Transportation Safety Enhancing Livability

GPA Fall Conference 2010

Talya Trudell Atlanta Regional Commission September 30, 2010



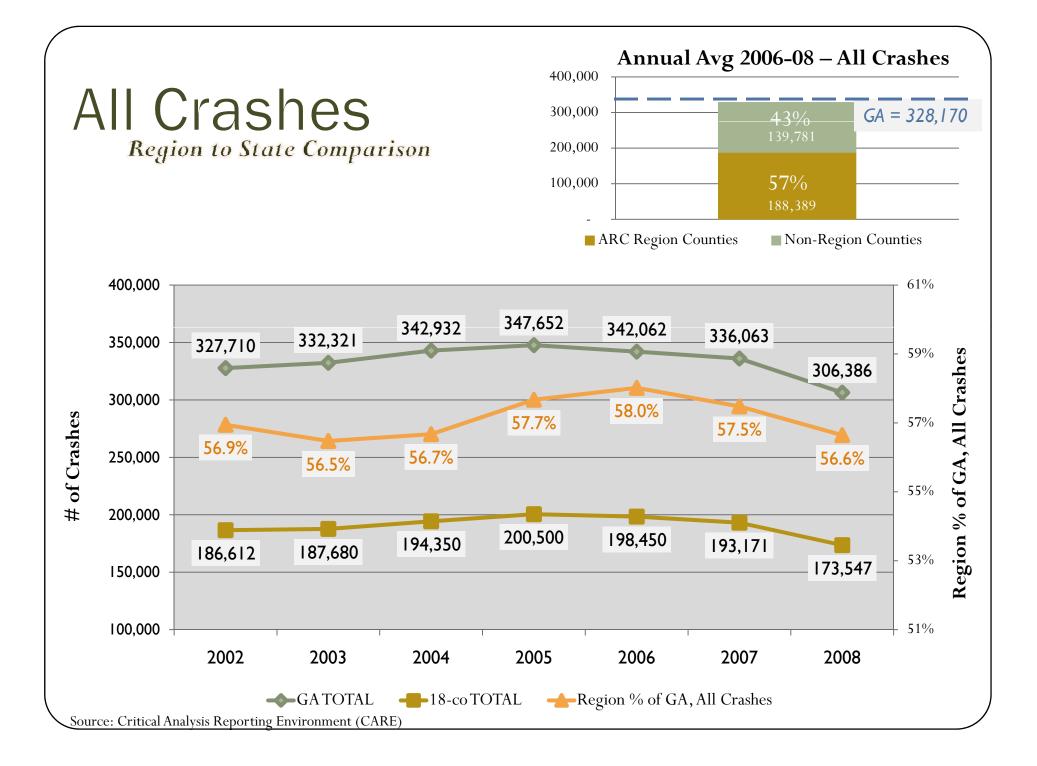


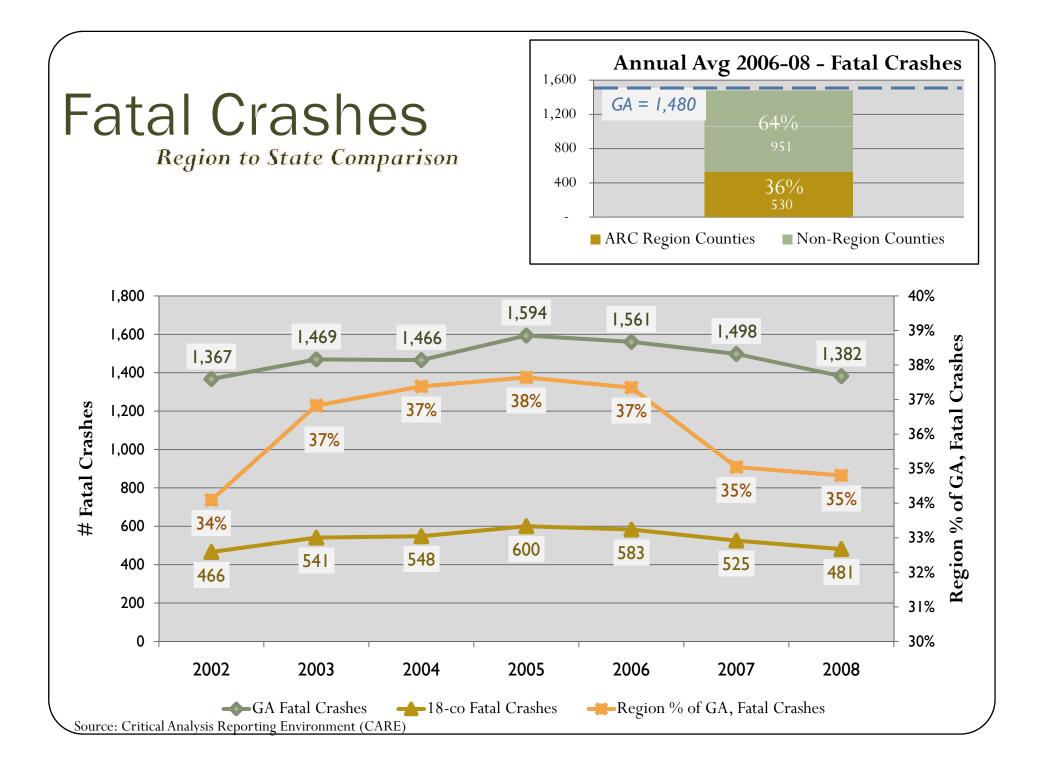
How Does Atlanta MPO Compare?

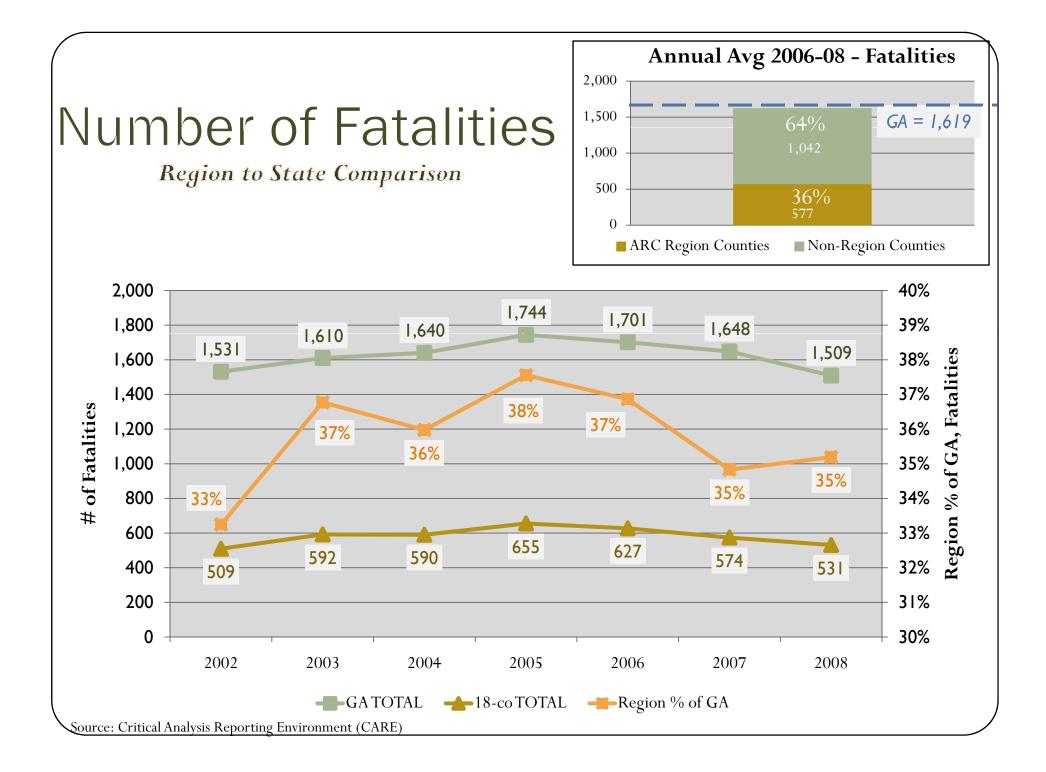
- Georgia Ranks 4th in Nation for Number of Fatalities (2006-2008 Annual Average)*
 - California: 3,890 Fatalities (max)
 - Georgia: 1,610 Fatalities
 - Alaska: 50 Fatalities (min)
- Atlanta 18-County MPO Ranks Higher than 24 States with Yearly 573 Fatalities
- Goals
 - AASHTO National Goal: Reduce Fatalities by 1,000 per Year
 - Georgia Goal: Reduce Fatalities by 41 per Year (share of national 3.9%)
 - Atlanta MPO: Reduce Fatalities by 15 per year (share of state 36%)



