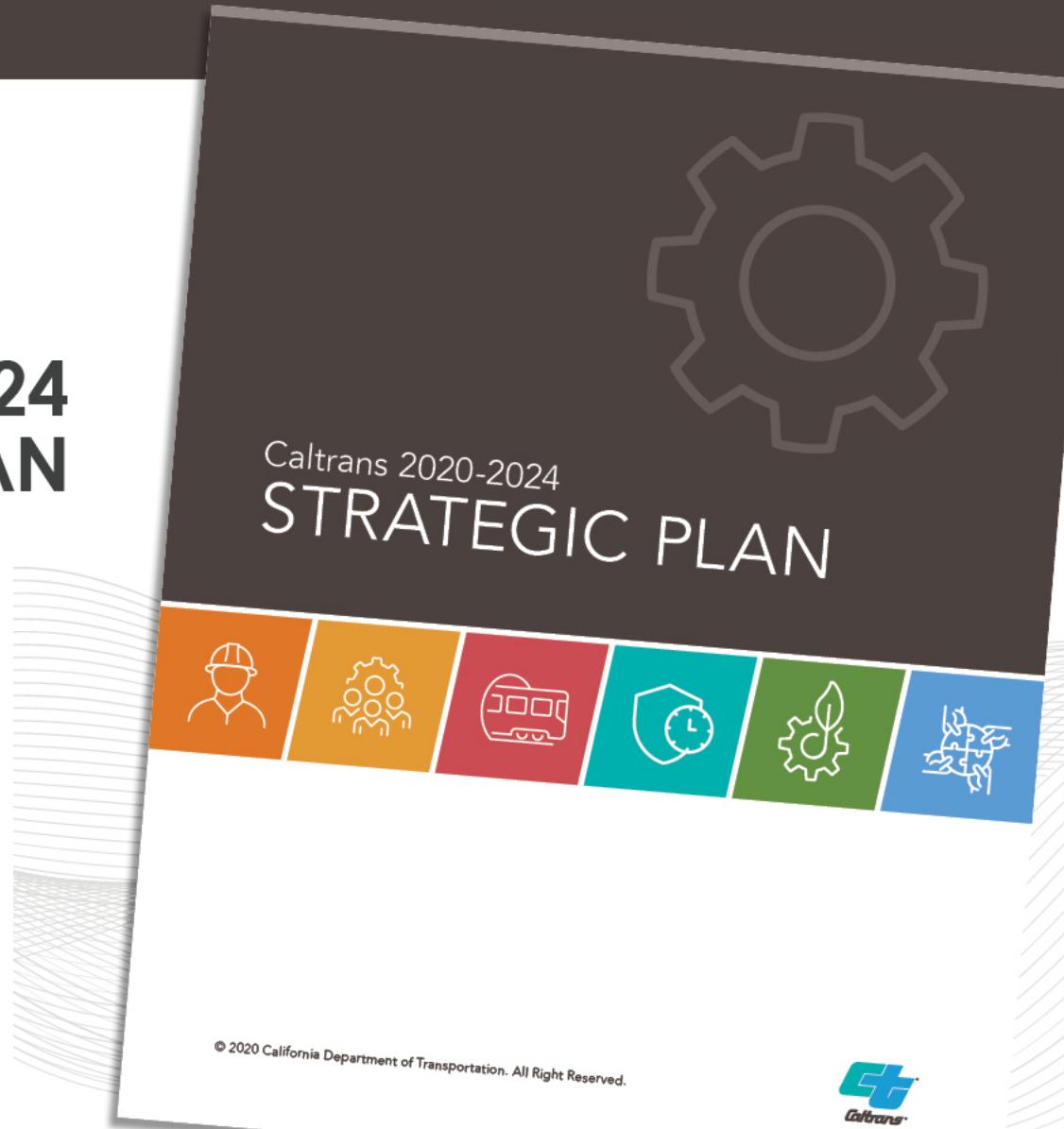
STRENGTHEN STEWARDSHIP AND DRIVE EFFICIENCY



LEAD CLIMATE ACTION



ADVANCE EQUITY AND LIVABILITY IN ALL COMMUNITIES



# FOR MORE INFORMATION



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# Federal Highway Administration Active Transportation Safety Peer Exchange

Shari Schaftlein, Director, Office of Human Environment

April 14, 2021



# Safety Focus

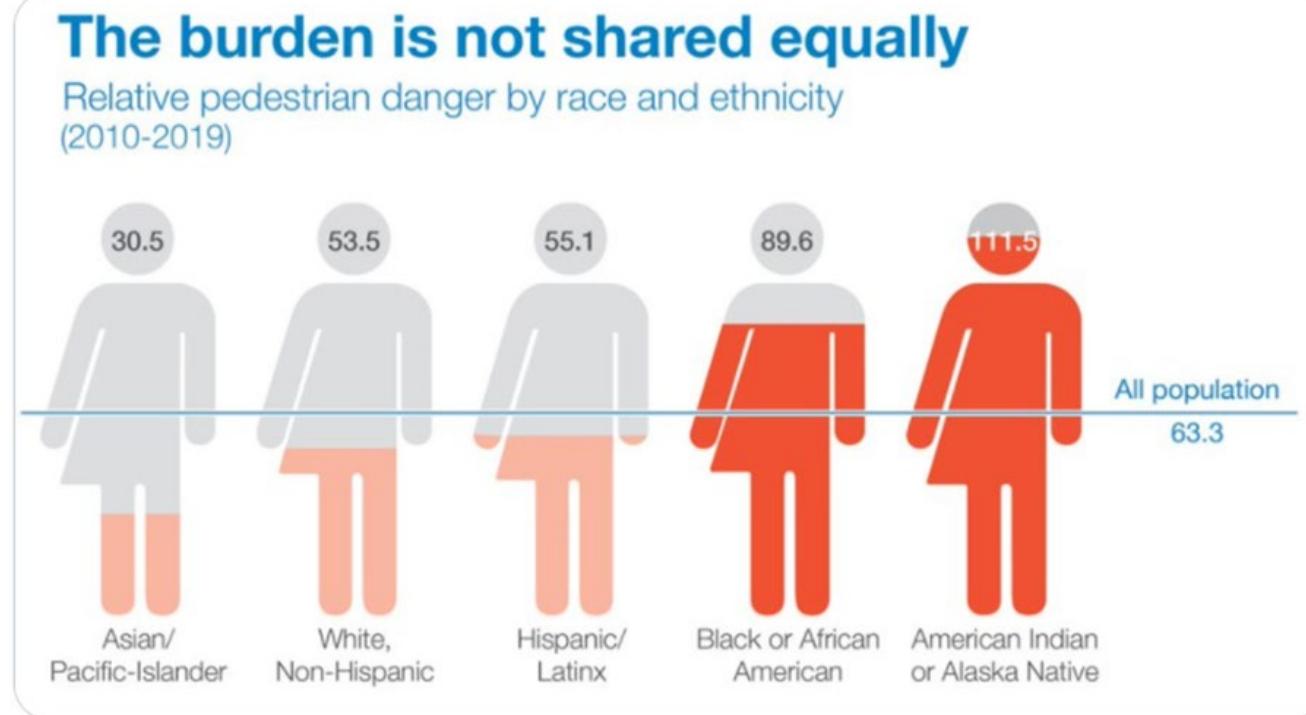


Secretary Pete Buttigieg   
@SecretaryPete

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These disparities are awful, but we know how to fix them. It's time to reverse these patterns of exclusion and invest in safer, equitable streets.

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# Ensuring Transportation Equity

↪ TransportationGov Retweeted



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Let me be clear: American highways were too often built through Black neighborhoods on purpose—dividing communities, adding pollution, and making pedestrians less safe.

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Executive Order 13985: [Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government](#)

# Addressing Climate Change

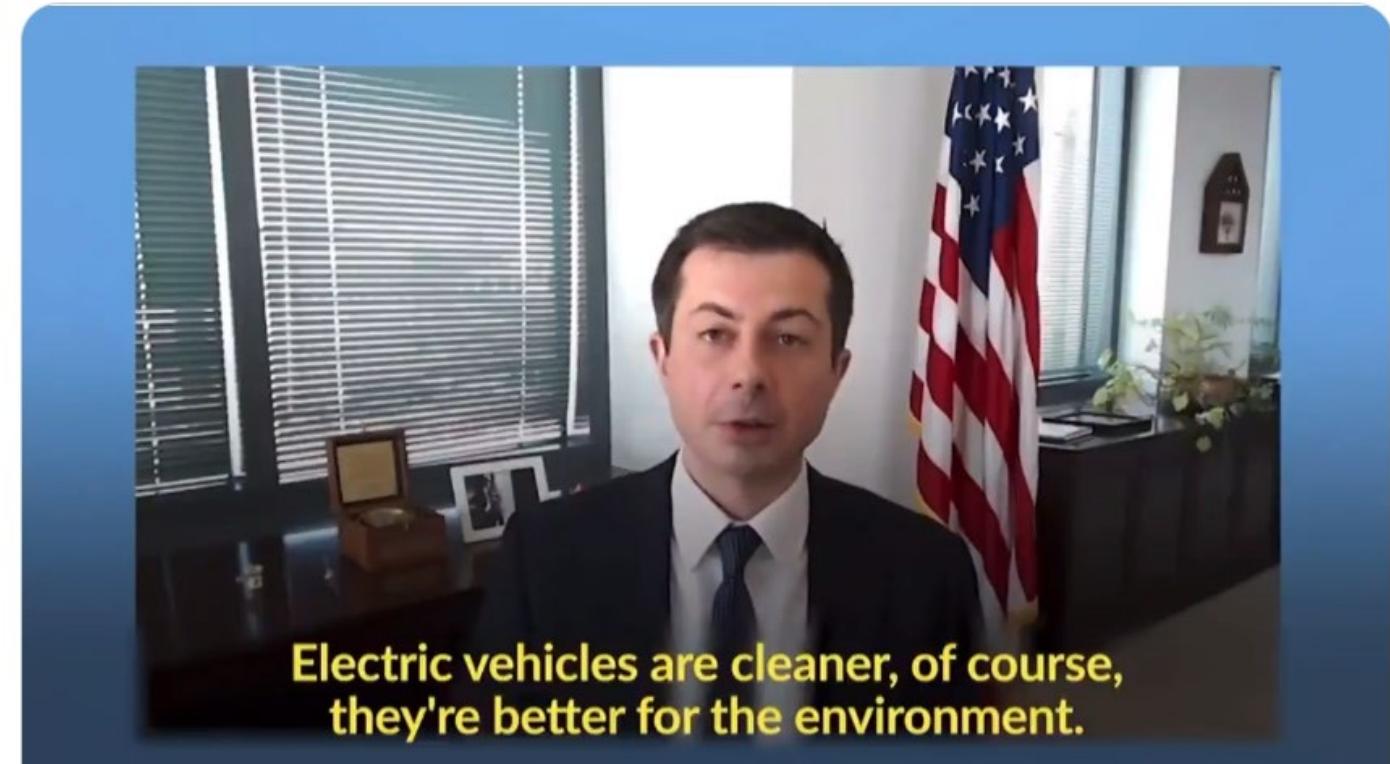


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Making sure Americans can afford electric vehicles will create jobs and help us reach net-zero emissions.

And [@SenSchumer](#) is right: They're a lot of fun to drive too!



Executive Order 14008:  
Tackling the Climate Crisis  
at Home and Abroad

# Innovative and Transformational Investment

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**Secretary Pete Buttigieg**   
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Not every generation gets to literally build anew and shape its own future, but the generations living today in America have that chance. This is a season for thinking big about infrastructure.

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# Job Creation to Build Economic Security



**Secretary Pete Buttigieg**   
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...

I believe we have—at this moment—the best chance in any of our lifetimes to make a generational investment in infrastructure that will help us meet the country's most pressing challenges today and create a stronger future for decades to come. [#BuildBackBetter](#)

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Executive Order 14002: [Economic Relief Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

# Strategic Agenda

## Update

Figure 1: Goals



*Image from:*

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle\\_pedestrian/publications/strategic\\_agenda/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/publications/strategic_agenda/)

*Ideas/Questions? Email [Darren.Buck@dot.gov](mailto:Darren.Buck@dot.gov)*



# Other Bike and Pedestrian Research Underway

- Toolkit of Innovative Funding Strategies to Accelerate Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Delivery
- Planning Multimodal Networks in a Connected and Automated Vehicle Future
- Strategic Agenda for Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation
- Impacts of Electric Bicycles (ebikes) on the Transportation Network and Trail System
- Tribal Development of Trails and other Dedicated Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure
- Trails and Resiliency

For more information: [www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/hep\\_research/offices/fs\\_he.cfm](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/hep_research/offices/fs_he.cfm)





# Program Websites

**Bicycle/Pedestrian:** [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle\\_pedestrian/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/)

**Livability:** <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/livability/>

**CSS/D (Complete Streets):** <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/css/benefits/completestreet.cfm>

**Environmental Justice/Equity:** [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/environmental\\_justice/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/environmental_justice/)

**Recreational Trails:** [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational\\_trails/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/)

**Transportation Alternatives:** [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/transportation\\_alternatives/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/transportation_alternatives/)



# Day 1 Breakout Group Assignments

Breakout Group 1		Breakout Group 2		Breakout Group 3		Breakout Group 4	
Leads: Melissa Savage, Peter Haag, Darren Buck		Leads: Sarah Abel, Bonnie Polin, Derek Leuer		Leads: Phillip Burgoyne-Allen, Marty Baker, Michelle Morgan		Leads: Doug Noble, Jeanie Ward-Waller, Jackie DeWolfe	
Gabrielle	Abbate	Chad	Amick	Julius	Adolfsson	Katherine	Beckett Suter
Anthony	Aglio	Jack	Anninos	Melissa	Anderson	Rob	Bedenbaugh
Kelly	Campbell	Dan	Brugman	Keri	Bohlmann	Brandon	Burgoa
Mark	Cole	Don	Butler	Mark	Carlino	DeWayne	Carver
Keith	Fulton	Barb	Chamberlain	Monica	Crider	Logan	Gran
Kandese	Holford	Josh	DeBruyn	Preston	Elliott	Gavin	Gray
David	Leingang	Jessica	Downing	Kelly	Hardy	Caitlin	Harley
Matt	Messina	Mike	Griffith	Ben	Huot	Tom	Honich
Jon	Nelson	Samuel	Harris	Adriane	McRae	Perry	Keller
Lauren	Parrish	Tim	Kerns	Scott	Neidert	Donna	Lewandowski
Gabe	Priebe	Barbara	McCann	Mary	O'Brien	Brian	Mayhew
Stephen	Read	Jill	Mrotek-Glenzinski	Joseph	Ouellette	John	Milton
Shari	Schaftlein	Milly	Ortiz	Samuel	Pridgen	Veda	Nguyen
Steve	Shaughnessy	Hiral	Patel	Adnan	Qazi	Sonja	Piper
Robert	Skehan	Laura	Riggs	Jake	Rueter	Chad	Rawls
Brad	Steckler	Eric	Schroeter	Ray	Shank	Bonnie	Sherman
Sam	Sturtz	Duncan	Smith	Jason	Siwula	Emily	Thomas
Shawn	Troy	Carol	Strizich	Jeremy	Thompson	Jim	Willis
Jared	Wiley	Andy	Vandel	Will	Watts	Scott	Zehngraff
		Brian	Wood				





# Scalable Risk Assessment Methods for Pedestrians and Bicyclists



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**Federal Highway Administration**

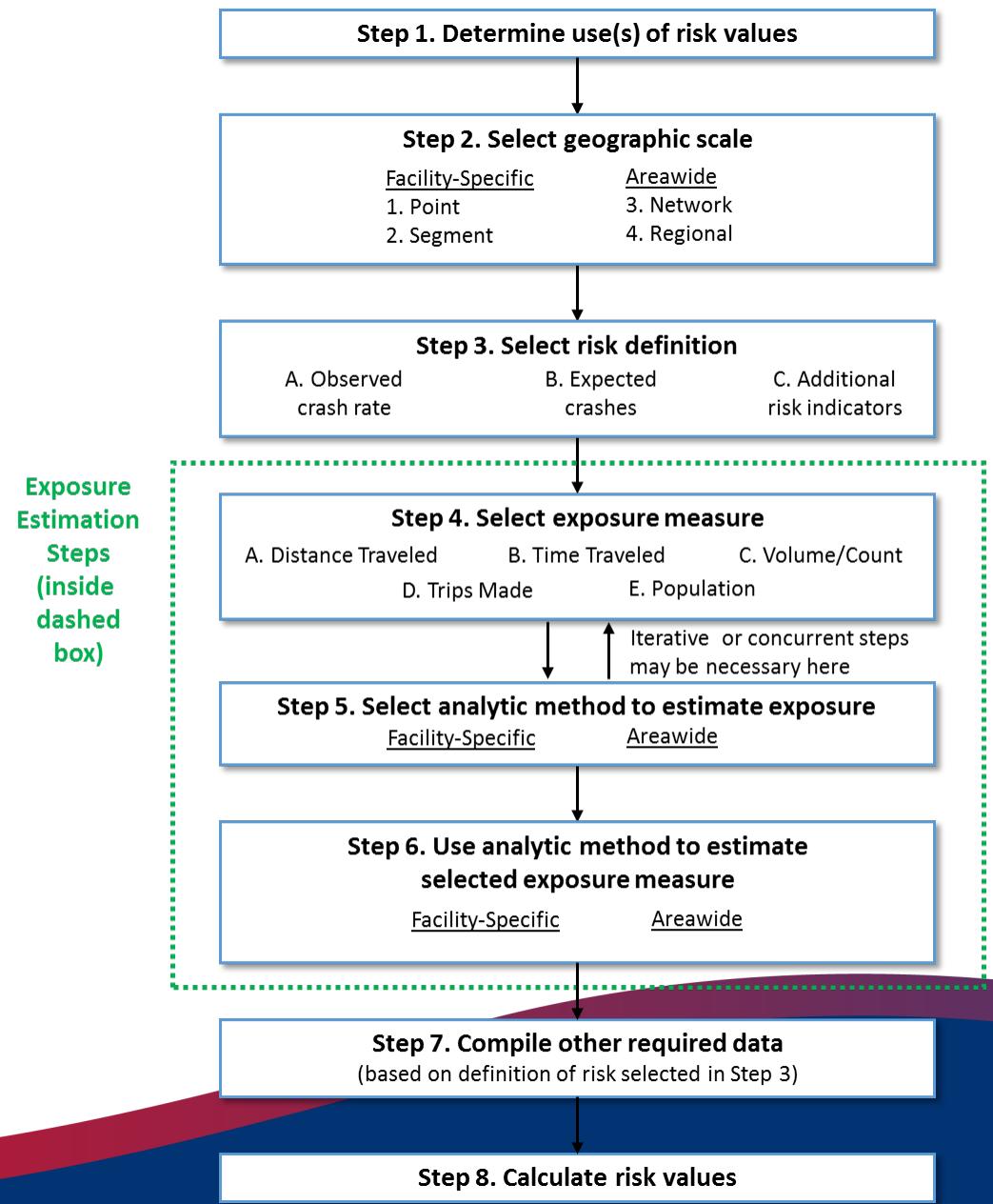
 **Safe Roads for a Safer Future**  
*Investment in roadway safety saves lives*  
<http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov>

# Introduction

- **Project Objective**
  - Develop approach to estimate pedestrian & bicyclist risk (includes exposure) at several geographic scales
- **Project Motivation**
  - Identify high-priority areas and facilities
  - Monitor safety performance measures
  - Evaluate countermeasures and sites before and after improvements
  - Need exposure in safety and risk analyses

# 8 Steps

- Framework with flexibility
- Scale matters (a lot)
- Exposure is key ingredient, focus in project

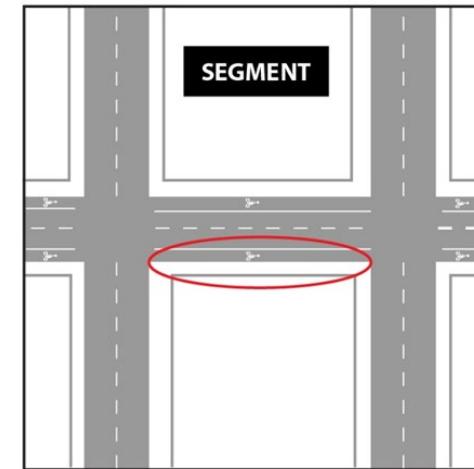
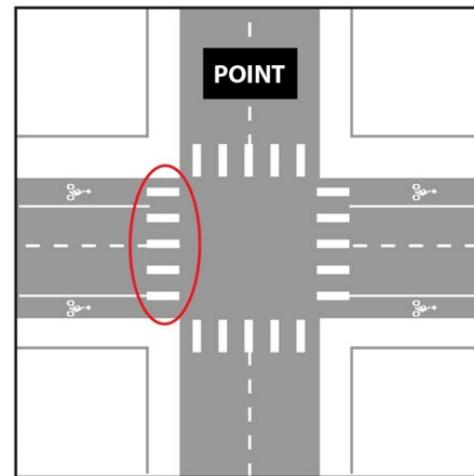


# Step 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

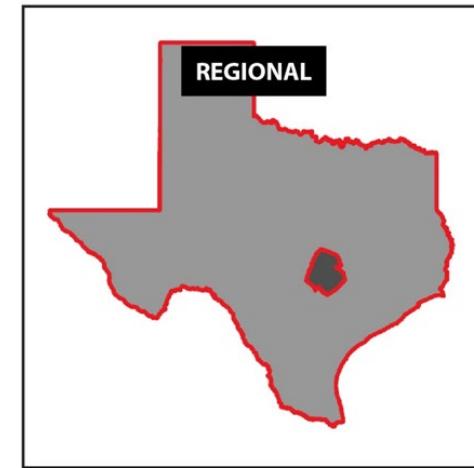
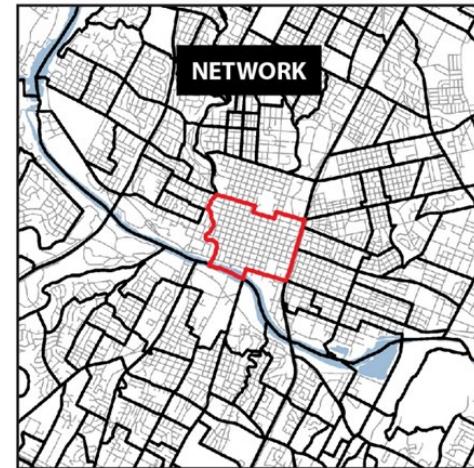
- A. Safety performance measures
- B. Network screening, area-based
- C. Network screening, facility-based
- D. Project prioritization
- E. Countermeasure evaluation
- F. Site evaluation

# Step 2. Select Geographic Scale

**Facility-Specific**



**Areawide**



# Step 3. Select Risk Definition

1. Observed crash rate
2. Expected crashes
3. Additional risk indicators

# Step 3. Select Risk Definition

## 1. Observed crash rate

- Traditional approach
- Use with other crash analysis tools
- Observed crashes on specific facilities may not accurately represent risk
- Preferred for areawide scales

$$\text{Risk} = \frac{\text{Observed crashes}}{\text{Exposure}}$$

# Step 3. Select Risk Definition

## 2. Expected crashes

- Highway Safety Manual and other statistical models
  - Function of **pedestrian and bicyclist exposure**, other road and traffic variables
- Overcomes issues with observed crashes on specific facilities
- Preferred for specific facilities, but requires advanced statistical methods to estimate expected crashes

# Step 3. Select Risk Definition

## 3. Additional risk indicators

- Systemic safety: risk score based on combining pedestrian and bicyclist exposure with other road and traffic variables (i.e., risk factors)
- Compatible with FHWA's Systemic Safety approach
- Risk is numeric score or rating, does not estimate crashes
- Preferred for specific facilities if expected crashes not feasible

# Step 4. Select Exposure Measure

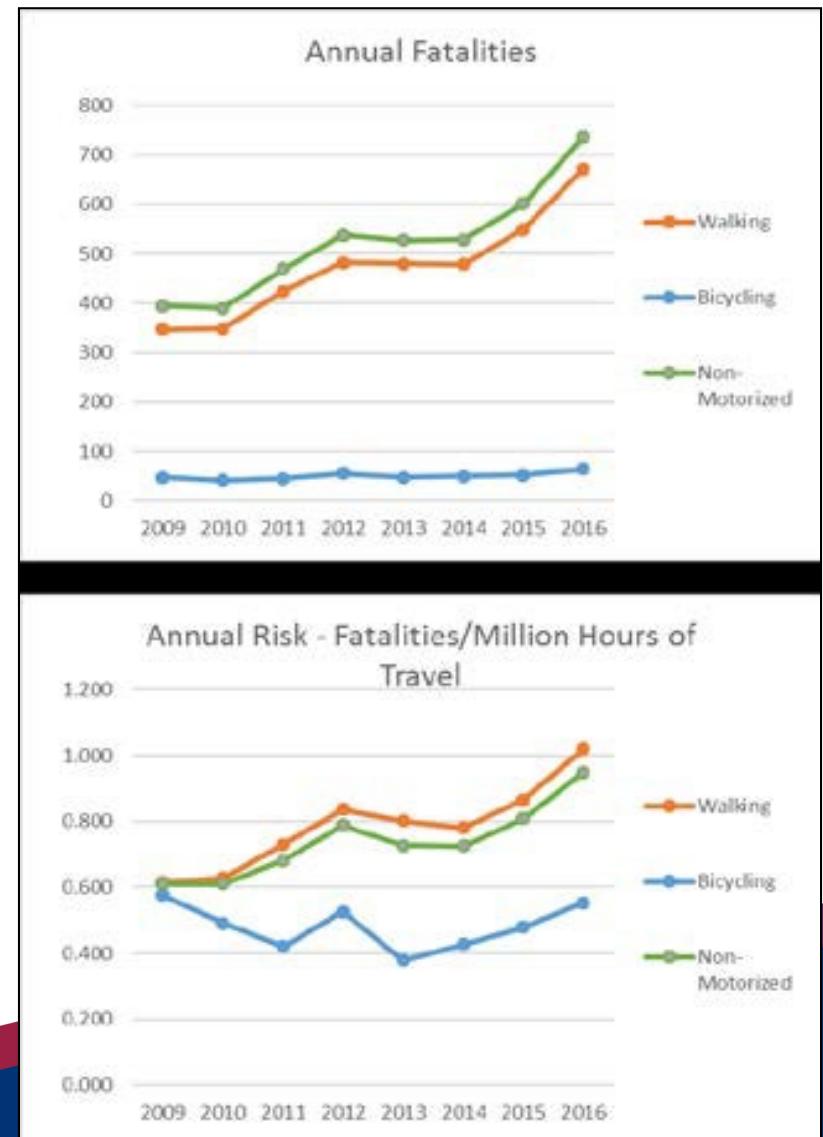
Exposure Measure	Point	Segment	Network	Region
Volume/count	●			
Distance traveled		●	●	●
Time traveled	○	○	●	●
Trips made			●	●
Population			●	●

# Steps 5 & 6. Select and Use Analytic Methods to Estimate Exposure

- Site counts
  - Demand estimation models
  - Travel surveys (AREAWIDE)
- 
- (FACILITY-SPECIFIC)

# Areawide Non-Motorized Exposure Tool

- Combines the best of NHTS and ACS travel surveys
- Statewide and MPO area estimates of TOTAL pedestrian and bicyclist exposure



# **Steps 7 & 8: Compile Other Data, Calculate Risk Values**

- Step 7: Compile other required data (based on risk definition from Step 3)
- Step 8: Calculate Risk Values

# Resources

- Synthesis of Methods (FHWA-SA-17-041)
  - [https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped bike/tools solve/fhwasa17041/index.cfm](https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/fhwas17041/index.cfm)
- Scalable Non-Motorized Exposure Tool
  - [https://ldwhite.shinyapps.io/Scalable NonMotorized Exposure/](https://ldwhite.shinyapps.io/Scalable_NonMotorized_Exposure/)



