



Scalable Risk Assessment Methods for Pedestrians and Bicyclists



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Introduction

- **Project Objective**

- Develop approach to estimate pedestrian & bicyclist risk (includes exposure) at several geographic scales

- **Project Motivation**

- Monitor safety performance measures
- Identify high-priority areas and facilities
- Evaluate countermeasures and sites before and after improvements
- Need exposure in safety and risk analyses

Overview of Training

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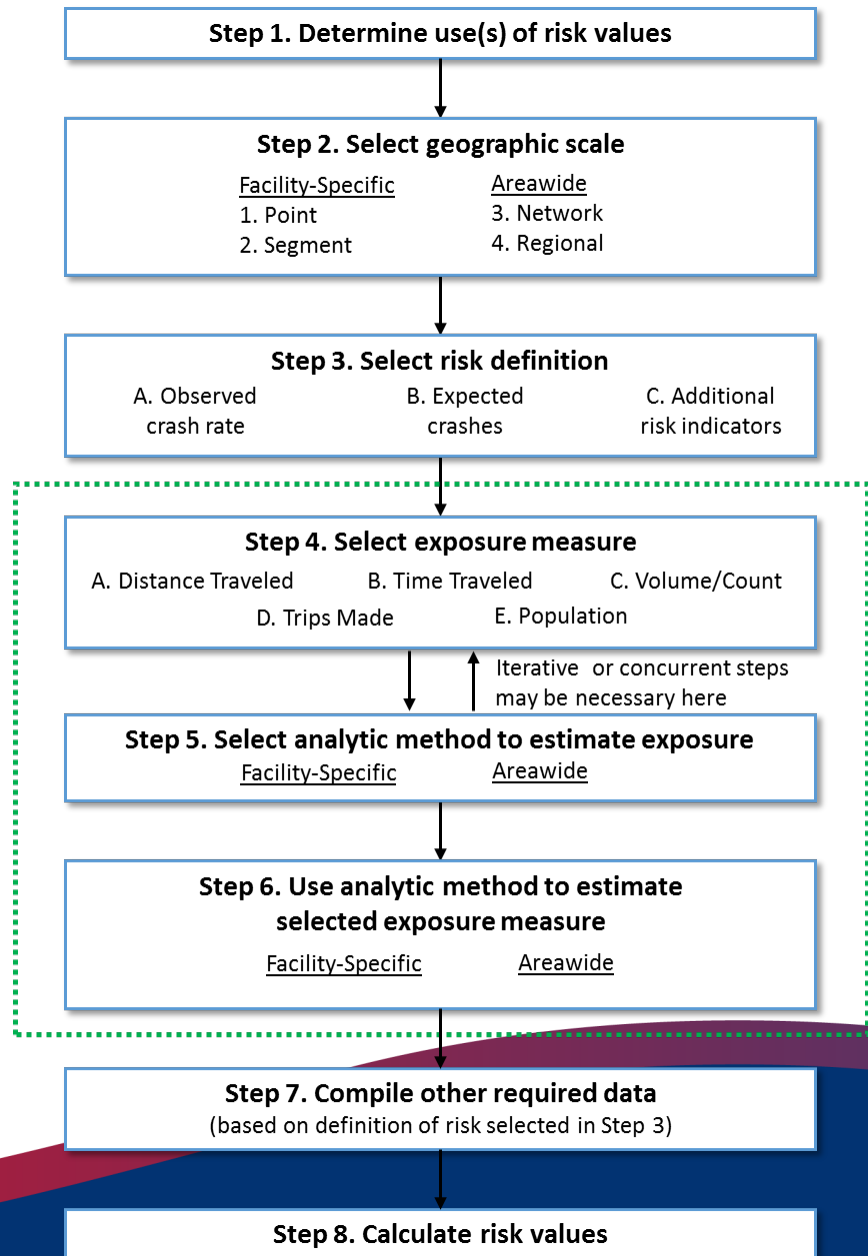
Overview of Scalable Risk Assessment Methods



8 Steps

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

Exposure Estimation Steps (inside dashed box)





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 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

A. Safety performance measures

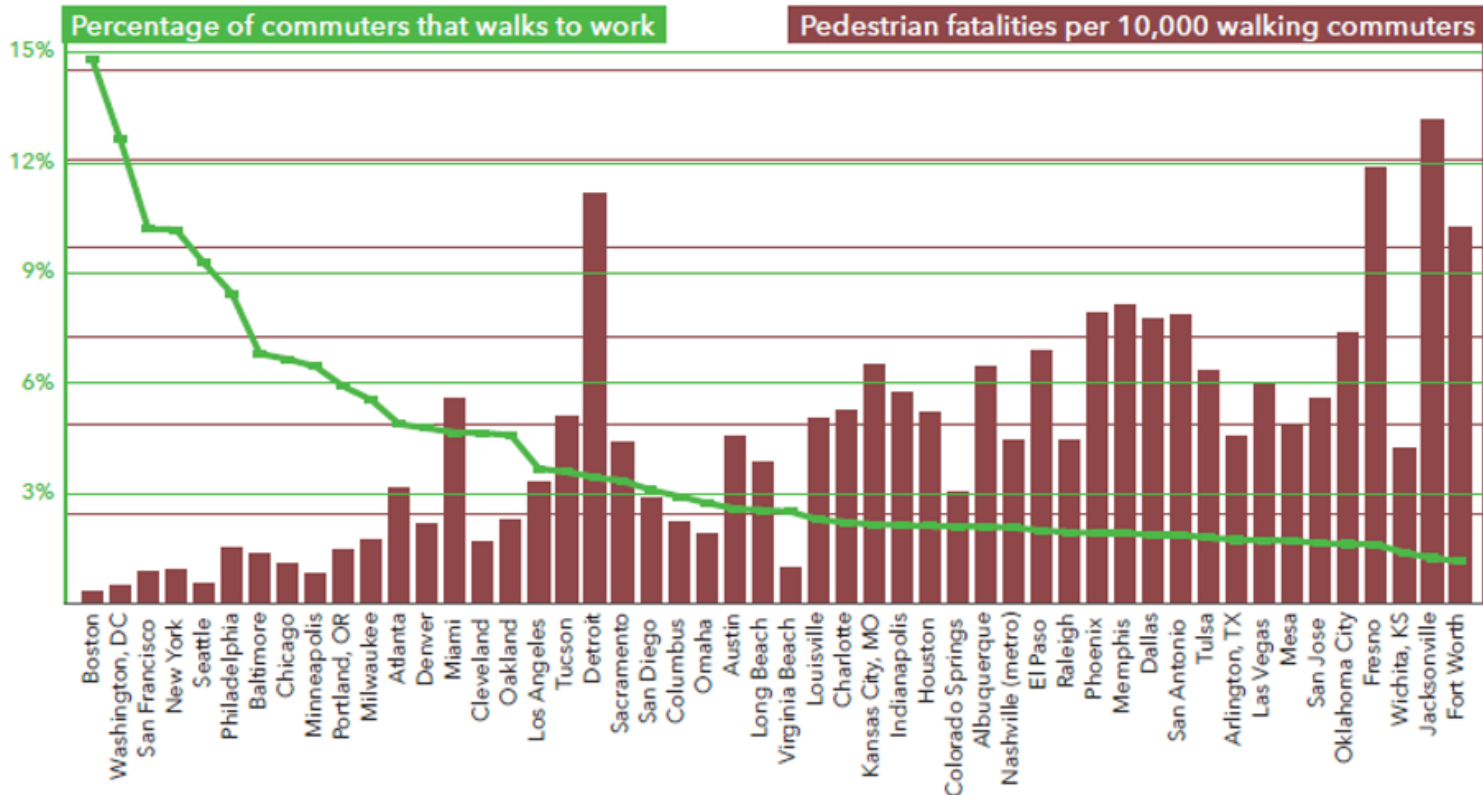
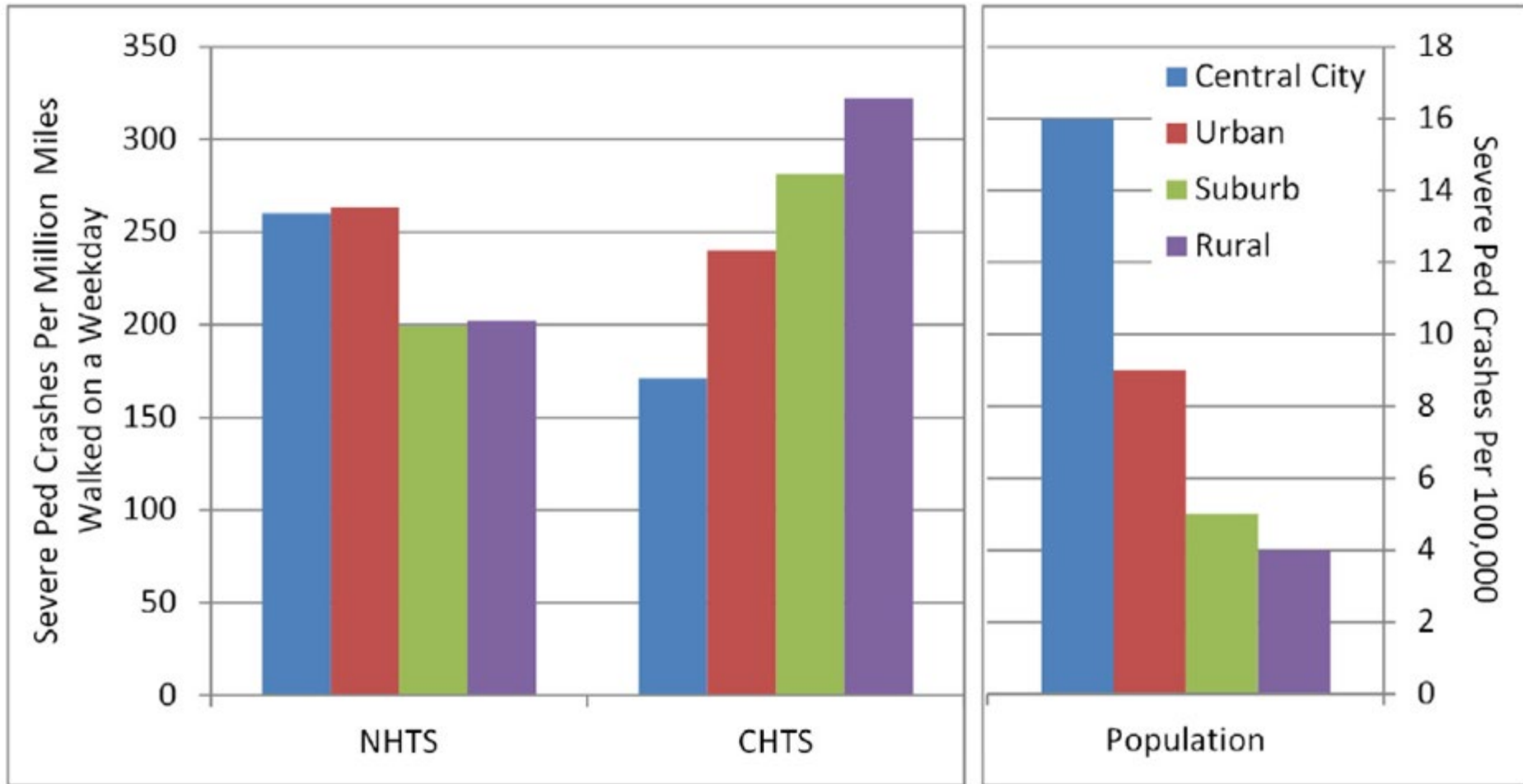


