

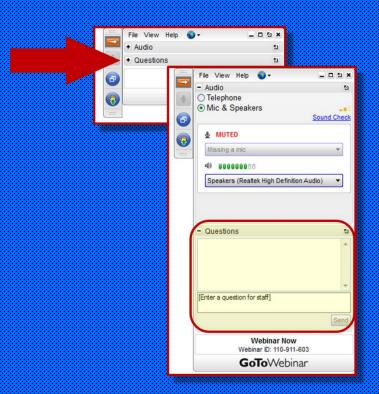
# Florida Department of Transportation State Safety Office Crash Data Academy

# Vulnerable Road Users Part 1



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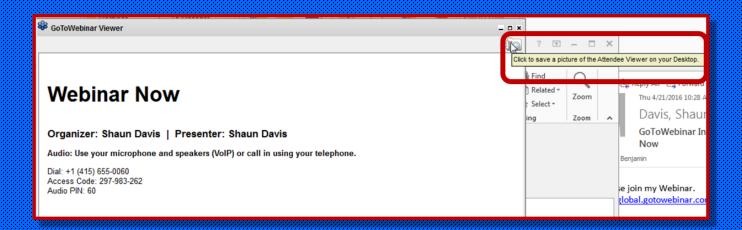
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# CRASH DATA ACADEMY: VULNERABLE ROAD USERS – PART I



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#### Introductions





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#### Vulnerable Road Users



#### Florida Statute 316.027(1)(b) "Vulnerable road user" means:

- 1. A pedestrian, including a person actually engaged in work upon a highway, or in work upon utility facilities along a highway, or engaged in the provision of emergency services within the right-of-way;
- A person operating a bicycle, motorcycle, scooter, or moped lawfully on the roadway;
- 3. A person riding an animal; or
- 4. A person lawfully operating on a public right-of-way, crosswalk, or shoulder of the roadway:
  - a. A farm tractor or similar vehicle designed primarily for farm use;
  - b. A skateboard, roller skates, or in-line skates;
  - c. A horse-drawn carriage;
  - d. An electric personal assistive mobility device; or
  - e. A wheelchair.





# Road Map



- Problem Identification Process
- Qualities of Good Data
- Data Types
  - ❖Florida Crash Report Information
- Data Sources
- Data Challenges
- Data Analysis