* Based on Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) Data





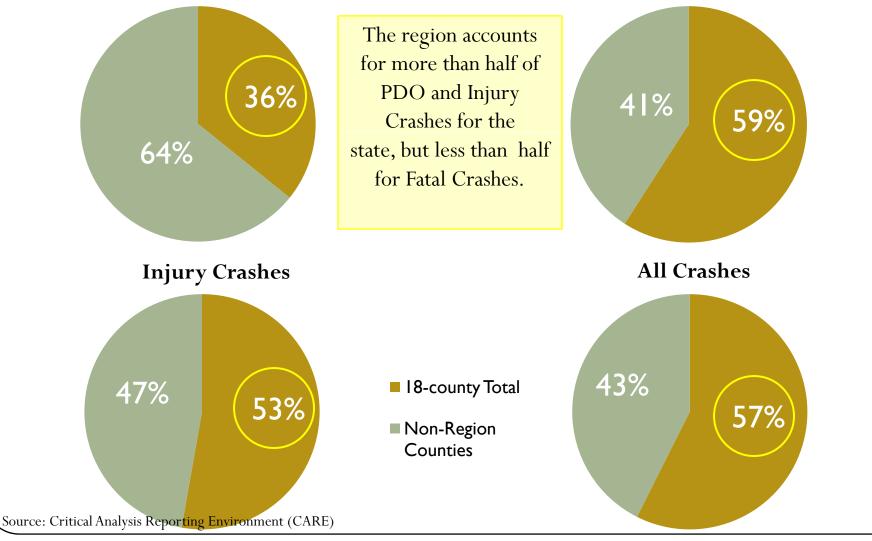


Region to State Comparison

2006-2008 <u>Crash</u> Averages region percent of state total



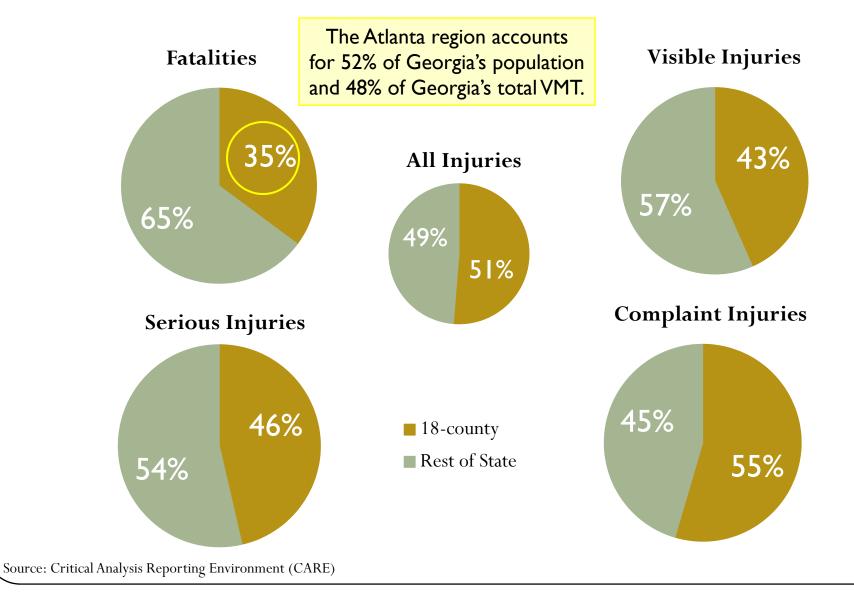
PDO Crashes



Region to State Comparison

2006-2008 Injury Averages

region percent of state total



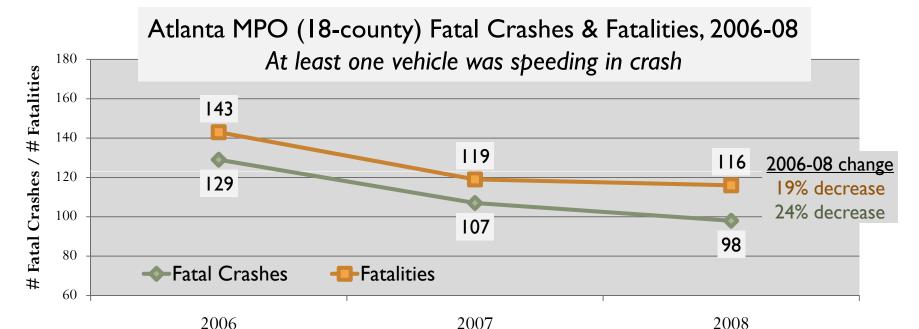
GA SHSP Emphasis Areas

- I. Aggressive Driving/Super Speeder
- 2. Impaired Driving
- 3. Occupant Protection
- 4. Age-related
 - Young Driver
 - Older Driver
- 5. Serious Crash Type
 - Intersections
 - Lane Departure
 - Work Zones
- 6. Vehicle Type
 - Heavy Trucks
 - Motorcycles
- 7. Non-motorized Users
 - Pedestrians
 - Bicyclists



1. Aggressive Driving/Super Speeder

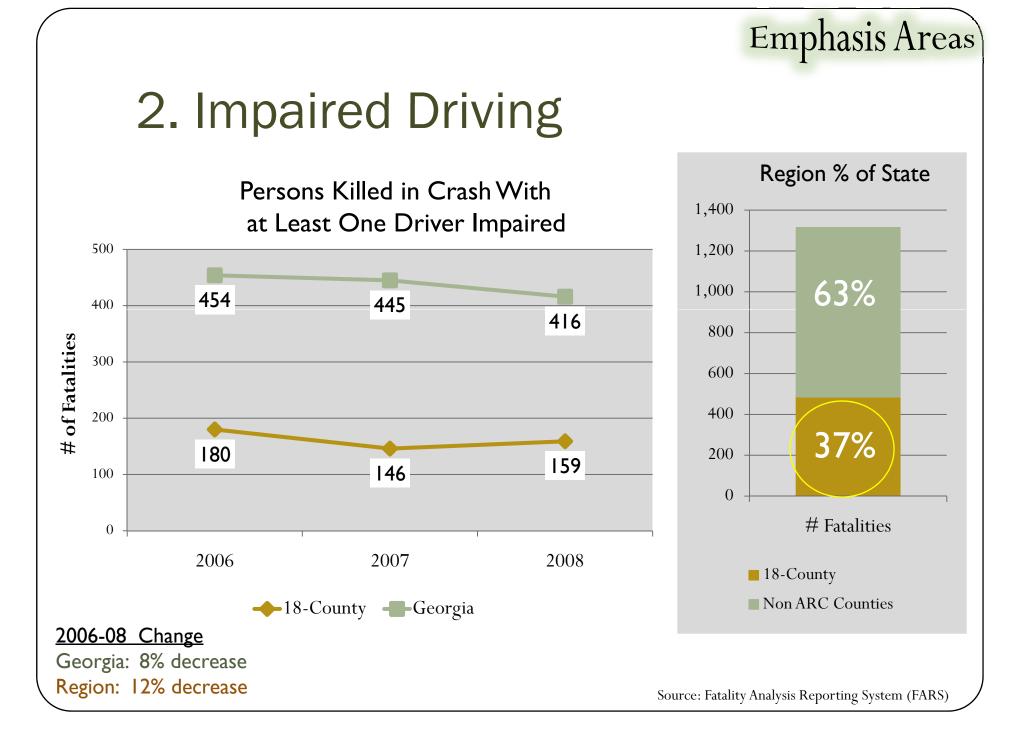
Emphasis Areas

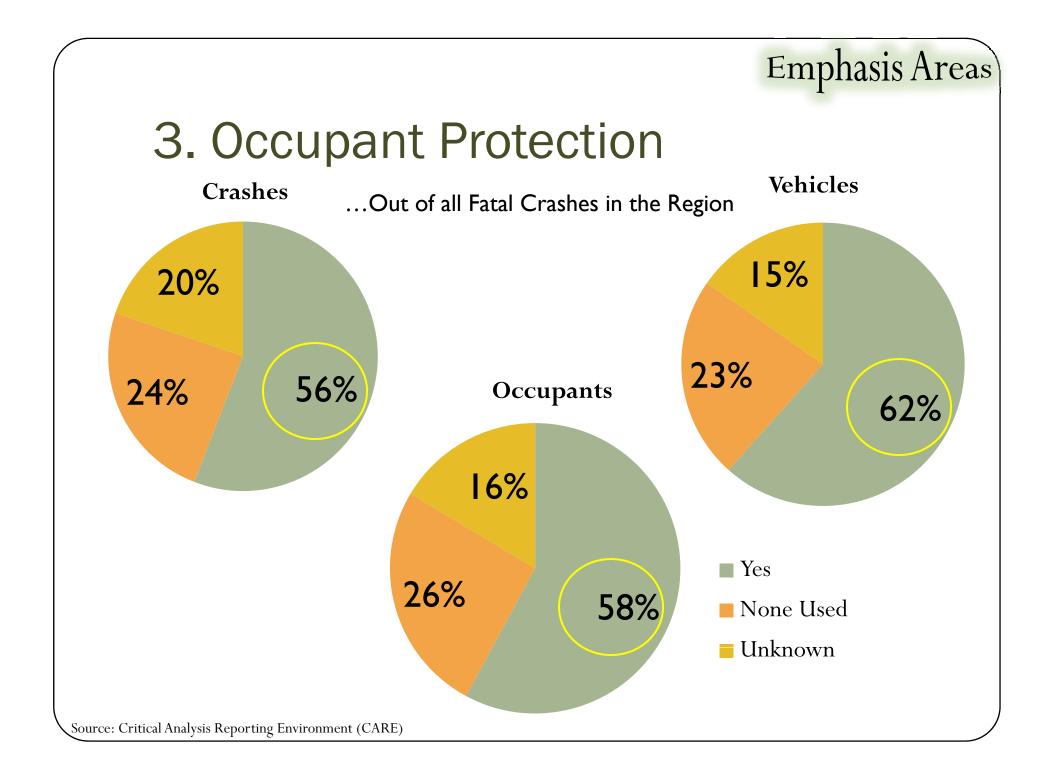


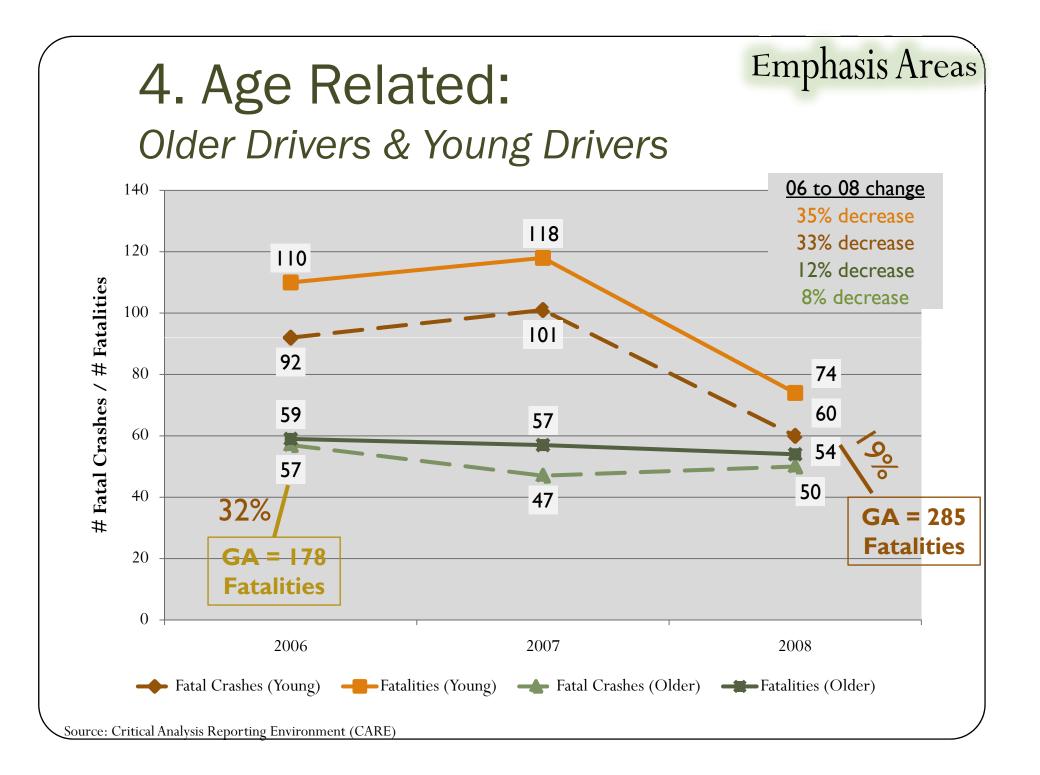
ARC Region (116) accounts for 38% of all State (309) Fatalities involving speeding for Year 2008