Figure 2. Example of Pedestrian Fatality Risk in 50 Cities

Source: 2016 Benchmarking Report, Alliance for Biking & Walking.

Step 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

B. Network screening, area-based



Step 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

C. Network screening, facility-based

#	Intersection ID	Route System	Route No.	Description	Speed Limit	Cross Product ^b	Traffic Control	Major Corridor Speed	Skew	On/Near Curve	Primary Land Use	Severe Ped/Bike Crash Density	Total Stars	Crash Cost
34	3.210.025	MN	210	4TH ST NWCSAH20 MSAS103/BRNRD	35	★	★	★		★	★		★★★★★	\$1,050,200
35	3.024.009	MN	24	CSAH 75/CLEARWATER	40	★	★	★	★		★		★★★★★	\$747,600
36	3.023.028	MN	23	19 1/2 AV/ST CLD	35	★		★	★	★	★		★★★★★	\$574,800
37	3.023.050	MN	23	TH 25/FOLEY	45	★	★	★	★		★		★★★★★	\$558,000
38	3.027.015	MN	27	4TH ST MSAS 106/LITTLE FALLS	30	★	★		★	★	★		★★★★★	\$366,400
39	3.023.011	MN	23	RED RVR AVCSAH 2/COLD SPRING	35	★	★	★		★	★		★★★★★	\$292,800
40	3.023.020	MN	23	6TH AV S MSAS107 M95/WAITPK	40	★	★	★		★	★		★★★★★	\$0
41	3.210.021	MN	210	ELDER DR SM140/BAXTER	55	★		★	★		★		★★★★	\$10,558,200
42	3.012.003	US	12	JOHNSON AVE M-54 LT/COKATO	35	★		★			★	★	★★★★	\$10,418,000
43	3.015.011	MN	15	N JCT TH 23 DIV ST/ST CLOUD	45	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$5,838,400
44	3.015.012	MN	15	3RD ST N CSAH81 MSAS 114/STC	45	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$4,310,200
45	3.169.004	US	169	197TH AV MSAS116 M118/ELKRV	55	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$1,696,200
46	3.015.019	MN	15	CSAH 29/SAUK RAPIDS	60	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$1,671,800
47	3.010.011	US	10	E JCT TH 210 LT/MOTLEY	30	★	★			★	★		★★★★	\$1,612,200
48	3.210.026	MN	210	4TH ST N MSAS114/BRAINERD	35	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$1,241,800
49	3.210.027	MN	210	TH 371B RTM 60 LT/BRAINERD	35	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$1,186,600
50	3.023.022	MN	23	WAITE AVMSAS101/WAITEPARK	40	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$1,146,000
53	3.025.030	MN	25	RIVER ST MSAS112/MONTICELLO	30	★	★			★	★		★★★★	\$891,400
54	3.012.020	US	12	BUFFALO AVCSAH 12TH 25/MONTR	35	★	★	★			★		★★★★	\$641,000
55	3.023.088	MN	23	N JCT TH 65 CSAH 6/MORA	30	★	★		★		★		★★★★	\$622,200
56	3.025.029	MN	25	BROADWAY CSAH75/MONTICELLO	30	★	★			★	★		★★★★	\$619,600

Source: Report FHWA-SA-17-002, Systemic Safety Project Selection Tool Supplemental Case Studies, December 2016.

Step 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

D. Project prioritization

	A	B	C	D	I	J	M	N	U
1		Step 10A: Calculate Priority Score							
3									
4									
5	ID	GAP LOCATION	Stakeholder Input SCORE	Stakeholder Input WEIGHTED SCORE	Safety SCORE	Safety WEIGHTED SCORE	Demand SCORE	Demand WEIGHTED SCORE	Prioritization Score
7	1	CENTRAL AVE	6.3	62.5	0.0	0.0	8.1	32.5	95.0
8	2	WASHINGTON/JEFFERSON CORRIDOR	4.2	41.7	7.1	57.1	8.4	33.6	132.4
9	3	3RD ST	9.6	95.8	4.3	34.3	3.8	15.0	145.2
10	4	12TH ST	0.8	8.3	1.4	11.4	2.5	10.0	29.8
11	5	15TH AVE	0.4	4.2	4.3	34.3	3.6	14.6	53.0
12	6	ENCANTO BLVD	6.3	62.5	4.3	34.3	7.7	30.9	127.7
13	7	OSBORN RD	8.8	87.5	2.9	22.9	5.2	20.6	131.0
14	8	OAK ST	3.8	37.5	2.9	22.9	4.0	16.0	76.4
15	9	20TH ST	2.1	20.8	0.0	0.0	3.1	12.6	33.4
16	10	3RD/5TH	1.3	12.5	10.0	80.0	3.1	12.5	105.0
17	11	DEER VALLEY DR	3.3	33.3	0.0	0.0	5.4	21.5	54.8
18	12	UNION HILLS DR	5.0	50.0	7.1	57.1	9.9	39.8	146.9
19	13	19TH AVE	5.8	58.3	7.1	57.1	3.5	14.0	129.5
20	14	32ND ST	8.8	87.5	10.0	80.0	6.8	27.3	194.8
21	15	40TH ST	3.3	33.3	5.7	45.7	3.1	12.6	91.6

Source: NCHRP Report 803, Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Along Existing Roads—
[ActiveTrans Priority Tool Guidebook](#), 2015.