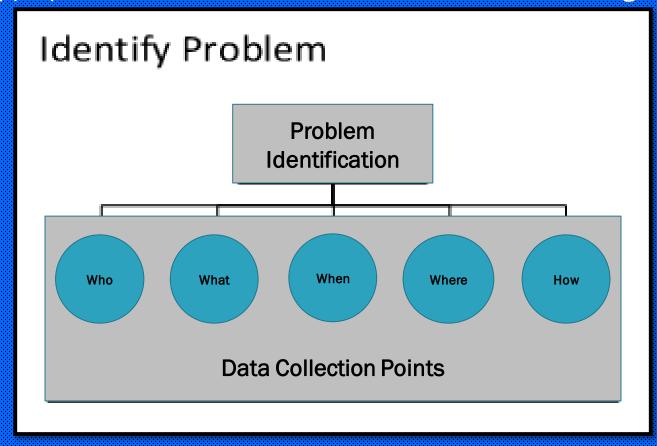




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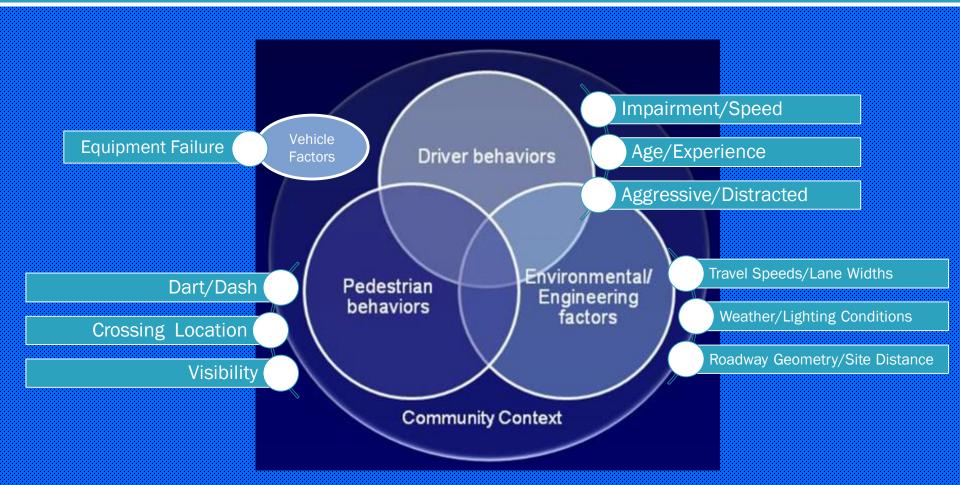
**Problem Identification** is the process of analyzing crash data and other pertinent information to isolate specific facts about traffic crashes that can be used to select the appropriate countermeasures and crash reduction strategies.





#### Problem Identification Tool







#### Qualities of Good Data



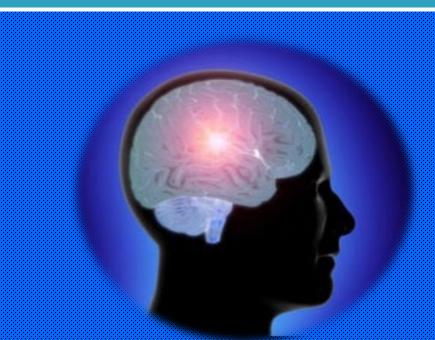
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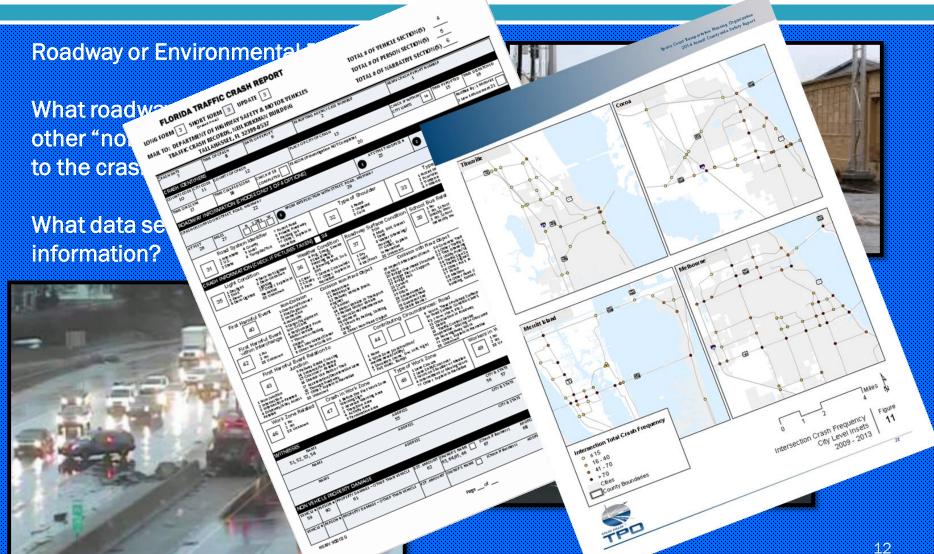