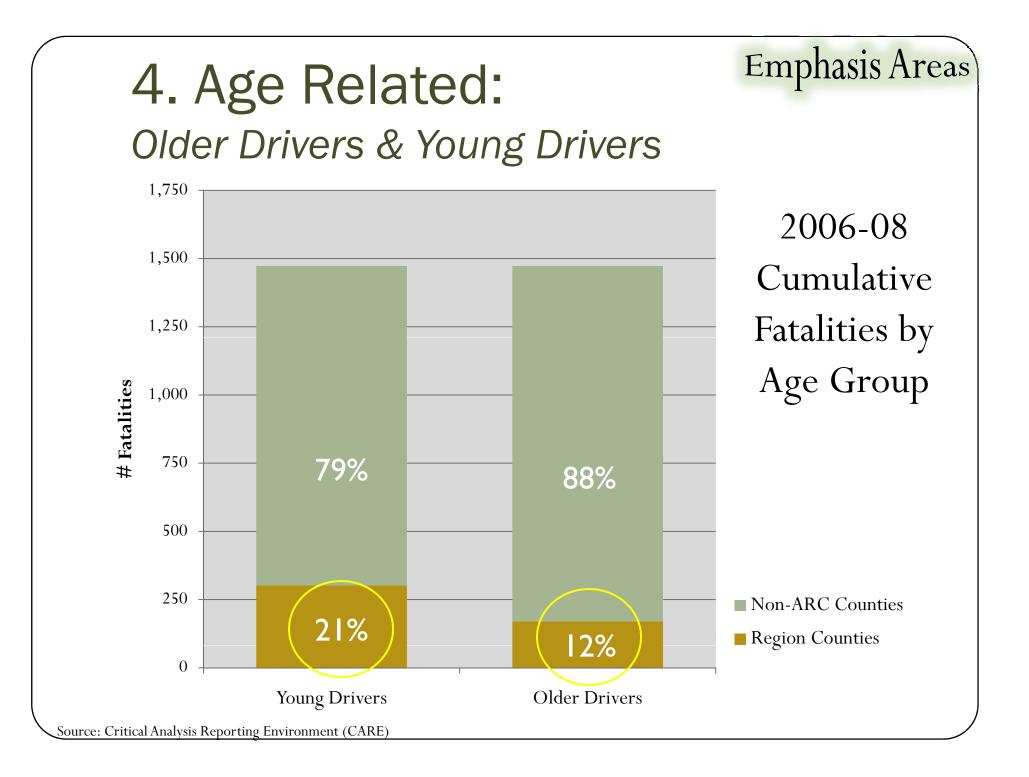
Fatal Crashes			Fatalities				
# of Fatal Crashes with Speeding involved in Region	# of Fatal Crashes in Region	% of all Fatal Crashes	# of Fatalities with Speeding involved in Region	# of all Fatalities in Region	% of all Fatalities		
334	1,589	21%	378	1,732	22%		

Source: Critical Analysis Reporting Environment (CARE), GA 2008 Fatality Source NHTSA National Center for Statistics and Analysis









Emphasis Areas

5. Serious Crash Type

Fatal Crashes and Fatalities at Intersections

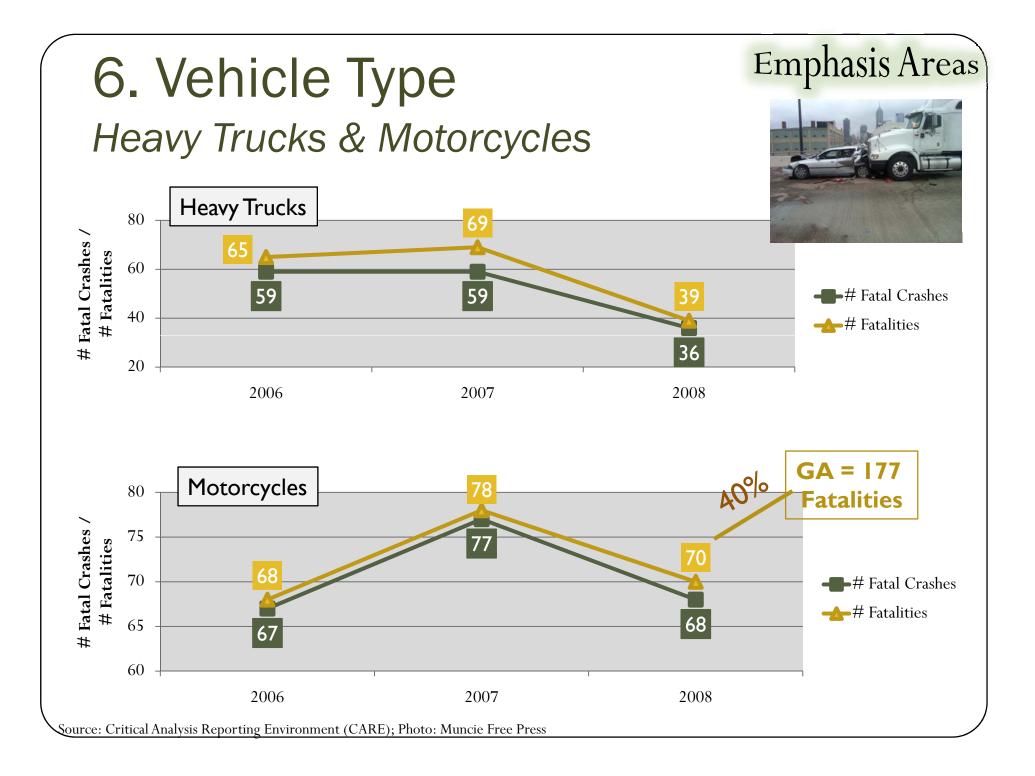
				2006-08	Change		% of all	
Intersections	2006	2007	2008	Number	Percent	3-Year Total	Region Fatalities	
# Fatal Crashes	157	159	135	-22	-14%	451	28%	
# Fatalities	167	175	148	-19	-11%	490	28%	

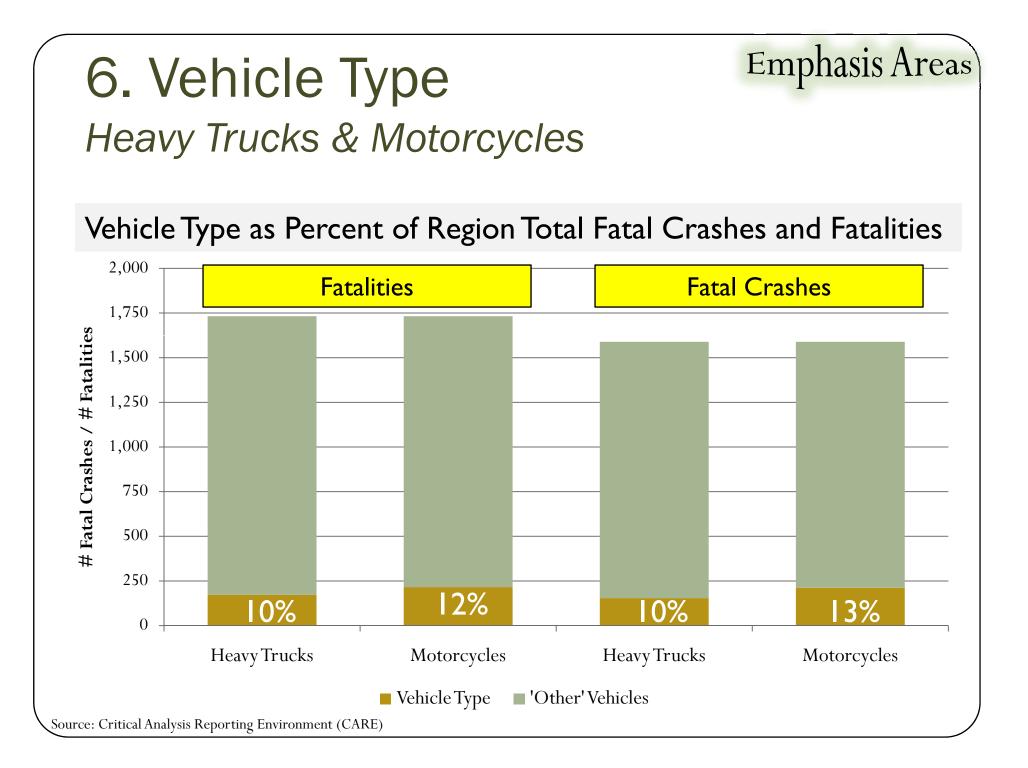
Source: Critical Analysis Reporting Environment (CARE)

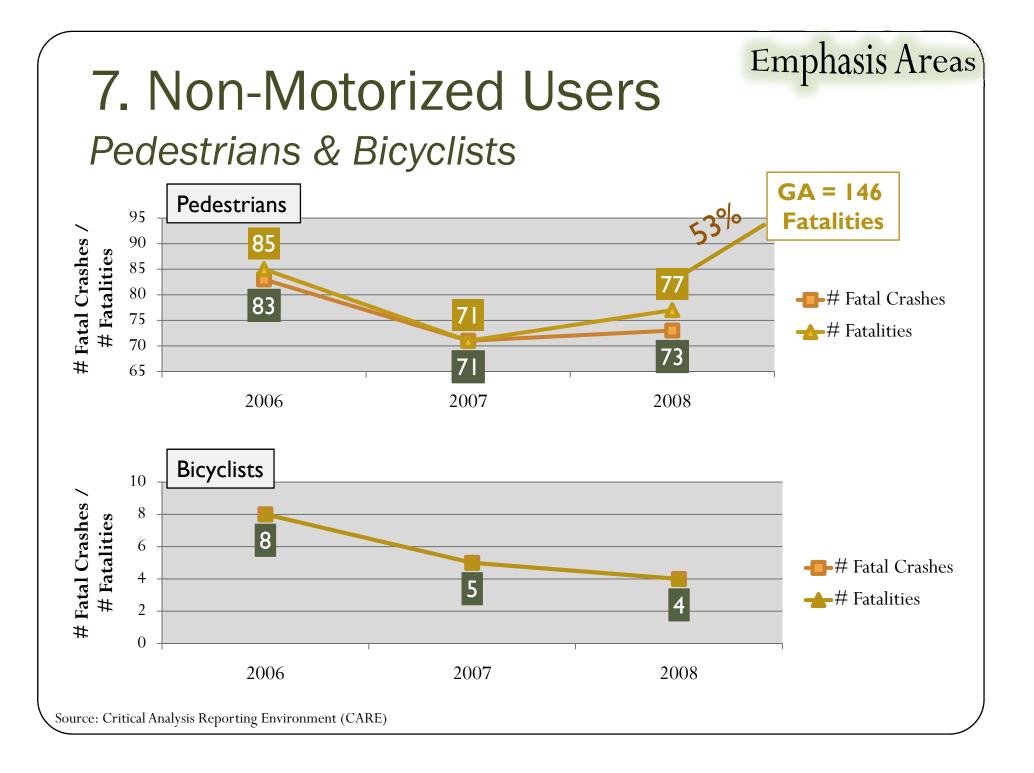
"The [State] goal by 2014 is to reduce the expected average number of intersection fatalities of 415 to 365."