Step 1. Determine Use(s) of Risk Values

E. Countermeasure evaluation

Treatment Group	Measure	All Crashes with Intersecting Street Name			Crashes coded as Intersection-Related Crashes		
		Before	After	Percent Change	Before	After	Percent Change
HAWK sites (21)	Frequency	11.0	9.2	-17	5.0	3.3	-34
	Total crashes/MEV&P	0.748	0.618	-17	0.341	0.223	-35
	Severe crashes/MEV&P	0.265	0.210	-21	0.138	0.094	-32
	Pedestrian crashes/MEV&P	0.029	0.005	-83	0.017	0.002	-86
	Pedestrian crashes/MEP	3.081	0.511	-83	1.826	0.255	-86
Reference group 1: signalized intersections (36)	Frequency	44.9	41.9	-7	19.6	16.8	-14
	Total crashes/MEV&P	1.953	1.788	-8	0.854	0.716	-16
	Severe crashes/MEV&P	0.549	0.503	-8	0.294	0.241	-18
	Pedestrian crashes/MEV&P	0.020	0.016	-23	0.010	0.008	-16
	Pedestrian crashes/MEP	2.051	1.546	-25	1.025	0.839	-18
Reference group 1: unsignalized intersections (35)	Frequency	4.2	4.3	3	1.6	1.3	-17
	Total crashes/MEV&P	0.285	0.292	2	0.108	0.090	-17
	Severe crashes/MEV&P	0.098	0.088	-10	0.043	0.038	-10
	Pedestrian crashes/MEV&P	0.006	0.009	52	0.003	0.004	42
	Pedestrian crashes/MEP	1.383	2.078	50	0.615	0.866	41
Reference group 2: unsignalized intersections (102)	Frequency	5.9	6.1	3	2.4	2.1	-9
	Total crashes/MEV&P	0.418	0.430	3	0.166	0.150	-9
	Severe crashes/MEV&P	0.140	0.141	0	0.060	0.056	-6
	Pedestrian crashes/MEV&P	0.006	0.011	93	0.001	0.003	143
	Pedestrian crashes/MEP	1.233	2.297	86	0.257	0.602	134

Crashes/MEV&P = Type of given crash (total, severe, or pedestrian crashes) per million entering vehicles and pedestrians.

Pedestrian crashes/MEP = Pedestrian crashes per million entering pedestrians.

Note: Frequency is expressed as the average annual number of total crashes for a site with the given intersection control and study period.

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F. Site evaluation

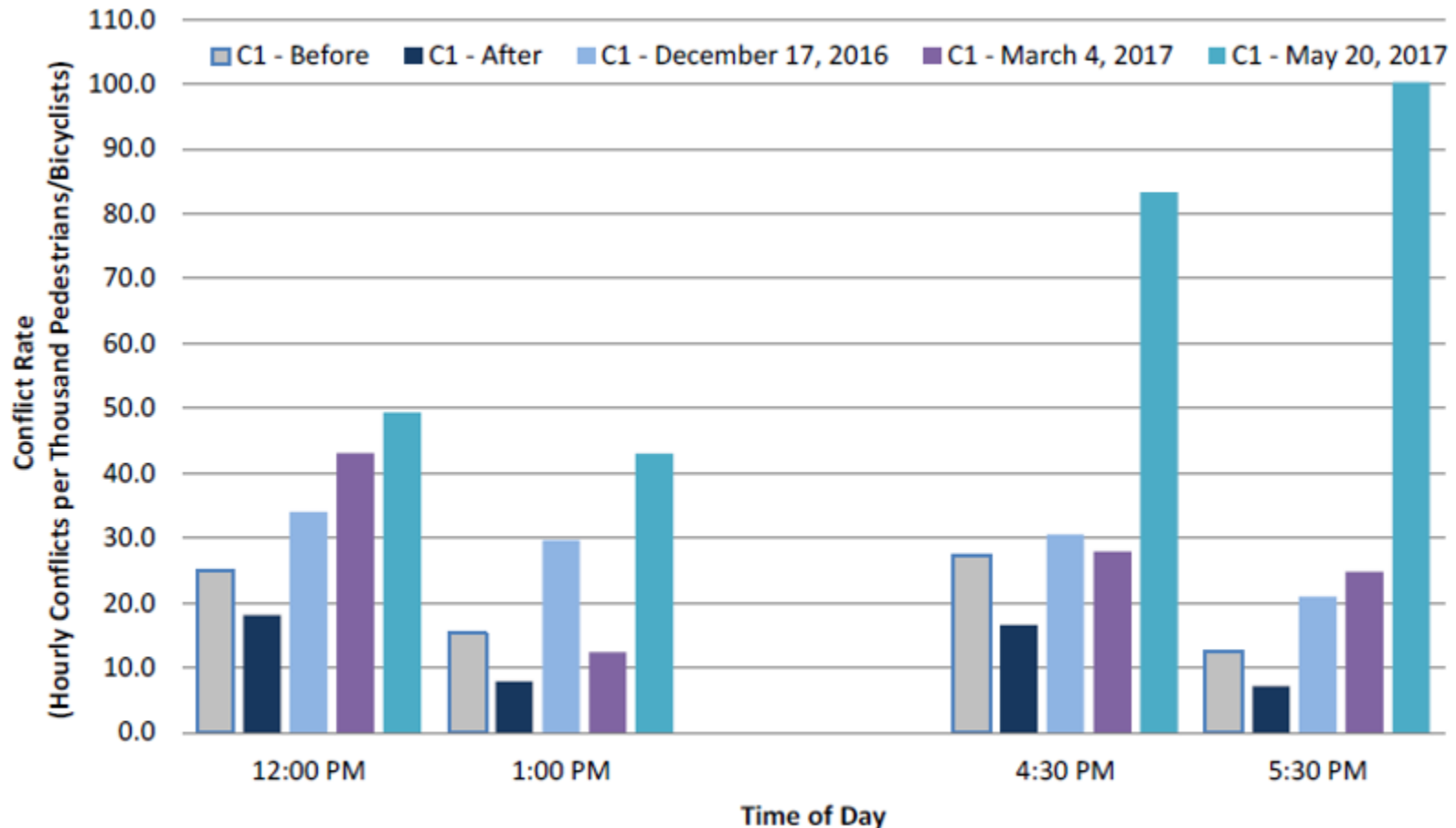
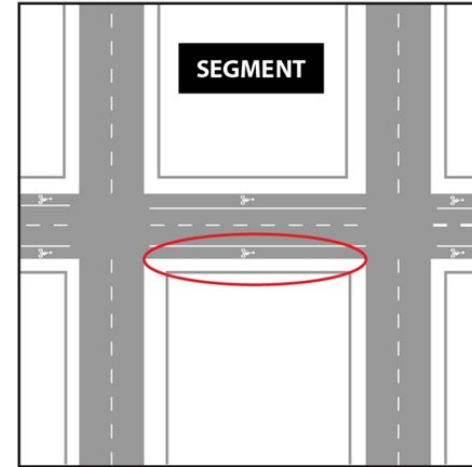
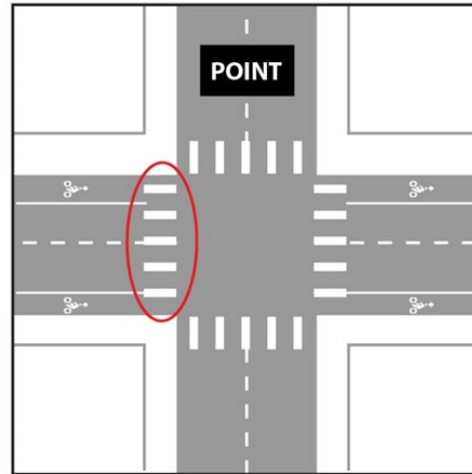


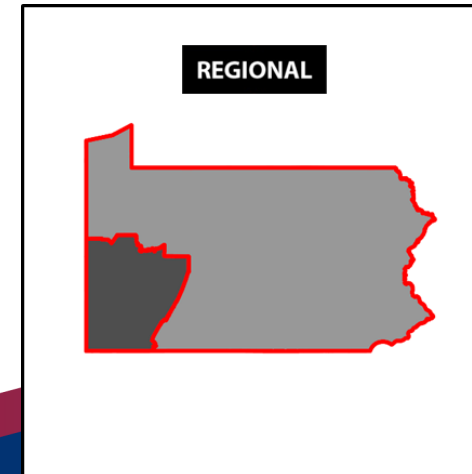
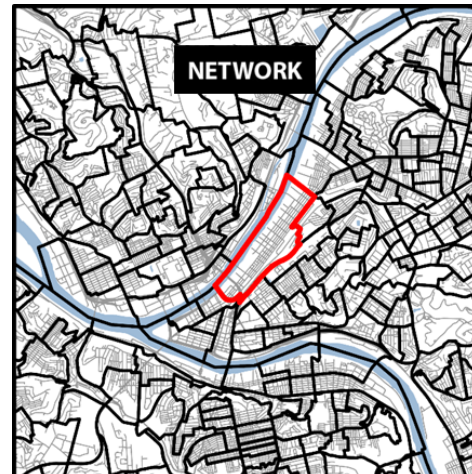
Figure 4. Example of Site Evaluation: Exclusive Pedestrian Phase at Single Intersection