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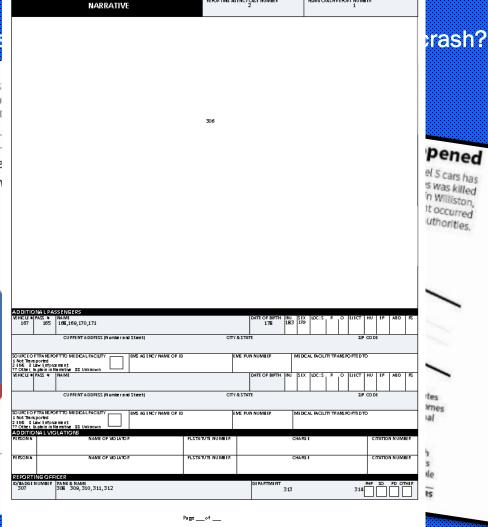
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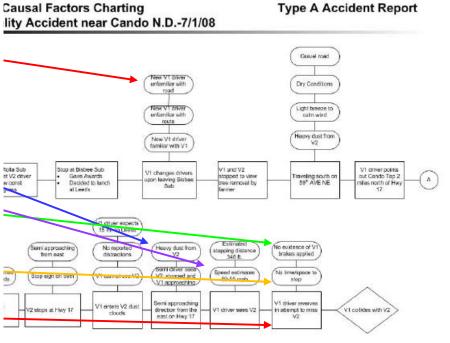




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Where do you find information about pedestrian and bicyclist "incidents" where there were no motor vehicles involved?

Local enforcement agencies compile and collect incident reports in house.



Clearwater Memorial Causeway Fatal/Severe Injury Bicycle & Pedestrian Crashes (2005-2013\*)

	Crash date	DHSMV Report #	CPD Incident Report #	Crash description & severity							
	1/15/2013	n/a	CW13-7088	Single vehicle bicycle - ran off sidewalk (severe injury)							
	1/15/2013	n/a	CW13-7091	Bicycle wobbling, struck pedestrian (severe injury)							
<b>G</b> 0	7/28/2012	n/a	CW12-102288	Single vehicle bicycle - fell off bicycle (fatal)							
	5/1/2012	n/a	CW12-56886	Single vehicle bicycle - fell off bicycle (fatal)							
	7/4/2010 n/a CW10-76632			Two people on one bicycle struck a pedestrian (fatal)							
	8/25/2005	71601755	CW05-21806	Single vehicle bicycle - ran off sidewalk (fatal)							

Emergency Room and Trauma Center data will also reflect injuries that may not have been traffic crash related.





Is information available about the economic impact of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries, injury types, and behavioral risk factors?

http://www.floridahealth.gov/statistics-and-data/index.html

http://www.floridahealth.gov/statistics-and-data/ems-datasystems/index.html

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An innovative strategy to collecting pedestrian and bicyclist specific data.

https://www.strava.com

Strava works with nearly every smartphone, GPS device and paired sensor, such as heart rate monitors and power meters. But only Premium unlocks the power of all that data for deep post-activity analysis, including exclusive features like Suffer Score and Race Analysis.



#### Strava GPS Cycling and Running App

Strava lets you track your running and riding with GPS, join Challenges, share photos from your activities, and follow friends.













10:02 AM on Saturday, September 10, 2016

#### Morning Ride

STRAVA LABS
View Flybys ➤

	1:08:13 Moving Time	Oft Elevation	
68 W Estimated Avg Power	279 kJ Energy Output		
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2nd fastest time on Tallahassee-St. Marks Trail: Coastal highway to St. Marks (13:20)

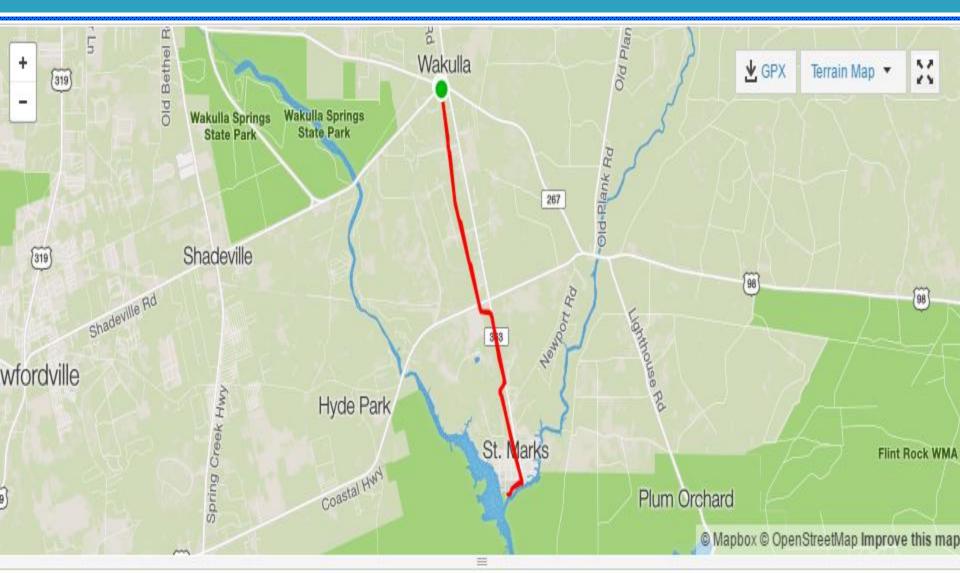
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Learn more about segments