# Active Transportation Safety Peer Exchange

Derek Leuer, PE | State Traffic Safety Engineer

April 14, 2021

# Intersection Risk Assessment

## Topics

The Problem

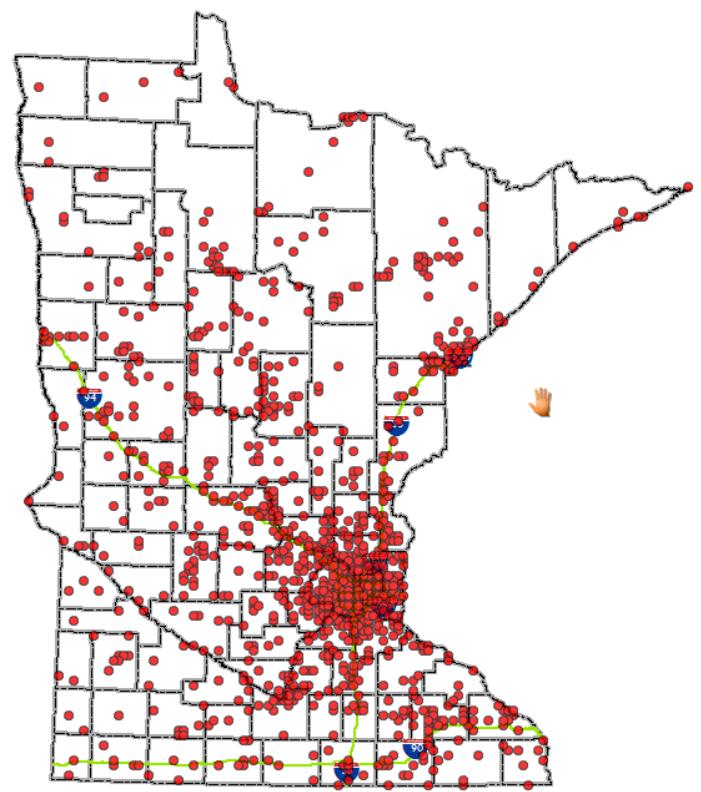
Intersection Risk Assessments

Statewide Risk Assessment

Questions and Discussion

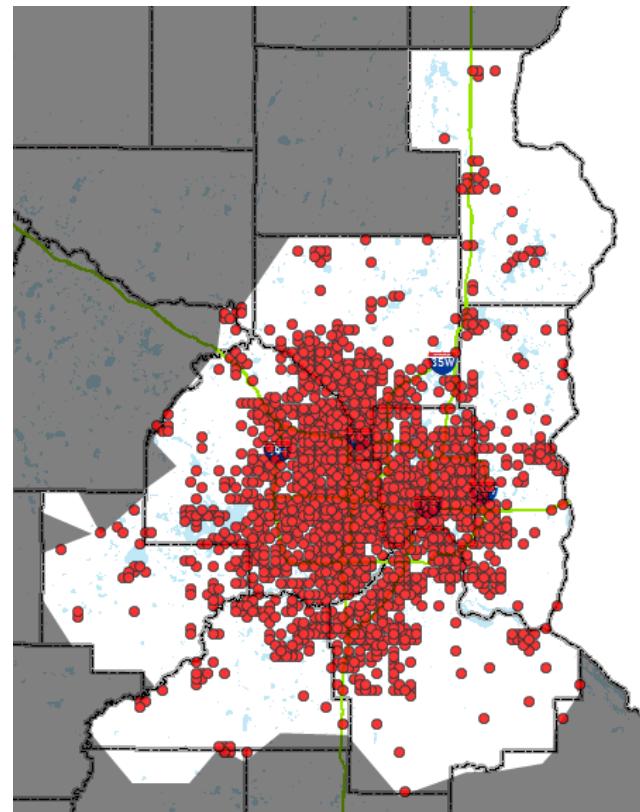
# What is the Problem

- Every year 1,600 to 2,000 Pedestrians and Bicyclists are involved with Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 22 fatalities (2014) – 67 fatalities (2016)
- Average is around 50 fatalities/year
- Average about 150 serious injuries/year

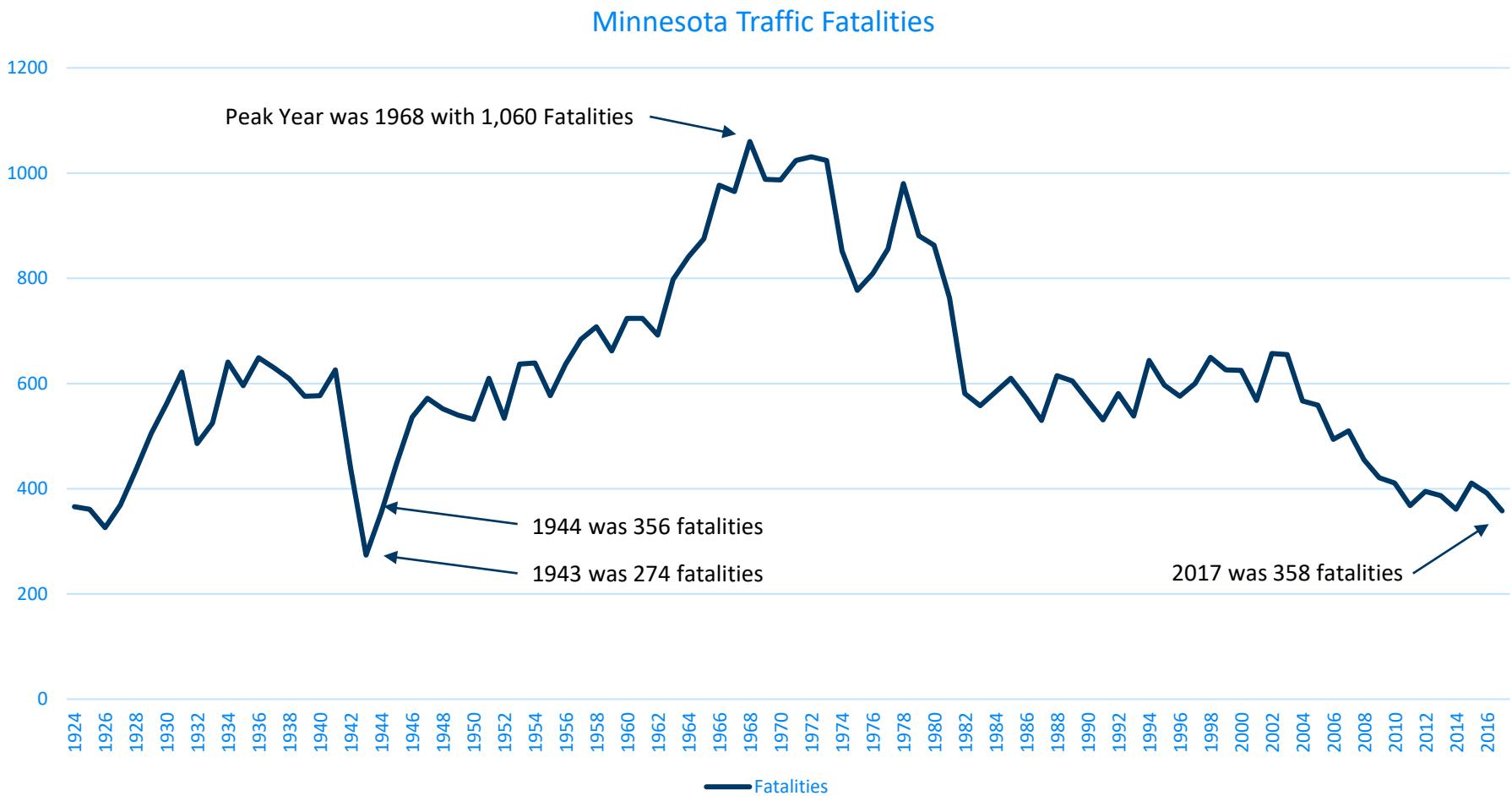


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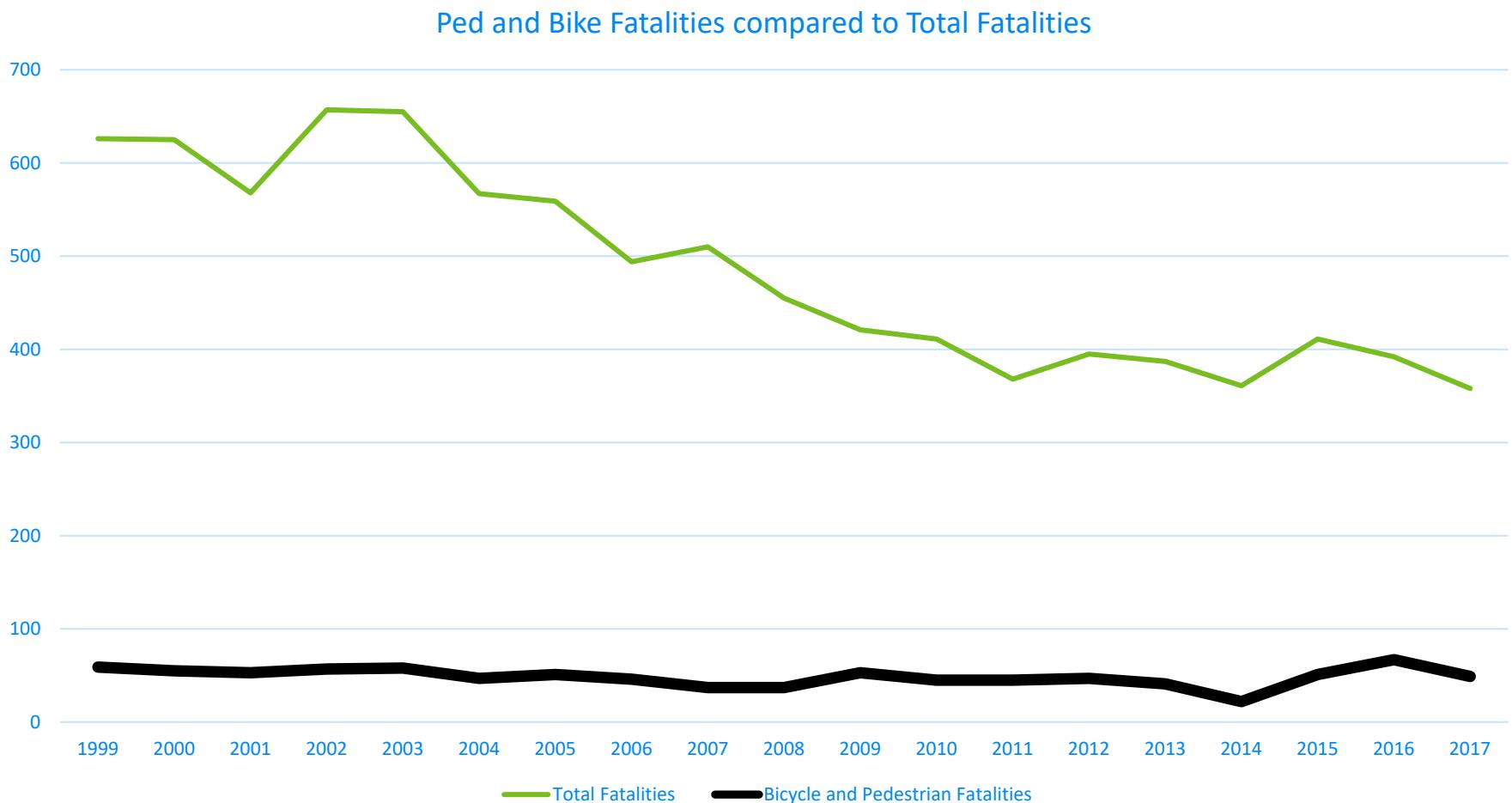
- Every year ~ 1,200 Pedestrians and Bicyclists are involved with Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 16 fatalities (2008) – 28 fatalities (2015)
- Average is around 22 fatalities/year
- Average about 100 serious injuries/year



# What is the Problem



# What is the Problem





# Intersection Risk Assessment

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# Intersection Risk Assessments

- This is a ***data driven*** analysis
- Goal: To identify at - risk intersections and suggest countermeasures to reduce pedestrian and bicycle related fatal and serious injury crashes
- Fund safety directly (vs system continuity)
- Lots of requests (unknown if risk was real)
- Be Proactive, Not Reactive
- Expand; Preserve and Enhance
- Maximize Investment
- Mix Stand-Alone Projects and Project Enhancements
  - Pavement Program

# Data Collection

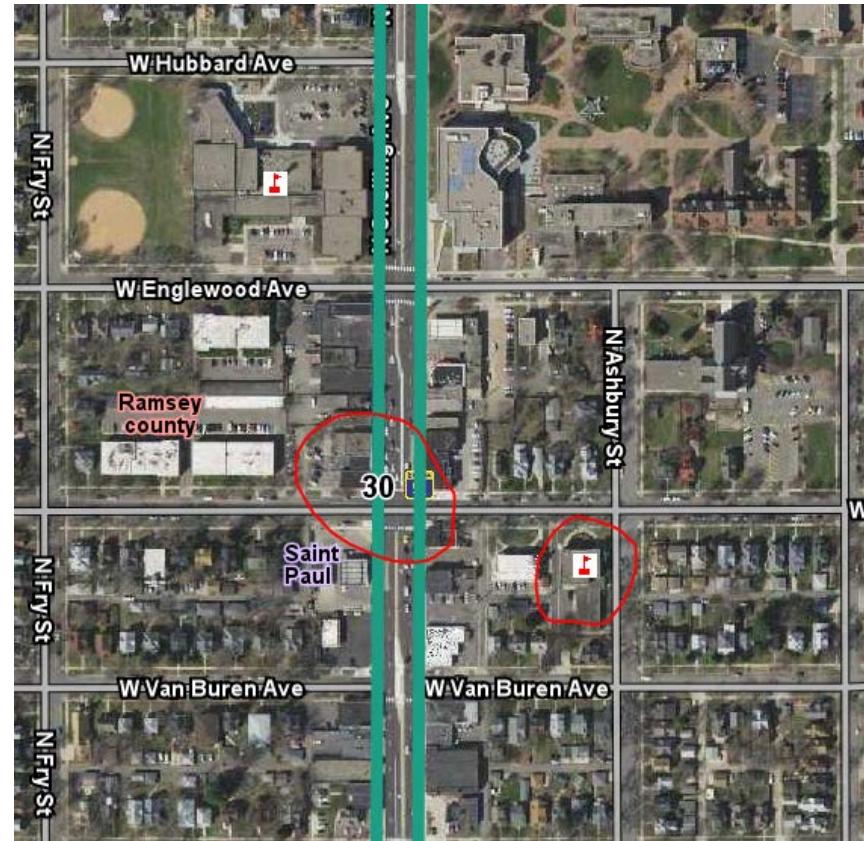
- Used Arc GIS, Google Maps, and Georilla to identify intersection characteristics
- Intersection Characteristics
  - Location information
  - Intersection type
  - Configuration
  - Traffic Control Device
  - Major and Minor Speed Limit
  - Major and Minor Turn Approach Lanes
  - Major Left Turn Lane
  - Major and Minor Left Signal
  - Lane Configuration
  - Traffic Volumes
  - On Street Parking
  - Ped Generator
  - Near School
  - Bus Stop
  - Marked Cross Walk
  - Major and Minor Median

# Data Collection

Google Maps



Georilla / GIS



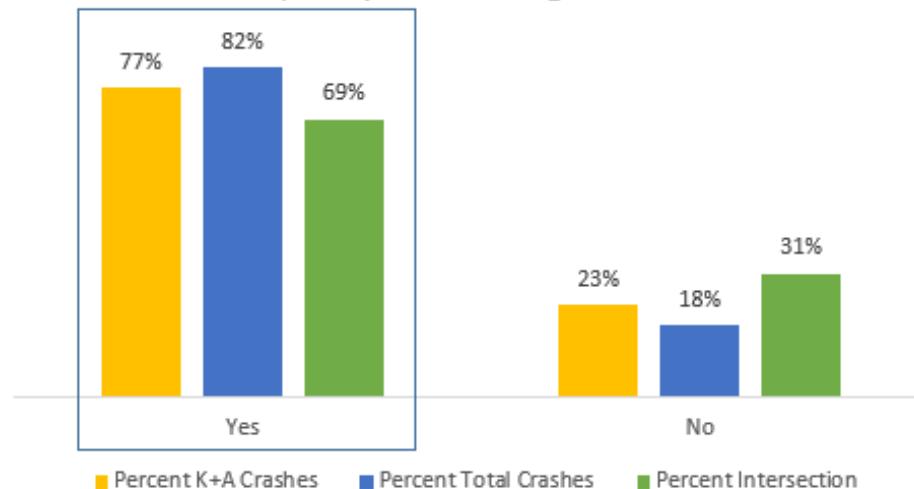
# Data Analysis

- Once all the characteristics for the intersections were collected - used Excel to analyze them
- Comparing the percentage of total crashes and K+A crashes to the percentage of intersections
- Characteristics with a percentage that was 10% higher crashes then the percentage of intersection was listed as a risk factor
- This may or may not be statistically significant

# Data Analysis

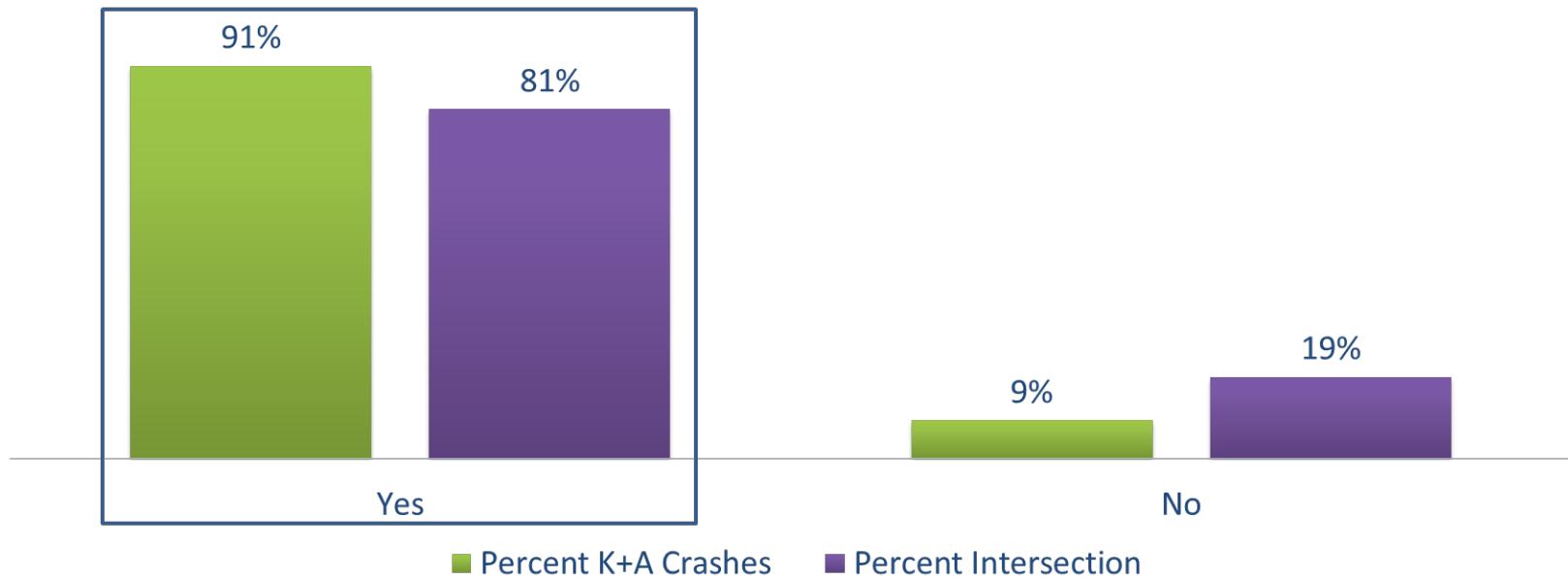
Bus Stop	K+A Crashes	Total Crashes	# of Intersections	Percent K+A Crashes	Percent Total Crashes	Percent Intersection	Difference K+A	Difference Total
Yes	71	709	167	77%	82%	69%	8%	13%
No	21	153	74	23%	18%	31%	-8%	-13%
Total	92	862	241					

Near School, Ped/Bike and Signalized Crash Data



# Data Analysis

Near School Ped and Bike, Fatal and Serious injury Crash Data



\* K+A Crashes = Fatal and Serious Injury

# Risk Factors

- Now the risk factors were applied back to the intersections
- The goal is to create a rating system for the intersections and a list of higher risk intersections
- Set different risk factor limits to get the most severe crashes in the least amount of intersections

# Risk Factors Metro Trunk Highways

## Signalized Risk Factors

- Bus Stop
- Major Median
- Major Speed Limit (35-50 mph)
- Near School
- Major Left Turn Signal (Protected)
- Approach Volume (25,001-35,000)
- Location Type (Suburban)
- Approach Volume (35,001-45,000)
- No on Street Parking

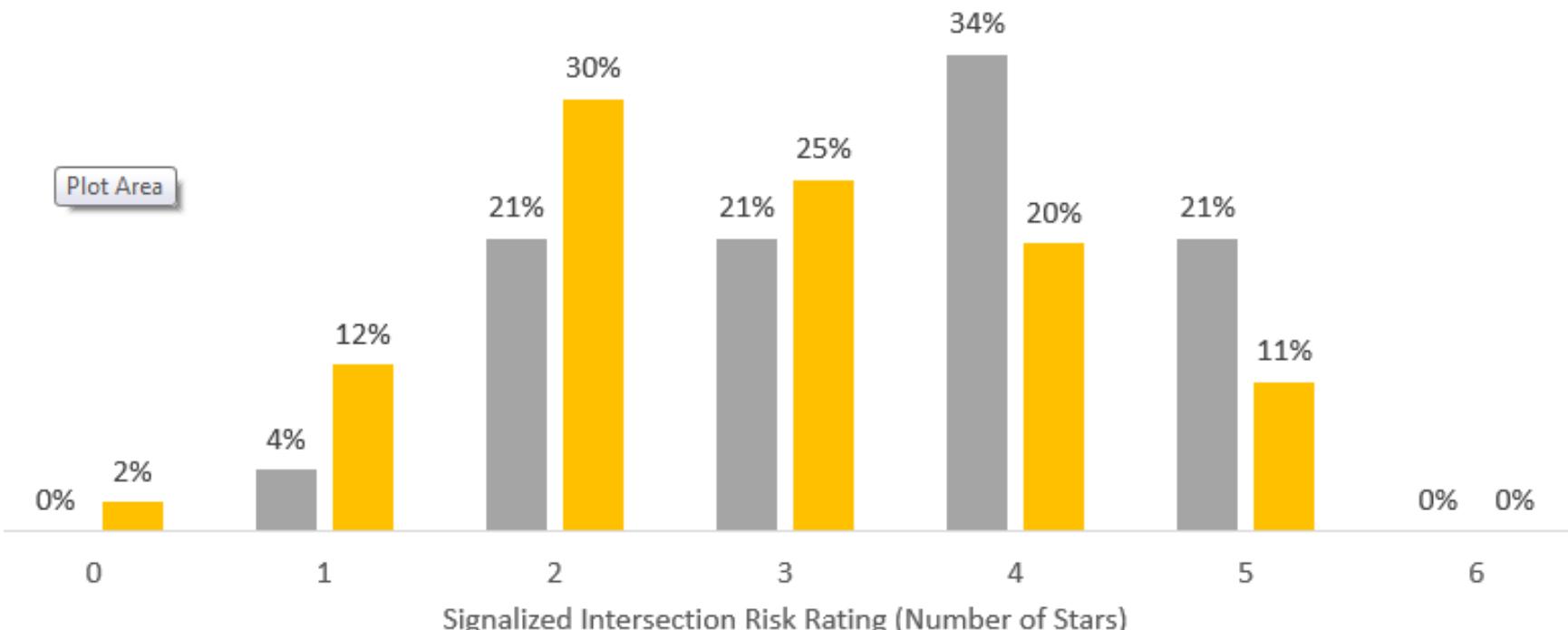
## Un-Signalized Risk Factors

- No on Street Parking
- Location Type ( Suburban)
- Speed Limit (30 or Less mph)
- Major Through Lanes (4)
- Major Median
- Near School
- Bus Stop
- Approach Volume (35,001-45,000)
- Location Type (Urban)
- Major Speed Limit (35-50 mph)
- Street Lighting (NONE)
- Number Legs (4)

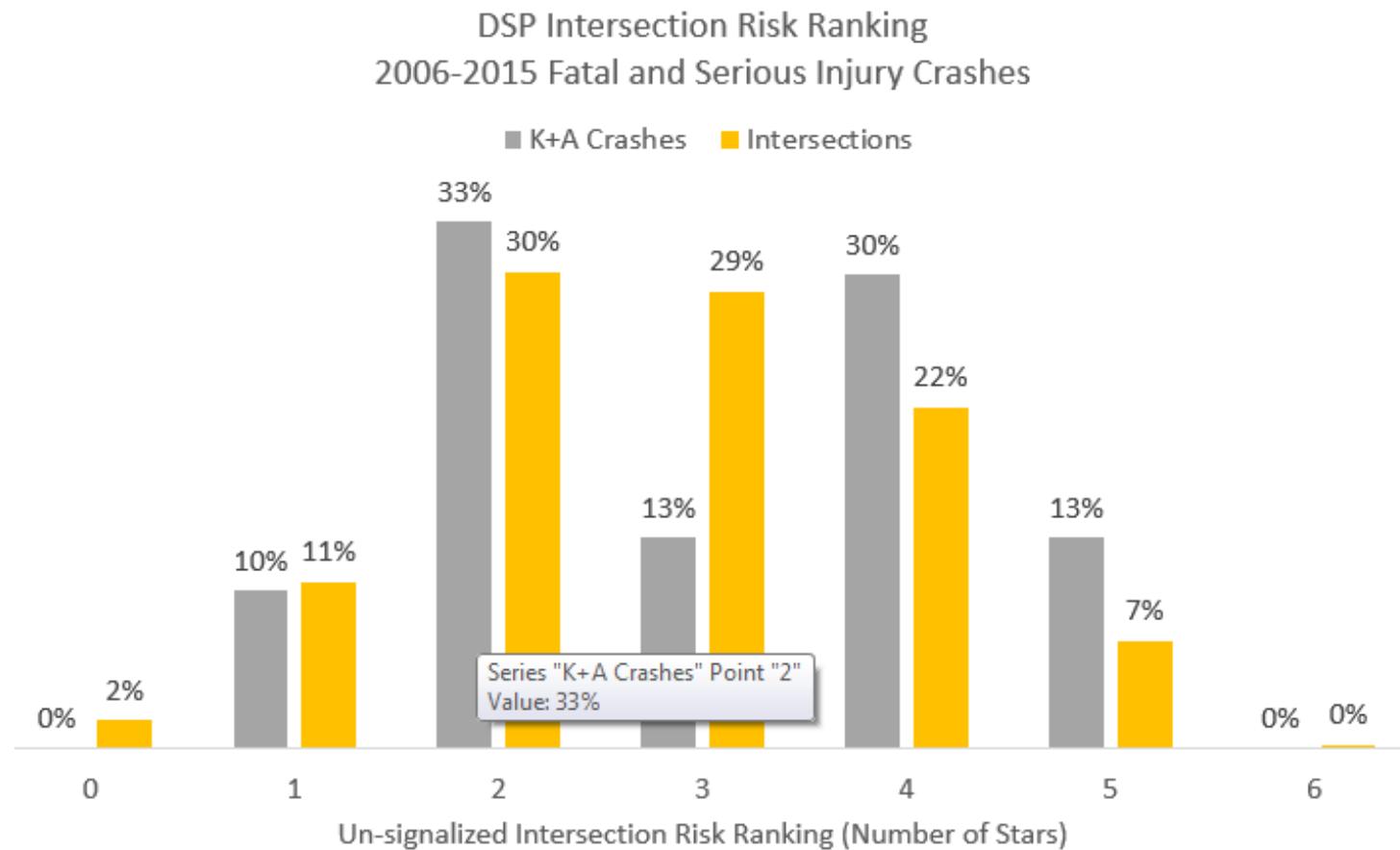
# Signalized Risk Factors

DSP Intersection Risk Rating  
2006-2015 Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes

■ K+A Crashes ■ Intersections



# Unsignalized Risk Factors



# Example of 5 Star Intersection

## TH 5 (7<sup>th</sup> St. W) and St. Paul Ave



### Signalized Risk Factors

- ★ • Bus Stop
- ★ • Major Median
- ★ • Major Speed Limit (35-50 mph)
- ★ • Near School
- ★ • Major Left Turn Signal (Protected)
- ★ • Approach Volume (25,001-35,000)
- ★ • Location Type (Suburban)
- ★ • Approach Volume (35,001-45,000)
- ★ • No on Street Parking