Step 2. Select Geographic Scale

Facility-Specific



Areawide





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- In many cases, your defined use(s) from Step 1 will also determine the scale to use
 - A. Safety performance measures (typically AREAWIDE)
 - B. Network screening, area-based (AREAWIDE)
 - C. Network screening, facility-based
 - D. Project prioritization
 - E. Countermeasure evaluation
 - F. Site evaluation
- } (FACILITY-SPECIFIC)



Step 3. Select Risk Definition

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



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1. Observed crash rate

- Traditional approach
- Use with other crash analysis tools
- Observed crashes on specific facilities may not accurately represent true crash probability
- 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

- Volume/count
 - E.g., crossing pedestrians, peds x motor vehicles
- Distance traveled
 - E.g., Pedestrian-miles of travel
- Time traveled
 - E.g., Pedestrian-hours of travel
- Trips made
- Population
 - E.g., % of population that walks on regular basis



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
- } (FACILITY-SPECIFIC)
- Travel surveys (AREAWIDE)

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

- Limited number of facilities
 - Site counts

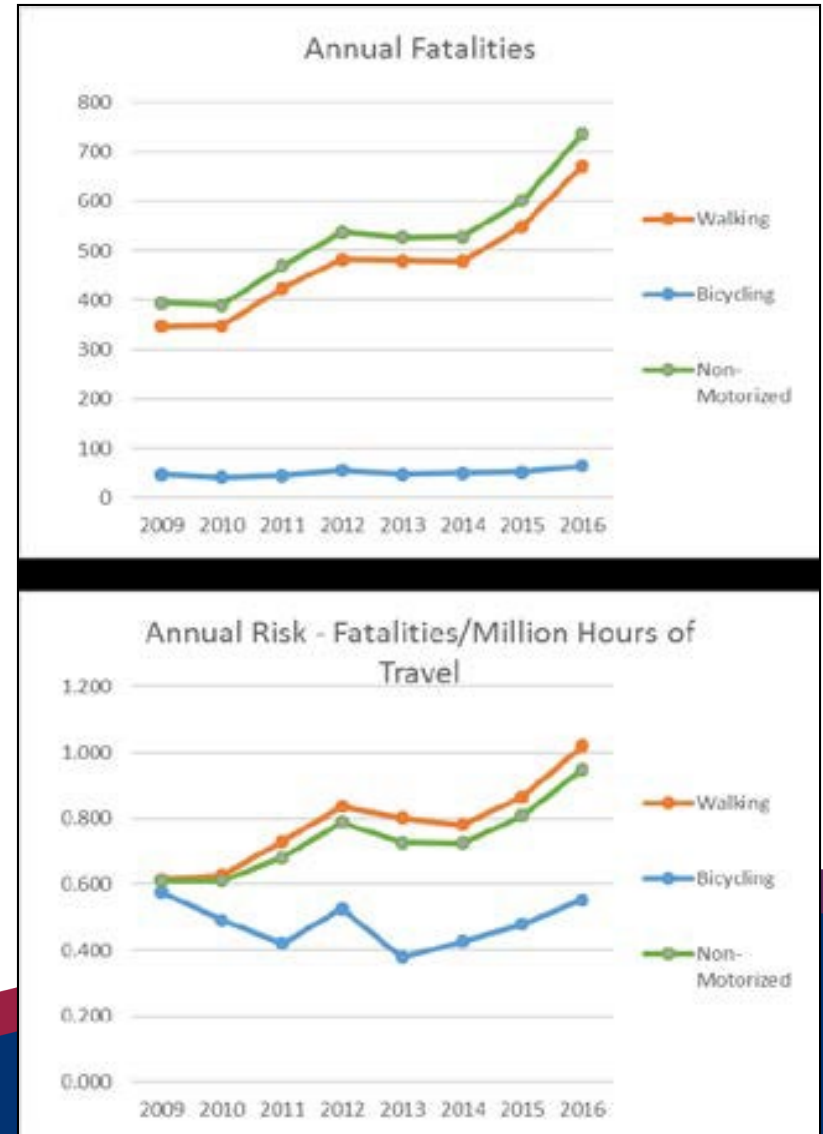
- All facilities in city/region
 - Site counts at sample locations used to develop and calibrate demand estimation model for all facilities

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

- Direct demand models (most common)
- Model variables:
 - Population density
 - Total employment
 - Land use mix
 - Presence of transit stops
 - Presence of walking/biking facilities

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

- Travel surveys
 - National Household Travel Survey (NHTS)
 - American Community Survey (ACS)
 - Regional travel survey
- AREAWIDE uses only
- Spreadsheet tool for state and MPO area exposure estimates



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

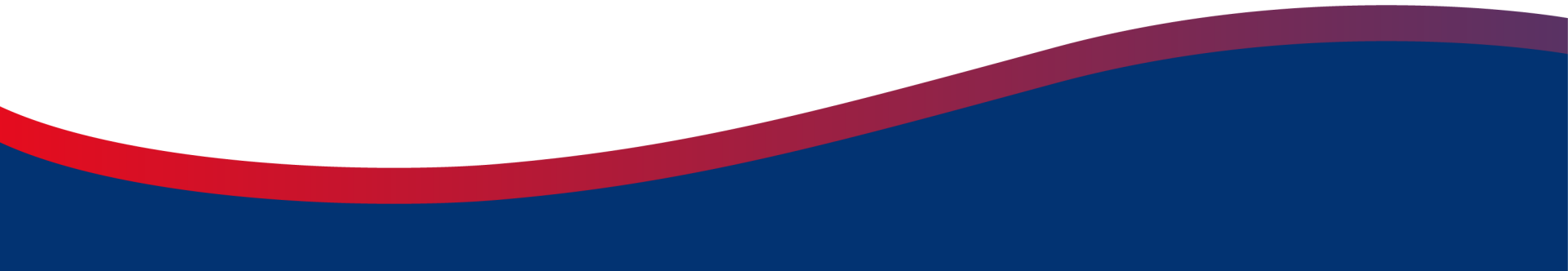
- Step 7: Compile other required data (based on risk definition from Step 3)
- Step 8: Calculate Risk Values