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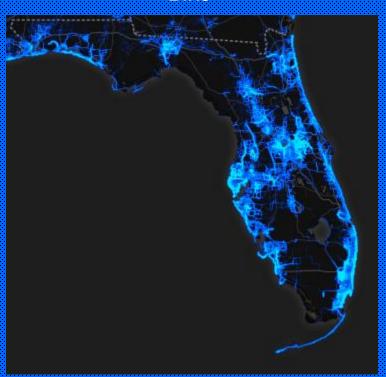


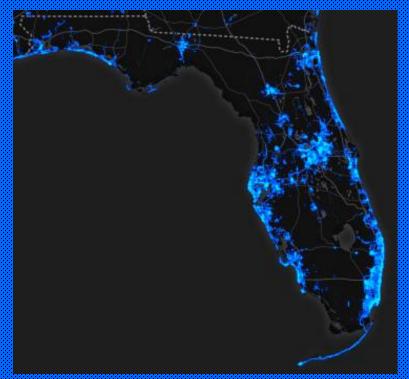




#### Strava Global Heat Map 2015

Bike Run









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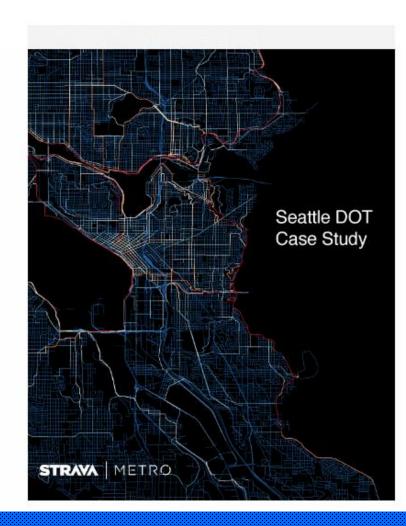
Over 70 cities and organizations around the world are using Strava Metro to improve their bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Here are a few inspiring examples of groups partnering with Metro to answer a specific question or make a direct impact on transportation in their area.

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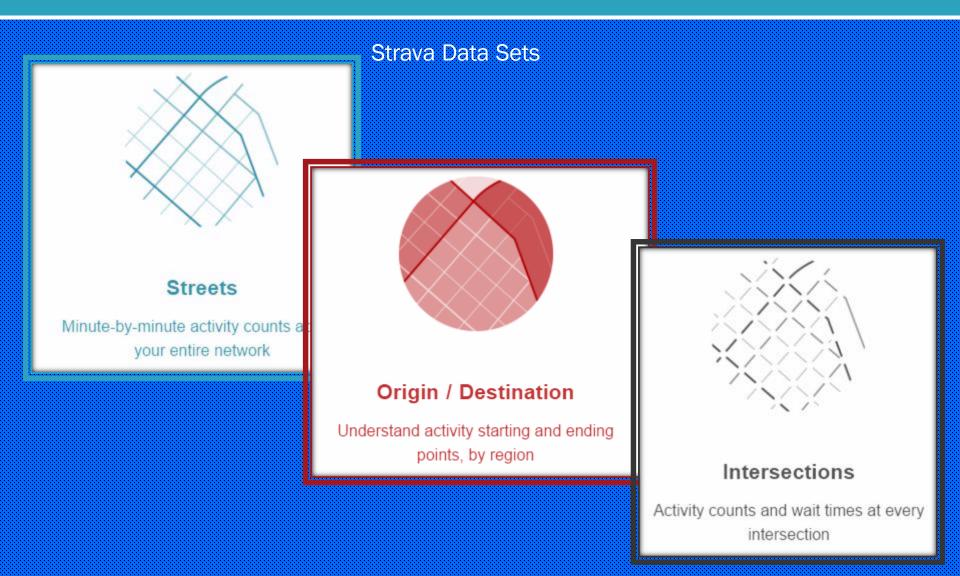
#### Seattle Department of Transportation