# 2016 District Safety Plans Update

	Minimum	Maximum
<i>Urban Segments</i>		
ADT	9000	Unlimited
Road Geometry		Multi-Lane (4+)
Access Density	36	Unlimited
Speed Limit	35	45
Primary Land Use		Urban or Suburban Retail
Severe HO + RE + SSP + SSO Crash History		0.019
<i>Urban Intersections - Right Angle</i>		
Cross Product	3000000	Unlimited
Traffic Control		Signal
Major Corridor Speed	40	Unlimited
Skew	5	Unlimited
Adjacent Curve		Present
Primary Land Use		Urban or Suburban Retail
Severe Right Angle Crash History		0.006
<i>Urban Intersections - Ped/Bike</i>		
Cross Product	3000000	Unlimited
Traffic Control		Signal
Major Corridor Speed	35	Unlimited
Skew	5	Unlimited
Adjacent Curve		Present
Primary Land Use		Urban or Suburban Retail
Severe Ped/Bike Crash History		0.001

## Metro Signalized Intersection Risk Factors

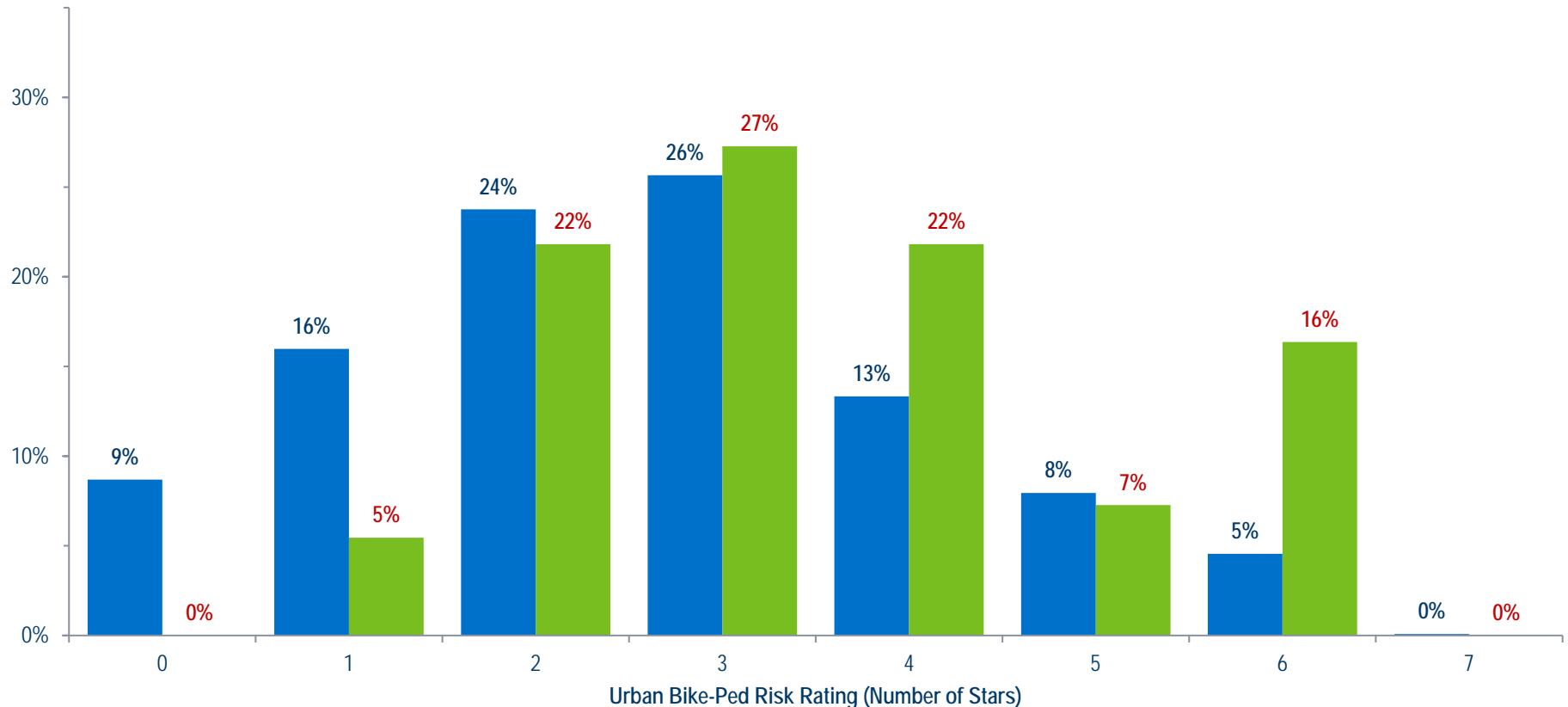
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# 2016 District Safety Plans Update

## DSP Intersection Risk Rating

2014-2015 Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes

■ Intersections ■ Bike-Ped K+A Crashes





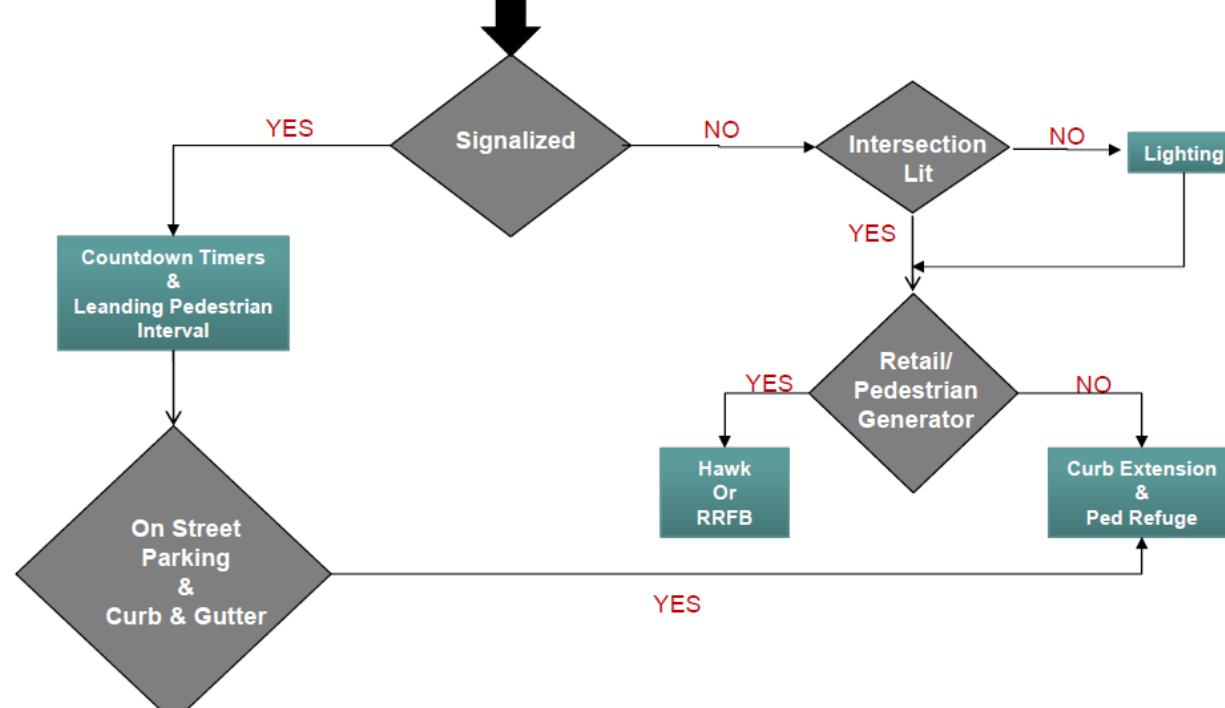
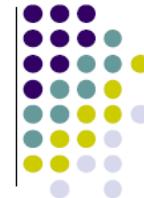
# The End!

Questions? Discussions?

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# 2016 District Safety Plans Update

## Urban Intersections at Risk Ped/Bike Crashes



RRFB = Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon

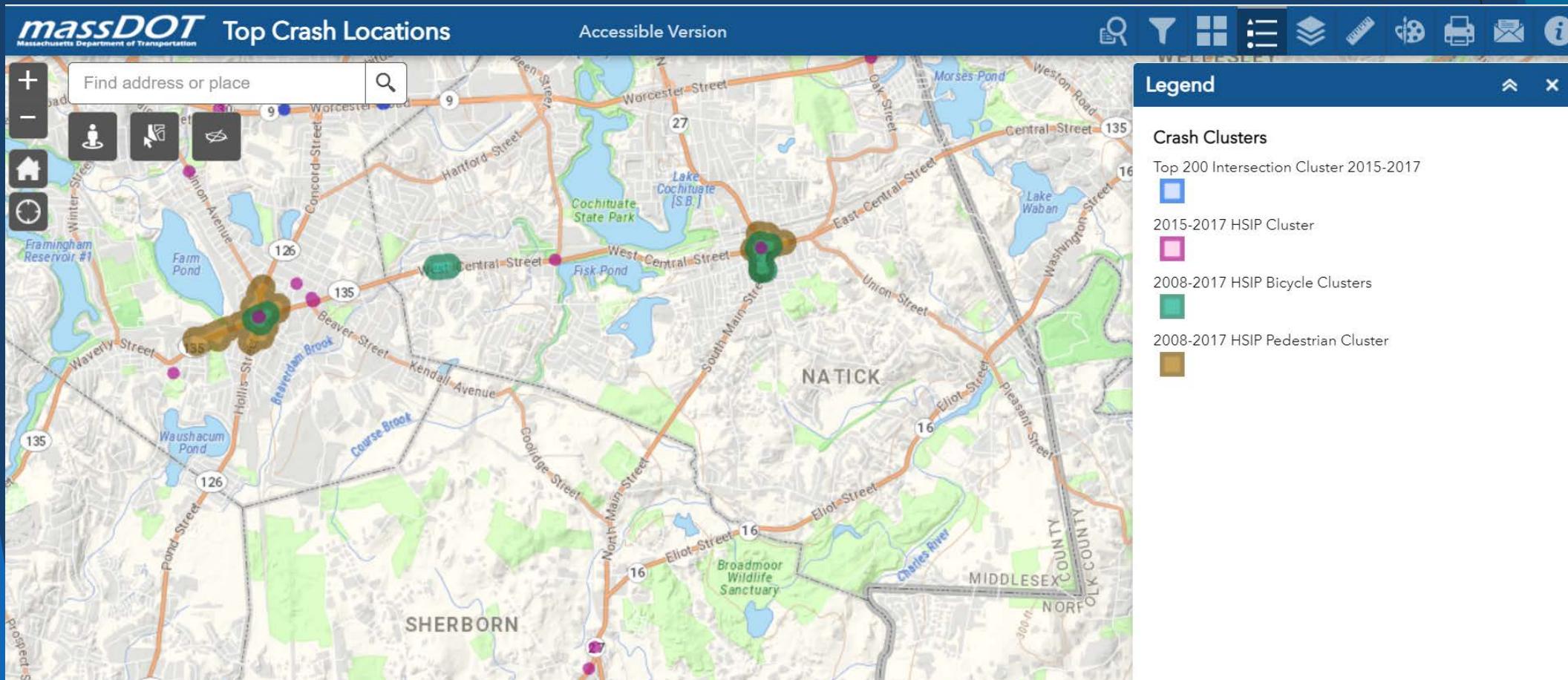
# Crash and Risk Based Approaches to Safety in MA

Bonnie Polin

MassDOT - Traffic and Safety Engineering

# Existing Hot Spot / Crash Based Approach

<https://gis.massdot.state.ma.us/topcrashlocations/>



# New Modules in IMPACT - Safety Analysis Tools

- ▶ IMPACT <https://apps.impact.dot.state.ma.us/cdp/home>

IMPACT is designed to encourage public safety initiatives and awareness specific to crash information. Within IMPACT you can engage with crash related data through easy to understand pre-built reports or conduct your own self-driven analysis. Please take the time to explore the various options and find what is right for you.

**Interactive Data Dashboards**  
IMPACT dashboards tell powerful data stories using maps, charts and tables based on complex analyses. These pre-built dashboards allow for interactive analysis and data exploration specific to a given data theme in a range of categories.

**Data Query and Visualization**  
Using the Data Query and Visualization tool you can conduct simple to sophisticated data queries to generate subsets of the crash data. This may be done at the crash level, the vehicle level or the person level. Once generated you can then visualize the data in three core ways: on charts, on tables, or spatially on a map. Though noted separately, these elements all work in tandem providing the ability to switch between the visualization methods seamlessly.

**Data Extraction**  
Using the data extraction service, you can request publicly available data by municipality and date range in several formats. The standard data report request form should be used when trying to obtain datasets of town-wide crash data for specific years. In addition, a link is provided to MassDOT's Open Data Portal for more large-scale data download capabilities where the entire crash data file may be downloaded for each year.

**Reports**  
IMPACT provides a suite of pre-built reports for rapid access to cleanly organized information across a spectrum of categories. Some reports are configurable given desired date ranges and all are downloadable in several formats.

**Crash Tabulation and Charting**  
IMPACT provides this tool to aggregate selected data in a matrix to display two or more variables. The crosstab provides summary data and can be used to summarize the full crash database as well as subsets of the data, based on the user selected variables.

**Safety Analysis Tools**  
IMPACT provides several safety analysis tools focused on network screening and diagnosis. Network screening includes both Spot and Systemic mapping. Diagnosis tools include a Crash Tree Maker and a Site Proportions tool.

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**Reported Crashes YTD** **Reported Fatalities YTD (FARS)**

**18,235** **53**

As of: Wed Mar 24 2021 As of: Tue Mar 23 2021

**Reported Pedestrian Crashes YTD** **Reported Bicyclist Crashes YTD**

**213** **59**

As of: Wed Mar 24 2021 As of: Wed Mar 24 2021

**Reported Crash Severity By Year (CDS)** **Reported Ages of Drivers in Crashes YTD**

Year	Fatal	NonFatal	Property Damage Only	Other	Total
2017	~30,000	~110,000	~10,000	~10,000	~160,000
2018	~30,000	~110,000	~10,000	~10,000	~160,000
2019	~30,000	~110,000	~10,000	~10,000	~160,000
2020	~30,000	~110,000	~10,000	~10,000	~160,000
2021	~10,000	~10,000	~10,000	~10,000	~40,000

As of: Wed Mar 24 2021

Age Group	Fatal	NonFatal	Property Damage Only	Other	Total
<16	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
16-20	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
21-24	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
25-34	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
35-44	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
45-54	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
55-64	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
65-74	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
75-84	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000
>84	~3,000	~10,000	~1,000	~1,000	~15,000

As of: Wed Mar 24 2021 As of: Wed Mar 24 2021

3,458 drivers with ages unknown

# New Modules in IMPACT - Safety Analysis Tools

 IMPACT Impact Home > Safety Analysis Tools ? ver 0.2.11

IMPACT Safety Analysis Tools Provides Network Screening and Diagnosis Tools for Statewide and Regional Analysis

**Network Screening Crash Based**

The crash-based network screening tool is based on excess average crash frequency with an Empirical Bayes (EB) adjustment for five facility types on collectors and arterials: rural two-lane undivided segments, urban four-lane divided segments, urban four-lane undivided segments, urban two-lane undivided segments and urban two-lane divided segments for either all crashes or the fatal and injury crashes only. Segments are ranked from most to least excess crash frequency, calculated as the [more...](#)

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**Crash Tree (Coming in Summer 2021)**

The crash tree maker tool allows users to generate crash trees to summarize and analyze crash data. The user can select key data elements, gradually building a tree which shows common characteristics of crashes in the jurisdiction or emphasis area of their choice. This can be done at the crash level, vehicle level or person level.

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**Network Screening Risk Based**

The risk-based network screening tool is based on risk factors identified for many of the emphasis areas of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan. Sites with the greatest risk, ranked based on risk scores which are generated from the number and types of risk factors present, are then visualized. A variety of statistical methods were used to identify the risk factors for each of the emphasis areas. This would supplement the crash-based network screening results, allowing agencies to generate safety projects [more...](#)

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**Test of Proportions (Coming in Summer 2021)**

The test of proportions tool provides an automated process to identify overrepresented crash types and other data attributes within a user-defined area, such as a municipality, intersection or a corridor. The module will compare the proportions of crashes by attribute in the subject data to proportions in user-selected comparison groups.

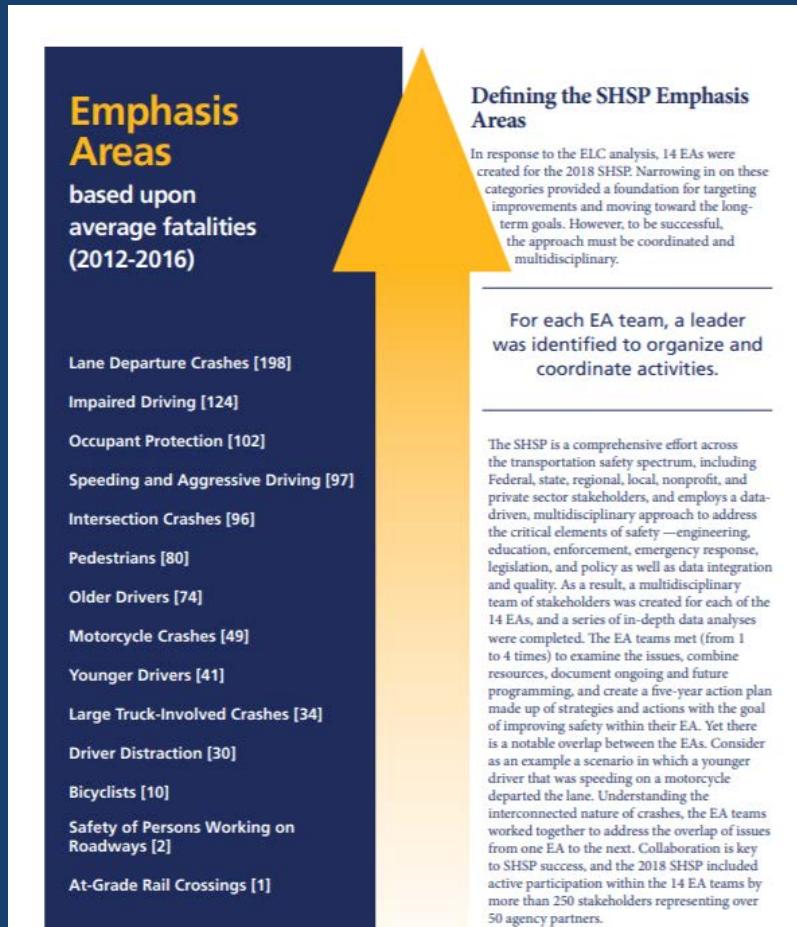
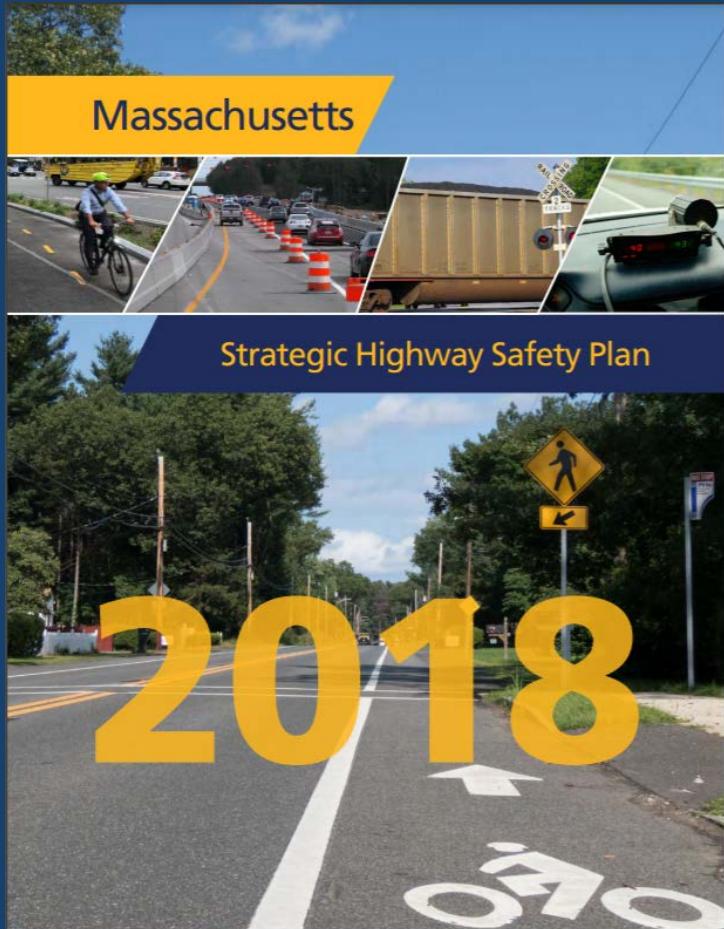
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# Network Screening Level - Risk Based Approach for SHSP Emphasis Areas

- ▶ A systemic approach to safety involves widely implemented improvements based on high-risk roadway features correlated with specific severe crash types. The approach helps agencies broaden their traffic safety efforts at little extra cost.  
[Source: FHWA - <https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/systemic/index.cfm>]
  - ▶ The systemic approach does not replace the site analysis approach. There is a clear need to continue a level of focus on individual locations with large numbers of severe crashes.
  - ▶ The systemic approach is a complementary technique that supplements the site analysis approach and provides an expanded comprehensive and proactive approach to road safety efforts.
  - ▶ By using the systemic approach agencies can better meet the requirements for the Highway Safety Improvement Program, identifying highway safety improvement projects on the basis of both crash experience and crash potential to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes on all public roads.
  - ▶ The key to the systemic approach is evaluating an entire system using a defined set of criteria, which results in an inferred prioritization that indicates some elements of the system are better candidates for safety investment than others.
  - ▶ The system-based approach acknowledges that crashes alone are not always sufficient to establish an implementation prioritization of countermeasures across a system.

# Network Screening Level - Risk Based Approach for SHSP Emphasis Areas



# Network Screening Level - Risk Based Approach for SHSP Emphasis Areas

## Risk model factors for various emphasis areas and road types

**Table 1: Binary Logit Model for Pedestrian KA Crashes on Principal Arterials.**

Variable	Odds Ratio	Standard error	z-value	P> z	95% Confidence Interval	
3 or more travel lanes, both directions	1.72	0.12	7.63	<0.01	1.49	1.97
Presence of median	0.37	0.03	-11.00	<0.01	0.31	0.44
AADT over 15,000	1.53	0.10	6.55	<0.01	1.35	1.74
Segment length (miles)	4.28	0.51	12.08	<0.01	3.38	5.41
Transit stop presence (rail and/or bus) on road segment	1.88	0.14	8.58	<0.01	1.62	2.17
Two or more MassGIS EJ flags	1.24	0.11	2.47	0.01	1.04	1.46
Median household income	0.49	0.06	-5.88	<0.01	0.38	0.62
Transit stop density	1.90	0.23	5.18	<0.01	1.49	2.42
Proportion of employment in the accommodation, food services, or retail trades	1.45	0.16	3.30	<0.01	1.16	1.80
Employment density	2.65	0.39	6.66	<0.01	1.99	3.53
Population density	2.13	0.34	4.68	<0.01	1.55	2.92
Constant	0.004	0.0005	-43.80	<0.01	0.003	0.005

**Table 1. Binary logit model for bike KAB crashes on principal arterials.**

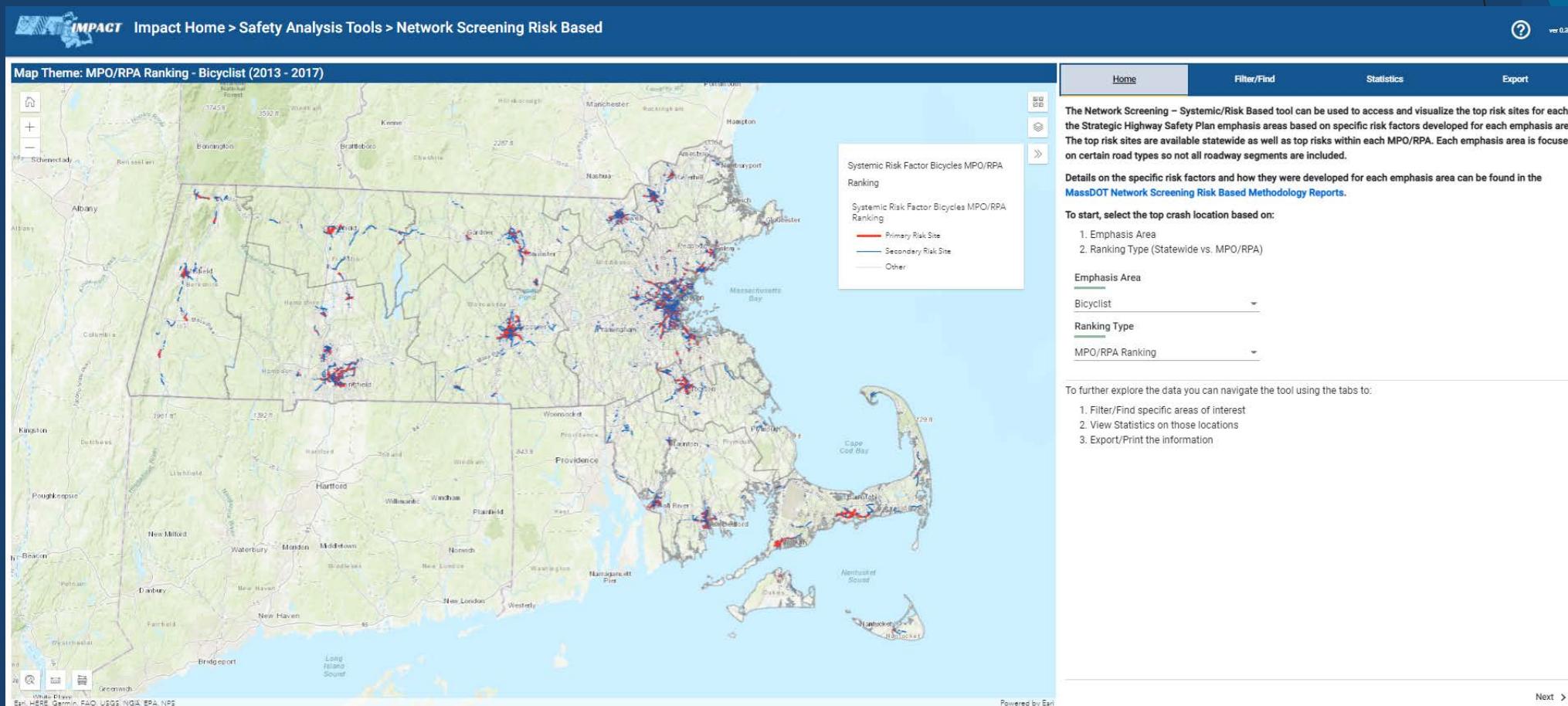
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3 or more travel lanes, both directions	0.92	0.07	-1.11	0.27	0.79	1.07
Presence of median	0.52	0.05	-6.82	<0.01	0.43	0.63
AADT over 15,000	1.30	0.08	4.12	<0.01	1.15	1.48
Segment length (miles)	4.45	0.64	10.41	<0.01	3.36	5.90
Transit stop presence (rail and/or bus) on road segment	1.83	0.13	8.73	<0.01	1.60	2.09
Median household income	1.87	0.23	5.14	<0.01	1.47	2.38
Proportion of commuters that walk, bicycle, or take transit	2.60	0.39	6.40	<0.01	1.94	3.49
Proportion of households without a motor vehicle	2.07	0.30	5.00	<0.01	1.56	2.75
Proportion of employment in the accommodation, food services, or retail trades	1.67	0.18	4.63	<0.01	1.34	2.07
Employment density	3.39	0.52	7.91	<0.01	2.50	4.58
Population density	5.57	0.96	9.98	<0.01	3.98	7.81
No shoulder wider than 4 feet on either side of the road segment	1.49	0.13	4.71	<0.01	1.26	1.75
Constant	0.0005	0.0001	-50.2	<0.01	0.0004	0.0007

**Table 3. Binary Logit Regression Model for "Exceed Speed Limit" Non-Intersection Crashes on Principal Arterial - Others**

Variable	Odds Ratio	Standard Error	z-value	P> z	95% Confidence Interval	
Natural log of segment length (miles)	2.81	0.30	9.55	<0.001	2.28	3.48
AADT between 30,000 and 60,000 vehicles per day	2.63	0.53	4.78	<0.001	1.77	3.91
AADT exceeding 60,000 vehicles per day	4.06	1.92	2.97	0.003	1.61	10.25
Weighted average degree of curvature 5 or more degrees per 100 feet <sup>4</sup>	1.98	0.33	4.16	<0.001	1.44	2.73
Posted speed limit of 30 mph	1.28	0.23	1.38	0.167	0.90	1.81
Sidewalk present on at least one side of the segment <sup>5</sup>	1.75	0.39	2.53	0.011	1.13	2.70
Segment is in PVPC	1.43	0.33	1.59	0.113	0.92	2.24
Maximum absolute difference in posted speed limit of 15 mph	3.03	2.20	1.52	0.128	0.73	12.59
Maximum absolute difference in posted speed limit of 25 mph	20.61	21.54	2.90	0.004	2.66	159.8
Constant	0.05	0.02	-8.39	<0.001	0.02	0.09