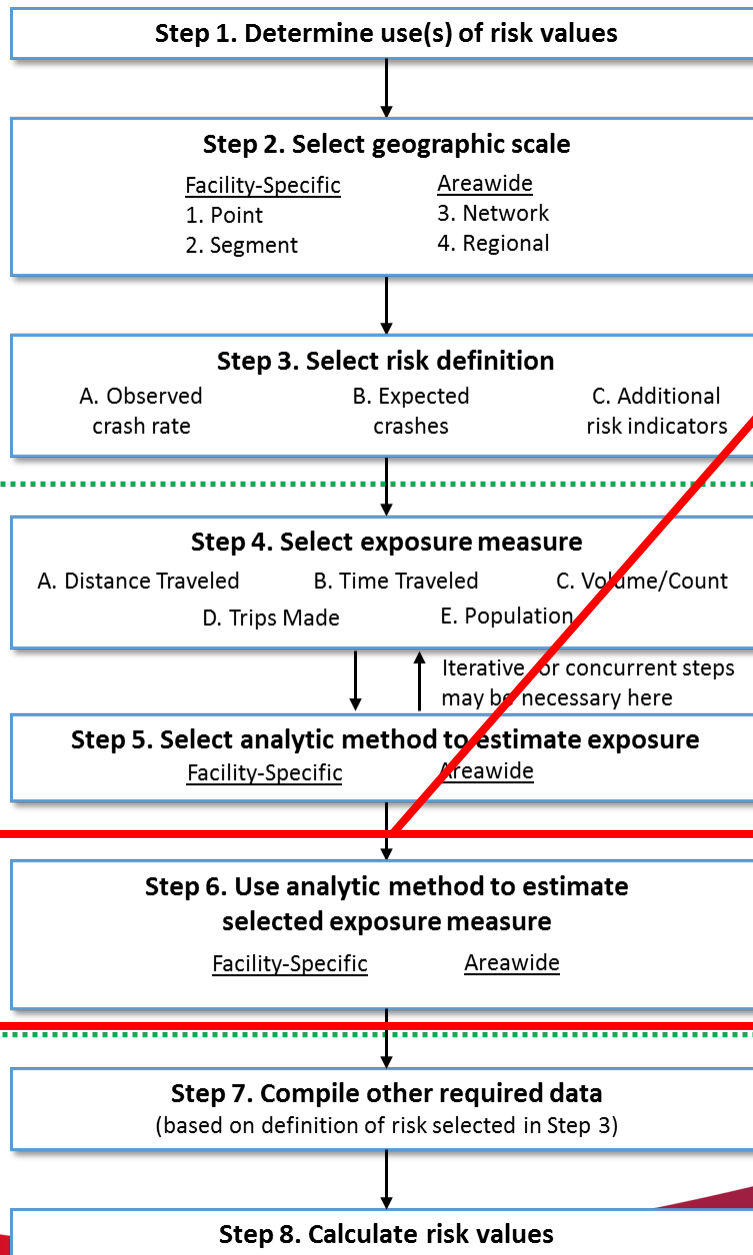
Resources

- Guide: Scalable Risk Assessment (FHWA-SA-18-032)
 - https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/fhwas_a18032/
 - Spreadsheet tool for statewide and MPO area exposure estimates
- Phase 1: Synthesis of Methods (FHWA-SA-17-041)
 - https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/fhwas_a17041/index.cfm

Exposure from Site Counts



Exposure



Exposure Estimation Steps (inside dashed box)

- Analytic methods to estimate exposure
- Facility-Specific:
 - Counts
 - Demand models
- Areawide
 - Travel surveys

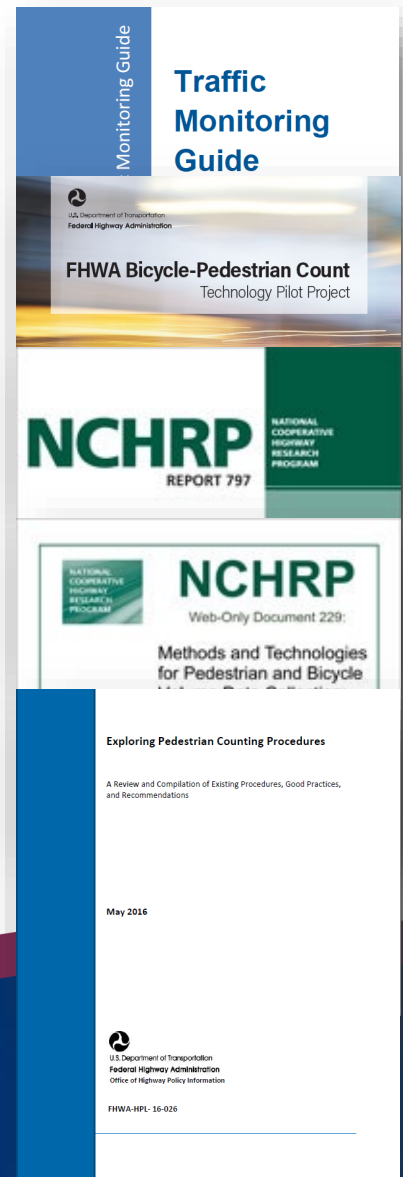
Exposure from Site Counts

- Limited number of facilities
- Counts for model development
- Use of automated equipment
 - Annualizing short duration counts
- Balance number of count locations and duration
- Crowdsourced data on horizon



Counting Guides & Resources

- FHWA 2016 Traffic Monitoring Guide
- FHWA-HEP-17-012, Count Tech Pilot
- NCHRP Report 797, Guidebook on Data Collection
- NCHRP Web-only Doc 229, Methods and Tech
- FHWA-HPL-16-026, Ped Counting Practices





Structure of Monitoring Program

- A few permanent continuous count sites
 - Year-round traffic patterns to adjust short-duration counts
 - Typically several perm counters per factor group, several factor groups
 - Commuting
 - Recreational
 - Mixed
- Larger number of short duration sites
 - More geographic coverage
 - Ideally 7 days, but some exceptions

Counter Technology

1. What Are You Counting?



	Technology	Bicyclists Only	Pedestrians Only	Pedestrians & Bicyclist Combined	Pedestrians & Bicyclist Separately	Cost
Permanent ↑ 2. How Long? ↓ Temporary/ Short Term	Inductance Loops ¹	●			◐	\$\$
	Magnetometer ²	○				\$-\$\$
	Pressure Sensor ²	○	○	○	○	\$\$
	Radar Sensor	○	○	○		\$-\$\$
	Seismic Sensor	○	○	○		\$\$
	Video Imaging: Automated	○	○	○	○	\$-\$\$
	Infrared Sensor (Active or Passive)	○ ³	●	●	◐	\$-\$\$
	Pneumatic Tubes	●			◐	\$-\$\$
	Video Imaging: Manual	○	○	○	●	\$-\$\$\$
	Manual Observers	●	●	●	●	\$\$-\$\$\$

○ Indicates what is technologically possible.

● Indicates a common practice.

◐ Indicates a common practice, but must be combined with another technology to classify pedestrians and bicyclists separately.

\$, \$\$, \$\$\$: Indicates relative cost per data point.

¹ Typically requires a unique loop configuration separate from motor vehicle loops, especially in a traffic lane shared by bicyclists and motor vehicles.

² Permanent installation is typical for asphalt or concrete pavements; temporary installation is possible for unpaved, natural surface trails.

³ Requires specific mounting configuration to avoid counting cars in main traffic lanes or counting pedestrians on the sidewalk.

Counter Technology

Table 3-3. Comparison of common pedestrian and bicycle counting methods: resources.

Characteristic	Passive Infrared	Active Infrared	Pneumatic Tubes	Inductive Loops	Piezoelectric Sensor	Passive IR + Inductive Loops	Radio Beam (One Frequency)	Radio Beam (High/Low Frequency)	Automated Video ¹	Manual Counts ²
Equipment cost ³	\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$
Preparation cost ⁴	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$
Installation time ⁵	⌚	⌚⌚	⌚	⌚⌚⌚	⌚⌚⌚	⌚⌚⌚	⌚⌚	⌚⌚	⌚	N/A
Hourly cost ⁶	\$	\$	\$\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$
Data collector training time ⁷	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚	⌚⌚⌚
Mobility ⁸	+++	++	+++	-	-	-	++	++	+++	+++
Pavement cuts	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No

Notes: N/A: not applicable

This table presents generalized information specific to particular counting technologies. Other aspects of counting products, such as battery life and communication interfaces, are also important to consider but are highly vendor-specific. See the text following this exhibit for more details. See Chapter 5 for specific details (e.g., typical costs) related to each technology.

(1) Existing "automated video" systems may not use a completely automated counting process; they may also incorporate manual data checks of automated video processing.

(2) Includes manual counts from video images.

(3) \$: equipment (not including permitting and installation) typically cost less than \$1,000 as of 2013, \$\$: typically costs between \$1,000 and \$3,000, \$\$\$: typically costs more than \$3,000. The cost of most counting technologies is subject to economies of scale, so the per site cost can be reduced by purchasing more counters.

(4) Fewer dollar signs (\$) indicate that it takes less time (and therefore fewer financial resources) to find an appropriate site and to obtain any required permits to install the counting product. Preparation can range from less than one day for manual counts to several months for technologies with more restrictive installation requirements.