Georgia Totals	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Average
Intersection Fatalities	500	371	366	394	443	415

Source: Georgia 2009 SHSP Intersection Safety Action Plan



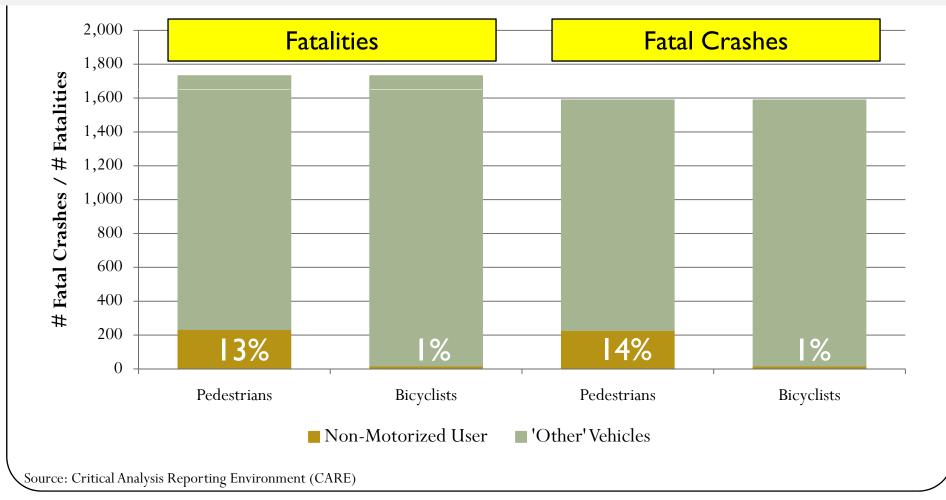


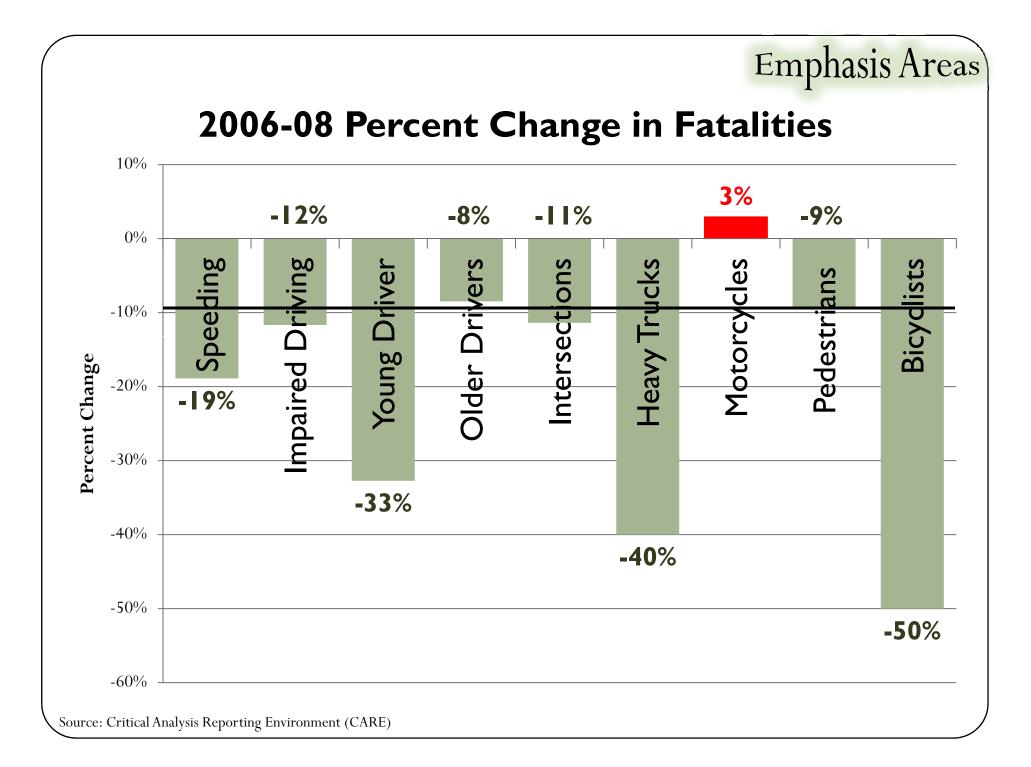


7. Non-Motorized Users Pedestrians & Bicyclists

Non-Motorized User as Percent of Region Total Fatal Crashes and Fatalities

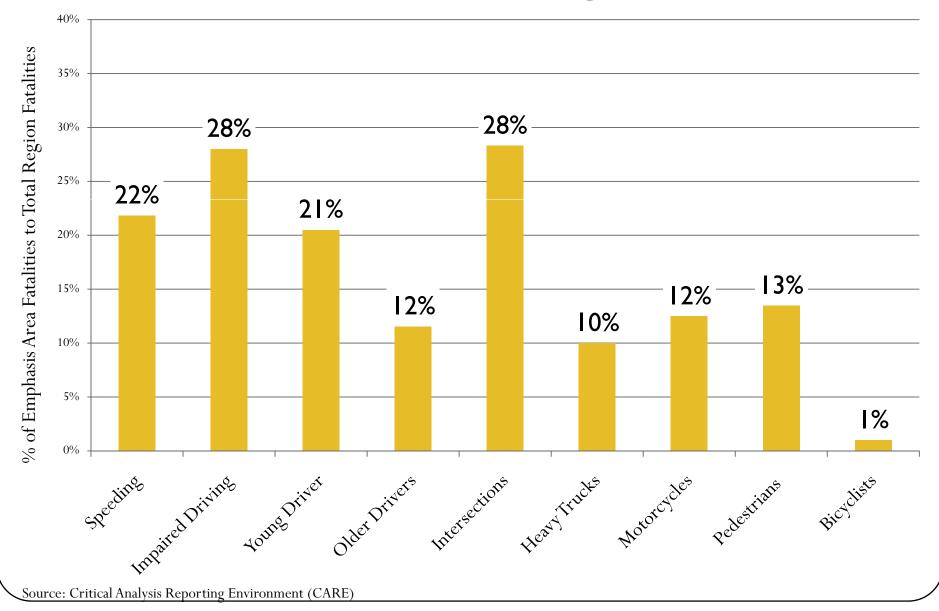
Emphasis Areas





Emphasis Areas

2006-08 Percent of Total Region Fatalities



Crash Profiles



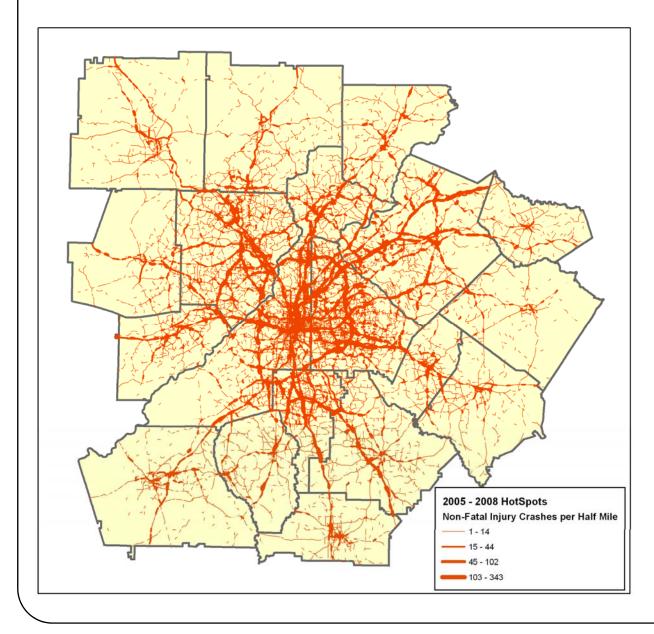
Regional Crash Profiles

- Life Congestion Costs
- Purpose
 - Expand role of safety in regional dialogue about congestion
 - Establish magnitude of crash problem at regional and county levels
 - Help project sponsors identify hot spots and prioritize improvements
 - Connect regional initiatives with statewide goals

Regional Transportation Safety



Injury Crashes per Half Mile



44,718 Non-Fatal Injury Crashes (annual average)

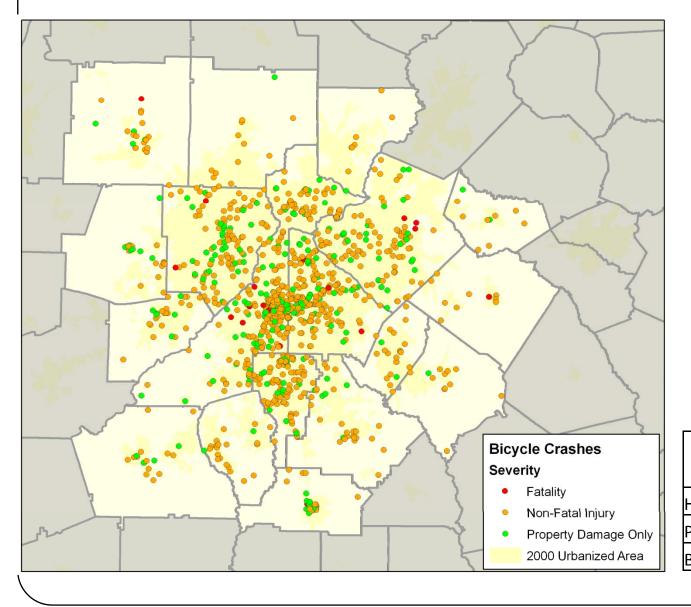
86 Non-Fatal Injury Crashes per 100MVMT (annual average)

24% of Total Crashes Were Non-Fatal Injury

Non-Fatal Injury Crashes per Half Mile •Minimum = 0

•Maximum = 343

Bicycle Crashes



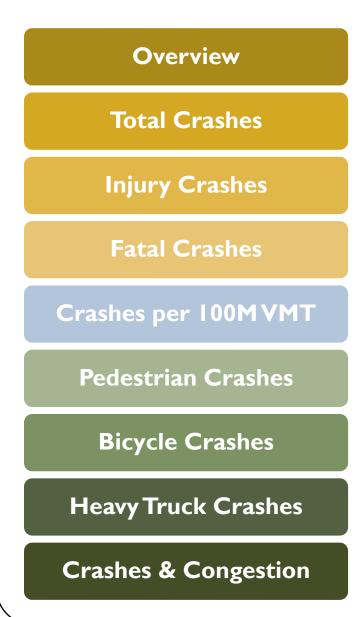
0.2% Bicycle Crashes out of all Regional Crashes

0.9% Bicycle Fatal Crashes out of Total Regional Fatal Crashes

92.3% Crashes Occurred in the Urbanized Area

	% of Total Crashes	% of Fatal Crashes		
Heavy Trucks	6%	11%		
Pedestrians	0.7%	13%		
Bicycles	0.2%	0.9%		

County Crash Profiles

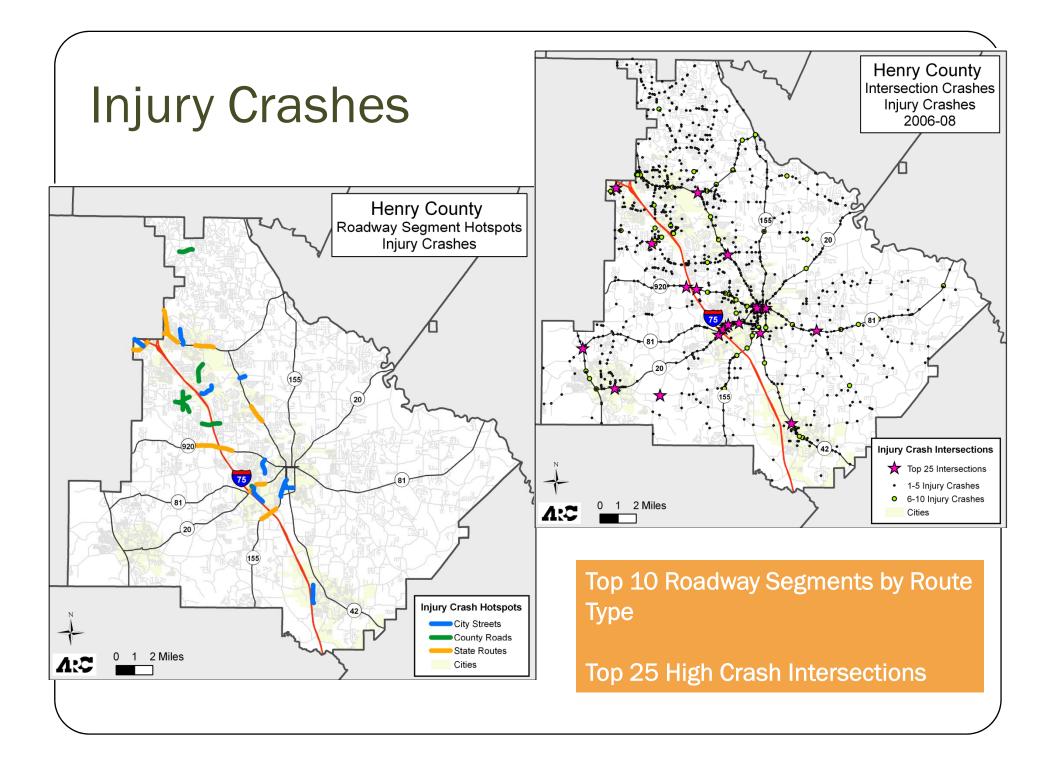


• Maps

- Top Roadway Segments
- Top Intersections
- By Route Type
- By Severity
- By Total Number of Crashes
- Tables & Lists Identifying Locations