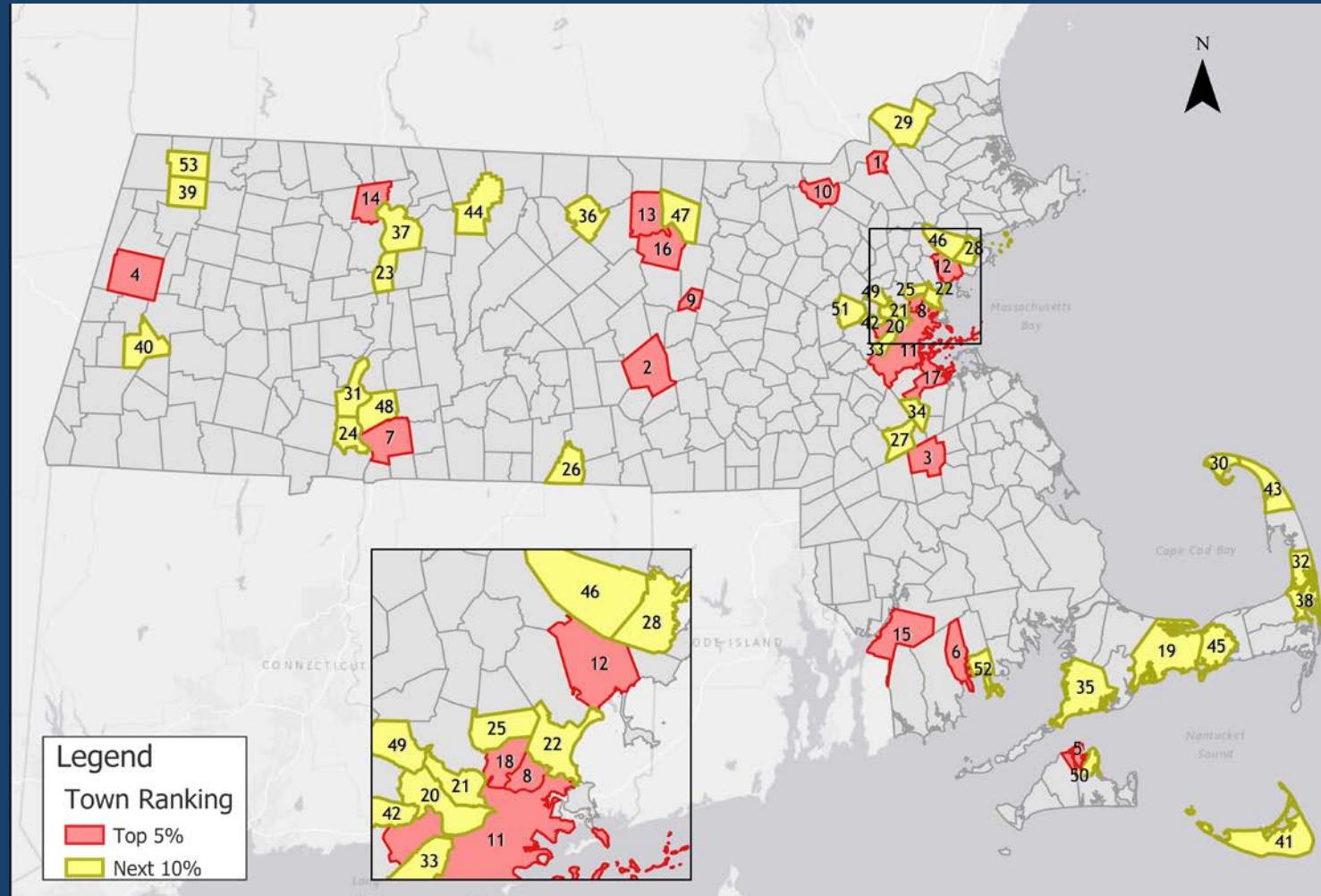
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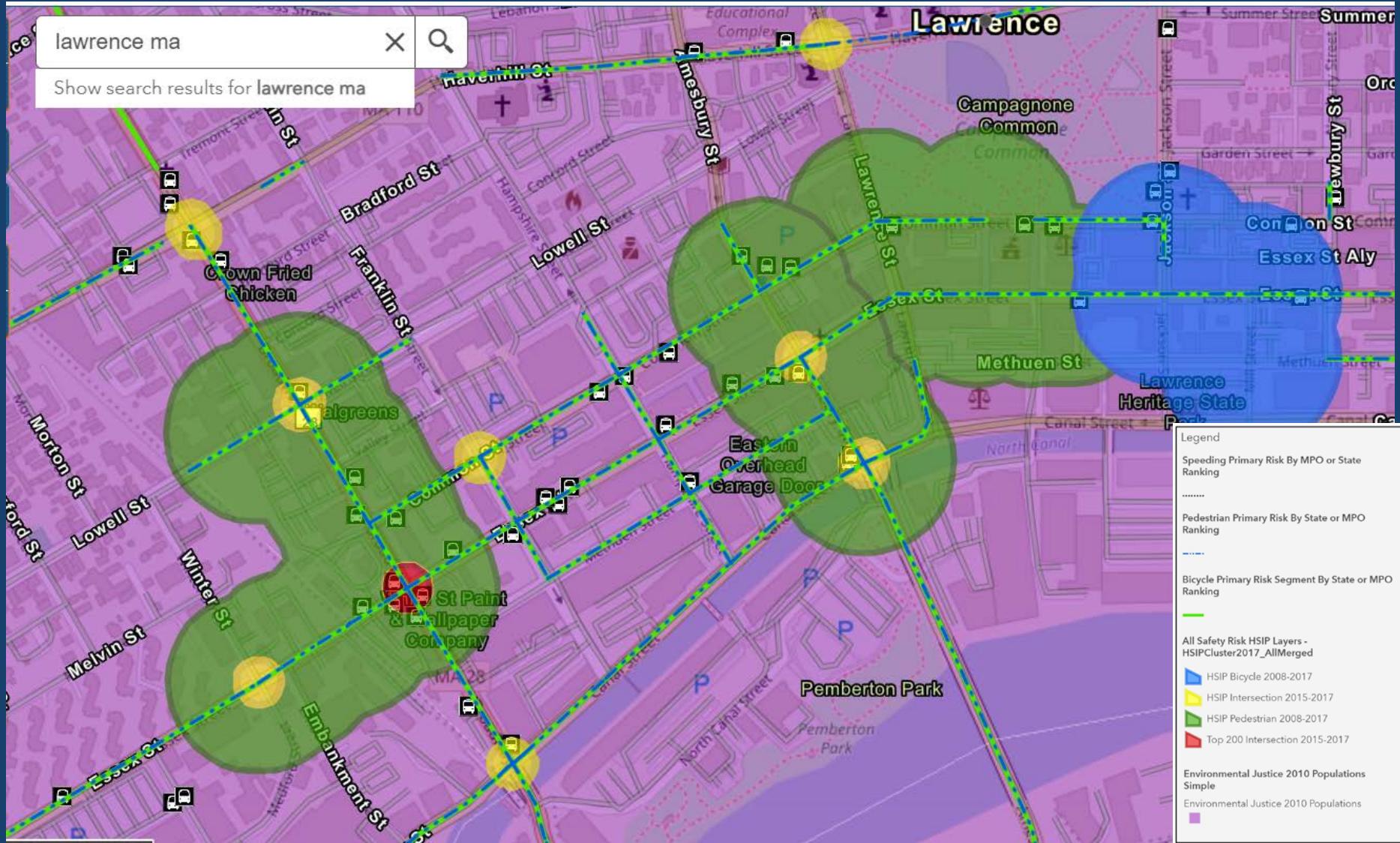


# Network Screening Level - Combination Bike and Pedestrian Related Risk and Hot Spots

[Web map for combination risks / crashes](#) (Internal only for now)

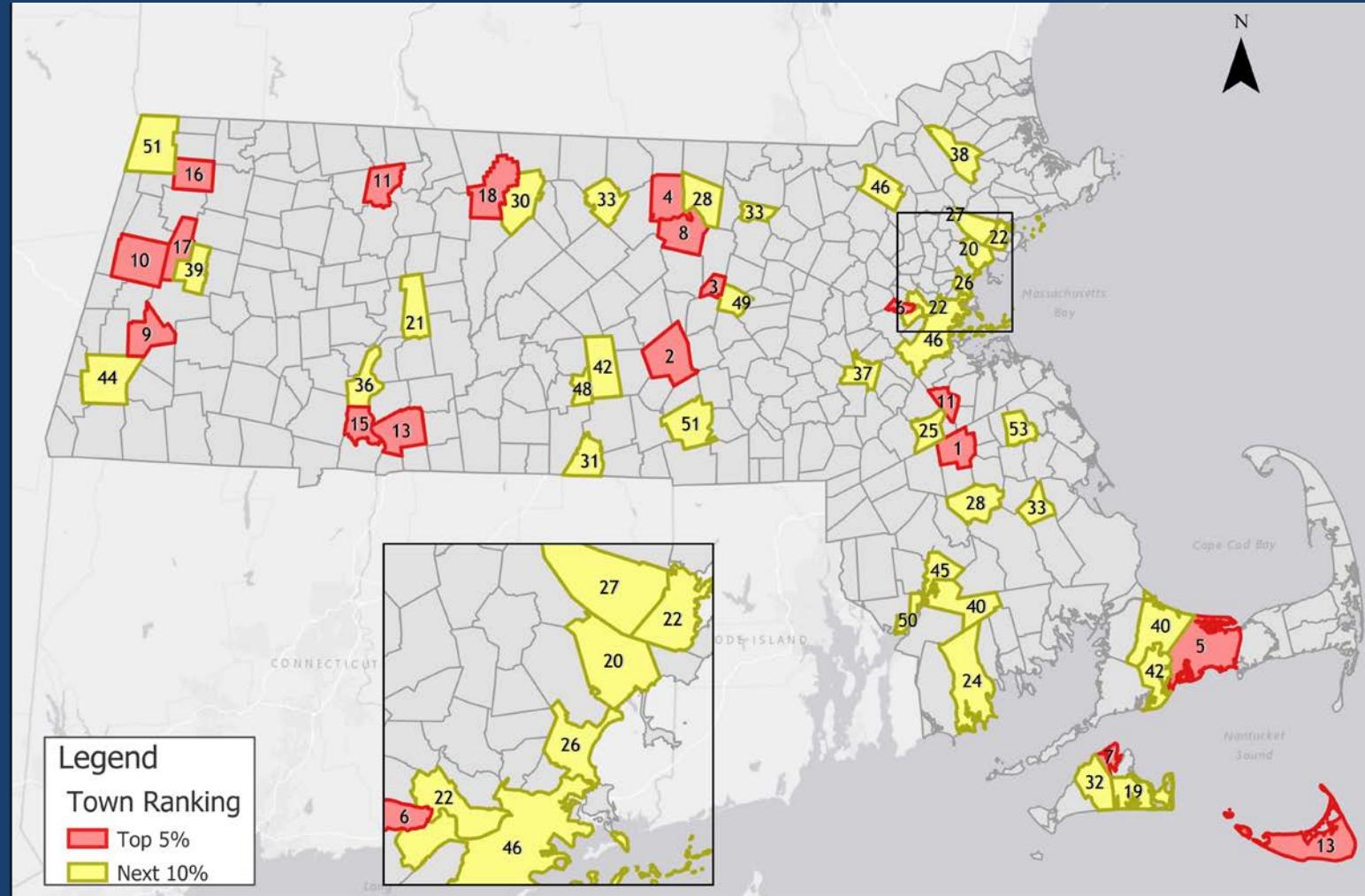


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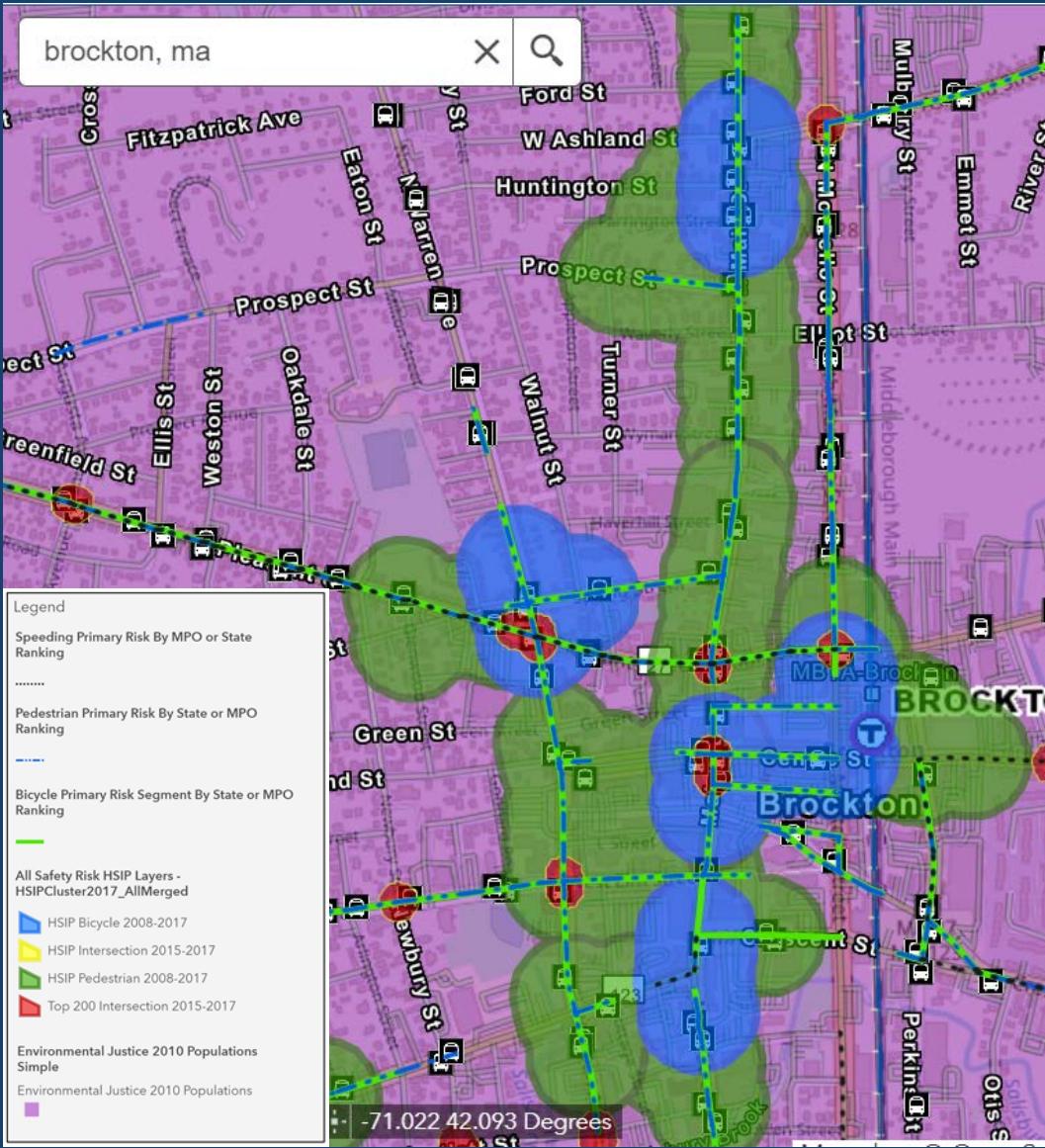


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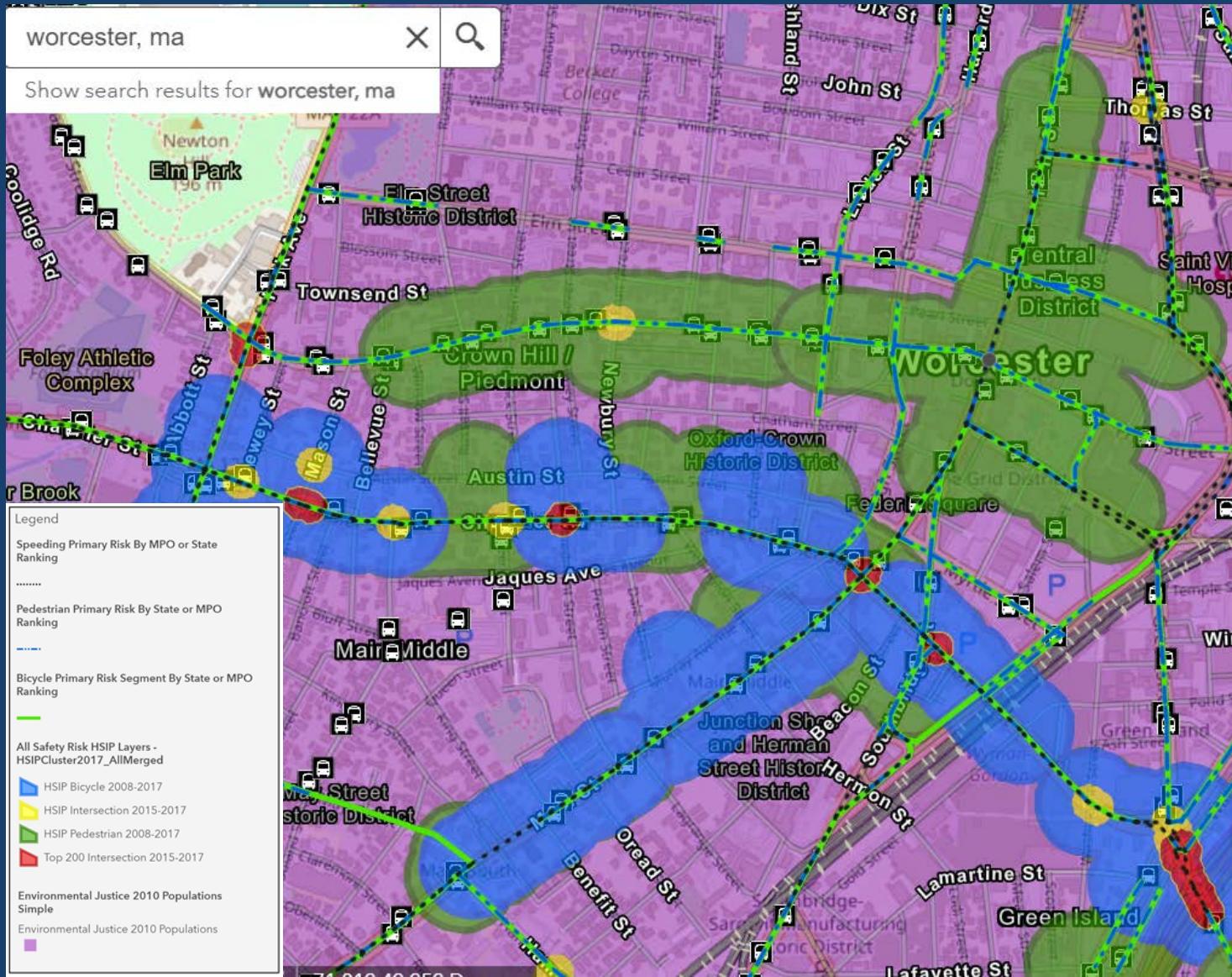
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# Network Screening Level - Combination



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# Crash and Risk Based Approaches to Safety in MA

Thank you,  
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# Overview and findings from NCHRP Synthesis 558

## Availability and Use of Pedestrian Infrastructure Data to Support Active Transportation Planning



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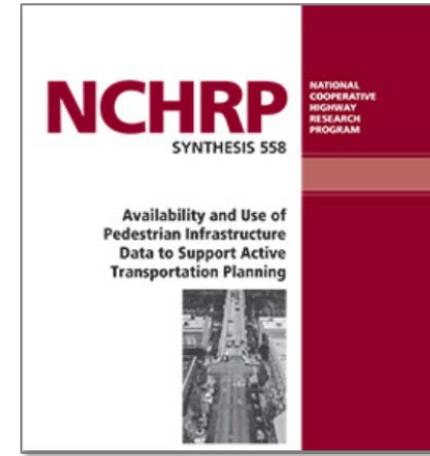
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# Background

## Objective

Document how state DOTs are collecting, managing, sharing, and analyzing pedestrian infrastructure data, including

- Mechanisms
- Types, variables, attributes and formats of data being collected
- How data consistency is ensured
- How state DOTs use and analyze data for decision making



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# Background

## Methodology to Assess State of the Practice

- Literature review involving roadway, bicycling, and pedestrian infrastructure
- Online survey of state DOTs distributed to state bicycle and pedestrian coordinators
- Follow-up phone interviews with representatives from 5 state DOTs representing diverse collection frameworks, different geographies, and various development contexts



# Literature Review

**Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)**: ADA Transition Plan, 2017.

Colorado's ADA transition plan.

**Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)**: Transportation Data and Analytics Office Handbooks, 2017. Data collection methods used in Florida.

**New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)**: New Jersey County Road Sidewalk Inventory, 2007. Methods used for sidewalk inventory.

**New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)**: Sidewalks and Curb Ramps on the New York State-Owned Highway System, 2013. Methods used for sidewalk and curb ramp inventory.

**North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT)**: Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Network (PBIN) Project, 2019. Ongoing pedestrian infrastructure data collection project.

**Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT)**: Sidewalk Data in King County's Urban Growth Boundary, 2013. Methods and data collected for King County by WSDOT and partners.

**Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)**: Pedestrian Facilities Inventory, 2019. Ongoing pedestrian inventory effort.

# Case Studies

- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- New Hampshire
- Utah
- Washington



## **Items addressed in more depth include**

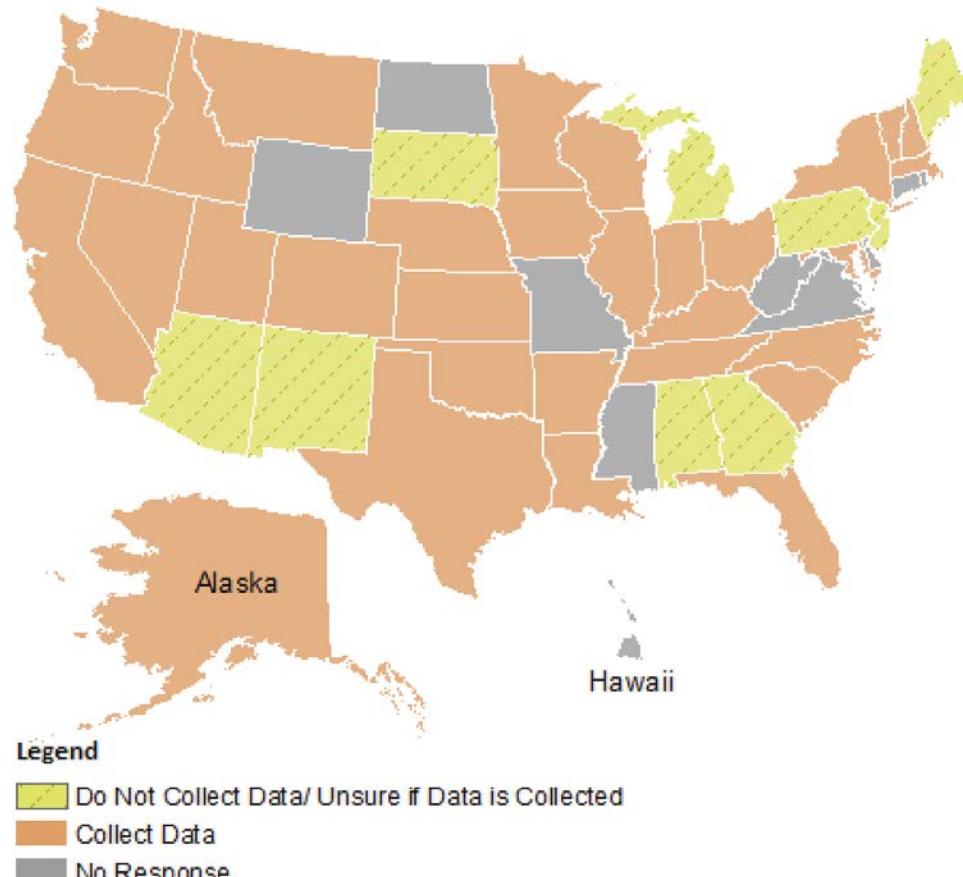
- Assessment of data collection
- Facility and pedestrian network definition
- Data collection methods, management, sharing, and responsible parties
- Data consistency
- Data maintenance and update strategy
- Program Funding

# Key Findings

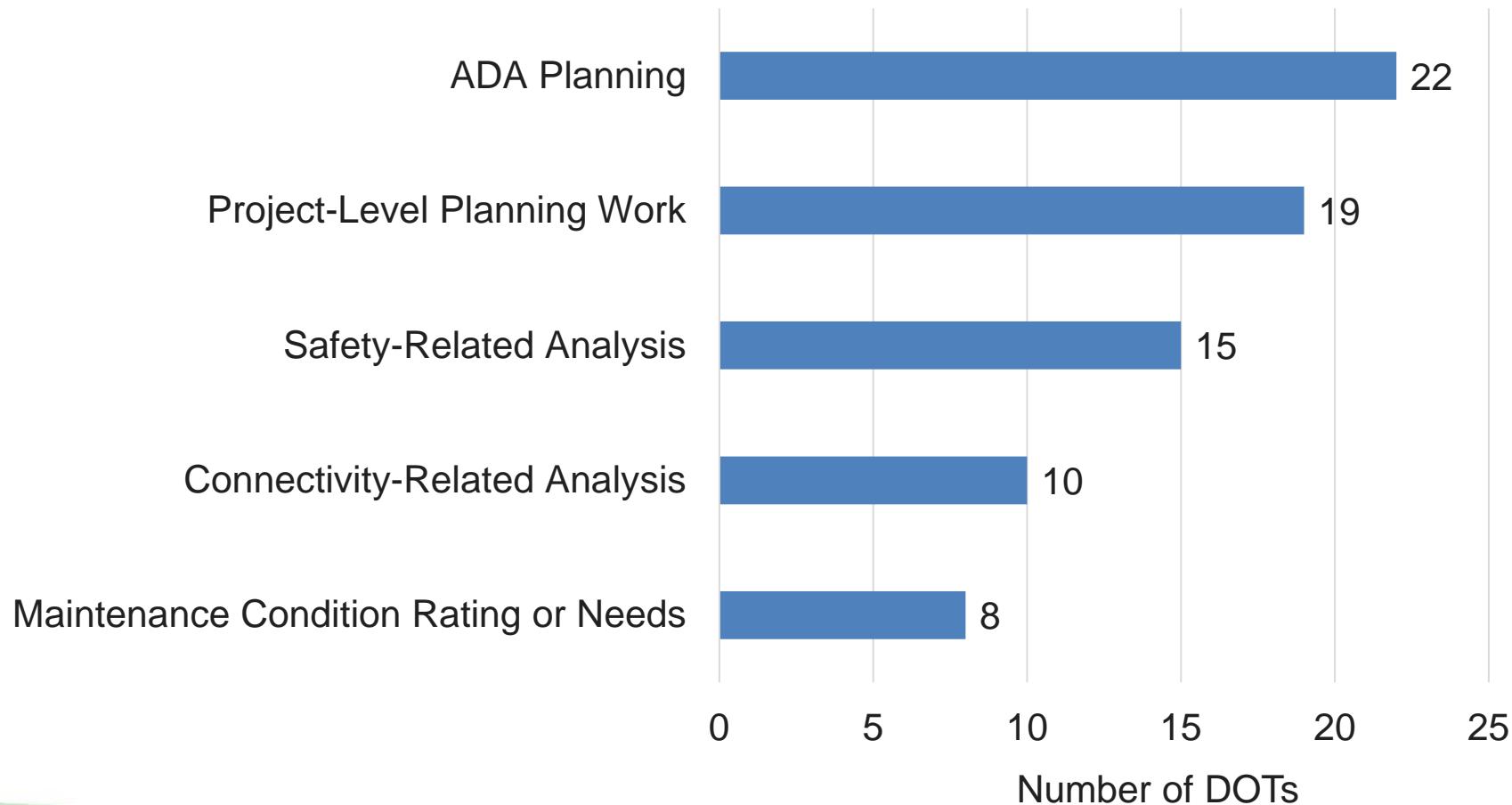
31 of the 40 (78%) responding DOTs report that they collect pedestrian infrastructure data