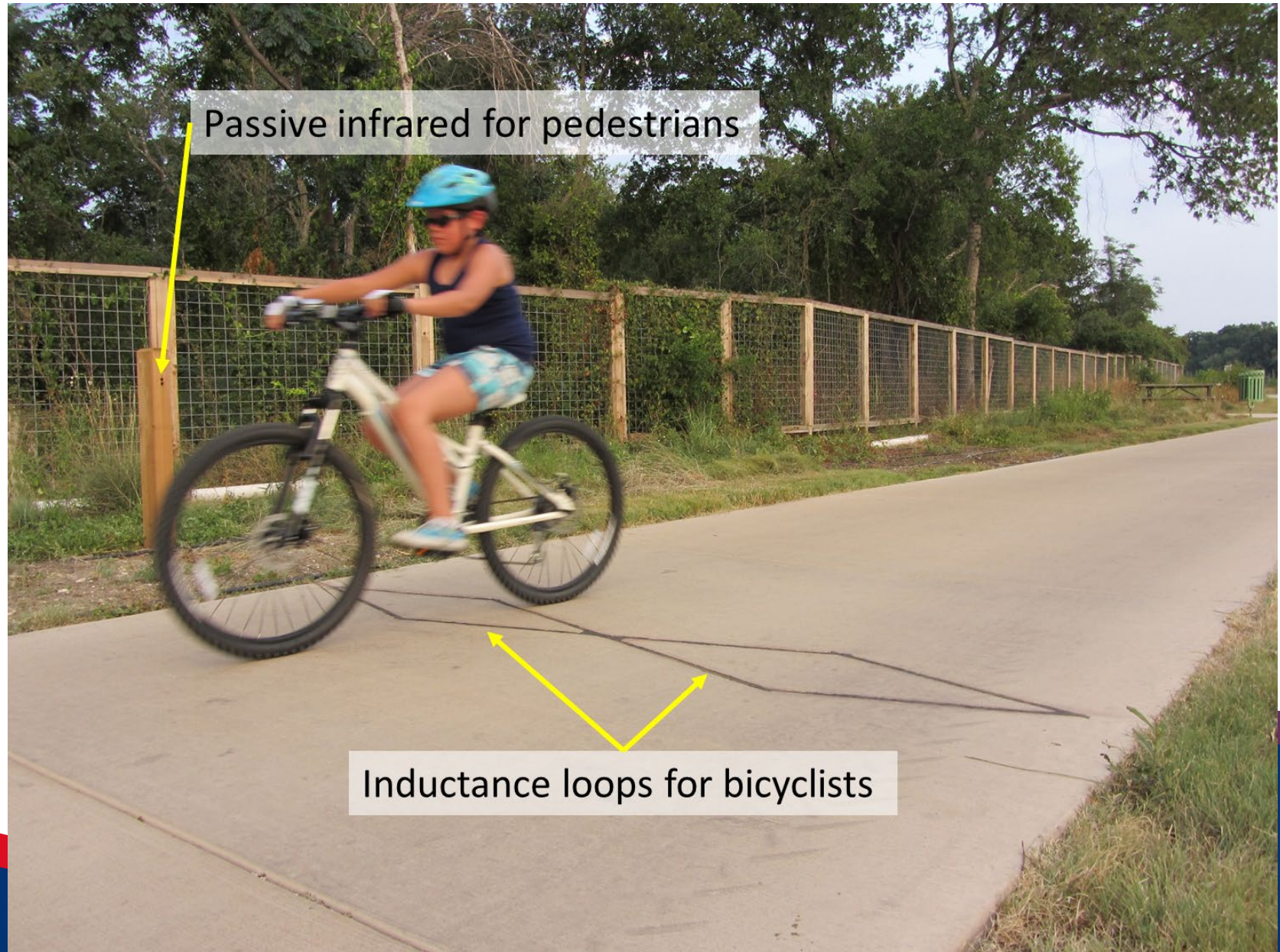
(5) More clocks (⌚) are given to methods that require more installation time (e.g., cut pavement, secure the data logger, test and adjust the equipment). Installation can range from no time for manual counts and less than 30 minutes for passive infrared to more than half a day for inductive loops.

(6) More dollar signs (\$) indicate that the method is more costly for an average hour of counts, given the typical count duration for a particular method. These costs can range from a few cents per hour for automated technologies (the full equipment, preparation, and installation cost is spread across months of counts) to more than \$50 per hour for manual counts (including training preparation time, management, and on-site labor costs).

(7) More clocks (⌚) indicate that more time is needed to prepare field data collectors to implement the counting method. A single data collector can be trained how to install or download data from a particular automated technology in less than 30 minutes, but it often takes more than one hour to thoroughly train data collectors to collect accurate manual counts.

(8) More pluses (++) indicate that a counting technology is easier to move after it has been installed. A minus sign (-) indicates that the technology is generally not intended to be used in more than one location based on the installation being permanent.

Counter Technology



Passive infrared for pedestrians

Inductance loops for bicyclists

Counter Technology



Counter
Unit

Pneumatic Tubes

Counter Technology



Invisible Infrared Beam

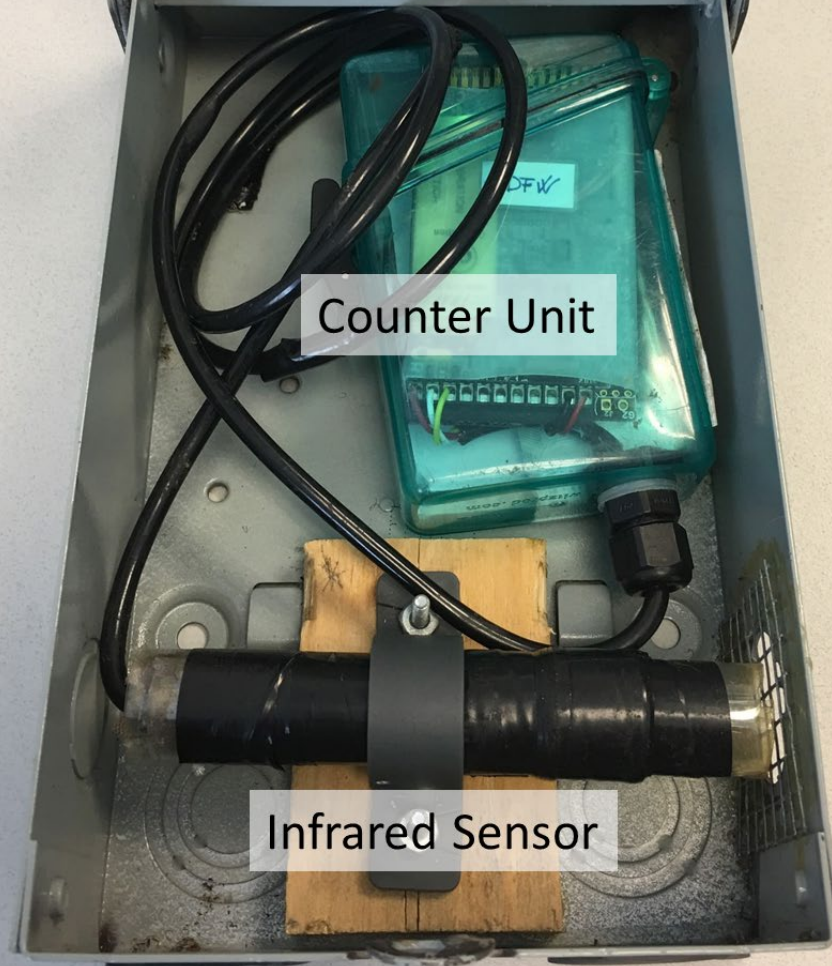
Counter Unit

Source: Eco-Counter

Counter Technology



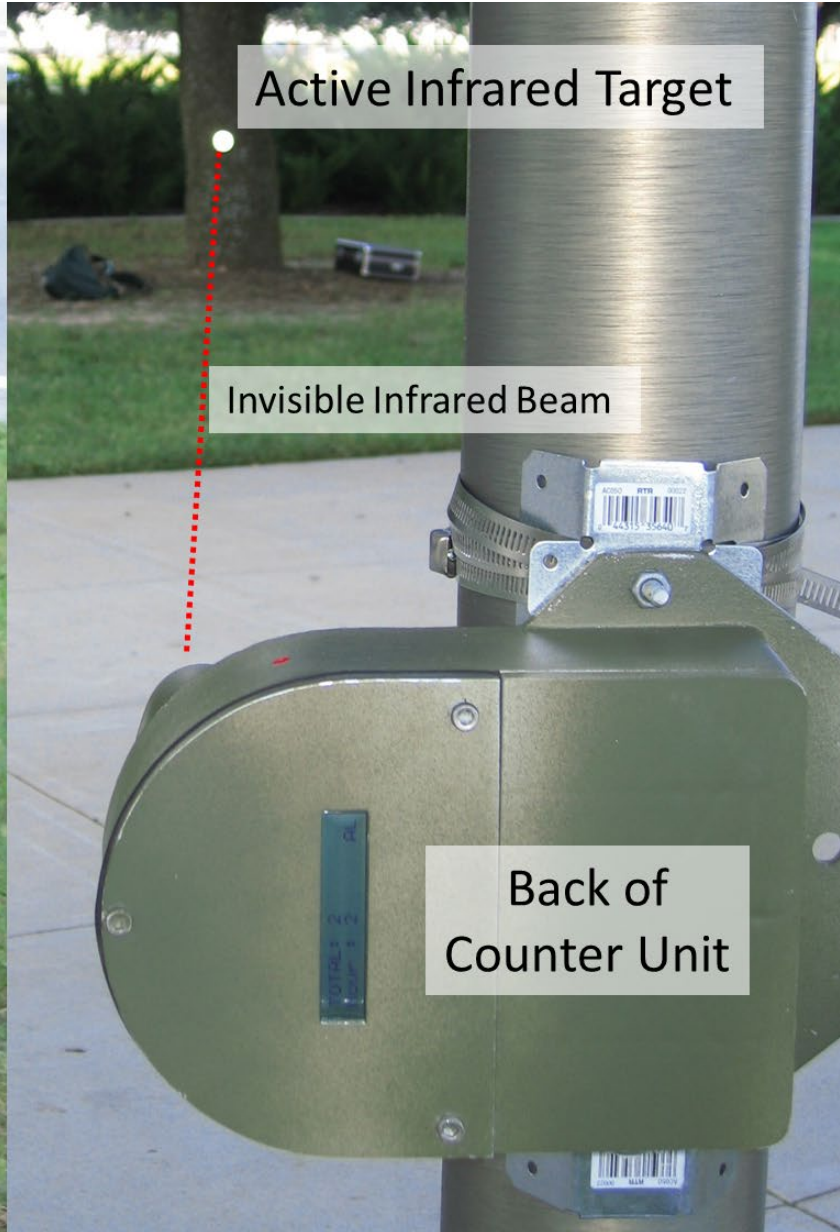
Custom-Built, Vandal-Resistant
Lockable Utility Box