In 2015, Seattle added Strava Metro data to its portfolio of traditional bicyclist and traffic data (surveys and bike counts). By combining these data sources, the city has been able to gain new insights on preferred bicyclist routes and characteristics of dangerous intersections.





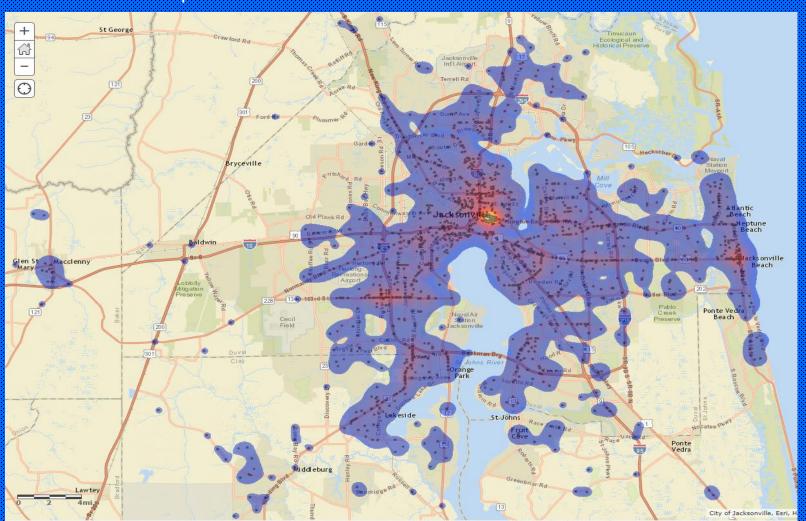








#### What is "other pertinent data" and how is it relevant to Vulnerable Road Users?



Duval County Pedestrian Crash Clusters 2009-2015



#### Data Sources



#### **Federal Data Sources**

Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS)

National Household Travel Survey

National Survey of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Attitudes and Behaviors (NHTSA)

Not-in-Traffic Surveillance (NHTSA)

Census/Demographic Data

#### State Data Sources

Crash Reports/GIS Maps

Hospital/Emergency Department Data

Vital Statistics

**Economic Impact Data** 

Vehicle Miles Traveled/Driver Demographics

#### Local Data Sources

**Citation Reports** 

Public Opinion or Observational Surveys

**Zoning Data** 

Transit Data





#### Data Challenges



#### Impediments to Data Collection

- □ Data Ownership
- ☐ Inability to link files
- Not Enough Data
- ☐ Too Much Data
- ☐ Challenges Collecting and Compiling Exposure Data

#### Impediments to Data Analysis

- ☐ Crash Report Contains Inaccurate or Insufficient Data
- ☐ Data Quality
- Lack of Demographic Data
- ☐ Lack of Uniform Crash Reporting

  Criteria
- ☐ Inconsistent Data Definitions

# BIG DATA, 🖁 🚊 🚉 🖹 BIG CHALLENGES

IF THERE'S ONE ASSET THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT HAS IN ABUNDANCE,
IT'S DATE.

But a fight for expertise is hindering both the public and private sectors when it comes to managing and mining information.





#### Data Analysis



Data analysis is the process of reviewing raw data to find the trends that indicate a problem.