No consistent definition of what pedestrian infrastructure includes or how the data should be collected and stored

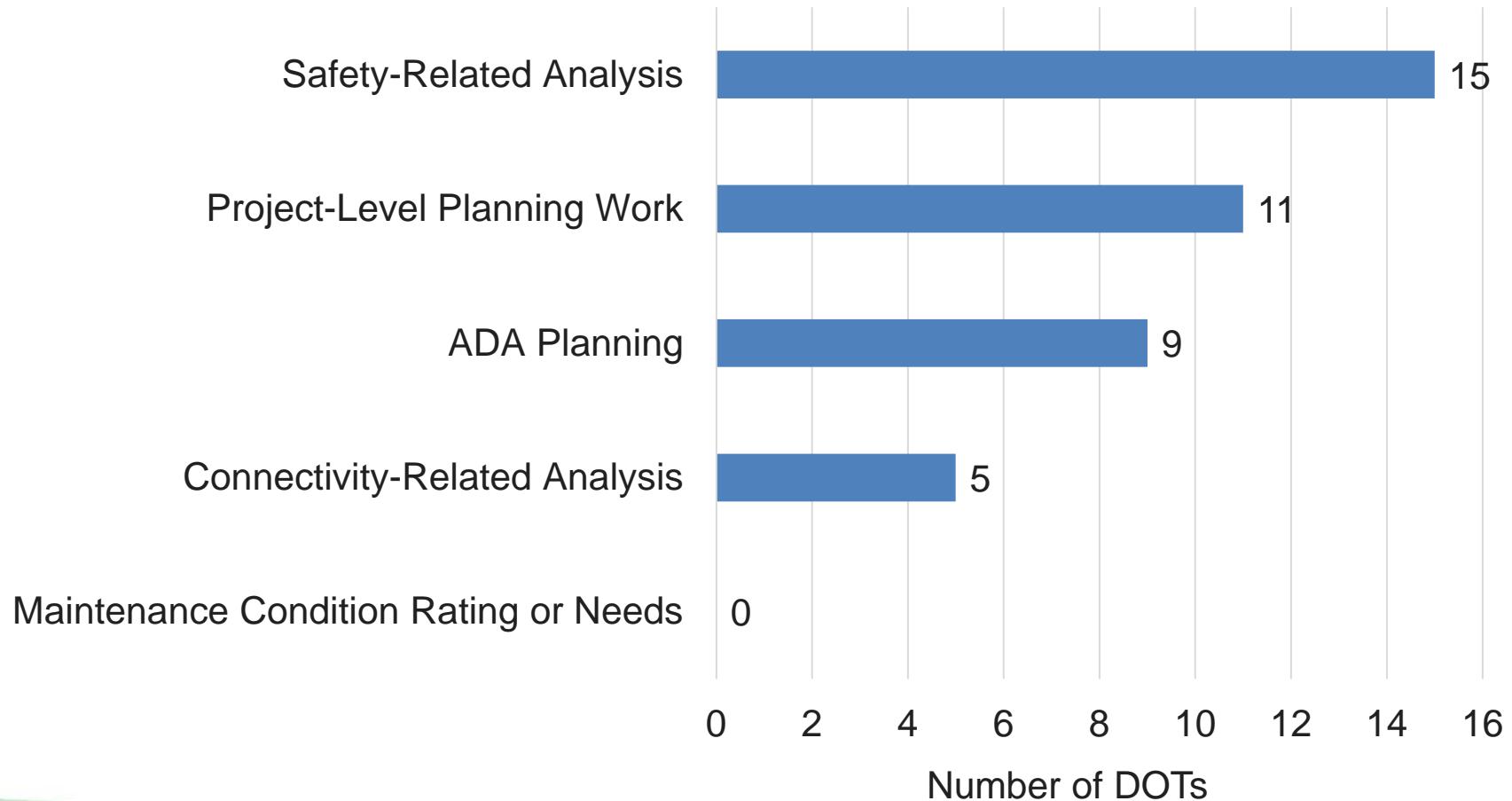
Data are frequently collected for a single purpose – less frequently collected comprehensively across an entire transportation network



# Summary of current pedestrian infrastructure data use

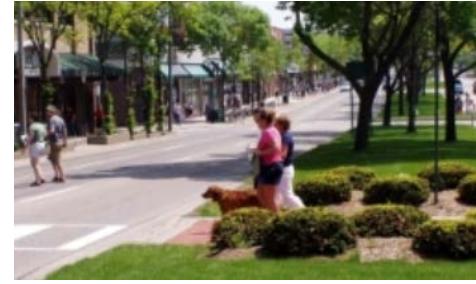


## Summary of top-ranked future use of pedestrian infrastructure data



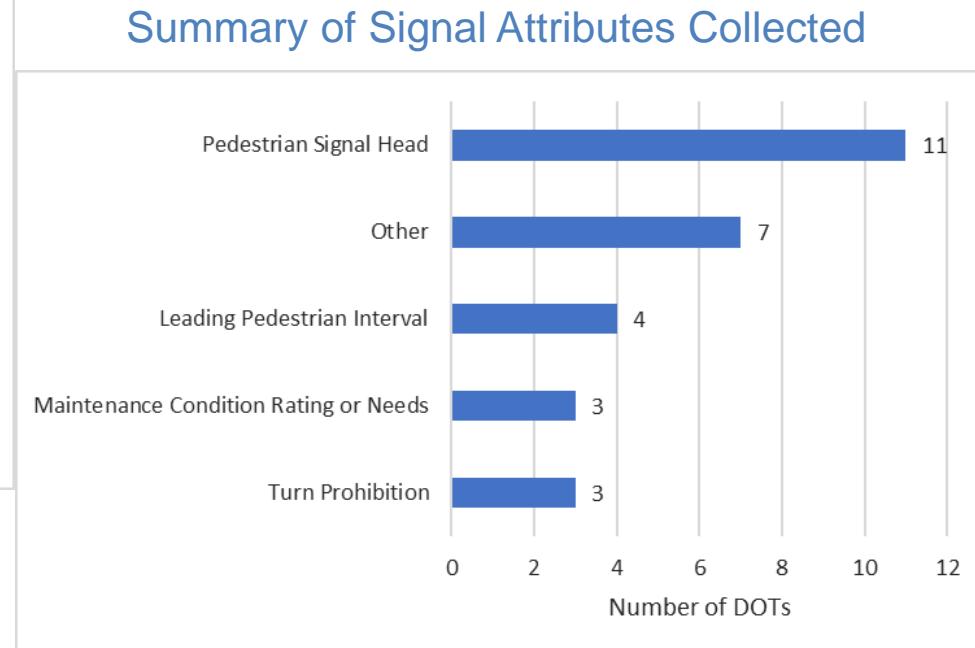
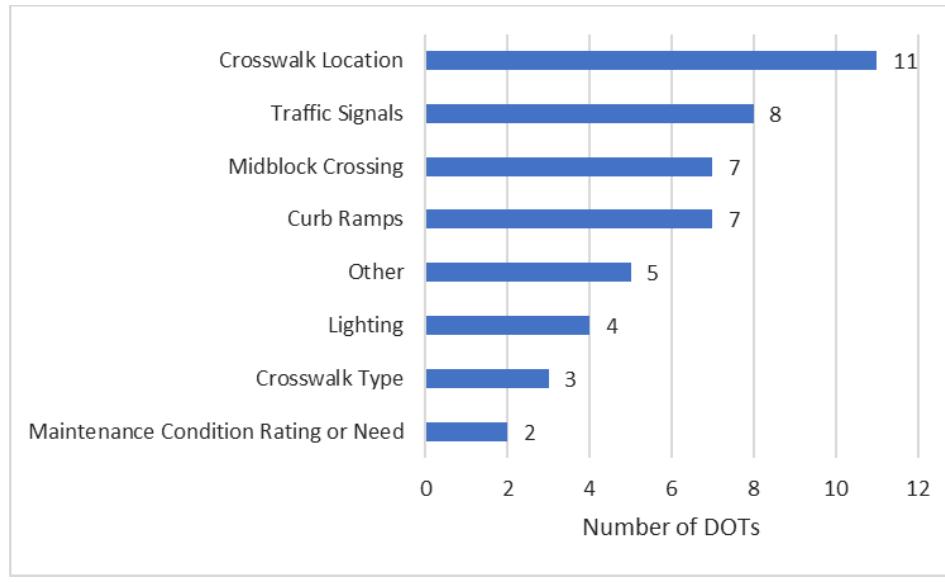
# Entities and Attributes

- Data about shoulders and sidewalks for projects on all state roadways are collected most frequently
  - Shoulders
    - Facility width
    - Facility material/surface type
    - Presence of rumble strip
    - Maintenance condition rating
  - Sidewalks
    - Facility width
    - Surface type
    - Detectible warnings
    - Maintenance condition rating
    - Indicator Utilities
    - Buffer presence
    - Effective Width



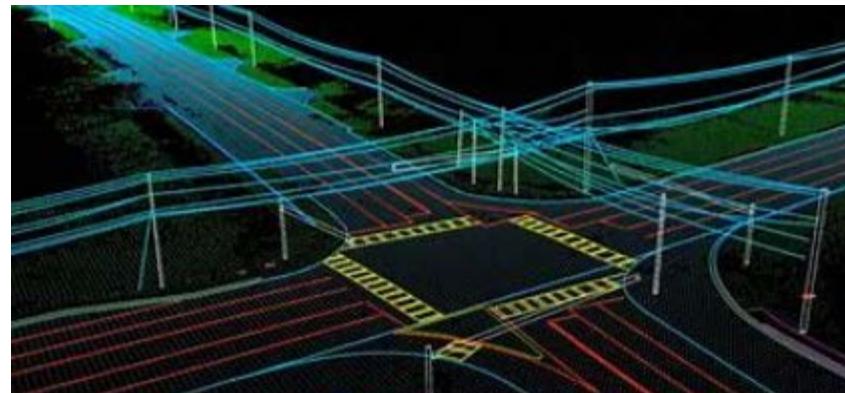
# Entities and Attributes

- Trail data are not collected comprehensively
  - No state collected trail data on all projects
  - Most common attributes collected include surface type, width, and maintenance condition rating
- Crossing and signal data are collected with the lowest frequency and extent:



# Data Sources/Collection

- Existing GIS data
- Aerial imagery
- Van-mounted data collection
- LiDAR
- Third party vendors
- Most DOTs play a primary role in data collection; MPOs and RTPOs play a minor role; local governments less so
- Multiple sources can result in data consistency issues
- Intentional database design is critical to the support of future analysis



# Data Storage, Sharing, and Maintenance

- Most agencies have multiple methods of storing pedestrian infrastructure data, which can lead to data inconsistency and funding inefficiencies
  - Spatial GIS system
  - Relational database system
  - PDFs, drawings, paper maps
  - In tabular format with route and milepost
  - In CAD-based system
  - In KMZ file
- Data are available for download in 12 of 31 states that reported collection of pedestrian infrastructure data
- Most states have no data sharing concerns
- Some potential concerns with data sharing include:
  - Liability
  - Privacy
  - Contractual
- 39% of the states have a data maintenance plan, often funding-dependent

# Funding

- **Funding and resources dictate the amount of data that can be collected**
- Data collection and maintenance are funded through multiple sources
  - Federal funding most common, usually associated with HPMS and HSIP
  - State DOT maintenance program budget
  - Project specific funding
  - Other program budgets



## Ideas for Future Research

- Research on the development of a standardized data collection scheme and related guidance, perhaps leveraging established data schemes like MIRE
- Additional research into current and emerging best practices for collecting and managing infrastructure asset data
- Research ways to improve understanding about common uses of pedestrian infrastructure data across various DOT departments
- Targeted research on
  - Using pedestrian infrastructure data to help prioritize maintenance activities
  - The validity and application of cell phone and Bluetooth-sourced data as they relate to demand
  - Understanding pedestrian demand patterns that capture a more comprehensive set of user types
  - Incorporating count information into a larger pedestrian planning process

# Thank you for your time!

For more information, please see [NCHRP Synthesis 558](#)

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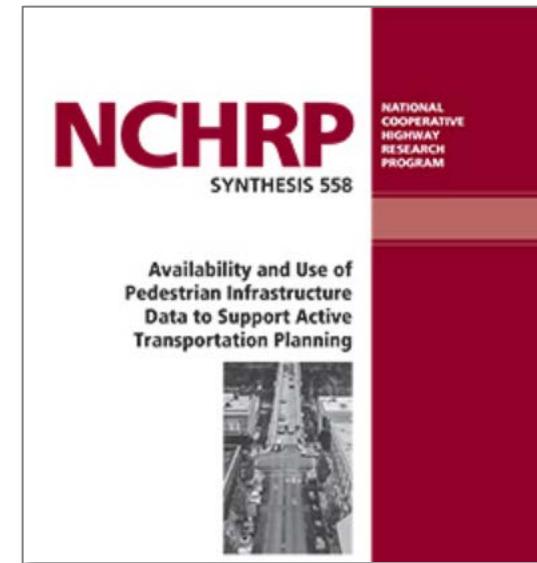
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# ADA Transition Plans and Asset Management

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# Federal Civil Rights Laws

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- 1973 Rehabilitation Act, Section 504
  - Applies to programs and activities receiving Federal funds
  - Prohibits discrimination in programs and activities receiving Federal funds
  - Enforced by DOT/FHWA – Complaints
- 1990 Americans with disabilities Act
  - Title II applies to state and Local governments
  - Prohibits discrimination in the provision of facilities, services and programs
  - Transportation accessibility enforced by DOJ/DOT – complaints and Project Civic Access

# Obligations for Access

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- **New Construction** - accessible (to the extent not structurally impracticable (28 CFR 151(a))
- **Alterations** – accessible to the extent feasible within the scope of the project (28 CFR 35.151(b))
- **Existing Facilities** – cannot deny program access to persons with disabilities (28 CFR 35.150)



Photo: Access Board



# Existing Facilities

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- **Cannot deny access** (28 CFR 150)
- **Title II Self-evaluation** (28 CFR 35.105) – Applies to all public entities
- **Transition Plan** (28 CFR 35 150(d)) – Applies to public entities with 50 or more employees

# Self-evaluation

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- 28 CFR 35.105
- Evaluation of programs, policies, and procedures
- Identify noncompliant facilities-
  - Sidewalks
  - Curb ramps
  - Pedestrian signals
  - On-street parking

Public outreach is required as part of self-evaluation (28 CFR 35.105(b)); should involve activists, organizations that support the rights of the disabled, general citizens, elected officials, as well as other agencies (local and State).

*“Nothing about us without us”*

# ADA Transition Plan

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- Title II - required if 50 or more employees (28 CFR 35.150(d)(1))
- Covers existing facilities
- Transition Plan requirements (28 CFR 150(d)(3))
  - Identify the physical barriers
  - Methods to remove barriers
  - Schedule
  - Identify responsible person

# Publication

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- Available to the public (28 CFR 35.150(d)(1))
- “Living document”
- Used for project planning, budgeting, tracking improvements in accessibility
- Record of accomplishments

# Asset Management

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- Who is responsible for managing the data?
- What type of system are you going to use?
- Who will have access to the system?
- What performance measures will ensure progress?
- To whom and how will there be reporting?

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# Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)

## Asset Management's Role in Active Transportation Safety





1. How FDOT keeps track of active transportation assets
2. FDOT Context Classification Guide
3. How pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements are prioritized



## How FDOT Keeps Track of Active Transportation Assets

- **Roadway Characteristics Inventory (RCI) database**
  - <https://www.fdot.gov/statistics/raci/default.shtm>
- **eTraffic website**
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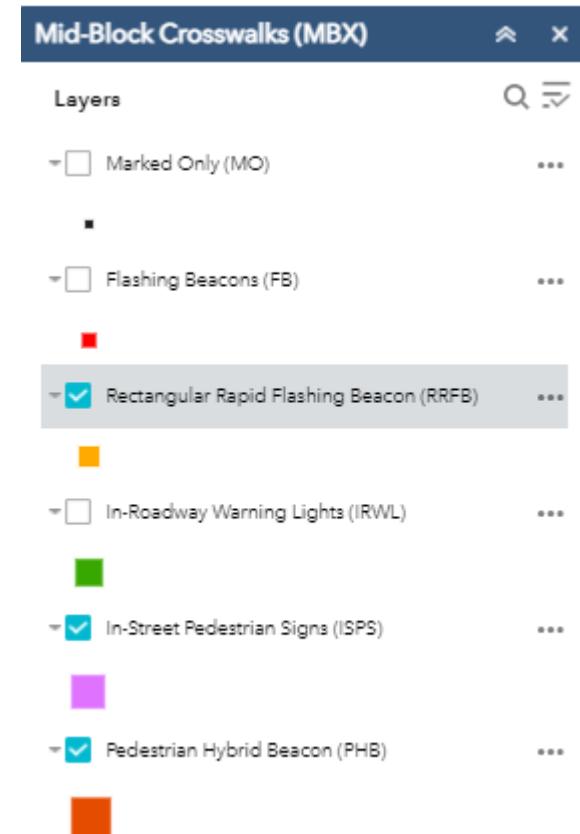
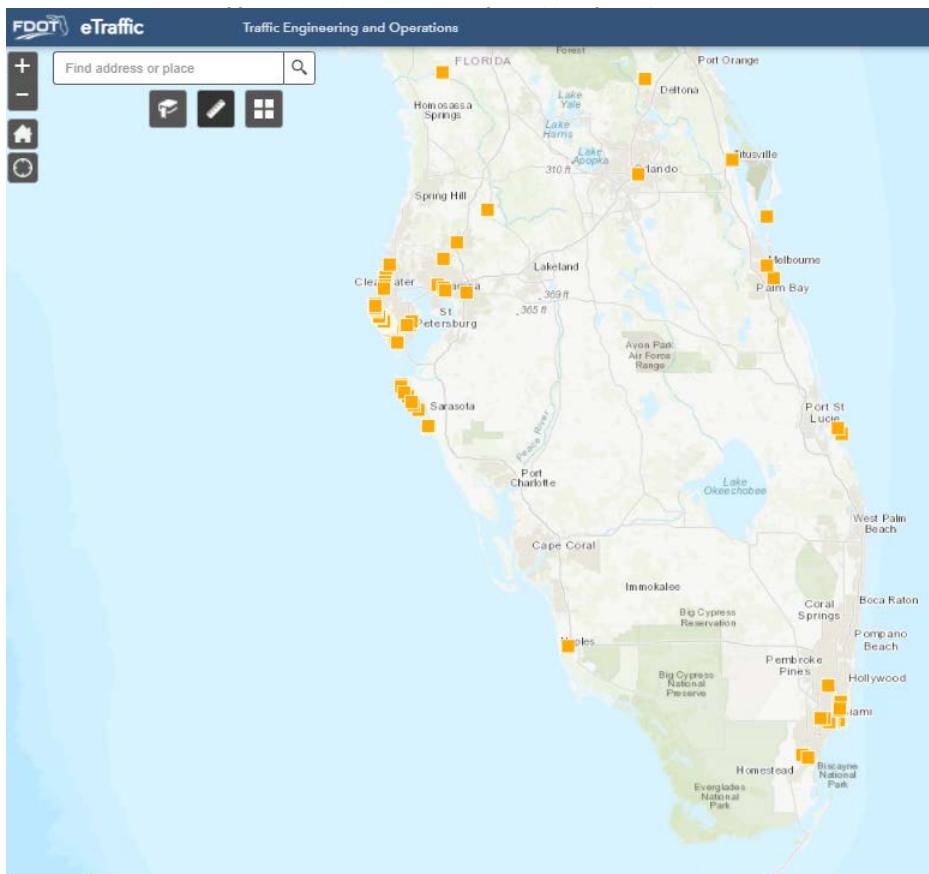
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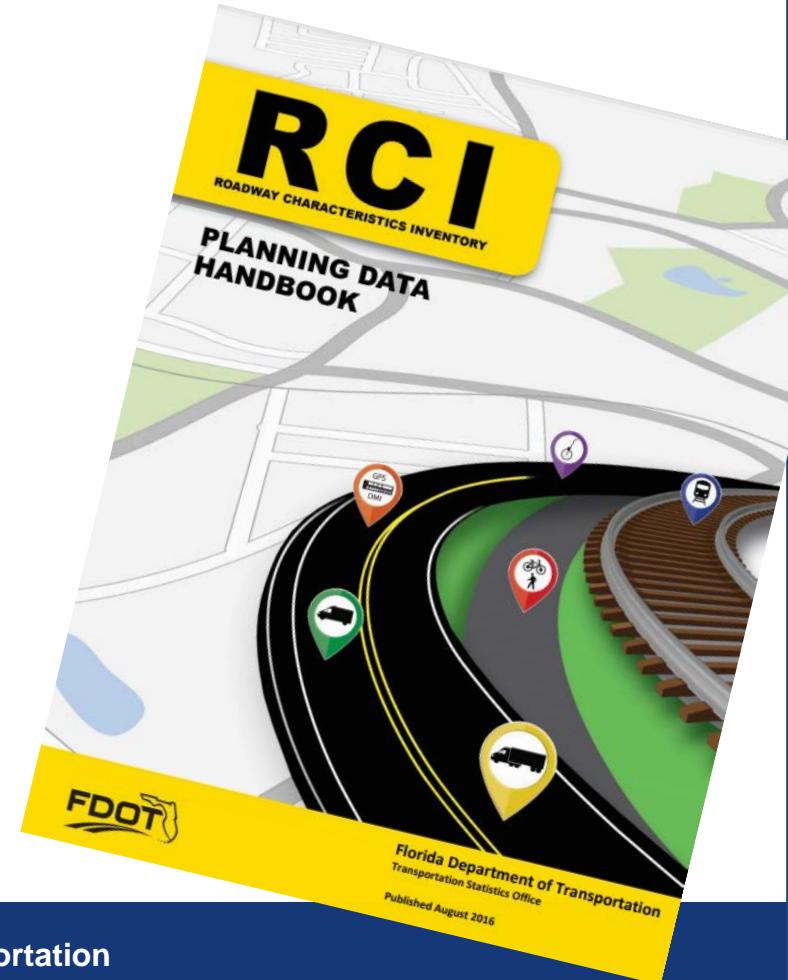
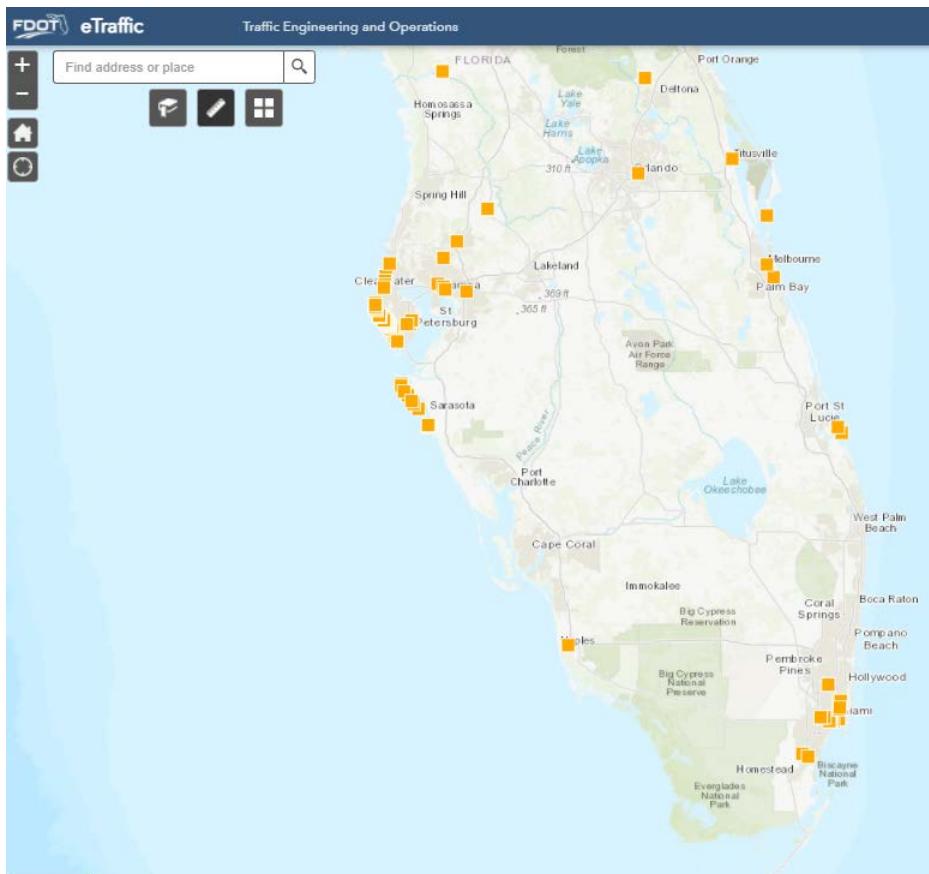
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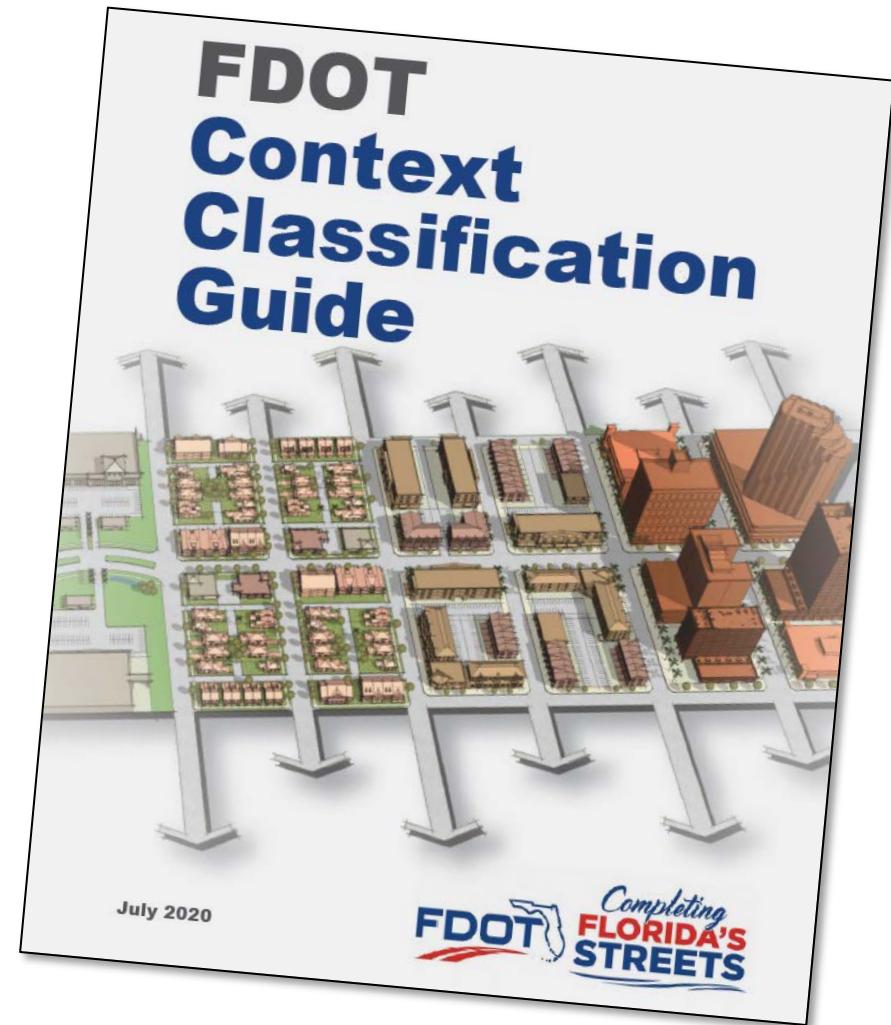