Counter Unit

Infrared Sensor

Counter Technology



Counter Technology



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



Video: automated and manual reduction

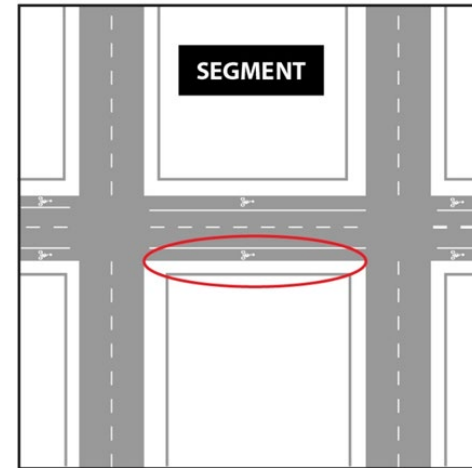
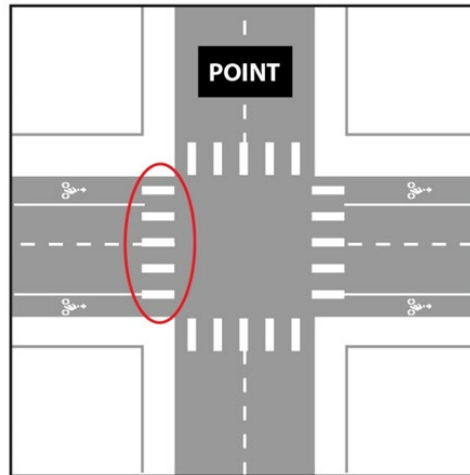
Site Selection

- What is purpose of counts?
- How will you use counts
 - Exposure at safety hot spots? (high crashes)
 - Before-after at future improvements? (maybe both)
 - Document effectiveness? (high activity levels)
- Collecting counts for multiple purposes may require balancing multiple criteria

Site Selection

- Intersections vs. mid-block locations

Facility-Specific



- Where are the safety problems?
- Where are the improvements?

Site Selection Criteria

- High-activity locations
- High-crash locations (Safety Action Plan)
- Planned improvements
- Representative facilities
 - On-street facilities – different functional classes
 - Shared use paths
 - Sidewalks and crossings
- Designated bicyclist routes
- Local input

Site Selection: Mid-block Locations

- Most pedestrian traffic is local – short trips
- But can't afford to collect everywhere
- Land use and trip generators
 - Dense activity centers
 - Schools, parks, recreational areas
 - Multi-family housing
 - Transit stops
- Intercept points
- Practical consideration of equipment mounting

Short Duration Counts: How Long?

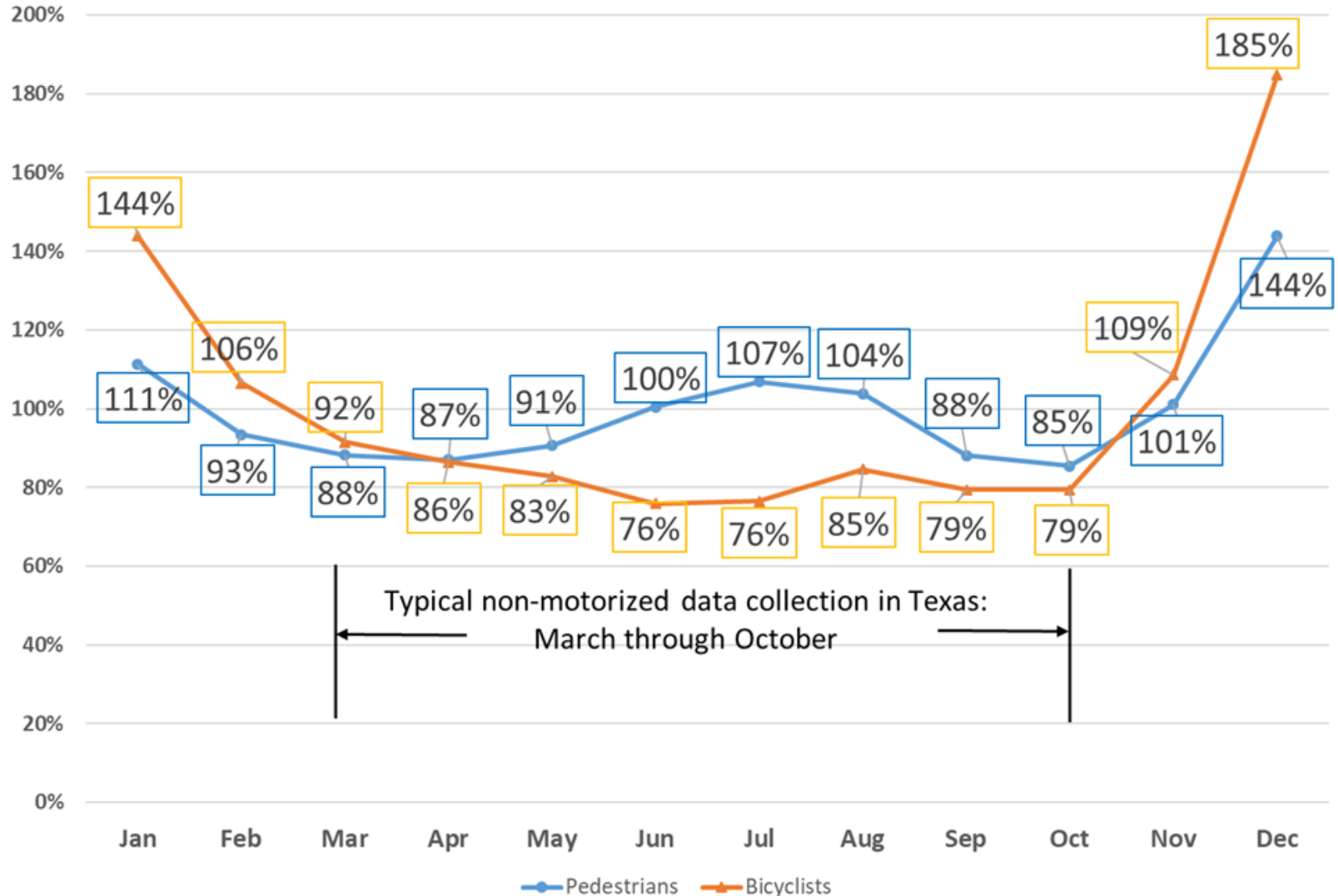
- Counts highly variable
 - Discretionary trips
 - Effects of weather
- Automated collection:
 - 14 days preferred, 7 days minimum
- Manual collection:
 - 12 hours preferred, 4-6 hours minimum
- Must consider tradeoffs – number of sites versus duration at each site