• Graphs

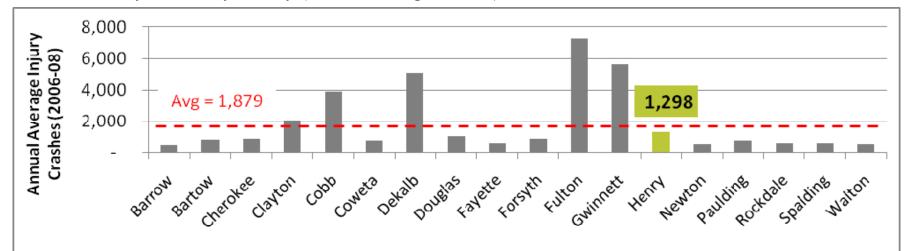
- Crash Data Summaries
- Crash Rates per 100MVMT (AnnAvg 06-08)
- Number of Crashes by County (AnnAvg 06-08)
- Crash Rates by Year 2000-08
- Number of Crashes by Year 2000-08



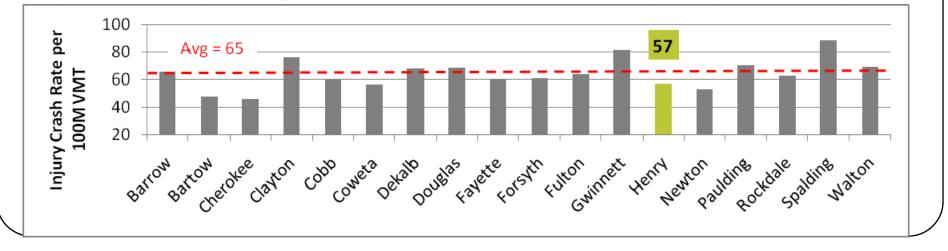
Injury Crashes – Graphs

<u>Crash Rate</u> = # crashes/ [(2008 Daily VMT*365)/100,000,000]

Number of Injury Crashes by County (Annual Average 2006-08)

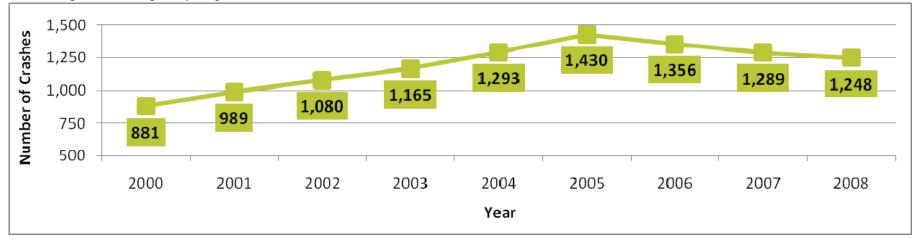


Injury Crash Rate: Injury Crashes per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) by County (Annual Average 2006-08)

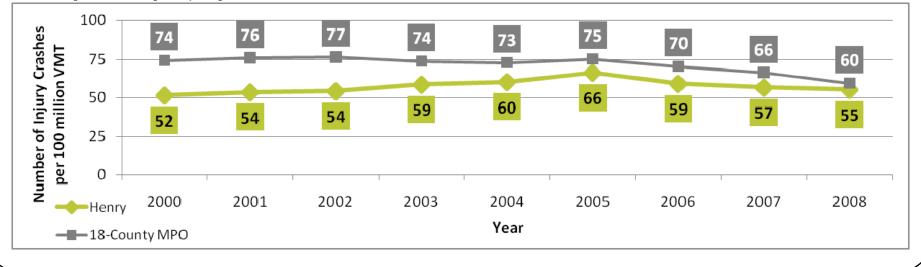


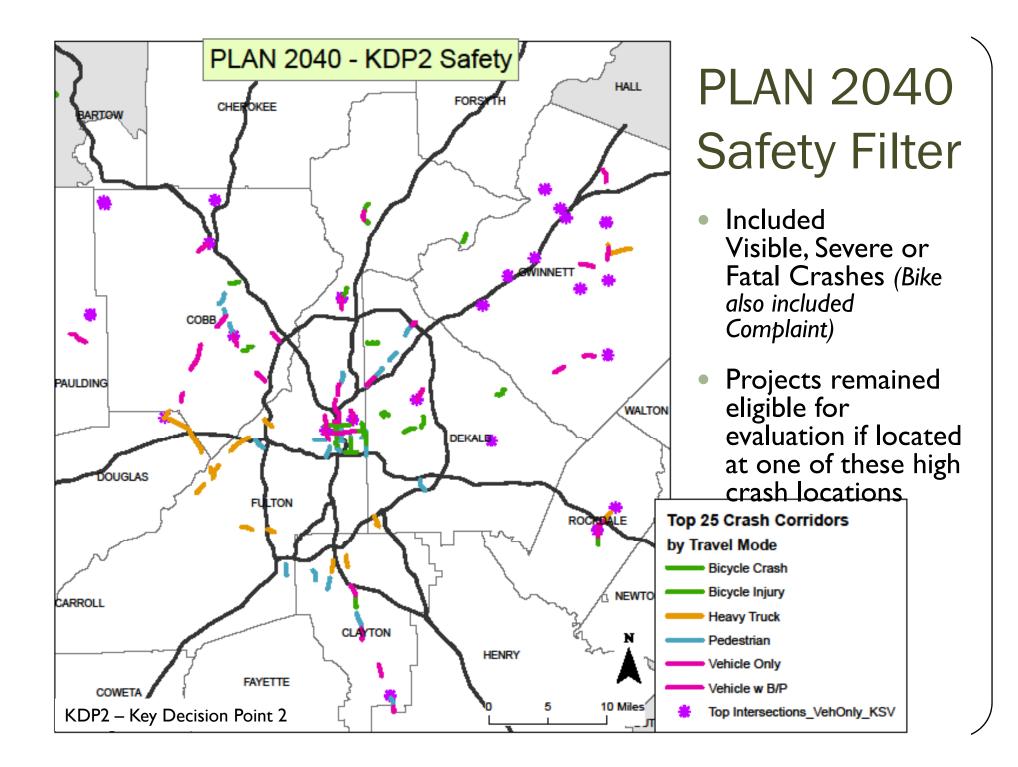
Injury Crashes – Graphs

Henry County Injury Crashes, 2000-2008



Henry County Injury Crash Rate, 2000-2008





PLAN 2040 Transit Crash Reduction Score

- Estimate the number of crashes prevented from occurring on the roadway system as the result of a specific transit investment
- Data Items
 - Daily Passenger Miles (Source: ARC Model Output)
 - Average Crash Rate for Private Vehicle Travel
 - Average Crash Rate for Travel by Transit

Crashes per 100 Million Mode/Technology of Travel Passenger Miles		Source
Private Vehicle	379	CARE, GDOT, ARC
Transit: Bus	36.7	NTD data for MARTA, GRTA, CCT, GCT, 2009
Transit: Heavy Rail	0.3	NTD data for MARTA, 2009
Transit: Light Rail	32.3	NTS National Average, 2007
Transit: Commuter Rail	1.1	NTS National Average, 2007

Project Daily Pax Miles * 260 weekdays in a year Crash Rate Crash Rate Crash Reduction =Transit by 100 million constant Transit Technology

PLAN 2040 Highway Incident Analysis

žĚ

53 87

k M

€2

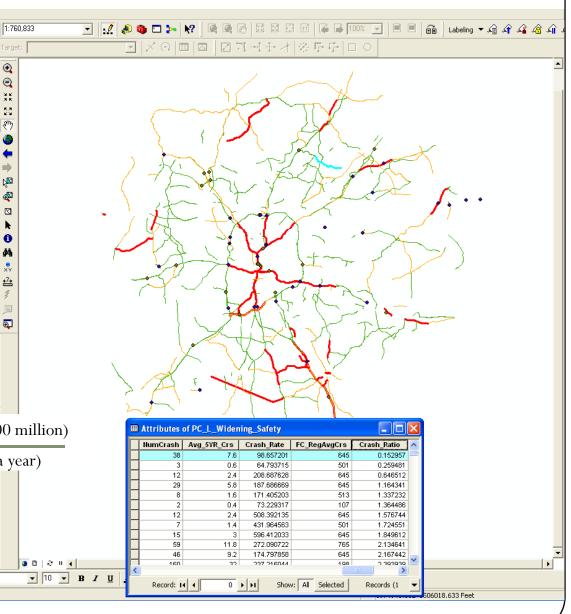
A

- Calculate Average Regional Crash Rate by Functional Classification
- Calculate Crash Rate per Project
 - Model output
 - VMT & Functional Class
- Spatial join crashes to projects
- **Crash Rate:**

(5-Year Crash Annual Avg per Project) * (100 million) Crash (VMT per Project) * (260 weekdays in a year) Rate

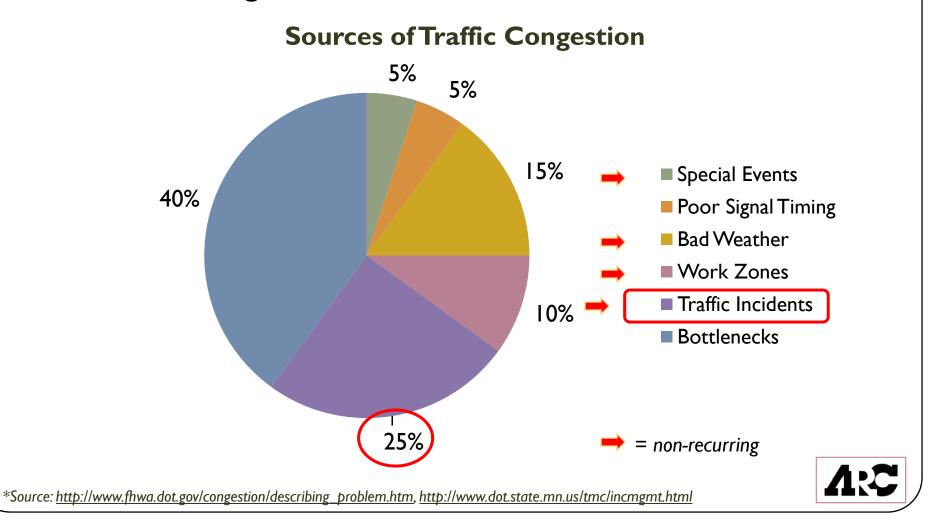
Crash Ratio:

Project Crash Rate Crash Regional Crash Rate by Func. Class Ratio



Congestion

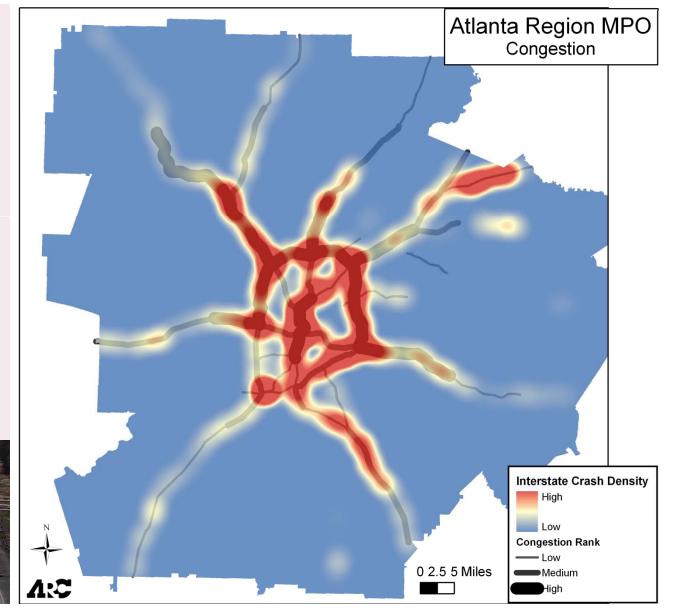
 Over 50% of all Traffic Congestion is Caused by Non-recurring Incidents



Crashes and Congestion

Crash Density laid over CMP Network 'Most Congested Facilities'

Georgia Navigator



Examples of Various Crash Analyses Conducted



Livable Centers Initiative (LCI)

Average Number of Annual Crashes in LCI Areas

> Before and After Establishing an LCI Area

	Total Crashes		Crashes involving Peds		Crashes involving Bikes	
	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Average # of Crashes in an LCI Area	443	419	4.13	3.28	0.94	0.78
Percent Change	-6%		-21%		-17%	

> Before and After Construction of an LCI Transportation Project

	Total Crashes		Crashes involving Peds		Crashes involving Bikes	
	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Average # of Crashes in an LCI Area with a Completed Transportation Project	512	469	5.14	4.11	1.28	1.03
Percent Change	-8%		-2(-19	

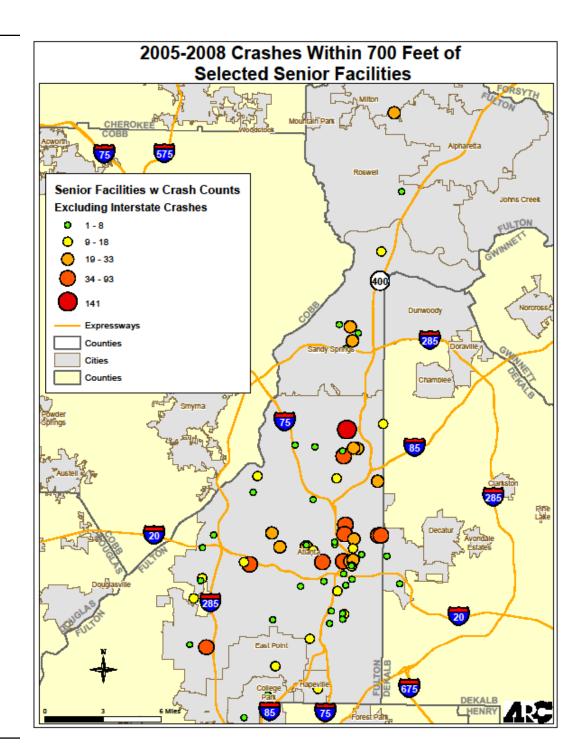
Note: The LCI program was established in 1999, first transportation project was completed in 2000. Since inception of the LCI program, 102 communities across the region have been designated as an LCI area.

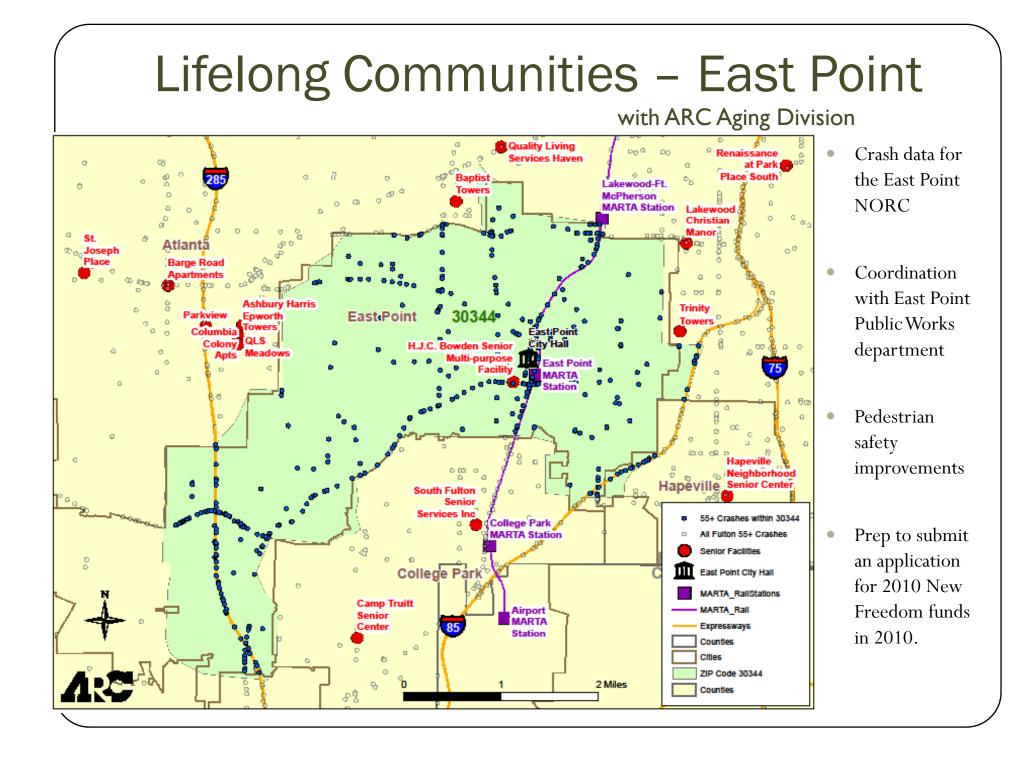
Atlanta

Senior Zones

with ARC Aging Division

- Pedestrian and vehicle crash data for the 64 senior zone facilities
- Sent to the City of Atlanta Public Works staff responsible for implementing the Senior Zone guidelines
- Tool for prioritizing implementation of pedestrian safety improvements where the need is greatest according to the data
- Help direct limited funds

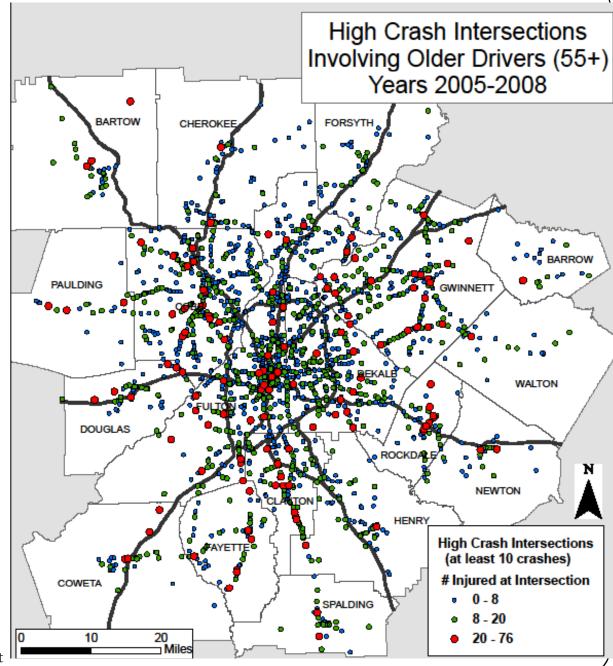


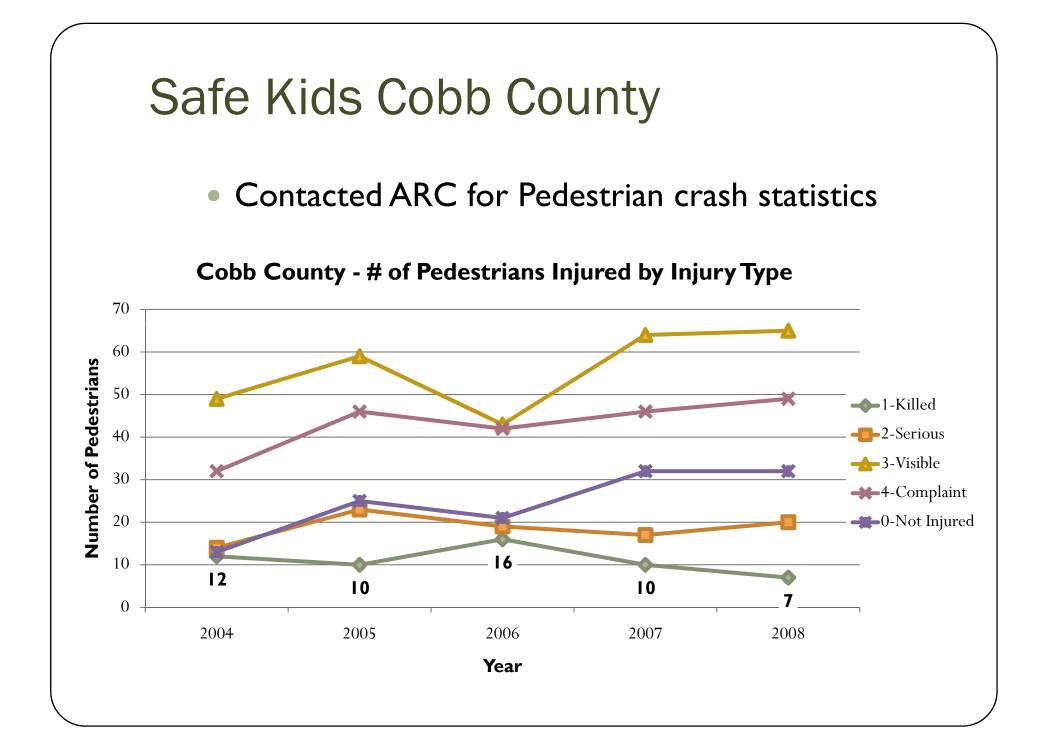


Older Adult High Crash Intersections

- Pilot Intervention: Older Driver Task Force (ODTF)
- "ODTF goal is to identify effective roadway treatments in specific senior aged communities."
- Collaboration with GDOT engineers, assessing environmental design features aimed at maintaining the safety of older adults who drive, walk, or take alternative transportation