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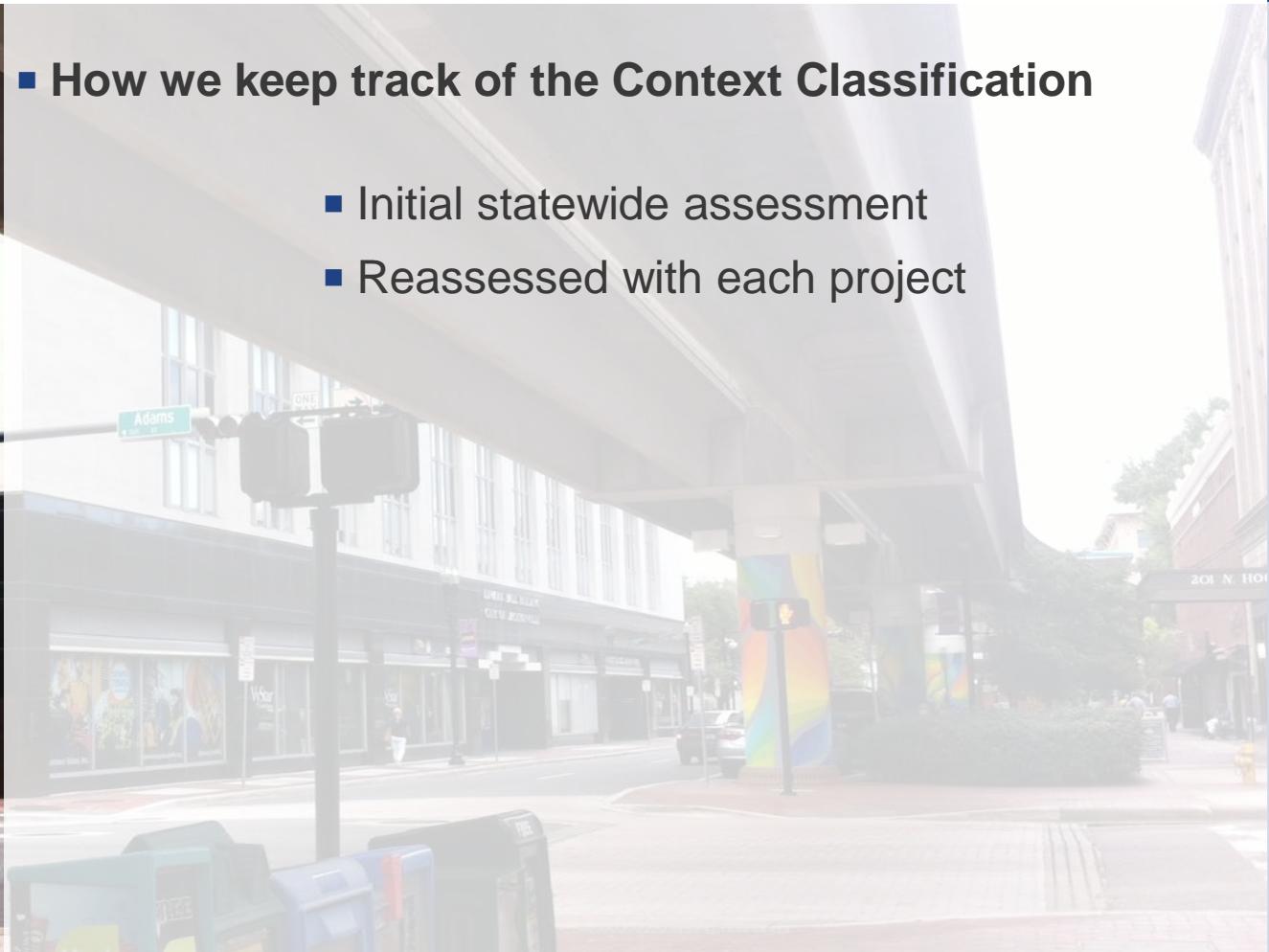
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- How we determine the Context Classification



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- How we keep track of the Context Classification
    - Initial statewide assessment
    - Reassessed with each project



# FDOT Context Classification Guide

- How we keep track of the Context Classification

ROUGHNESS - PAVEMENT ROUGHNESS INDEX

126

Preliminary Context Classification

299  
KB

Transportation Data &  
Analytics

Nov 2019 CCTXTCLS - Preliminary Current Context Classification

Nov 2019 FCTXTCLS - Future Context Classification

Nov 2019 CCTXTDTE - Preliminary Current Context Classification Date

Nov 2019 FCTXTCLS - Future Context Classification Date

# FDOT Context Classification Guide

- How the Context Classification helps us make design decisions
  - Informs planners and engineers about that roadway segment's:
    - Type of users (pedestrians, people biking, etc.) and
    - Volume of those users



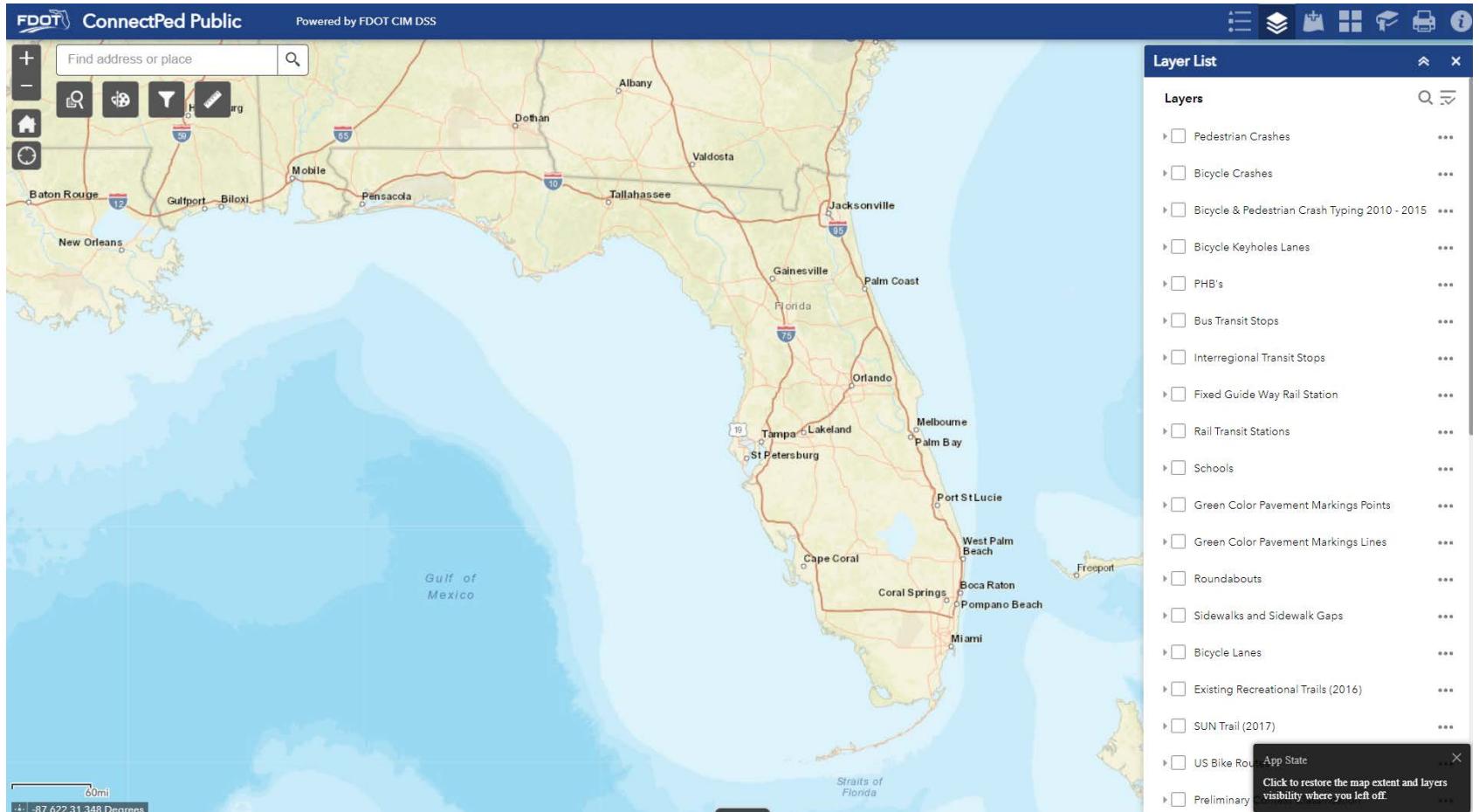


## How pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements are prioritized

- District Bicycle Pedestrian Facility Plans

# How pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements are prioritized

- ConnectPed [www.fdot.gov/connectped](http://www.fdot.gov/connectped)





# *The Role of Asset Management in Active Transportation Safety*

April 21, 2021

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# Active Transportation Performance Targets



# Asset Management Models

## Physical

Fix Existing

- Inventory
- Deterioration
- Condition ratings

## Reservation

Reactive Safety

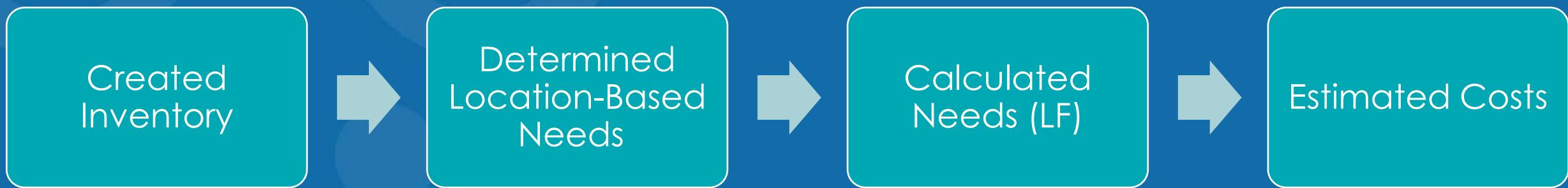
- Financial reservation
- Locations triggered by safety investigations
- 60% overall safety goal investment

## Deficiency

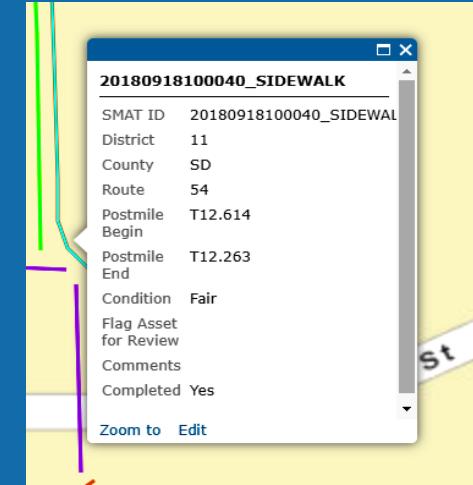
Add New & Proactive Safety

- Improve/correct issues
- District Plan Gaps
- Systemic Safety improvements
- 40% overall safety goal investment

# Overall Process - Planning



# Physical Asset Model – Fix Existing



1. Features are created for each asset and mapped at Caltrans HQ using ArcGIS Pro, Google Maps, and Caltrans imagery.

2. Districts enter data into Arc GIS Portal, assessing the conditions of assets using Postmile Services, Google Maps, and Pathweb imagery.

3. Data can be used by many functional units to make more informed decisions at the project level.

## Active Transportation Asset Inventory Pilot (ATAIP)

- Baseline existing pedestrian and bicycle asset information on the State Highway System
- Simplified – bikeways, crosswalks, and sidewalks
- 26,000 + assets statewide
- Condition Ratings based on pavement and striping condition

# Deficiency Asset Model

## Add New Facilities

Extrapolation Criteria for districts without an active transportation plan:

- Not Prohibited to bicyclists
- No existing facility
- Within a Census Designated Place
- Level of Traffic Stress 3 or 4



Linear Feet



Compare % of need types in similar district with a completed gap analysis (bikeways, crosswalks sidewalks)



Estimate Costs

# Deficiency Asset Model Proactive Safety

## Pedestrian Systemic Safety Program

- Initiated in 2019
- Uses Statistical Methodologies to identify locations that have a high risk of pedestrian injuries and fatalities
- First year generated over 500 locations for investigation and improvements
- Currently in its second round



# Deficiency Asset Model Proactive Safety

## Pedestrian Systemic Safety Program

- Gather data from crashes
- Perform data analysis and modeling
- Identify locations (“hot spots”) at high risk for future crashes
- Based on roadway features, context, and characteristics

Example Results

Lanes (maj+min)	0-7,000 AADT	7,000-15,000 AADT	15,000-25,000 AADT	25,000+ AADT
All-way stops	0.03	0.28	0.38	0.43
2+2	0.02	0.20	0.13	0.50
3+2			2.00	
4+2	0.13	0.83	0.50	0.40
4+4		0.50		
6+2				0.50
Signal	0.35	0.53	0.87	1.11
2+1			0.60	
2+2	0.33	0.22	0.62	0.23
3+2	0.36	0.89	1.87	0.20
3+3	0.67	3.33	3.43	4.00
4+1			0.22	0.08
4+2	0.29	0.55	0.78	0.83
4+3	0.50	1.07	0.70	0.73
4+4		1.11	1.09	1.16
5+2		0.33	0.26	0.73
5+3			1.00	0.25
5+4			0.82	0.88
6+2		1.20	1.40	1.28
6+3				2.40
6+4			1.08	1.48
6+5				1.20
6+6			0.50	1.57

# Treatments

## Pedestrian Systemic Safety Program

- Implement pedestrian safety countermeasures
- Examples may include:
  - Upgrading Curb Ramps
  - Pedestrian Refuge Island
  - High-Visibility Crosswalk



# Lessons Learned



## Process

- Start early
- Consensus on a methodology
- Document process and historical knowledge
- Extensive coordination with stakeholders
- Progress, not perfection

## Data Needs

- Existence and availability of data
- Automated data collection – photogrammetry, LiDAR, machine learning
- Separate striping and pavement condition ratings to accurately estimate costs
- Keep it simple – interim targets and pilots

# What's Next?

- Finish district active transportation plans by 2023
- Transportation System Network Replacement (TSNR)
- Roadway asset inventory data collection
- Bicyclist Systemic Safety Program
- District Traffic Safety Plans

# Thank you!

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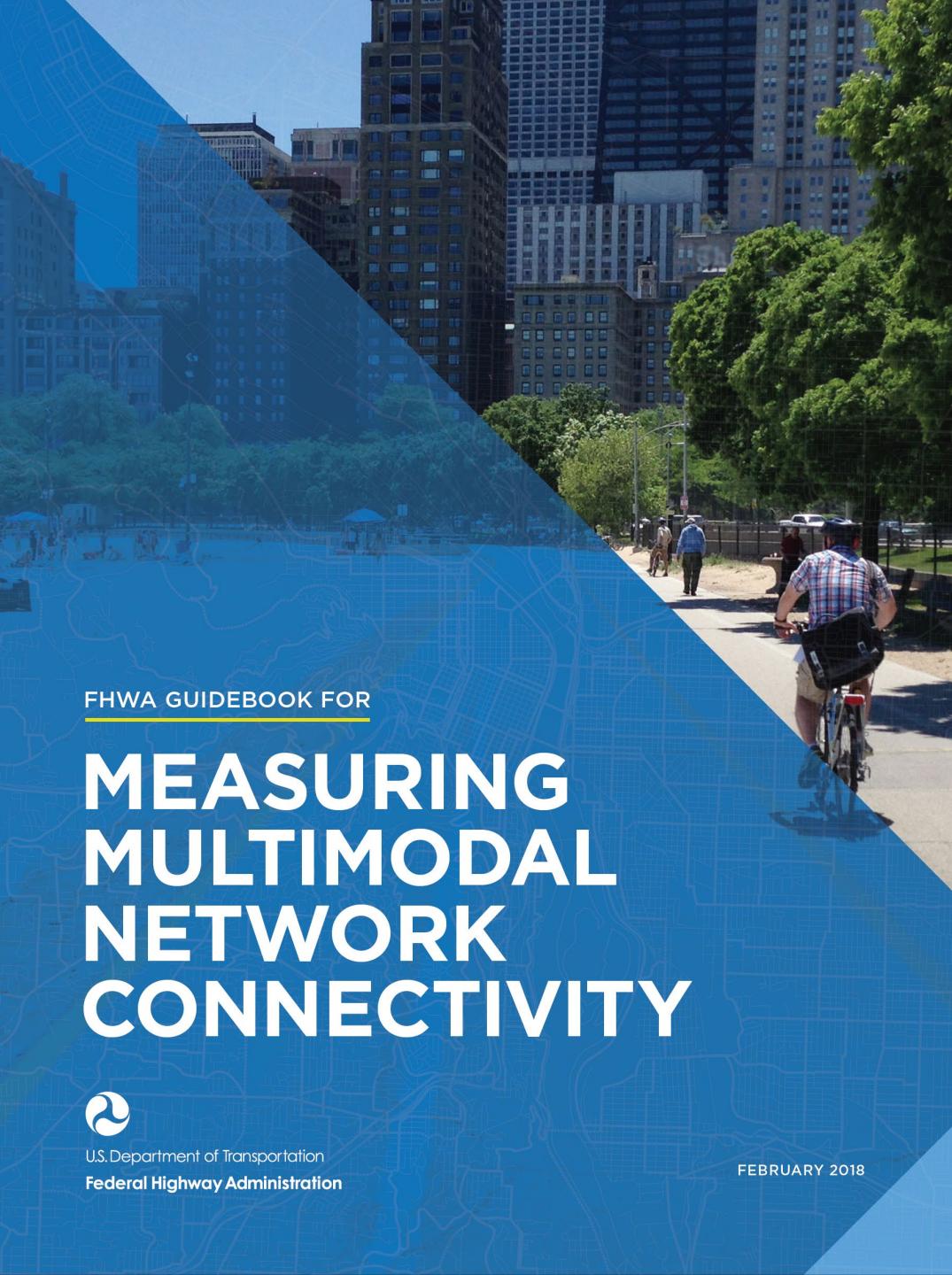


# Federal Highway Administration AASHTO CEE Active Transpo Workshop

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FHWA GUIDEBOOK FOR

# MEASURING MULTIMODAL NETWORK CONNECTIVITY



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Federal Highway Administration

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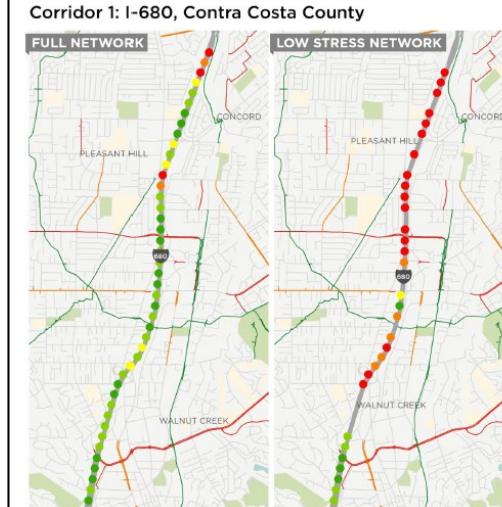
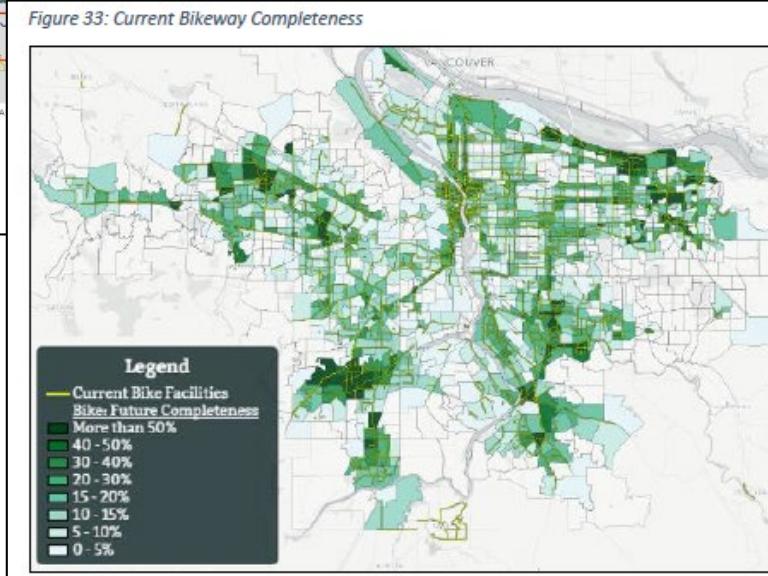
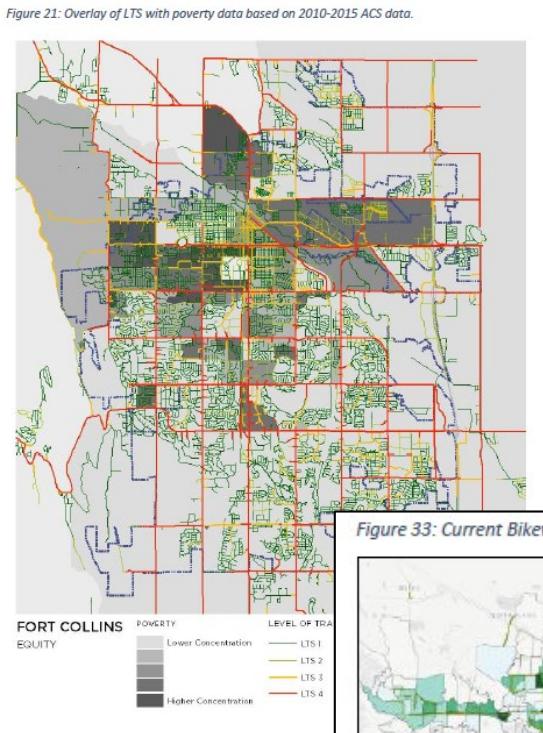
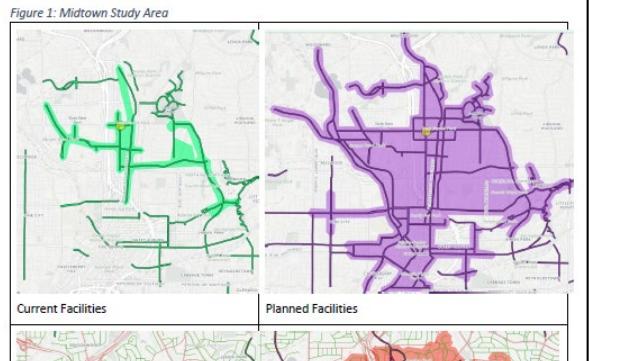
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## **MEASURING MULTIMODAL NETWORK CONNECTIVITY POSITIONS A TRANSPORTATION AGENCY TO:**

- Enhance access to jobs, training, schools, and economic centers
- Accelerate project delivery by capturing efficiencies in economies of scale, project sequencing, construction phasing, financing, and community involvement
- Increase accountability of efforts to increase mobility options and system efficiency
- Prioritize infrastructure investments that fill gaps and address barriers in the transportation network, and that increase safety for all users
- Partner with the private sector to provide innovative multimodal transportation services and capture opportunities relating to shared-use mobility and automated and connected technology

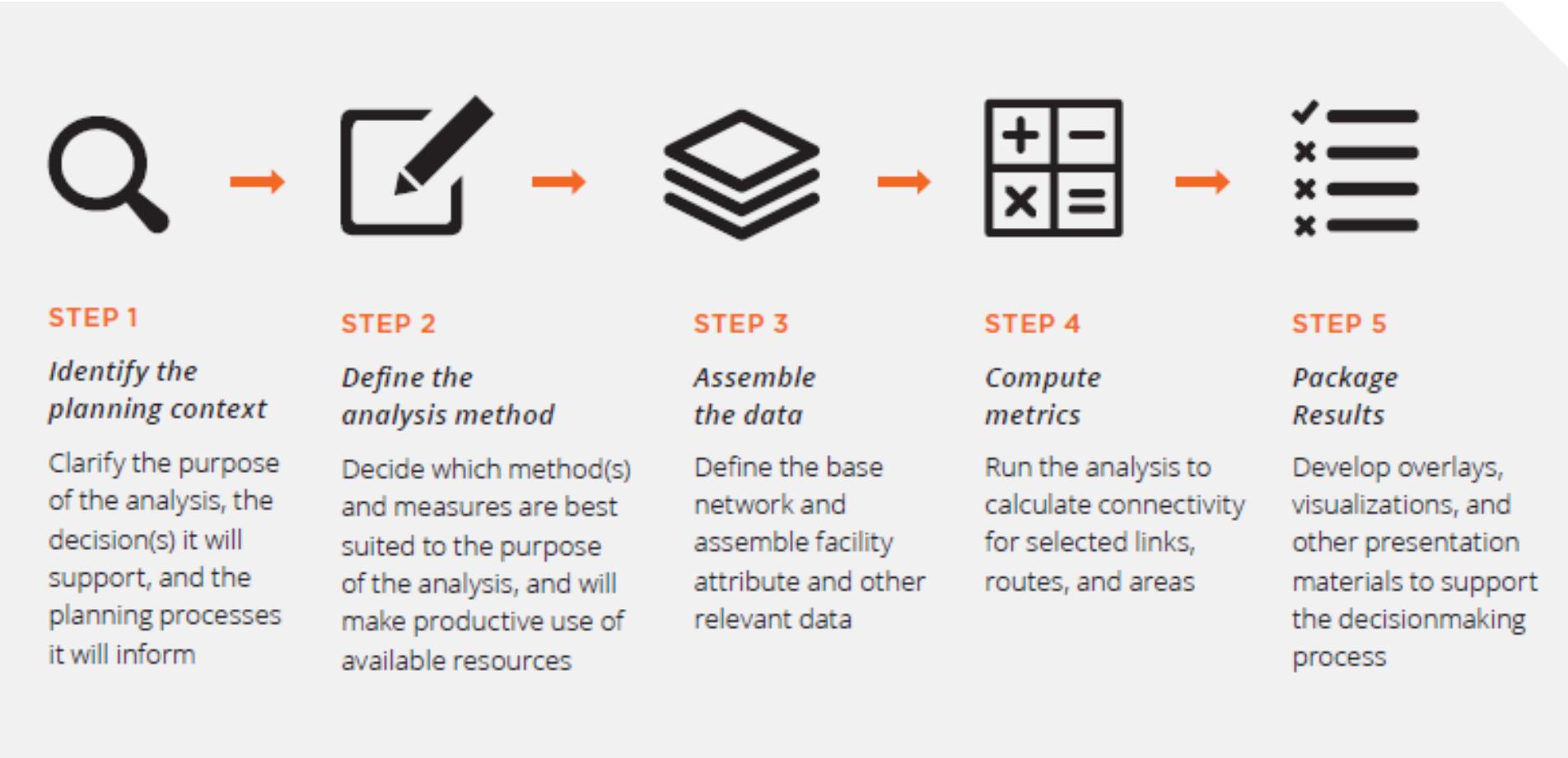


# Case Studies



- Atlanta Regional Commission
- City of Baltimore
- California Department of Transportation District Four Office
- City of Fort Collins
- Portland Metro

# Connectivity Analysis Process



# Analysis Methods

- Network Completeness
- Network Density
- Route Directness
- Access to Destinations
- Network Quality

ANALYSIS METHOD	KEY QUESTION	EXAMPLE MEASURES	SCALE	PLANNING TASK
Network Completeness	How complete is the planned bicycle and pedestrian network?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Percent of planned nonmotorized facility-miles that are complete</li> <li>Miles of planned nonmotorized facilities that have been built</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Monitoring and Benchmarking
	What portion of streets contain nonmotorized facilities?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Percent of street-miles with nonmotorized facilities</li> <li>Percent of street-miles that meet level of service or low-stress thresholds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Needs Assessment, Scenario Analysis
Network Density	Does the street network allow for travel between destinations via a number of routes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intersection density</li> <li>Connected node ratio</li> <li>Block length</li> <li>Network density (street-miles per square mile)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Route</li> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Needs Assessment; Scenario Analysis
	Do designated bicycle and pedestrian facilities allow people to travel between destinations via a number of routes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network density of nonmotorized facilities (lane miles per square mile)</li> <li>Intersection density of nonmotorized facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Scenario Analysis, Project Prioritization
Route Directness	Do nonmotorized facilities allow users to travel throughout a community via direct routes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Out of direction travel as a percentage of shortest path route</li> <li>Network permeability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corridor</li> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Scenario Analysis, Gap Identification, Project Prioritization, Benchmarking
Access to Destinations	How well do bicycle facilities connect to key destinations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nonmotorized travelshed size</li> <li>Number of homes/jobs accessible by bike/foot</li> <li>Accessibility indices (e.g. Walk Opportunity Index)</li> <li>Number of homes/jobs accessible by bike/foot using a certain level of network quality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corridor</li> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Needs Assessment, Gap Identification, Project Prioritization
Network Quality	What is the objective quality of connectivity provided by an existing or planned network?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Percent or area of network with high ratings for nonmotorized Level of Service, Bicycle Route Quality, or Pedestrian Index of Environment</li> <li>Percent or area of network with low ratings for Level of Traffic Stress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Link</li> <li>Route</li> <li>Small area</li> <li>Large area</li> </ul>	Needs Assessment, Gap Identification, Scenario Analysis



### ANY NETWORK

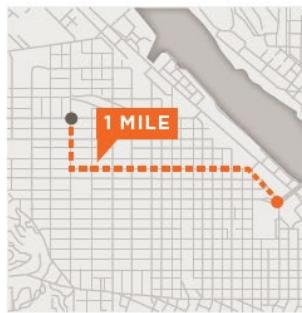
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How **complete** is  
the network?