Quantitative research is explaining phenomena by collecting numerical data that are analyzed using mathematically based methods (in particular statistics).

Qualitative research seeks to answer questions about why and how people behave in the way that they do. It provides in-depth information about human behaviors resulting in traffic crashes.



#### References



#### Fatality Analysis Reporting Systems (FARS)

The FARS database provides data on highway fatalities resulting from all motor vehicle traffic crashes in the United States every year. All FARS data on fatal motor vehicle traffic crashes is gathered from the State's own source documents and is coded on standard FARS forms.

http://www-fars.nhtsa.dot.gov/Main/index.aspx

#### State Traffic Safety Information (STSI)

The State Highway Traffic Information website combines FARS data with geographic information system (GIS) data and Google Earth technology.

http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/departments/nrd-30/ncsa/STSI/USA%20WEB%20REPORT.HTM

#### National Household Travel Survey (NHTS)

The National Household Travel Survey (NHTS) is the source of national data on the travel behavior of the American public. The dataset allows analysis of daily travel by all modes and includes characteristics of the people traveling, their household, and their vehicles. For example, between 1969 and 2001, that data showed a dramatic decline in the percentage of students who walked or biked to school.

http://nhts.ornl.gov/

#### National Survey of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Attitudes and Behaviors

The National Survey of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Attitudes and Behaviors provides a detailed analysis of behaviors and attitudes on various topics related to walking and bicycling, including reported frequency of walking and bicycling during the summer months, trip purpose and characteristics, perceptions of safety, safety practices, facilities available, and community design. In 2012, the survey showed that one-third of those surveyed would like to see improvements in the way their local community is designed for walking.



#### References



#### Not-in-Traffic Surveillance (NiTS)

The Not-in-Traffic Surveillance (NiTS) Study was published by NHTSA in January 2011. It provides counts and details regarding fatalities and injuries that occur in non-traffic crashes and in non-crash incidents. For example, the most common types of non-crash injuries seen in emergency departments were injuries sustained while entering or exiting a vehicle, injuries from closing doors, and injuries from overexertion, such as unloading cargo or pushing a disabled vehicle.

#### http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/Pubs/NCCF08.pdf

Exposure data can provide data needed for a realistic analysis. Sometimes there may not be enough crash data available; however, you need to have enough data to produce a realistic analysis of the problem. You should do a minimum of a 5-year data trend to overcome challenges with pedestrian and bicycle data, localities, States and national data.

National Automotive Sampling System-General Estimate System (NASS-GES) is published annually.

Web-Based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System (WISQARS) is an interactive database system that provides customized reports on injury-related data. It was created by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. Program managers can look at unintentional motor vehicle fatalities and injuries to pedestrian and bicyclists.

There are several national surveys conducted by NHTSA that provide useful data on attitudes and behaviors. Subjects of the surveys include drinking and driving, distracted and drowsy driving, and speeding and unsafe driving. These types of behaviors are not only a risk to other motorists but also to the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey (YRBSS) is a biennial school-based, health behavior survey that includes questions on seat belt use, bicycle helmet use, and riding with a driver who had been drinking.

http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/yrbs/pdf/questionnaire/2015\_xxh\_questionnaire.pdf



#### References



#### Florida Traffic Safety Portal:

https://fdotewp1.dot.state.fl.us/TrafficSafetyWebPortal/

Roadway Characteristics Inventory

http://www.fdot.gov/planning/statistics/rci/RCIFC\_Handbook.pdf

Strava

https://www.strava.com

Strava Global Heat Maps

http://labs.strava.com/heatmap/#6/-94.60327/31.25977/blue/bike

Strava Metro

http://metro.strava.com



# Questions





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- Thursday, November 17th, 2016 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
- Thursday, December 15th, 2016 Legal and Insurance Perspective on Crash Data
- Thursday, January 26th, 2017 The Importance of Crash Data and Statistics
- Thursday, February 23rd, 2017 Crash Typing

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