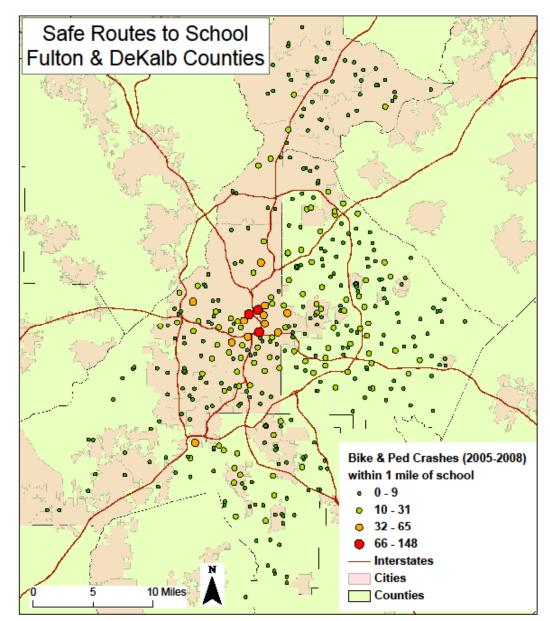
Quote from ODTF Recommendations Report

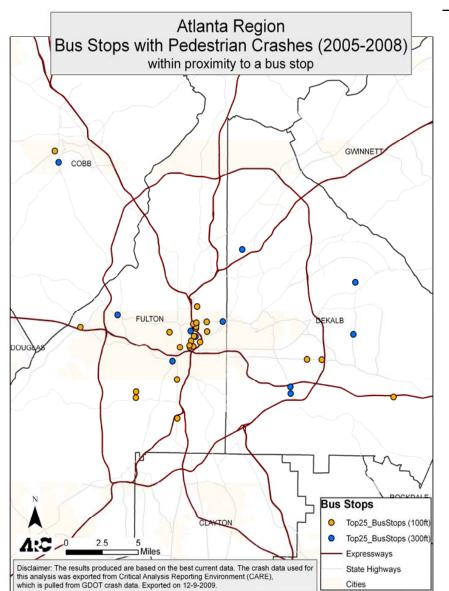




Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

- Received request from SRTS coordinator for schools within their counties that experienced high number of pedestrian and bike crashes
- Target schools in areas of concern





Pedestrian Crashes at Bus Stops

- ARC Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force
- PEDS (Pedestrians Educating Drivers on Safety)
 - Analyzing the data further for environmental justice

areas/corridors



	Service	Direction of	# Pedestrian	# Persons	# Persons	
Bus Stop (300 ft)	Provider	Travel	Crashes	Injured	Killed	
CLEVELAND AVE SW@METROPOLITAN PKY S	MARTA	Southbound	13	12	0	,
COLUMBIA DR@GLENWOOD RD	MARTA	Northbound	10	10	0	
JESSE HILL JR DR SE@EDGEWOOD AVE	MARTA	Southbound	9	7	0	
BUFORD HWY@CLIFF VALLEY WAY	MARTA	Southbound	9	11	0	,
NORTH AVE NW@SPRING ST NW	MARTA	Southbound	9	8	0	,

HSIP Project Selection

- Evaluated Pedestrian & Bicycle High Crash Corridors with
 - Serious & Fatal Crashes, Fatalities
 - Nearby Schools and Community Facilities
 - Minority, Poverty Areas
 - Older Adult Age 55+ Populations
 - Pedestrian Crash/ Bus Stop Analysis Results

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

GLENWOOD ROAD, DEKALB COUNTY | Glendale Rd to I-285 (1.8 miles)

Severe Injury and Fatal Injury Crashes for years 2000 to 2008

Crash Hotspots: Corridors

Pedestrian High Crash Corridor, Years 2000-08						
DeKalb County: Glenwo	od Rd from Glendale Rd to					
	Number of Serious	Number of Fatal	Number of Serious			
Total Crashes	Injury and Fatal Crashes	Crashes	Injuries	Number Persons Killed		
55	14	4	10	4		

Note: Total Crashes includes all injury type crashes, fatal crashes and PDO crashes. Number of injury and Fatal Crashes includes as stated, therefore pulling out the more severe crash types.

Schools/Community Facilities:

A New World Academy – on Glenwood Rd DeKalb Fire Dept #7 – on Glenwood Rd Wee Wisdom Nursery & Kindergarten – on Columbia Dr, 0.5 miles from Glenwood Rd Columbia High School – on Columbia Dr, 0.6 miles from Glenwood Rd Wadsworth Elementary School – on Green Forrest Dr, 0.75 miles from Glenwood Rd Snapfinger Elementary School - on Snapfinger Rd, 0.5 miles from Glenwood Rd

Bus Stops:

MARTA	Columbia Dr (Rte 96, NB)	Austin Dr (Rte 107, WB)	Hollyhock Terr (Rte 107, EB)
PedCrs300	10	4	2
PedInj300	10	6	2
PedFat300	0	1	0
PedCrs100	10	1	2
Pedinj100	10	1	2
PedFat100	0	0	0

Note: Crs=Crash, Inj=Injury, Fat=Fatality. The 100 and 300 refer to crashes with 100 feet and 300 feet of the bus stop. Note: Bus stops refer to high crash bus stop locations where there was 1 fatality or at least 2 pedestrian injury crashes. This does not include every bus stop in the region.

Demography:

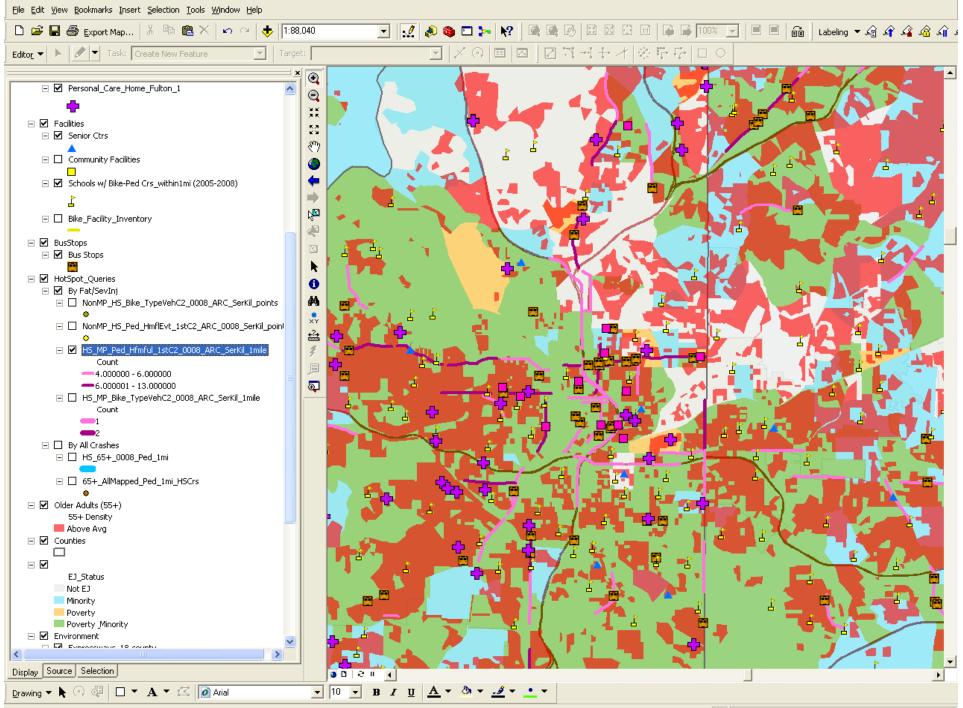
$\mathbf{>}$	Minority – at least 32.9% African-American, 6% Hispanic, and/or 2.9% Asian
$\mathbf{>}$	Poverty – at least 11% in Poverty
\checkmark	Age 55+ - above regional average density of older adults age 55-plus → almost throughout entire corridor

Note: Environmental Justice elements were considered when choosing high pedestrian crash locations. The U.S. Census' definition of environmental justice groups includes those minority groups stated in the above table. The average minority percent for the Atlanta 18-county region was calculated by block group, and then block groups with higher percent than the region average were identified. Therefore, if Minority has a checkmark, it means that block group has a higher than regional average of minority population. Poverty was calculated this same way using the regional average and identifying those block groups with higher than regional average population in poverty. Age 55+ was calculated by age per acre, identifying those block groups with higher than regional average older adult densities.

Contact: Talya Trudell, 404.463.3268 HSIP Recommer

HSIP Recommendation Atla

Atlanta Regional Commission, 7/7/2010



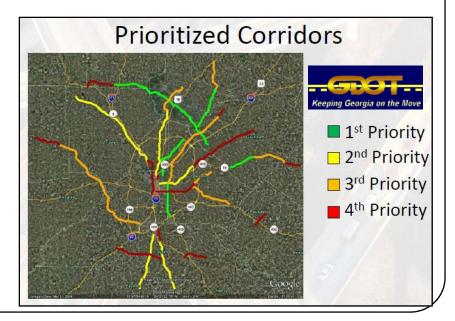
2222416.479 1356722.677 Feet

<u>Regional Traffic Operations Program</u> (RTOP)

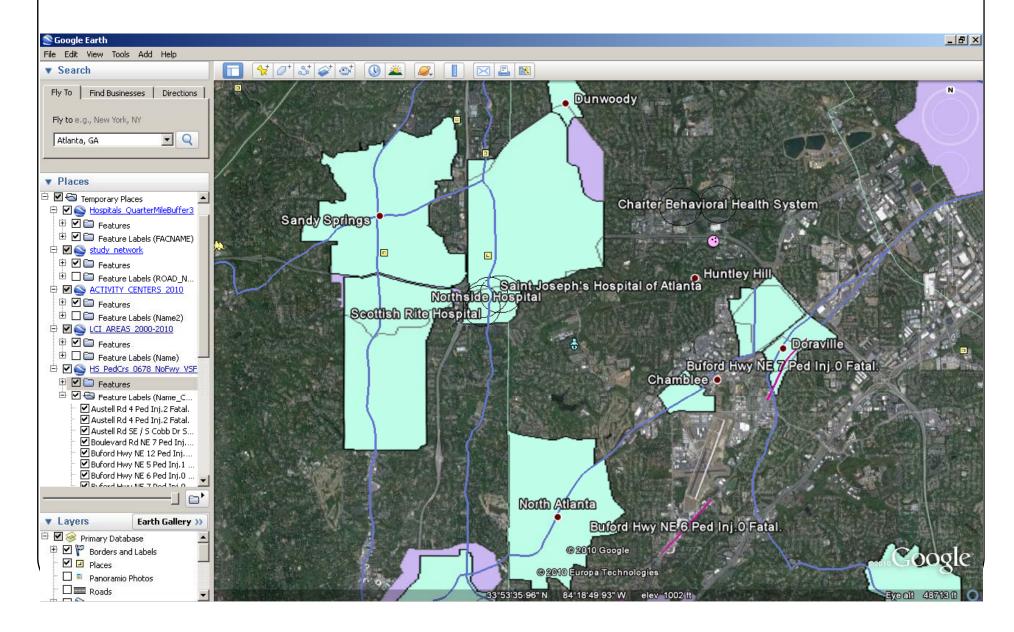
- ARC Bike & Ped Task Force Areas of Concern:
 - LCI areas, ARC Bike/Ped Network Plan, Buffers Around Hospitals, Pedestrian "Hot Spot" Crash Corridors Based on 2006-2008 Data, Senior Zones, UGPM Activity Centers
- Suggested
 - avoid long signal times that would encourage peds to jaywalk
 - upgrade loop detectors to detect bicyclists
 - location of control boxes and signal masts
 - refuge islands for larger intersections
 - leading or lagging pedestrian signals
 - 2009 MUTCD Ped crossing speed
 - add signage
- Specific notes on 12 corridors

<u>RTOP Mission</u>: To increase travel throughput by minimizing congestion and reducing delays along regional commuter corridors through improved signal operations.