—  
How **dense** is  
the network?



—  
How **direct** is  
the network?



—  
What destinations  
can you **access**  
with the network?



### BIKE/PED SPECIFIC

**25%**  
HAVE BIKE  
SPECIFIC  
FACILITIES



**5**  
INTERSECTIONS  
PER ACRE



**2.5 MILES**



**100% ACCESSED**



### HIGH QUALITY

**18%**  
HAVE QUALITY  
BIKE ROUTES



**12**  
INTERSECTIONS  
PER ACRE



**NO CONNECTION!**



**66% ACCESSED**



# Multimodal Network Planning Pilot Projects

- Using variety of network measurement tools (including Level of Traffic Stress)
- New data sources (including Streetlight, Sidewalk Labs)
- Variety of contexts (arterial corridors all the way to statewide)
- Answering different questions (safety, planning, project prioritization, equity)

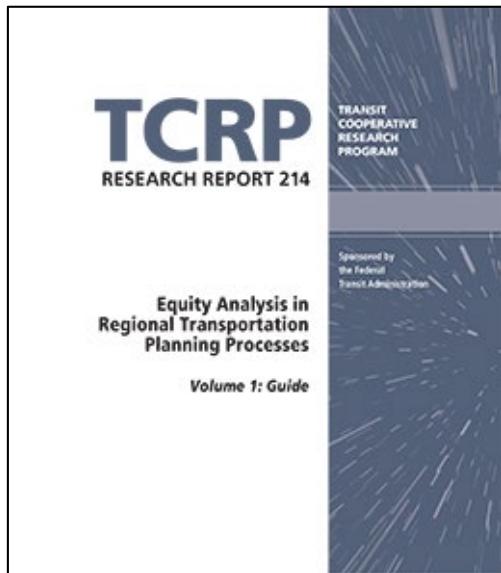


# Multimodal Network Planning Pilot Locations

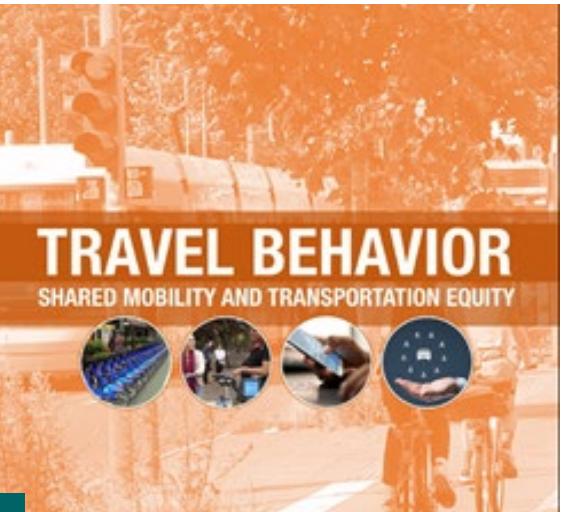
- MetroPlan, Orlando, FL
- Mid-America Regional Council, MO-KS
- New Hampshire MPOs
- Eastgate Regional Council of Governments, OH
- Corvallis and Albany MPOs, OR
- Houston-Galveston Area Council, TX
- Utah DOT/Wasatch Front Regional Council/Mountainland Association of Governments
- Washington State DOT



# Equity Considerations



The image shows the front cover of a report titled "MEASURING EQUITABLE ACCESS TO NEW MOBILITY: A CASE STUDY OF SHARED BIKES AND ELECTRIC SCOOTERS". It features the POPULUS logo at the top right and the U.S. Department of Transportation/Federal Highway Administration logo at the bottom right. Below the titles is a photograph of several shared bikes and electric scooters parked on a sidewalk. At the bottom, it says "A POPULUS REPORT NOVEMBER 2018" and "populus.ai".



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The image is a screenshot of the pedbikeinfo.org website. At the top is a green header with the logo "pedbikeinfo" and the text "Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center". Below the header are navigation links: "FACTS &amp; FIGURES", "TOPICS", "RESOURCES", and "WEBINARS". The main content area features a photograph of a pedestrian and a cyclist on a shared path. A green banner across the photo reads "Equity". Below the banner, the text "RELATED TOPICS: Vision Zero, Health, Community Engagement" is visible.

Historically, many low-income communities and underserved populations have been left out of conversations about transportation planning and this has led to unsafe conditions where pedestrians and bicyclists are over-represented in crashes. An equitable transportation system fosters fairness and helps facilitate access to opportunities for all community members. Equity can be considered both a process and an outcome. To achieve transportation equity, communities must engage in inclusionary, authentic outreach to address underlying disparities of mobility and access and prioritize equity during all stages of the planning and implementation process. This involves building an accessible, affordable, and reliable transportation network that effectively serves all people. Discriminatory enforcement of traffic laws is a form of transportation inequity.

Transportation equity requires understanding the unique needs and safety concerns of different populations and providing the appropriate amount of resources to each group. Numerous studies have shown that enhancing the ability of traditionally underserved populations to travel via nonmotorized modes can potentially lead to improved outcomes in public health, safety, and economic development; promote economic development and resource efficiency; strengthen inclusive neighborhood relations; and bolster public transit services. Benefits of an equitable transportation system positively impact the entire community.

**Resources**  
[Pursuing Equity in Pedestrian and Bicycle Planning](#) provides an overview of transportation equity, nonmotorized transportation options for traditionally underserved populations, and strategies for improving equity for

**Examples**  
[America Walks Social Justice Toolkit](#) provides tools and resources to consider equity and mitigate disparities by working towards healthy, productive walking environments for everybody.

**Related Webinars**  
[Pursuing Equity in Pedestrian and Bicycle Planning \(6/26/2016\)](#)  
[Transportation Equity: Issues and Approaches to Reduce Disparities in Access to Pedestrian and Bicycle](#)

<http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/>

# Shifting Streets

- [Pedbikeinfo.org](https://pedbikeinfo.org) tracking list of local actions to support walking and bicycling



## Local Actions to Support Walking, Bicycling During Social Distancing

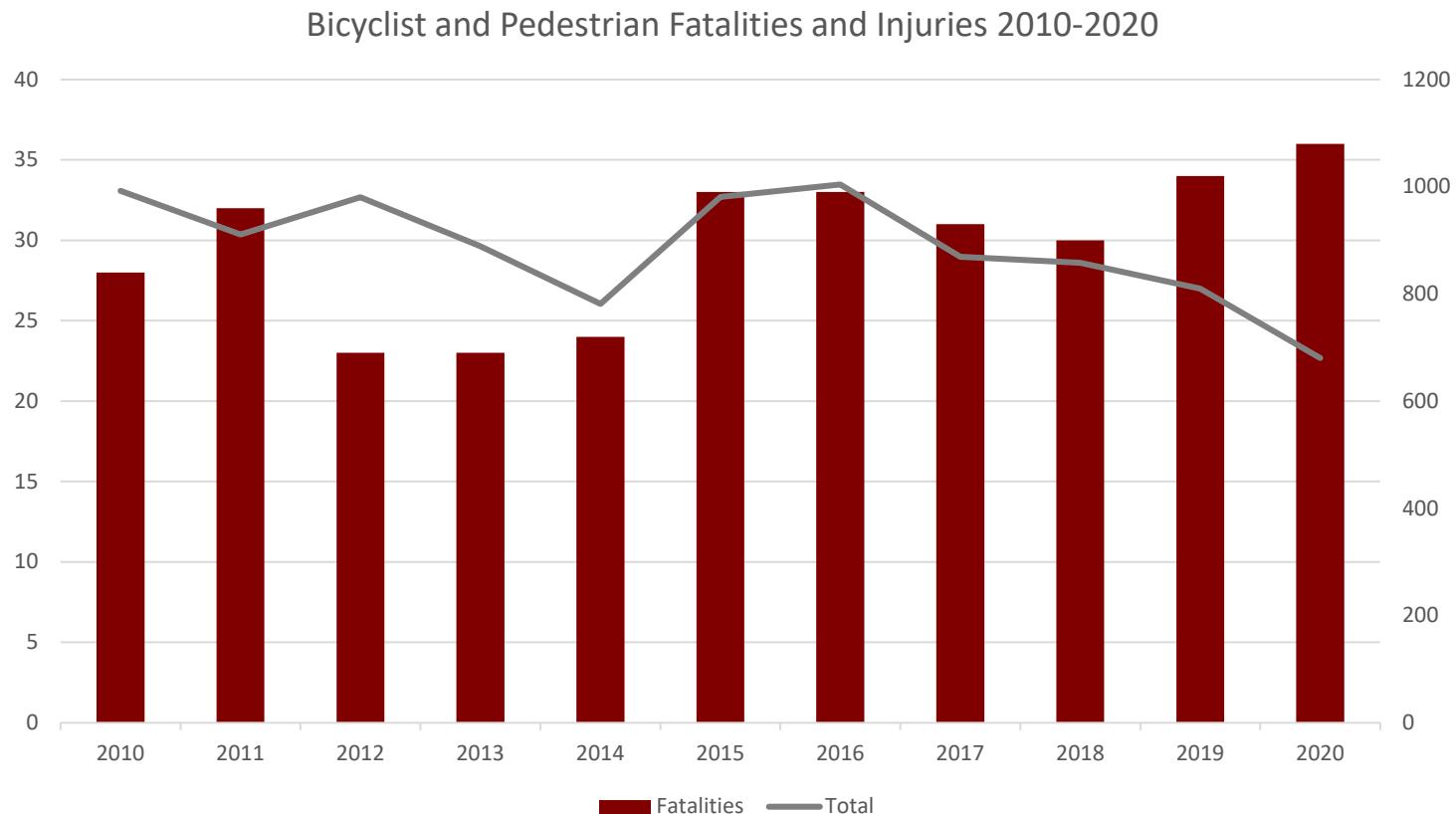
Dataset tracks immediate community actions that show adaptation to changing demands on public space

Source: PBIC



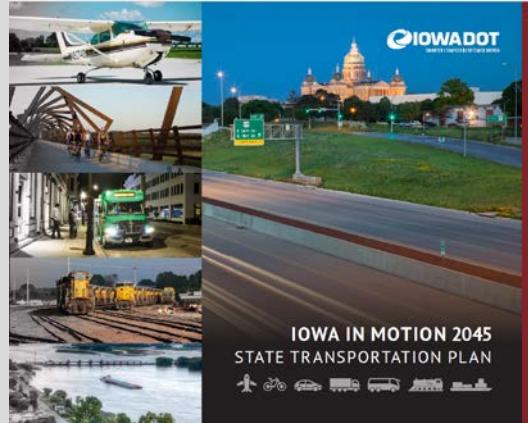
# Bicyclists and Pedestrian Systemic Safety Analysis

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### Iowa in Motion 2045



"Evaluate Key safety challenges pertaining to bicycling and walking and develop crash reduction strategies"

### Iowa Bicycle and Pedestrian Long Range Plan



"Identify the primary urban and rural crash types occurring in Iowa and develop strategies for reducing crashes"

"Develop methodology for bicycle and pedestrian safety audits of high crash corridors and intersections to identify adequate counter measures"

### Iowa SHSP



"Conduct enforcement campaigns related to bicycle and pedestrian awareness at targeted intersections"

## Bicyclists and Pedestrian Systemic Safety Analysis



# Systemic Safety Analysis

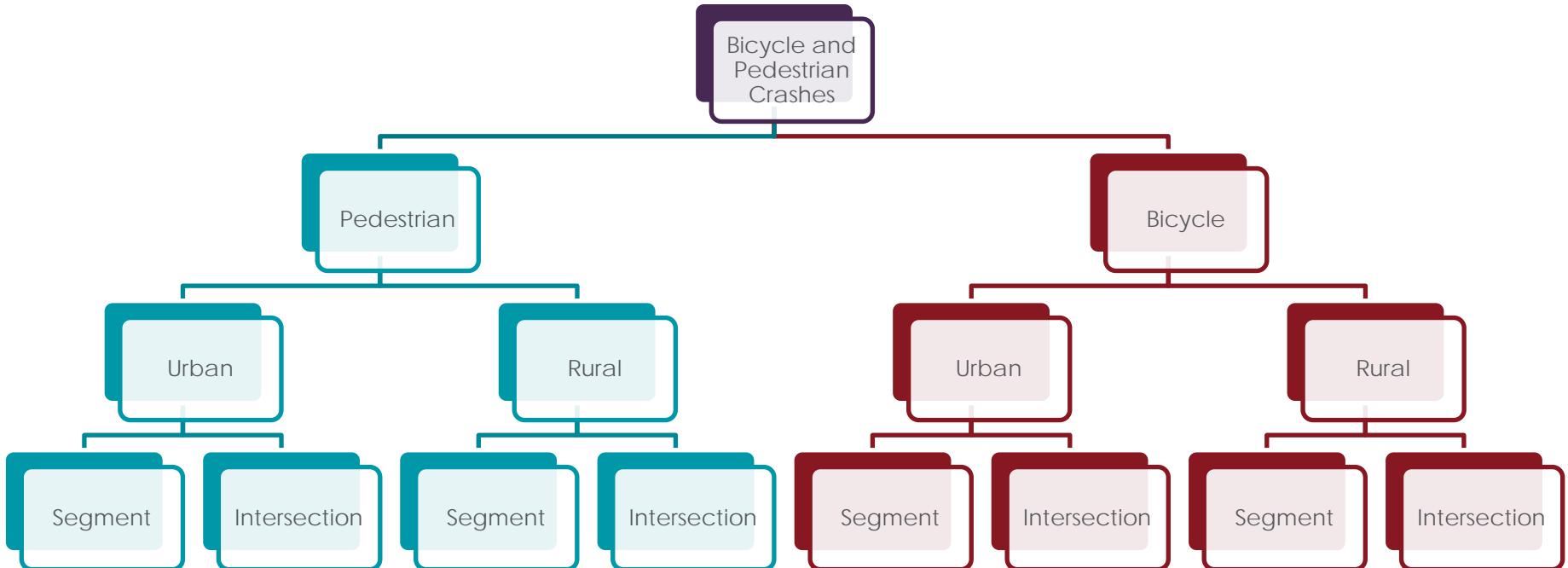
"The systemic approach to safety involves widely implemented improvements based on high-risk roadway features correlated with specific severe crash types. The approach provides a more comprehensive method for safety planning and implementation that supplements and complements traditional site analysis." \*

\*FHWA. 2013. Systemic Safety Project Selection Tool. Safety.fhwa.dot.gov/systemic/fhwasa13019/. U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. July.

## Bicyclist and Pedestrian Systemic Safety Analysis

- Data Sources
  - Crash Data 2009-2018
  - Intersection Database
  - Roadway Data (RAMS)
- Software
  - ArcGIS
  - SQL Developer

## Bicyclist and Pedestrian Systemic Safety Analysis



# Intersections

- Attributes included
  - AADT
  - Intersection Angle
  - Intersection type
  - Number of Lanes
  - Number of Legs
  - Speed Limit
  - Traffic Control

# Segments

- Attributes included
  - AADT
  - Median Type
  - Number of Lanes
  - Parking Type
  - Shoulder Rumble
  - Shoulder Type
  - Shoulder Width
  - Speed Limit

# Normalization, Weighting, and Composite score

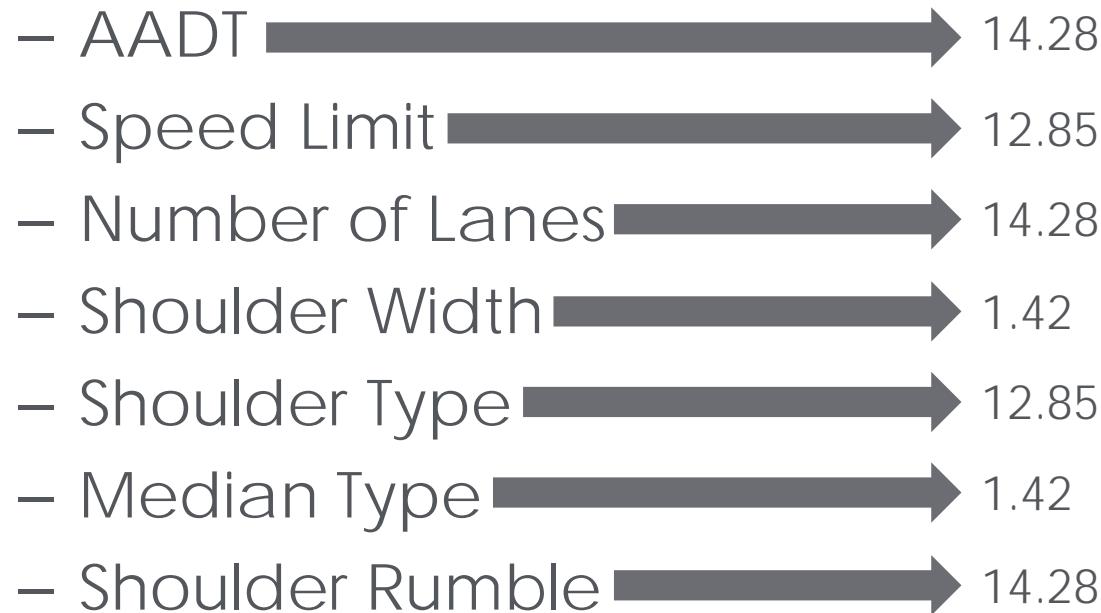
- Normalization
  - For each element a rate is developed based on the number of crashes and associated mileage related to that attribute.
  - A normalized Score of 1-10 is developed based on the range of possible values for each element attribute.
- Weighting
  - Once all the elements have been normalized to a common scale a weighting multiplier is applied.
  - This is essentially done for two reasons
    - To eventually have a composite score from 0-100
    - In the future the ability to emphasize elements over each other.
- Composite Scores
  - After weighting, all the weighted element scores are added together for each segment or intersection which makes up a composite score.

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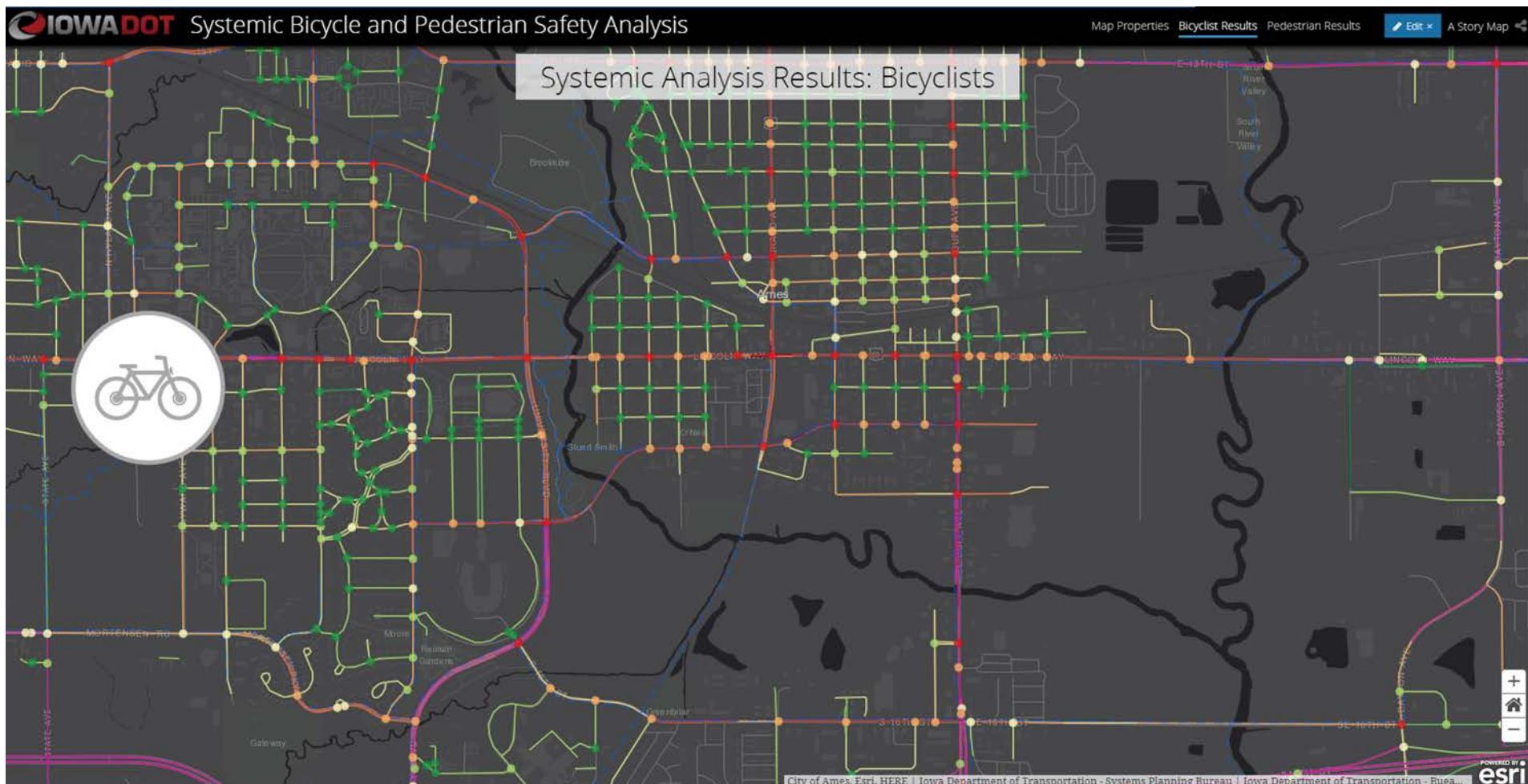
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# Composite Scoring

- Elements

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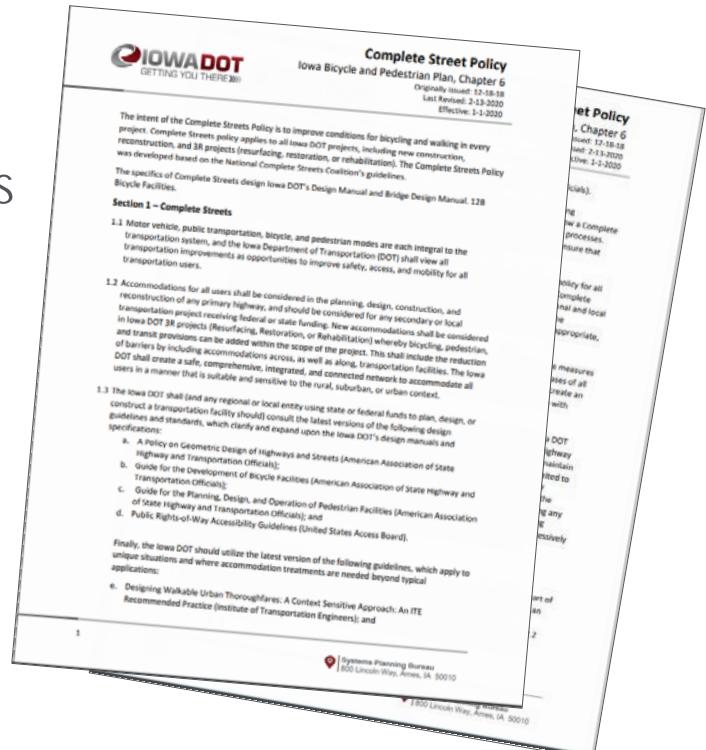
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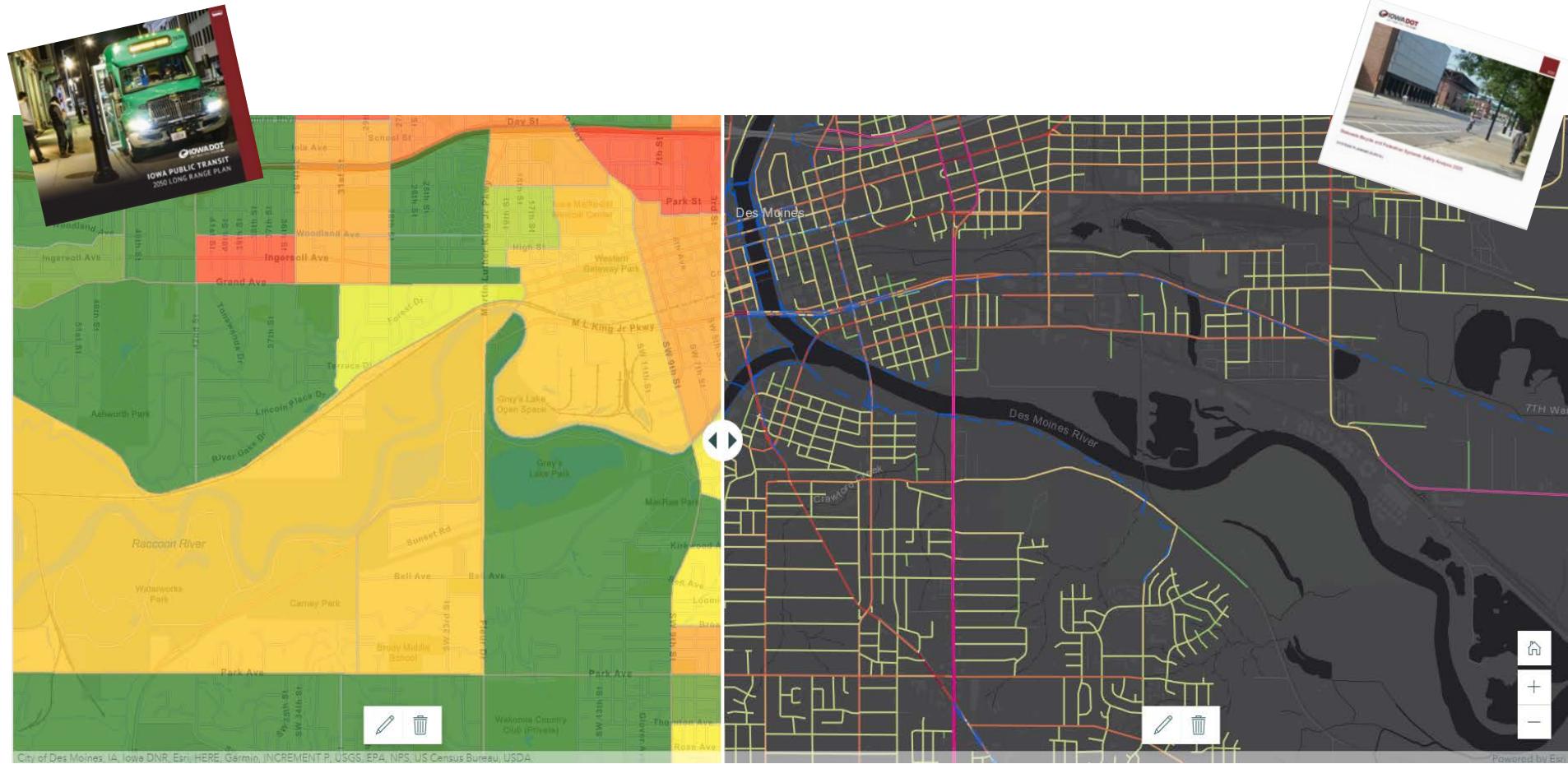
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# Integrating into Decision Making

- Local Decision Making
  - Please use in support of plans, analysis, and prioritization of local projects!
- State Decision Making
  - Iowa DOT has 6 District offices
  - Complete Streets Policy
    - Needs Test Assessment



# Equity and Safety integration





THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION



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# Safety & Equity in Active Transportation

AASHTO Peer Exchange





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# Georgia

- Georgia has 159 counties - the second most in any state behind Texas with 254



# State of Safety

## *GDOT Safety Programs*

- Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety
- Safety Project Identification
- Data Driven Decisions
- Education & Outreach
- Policy & Funding



# Project Identification

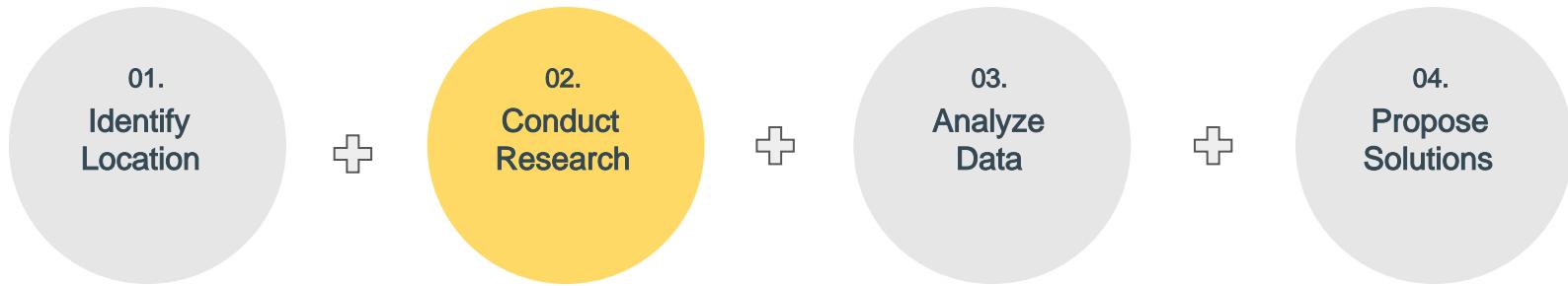
## *A Look At The Data*



The 2018 Georgia Pedestrian Safety Action Plan identifies pedestrian focus areas at a county, city, and corridor level across the state.