UGPM – Urban Growth Policy Map developed by ARC MUTCD – Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (FHWA)

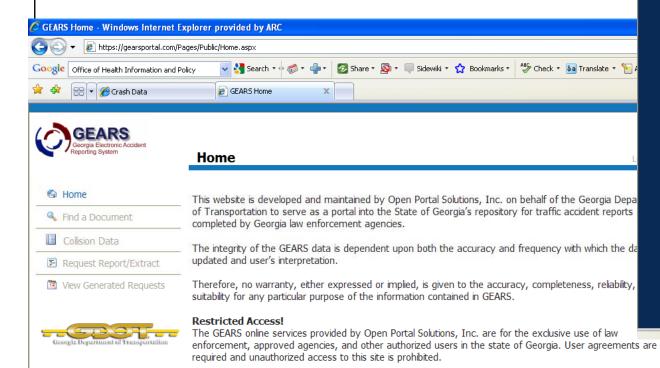


RTOP – Google Earth – Sharing Data



Crash Data Resources

- Georgia Electronic Accident Reporting System (GEARS)
 - GDOT Electronic Crash Reporting
 - https://gearsportal.com/Pages/Public/Home.aspx
 - http://openportalsolutions.com/w_i_gears.html
 - http://www.buycrash.com/
- Online Analytical Statistical Information System (OASIS)
 - Office of Health Indicators for Planning (OHIP)
 - http://oasis.state.ga.us/oasis/index.aspx





Access to CARE

Using CARE:

<u>Critical Analysis Reporting Environment</u>

- Created and Housed at Center for Advanced Public Safety – University of Alabama
 - Download CARE software and Georgia Crash Data: FREE! <u>http://caps.ua.edu/downloads/downloads.aspx</u>
- Six tables of information available
 - Commercial Vehicle Data, Crash Data, Passenger Data, Pedestrian Data, Road Data, Unit Data
- Years 2000-2009 available





How to Export CARE Crash Data to Create Your Own Database

- Install CARE (make sure you do this before you download the data)
- Download GA Crash Data
- Open CARE
- Decide which of the six tables you want to export the data from
- Figure out what Geography and Years you want in your database
 - This will be your filter you create described on following slide

- Click Filters Create / Modify Filter
- Create Filter for Geography (i.e. Carroll County) and Year (i.e. 2000-2009)
- Example to create filter:
 - 'County' = 'Carroll'
 - Click 'County' in the left column under variable
 - Click 'Carroll' in the right column under value
 - 'Year' = 2000-2009
 - Click 'Year' in left then '2000', then '2001'.....to....'2008'
 - Click 'OR CLAUSE' to the right of the screen and it

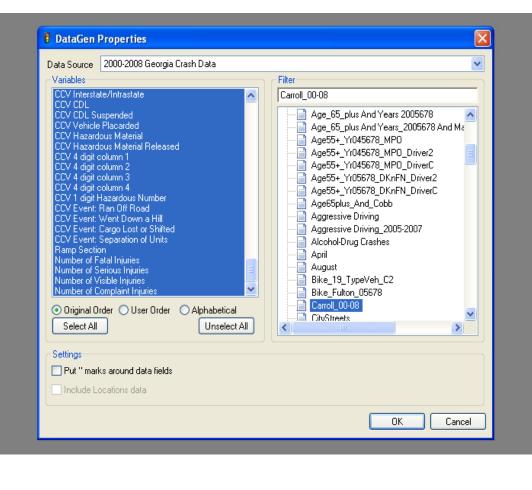
pops up in the workspace you've been working in

- Take all the years and pull them into the OR CLAUSE
- Click 'AND CLAUSE' again pulls up in workspace
 - Pull 'County=Carroll' into the 'AND CLAUSE'
 - Then pull 'OR CLAUSE' into the 'AND CLAUSE' (if you just pull the one line that says 'OR CLAUSE' it should pull all the years with it)
- At the bottom of the screen give your filter a name, i.e. Carroll_00-08
 - Make sure the top most line "[AND Clause]" is highlighted when naming the filter.. like in pic below

CARE 9.1.1.3 - [Filter Editor]	
🚦 File Filters Analysis Locations Search Continuous Window Tools Help	_ = ×
Default Data Source 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data 💌 Default Filter Carroll_00-08	▼ Filter Logic -
Base Data Source 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data	
Load Existing Filter	
Comparisons Variable Type Value	
County City Month Date of Month Year Day of the Week Time of Day Week of the Year ● Original Order ● User Order ● Alphabetical	
Workspace □ (AND Clause) □ 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:County = Carroll □ - AND (OR Clause) □ 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2000 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2001 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2002 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2003 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2004 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2005 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2005 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2006 □ OR 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data:Year = 2008	View © CARE 8 - 9 © CARE Classic Insert (AND Clause) (OR Clause) (NOT Clause) Delete Delete Selected Delete All

Export excel spreadsheet for all variables

- Click File Export Data (Data Gen)
- In DataGen Properties Box click 'Select All' on the left and click your filter (i.e. 'Carroll_00-08'') on right
- Choose to save as CSV, then resave as excel



Export GIS points which will but used to join to the excel variables

 Make sure you have the table (of the six tables of information) chosen as 'Default Data Source' (i.e. 2000-2009 Crash Data)

CAR

🖳 File

Default D

- Click Locations GIS Map
- Click Point Layers Individual Events Layer Next
- Select your Filter (i.e. Carroll_00-08)
 - You don't really need to name the Events Layer, you'll name it when you export it as a shapefile
 - Click Next
- Select the variables you wish to export to the GIS map
 - CARE tends to crash a lot. If it does Exit, then reopen. If you try to export a lot of variables on this screen with the GIS export, CARE will most likely crash. The variables are not needed at this point because these points will be joined to the excel spreadsheet that has all the variables that was exported in previous step. Choose the variables below to check dates and times to ensure the joining of the points match correctly to the variables in the spreadsheet.
 - County, Month, Date of Month, Year, Time of Day
- Click Next

RE 9.1.1.3	8 - [Select Varia	bles To Expo	ort]				
Filters A	analysis Locations	Search Con	tinuous Window	Tools	Help		
Data Source	2000-2008 Georgia	a Crash Data	🔽 Default	Filter	Carroll_00-08	•	Filt 200

Note: Exporting city is not all that valuable as

that variable tends to be inaccurate.

Variable Name	Short Name	Туре	
County	County	VAR	
City	City	VAR	
Month	Month	VAR	
Date of Month	DateofMon	VAR	
Year	Year	VAR	
Day of the Week	DayoftheW	VAR	
Time of Day	TimeofDay	VAR	
Week of the Year	Weekofthe	VAR	
Crash Severity	CrashSeve	VAR	
Worst Injury	Worstinju	VAR	
First Harmful Event	FirstHarm	VAR	
Weather	Weather	VAR	
Light Condition	LightCond	VAR	
Surface Condition	SurfaceCo	VAR	
Manner of Collision	MannerofC	VAR	
Location of Impact	Locationo	VAR	
Number of Vehicles	NumberofV	VAR	
Number of Injuries	Numberofl	VAR	
Number of Fatalities	NumberofF	VAR	
Number of Pedestrians	NumberofP	VAR	
Number of Commercial Vehicles	NumberofC	VAR	~

Select the variables you wish to export to the GIS map.

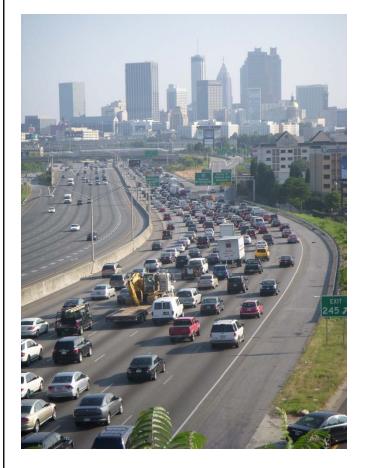
Export as a Shapefile

CARE 9.1.1.3 - [Map] _ 17 Right click 🙀 File Filters Analysis Locations Search Continuous Window Tools Help ➡ Filter Logic · County = Carroll AND (Year = 2000 OR Year = 2001 OR Year = 2002 OR Year = 2003 OR Year = 2004 OR Year = 2005 OR Year = 2006 OR Year = 2007 OR Year = 2008) V Default Filter Carroll_00-08 Default Data Source 2000-2008 Georgia Crash Data 🖃 🚅 Georgia Data . on the Event 🖃 🗹 Events 53 🖃 🔛 Roads 🖃 🗌 Water layer 🖃 🗹 County ٢ \odot \bigcirc Click Export $\langle n \rangle$ k<mark>⊠</mark> to Shapefile 0 ٠ 2 k Name as you like Cancel Help << Back 600 🔄 Creating_a_crash_m.. 😡 Inbox - Microsoft Out... CARE 9.1.1.3 - [Map] 📲 My Computer 🔇 🖪 🕞 🔎 🔍 🗑 🕵 - 9:44 AM 🛃 start 🛛

Join excel to shapefile

- Now you have an excel spreadsheet and a shapefile (i.e. for Carroll County, years 2000-08)
- The Crash ID (excel) matches the Event_ID (GIS) however, not exactly. You need to add zeros in front of the Crash ID to match the Event_ID.
 - Open excel and make sure there are not spaces in the field titles or tab name, use underscore. Add new field called "Event_ID" to fill in later
 - Import Excel table with variables into a GeoDB (table single) or convert it to a DBF so that it can be edited in GIS, add table to ArcMap
 - Open Attribute Table Use the field calculator to populate the new Event_ID field using this expression: "00000" & [Crash_ID] what this does is add 5 zeros to the left of the Crash ID number. Crash ID should have a total of 8 digits.
 - Finally, recalculate this same new Event_ID field with just the 8 rightmost characters from that field, using this expression: "Right ([Event_ID], 8)" this will create an 8 digit Event ID with zeros in front filling in the missing characters so that it now can be joined to the shapefile using the Event_ID and Crash_ID fields
- Join shapefile to dbf table
- The variables in the attribute table are codes for values
 - You can find in CARE if you go to File View Variable Names and Codes
 - You can export these if you go to File Export Variable Names and Codes (excel)

Thank You. Questions?



Contact: Talya Trudell Senior Planner Transportation Planning Division Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) 404-463-3268 ttrudell@atlantaregional.com www.atlantaregional.com