# Project Identification

## *A Look At The Data*



Research corridor data, including:

- Average daily traffic volumes
- Previous or planned projects in the area
- Historical speed data
- GIS right-of-way data

# Project Identification

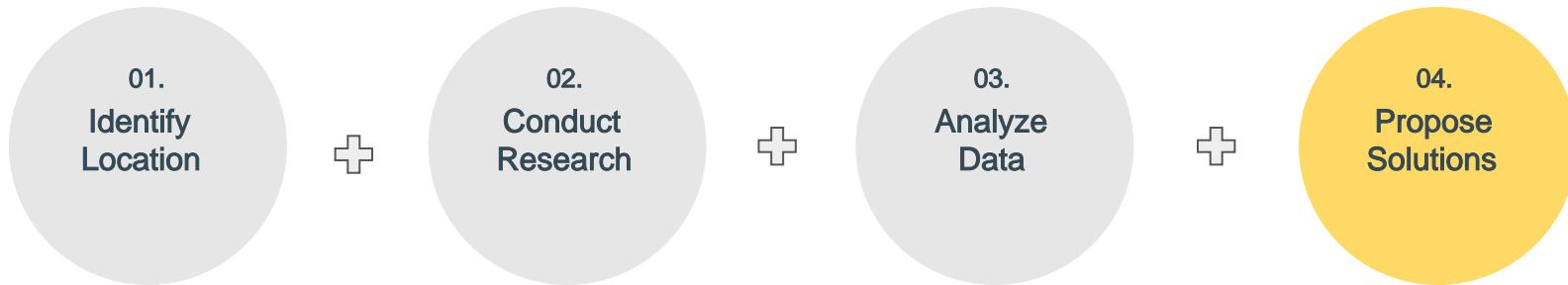
## *A Look At The Data*



Analyze crash data to explore effective countermeasures and calculate benefit-cost values.

# Project Identification

## *A Look At The Data*



Provide recommendations for safety projects on the corridor. Partner with the GDOT District Office to develop delivery mechanisms.

# Community Partnerships

*Understanding the value of collaboration*

- Perceptions of safety and education
- Local insight fills data gaps
- Community appreciation programs



# GOHS State Safety Task Teams

*We all see a different roads*

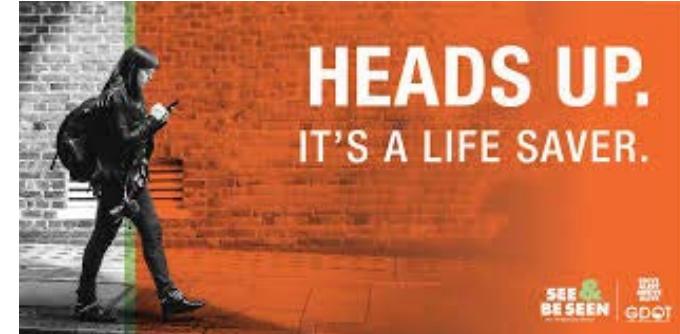
- Occupant Protection
- Aggressive Driving
- Impaired Driving
- Pedestrian
- Bicycle
- Alternative Intersections
- Older / Younger Drivers
- Motorcycles
- Traffic Incident Mgmt Enhancement



# Statewide Education

*Familiarize yourself with the tools at your disposal*

- SHSP Action Plan
  - Pedestrian Safety Action Plan
  - Bicycle Safety Action Plan
- GDOT Pedestrian Streetscape Guide
- Communications Plans
- Safety Partnerships





Thank you

*Any questions?*



## Active Transportation Safety + Equity + and Mobility at WSDOT

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# ATP goals



- **Connectivity:** Complete comfortable and efficient walking and rolling networks so people can reach their destinations and other forms of transportation and have everyday access to physical activity.
- **Safety:** Eliminate deaths and serious injuries of people walking and rolling.
- **Opportunity:** Eliminate disparities in access to safe active transportation connections for people and communities most dependent on walking, bicycling and transit.
- **Participation:** Increase the percentage of everyday short trips made by walking or bicycling.
- **Partnership:** Collaborate with local, regional, state, tribal and federal partners to complete and improve the network across boundaries.

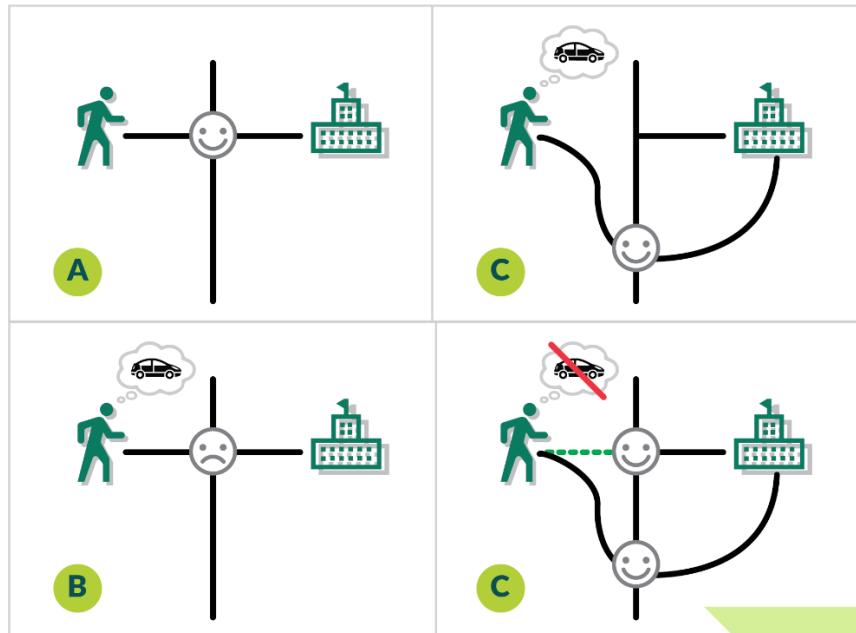
# “Safe, Safer, Safety”

**How does your agency define safety? How do you advance it?**

- Exposure to potential for serious/deadly crashes
- Is there any space for me at all? (Safety = Connectivity = Mobility = Safety)
- Health+: Reduced exposure to things that affect health
- Health+: Access to places I can take care of my physical, mental, and emotional well-being through movement and being outdoors
  - Make the healthy choice the easy choice
  - [COVID behavioral health issues](#): Walk/bike/outdoors “prescription”
- Environment+: Can I use transportation that doesn’t contribute pollutants/emissions to my neighborhood?
- Equity+: If I use this space, am I subject to harassment? Danger? Deadly encounters?
  - [Dr. Charles T. Brown, #ArrestedMobility](#)
  - [AASHTO Passes Resolution Addressing Race, Equity, Diversity, And Inclusion](#)
  - [10 Principles of Mobility Justice](#)

# Focus on facilities

- **Safe Systems Approach** underpinning analysis
- Level of traffic stress gives us an **objective, quantitative set of design and operations factors** that define gaps to improve over time.
- **Focus on population centers** lets us address critical safety needs and tap into latent demand where potential is highest.
- **Latent demand** is only unleashed when you can get all the way to your destination; importance of **route directness and crossing availability** in the context of **travel need**.
- It takes **partnership** to find the best way through for **network connectivity across jurisdiction boundaries**. Best solution for a gap on state right of way may be on the local system. More data + Plan alignment = Shared priority maps



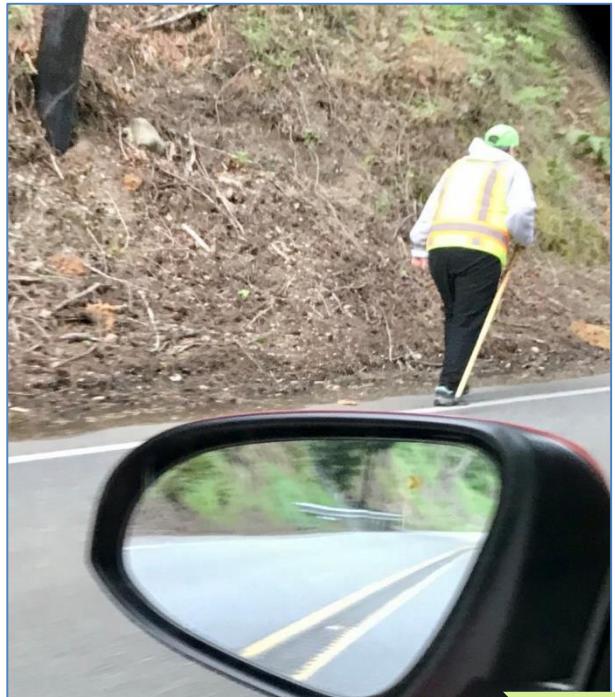
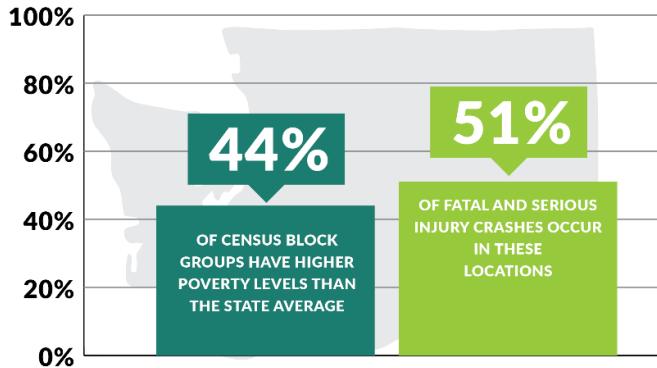
# Core concepts for equity + safety



- Use of demographic information helps us address **disproportionate serious injuries and deaths** by applying **equity factors + safety + demand** in evaluation and future prioritization
- How many people in your state don't hold a driver's license? (Hint: Kids count too.)
- **"User count" is not synonymous with "need" or "demand".** Build it and they will walk and roll.
  - (Induced demand worked for driving...)
- Justification for ADA facilities is not tied to existing use; it is grounded in the right to have access to appropriate facilities. Active transportation facilities serve disabled users and are needed to develop a complete and accessible network for all.

# Equity: The data

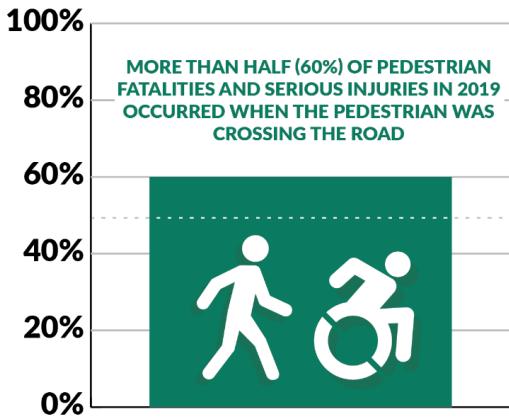
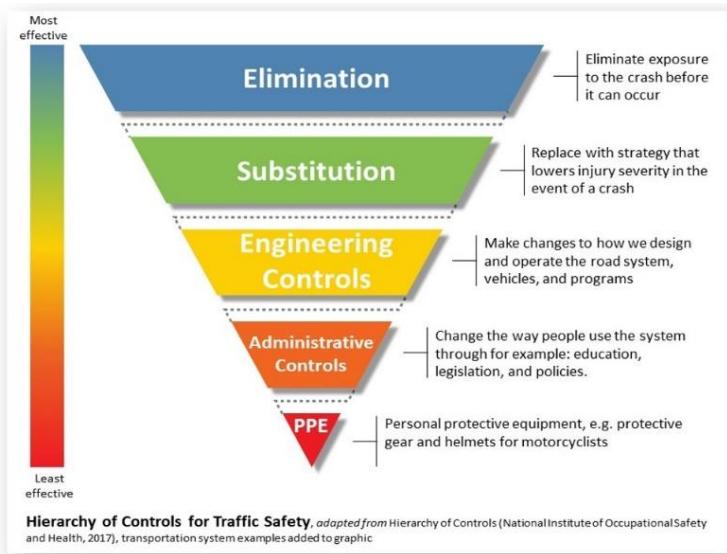
- **History:** Effects of transportation and land use decisions
  - Very clear patterns in data
  - Redlining, reservations, and roads: Disparities in walk/bike infrastructure, road design, highway locations, exposure to pollution
- **Demographics**
  - ~25% of Washingtonians don't drive
  - More fatal/serious crashes in census tracts w/higher levels of poverty and Black, Indigenous, people of color



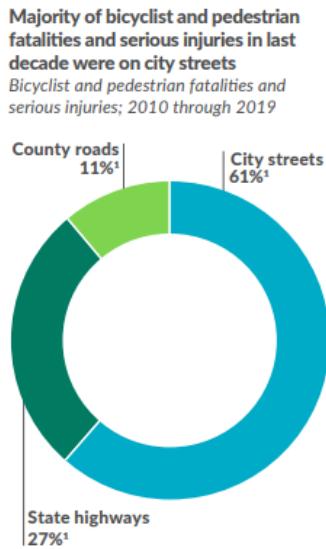
# Safety: The data



- Pedestrian crossings
- Driver speed
- Population centers
- Target Zero: Safe Systems Approach

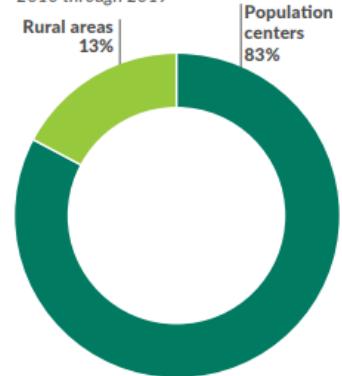


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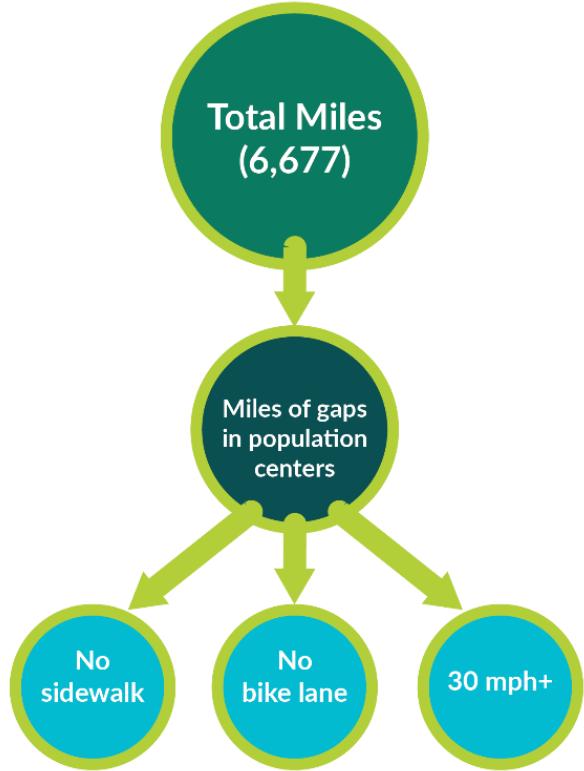
Majority of bicyclist and pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries on state highways are in population centers

Bicyclist and pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries on state highways; 2010 through 2019



# Safety: Identifying gaps

- First-ever analysis of Washington state routes in all population centers based on roadway characteristics, traffic speed and volume, with evaluation criteria for safety, equity, and potential demand



# Evaluation criteria



## Safety

- History of serious/fatal driver crashes with bicyclists/pedestrians
- Systemic safety: Roadway characteristics that contribute to crash potential
  - LTS used first to identify gaps, then as index/proxy for systemic safety ranking in those gaps
- Connections to and between destinations (including intermodal links and trails)

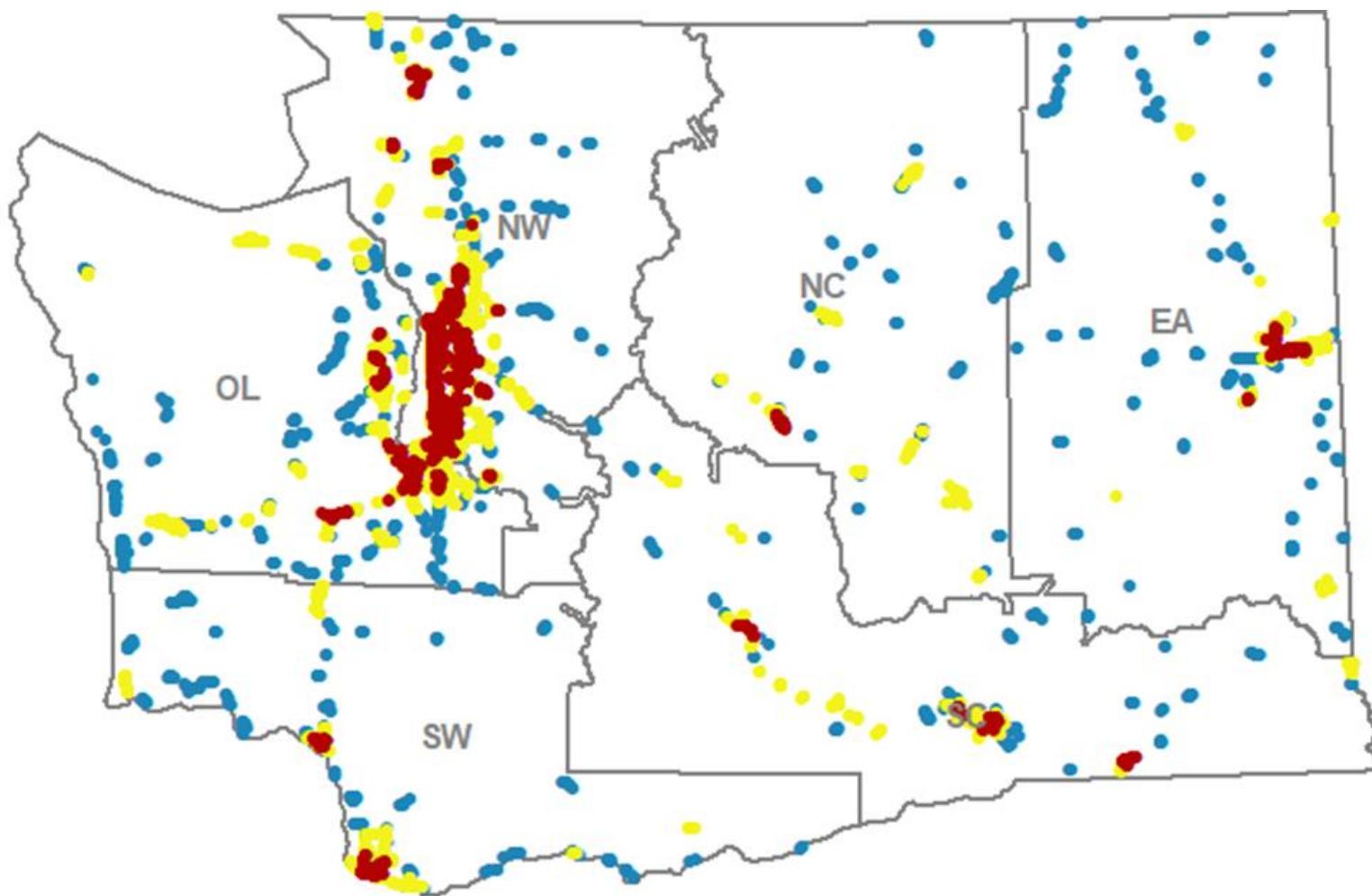
## Equity

- Places with relatively high numbers of people living in poverty
- Places with relatively high numbers of Black, Indigenous, people of color
- Places with relatively high numbers of people with a disability

## Potential Demand

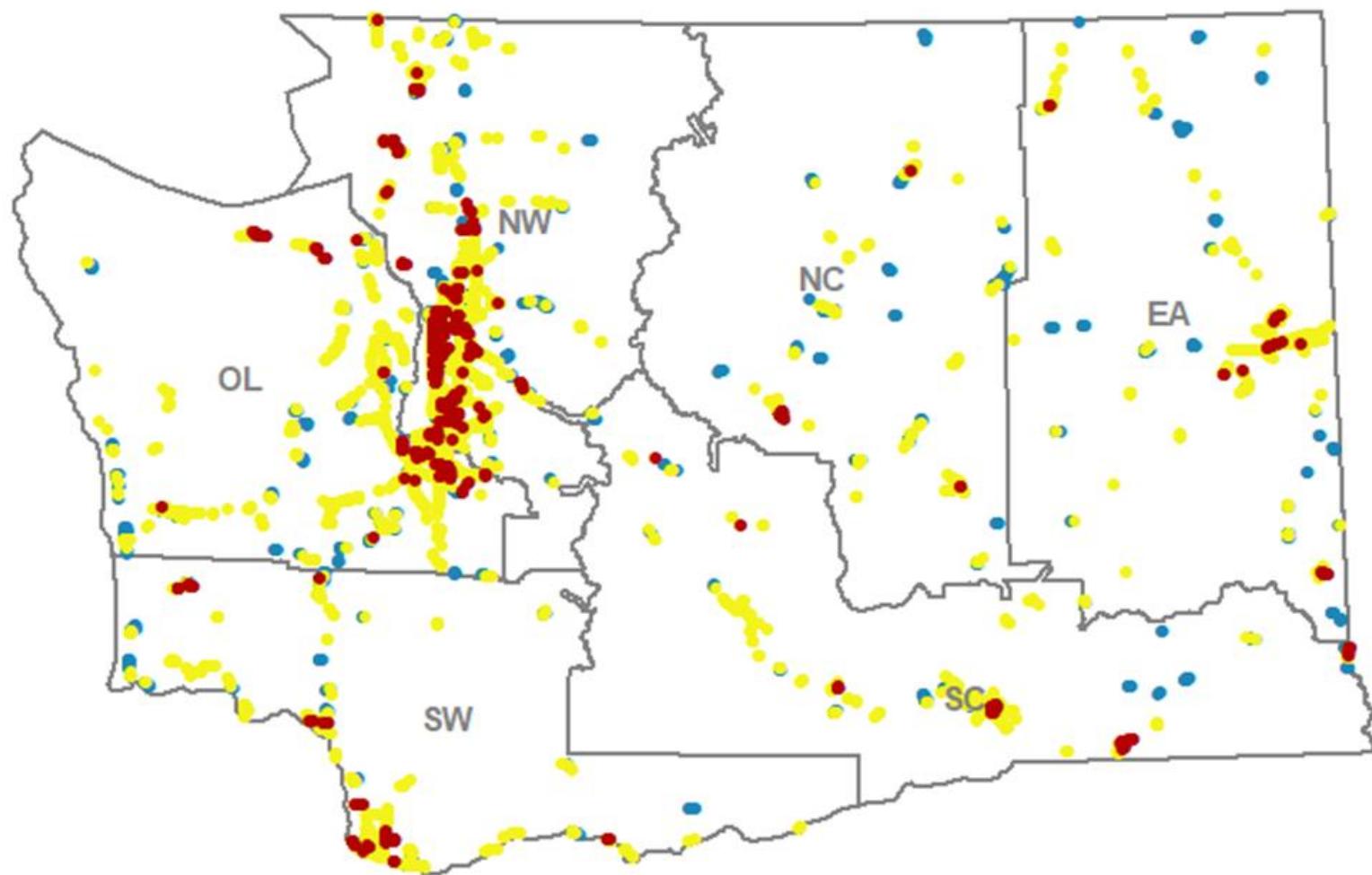
- Potential demand based on population density, density of jobs, proximity to schools, bus stops/intermodal connections, and other destinations

# Evaluation criteria: Demand



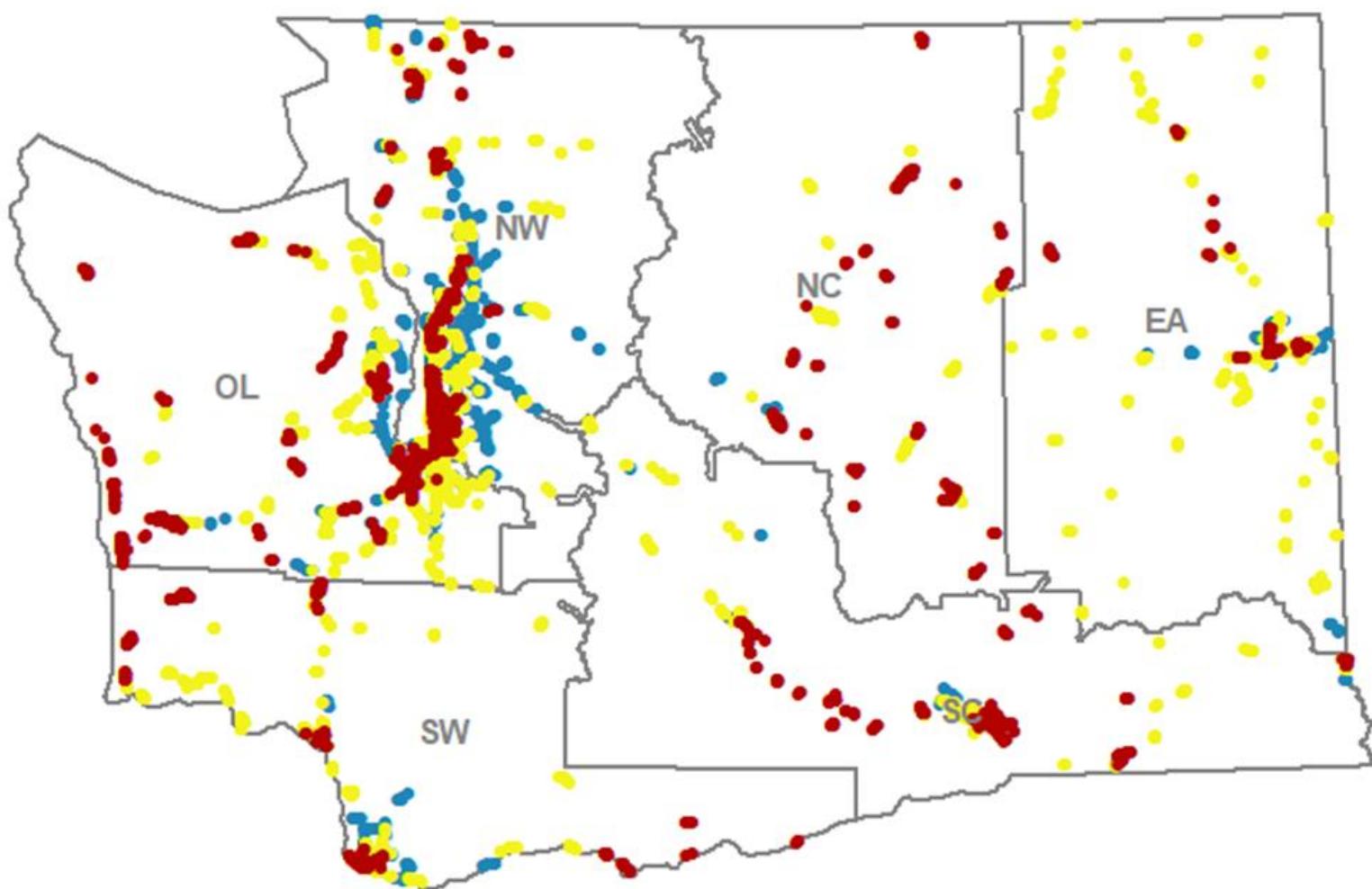
Intersection/crossing gaps with **Demand** criteria prioritized. Red: Greatest need/opportunity. Yellow: Moderate. Blue: Lower.

# Evaluation criteria: Safety



Intersection/crossing gaps with Safety criteria prioritized. Red: Greatest need/opportunity.  
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# Evaluation criteria: Equity



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