Adjustments to Raw Count Data

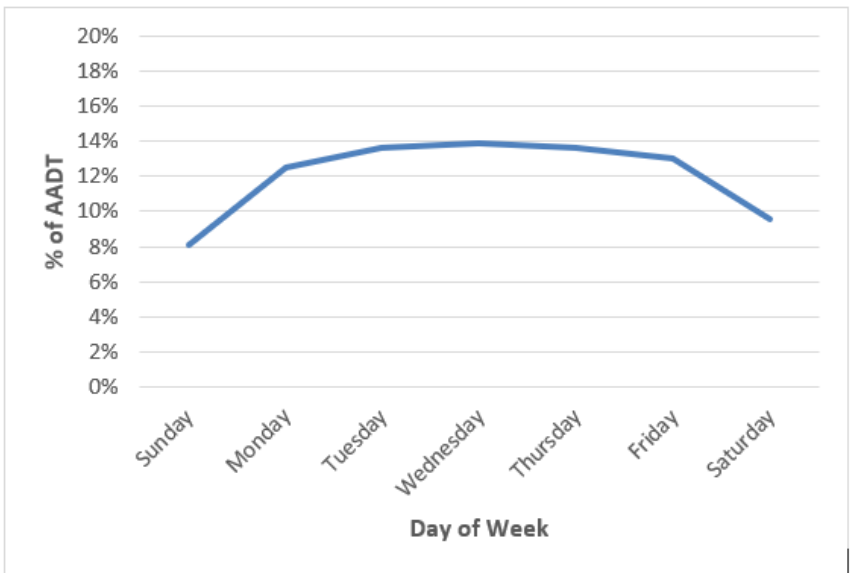
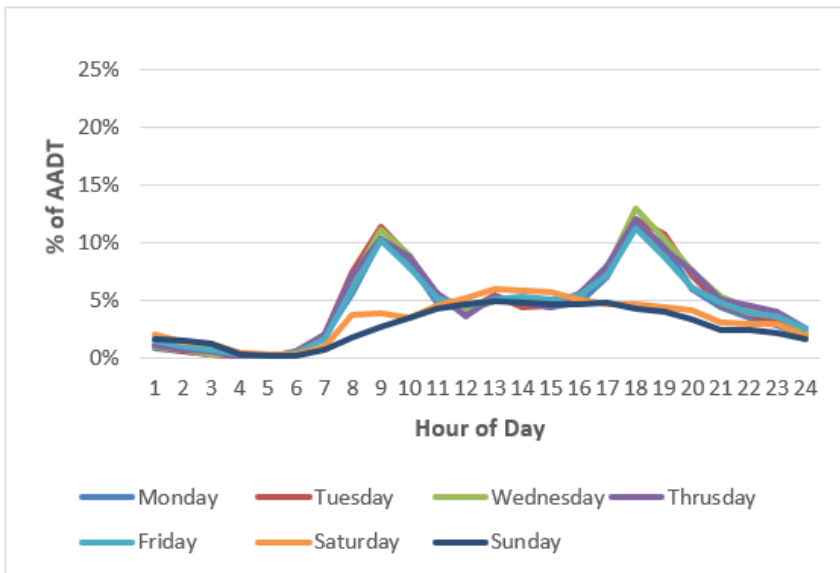
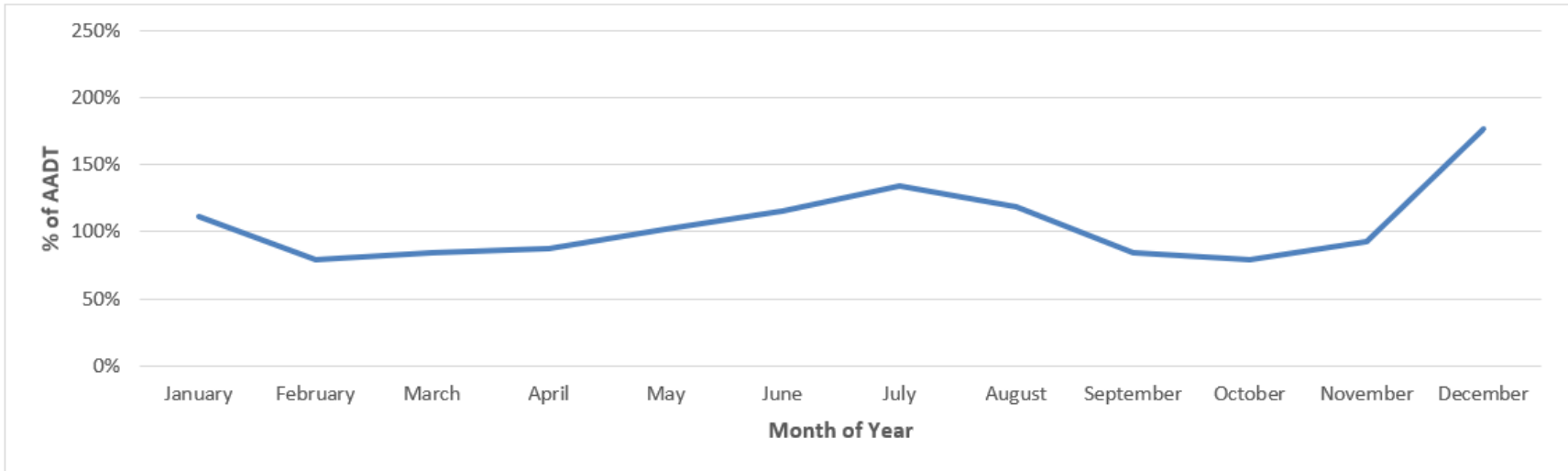
- Time-of-day: if less than 24 hours
- Day-of-week: if less than 7 days (5 weekday, 2 weekend)
- Month-of-year (annualizing)
- Occlusion adjustment
 - Address known equipment deficiency in high volumes

Example: Month-of-Year Adjustment

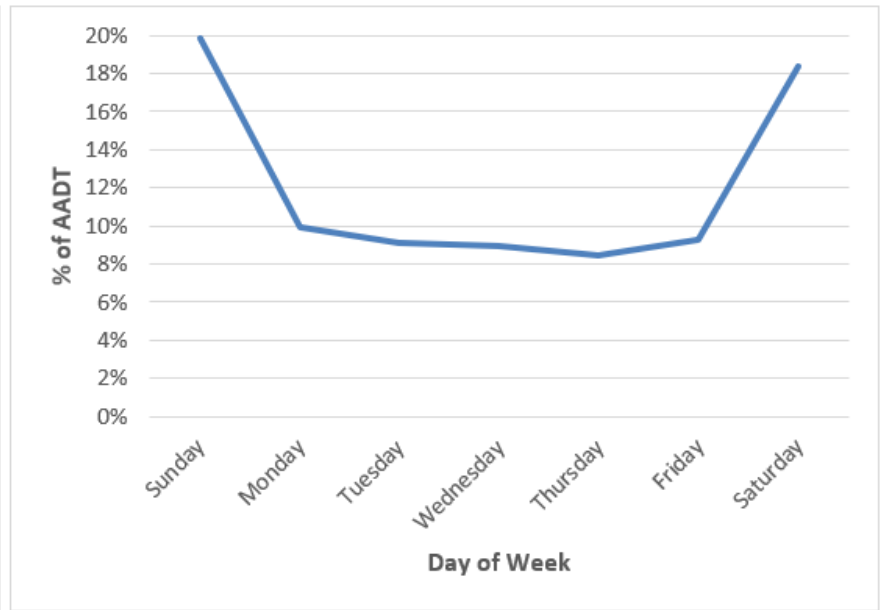
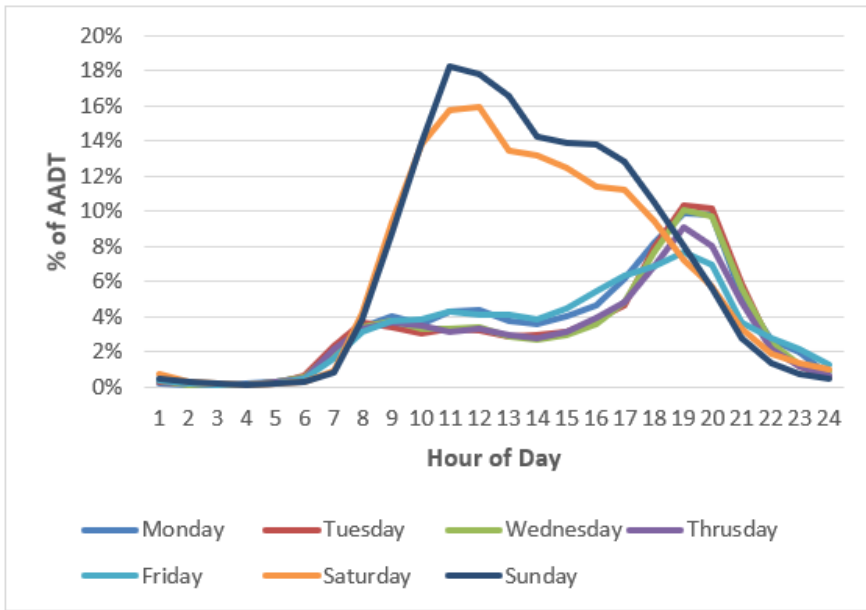
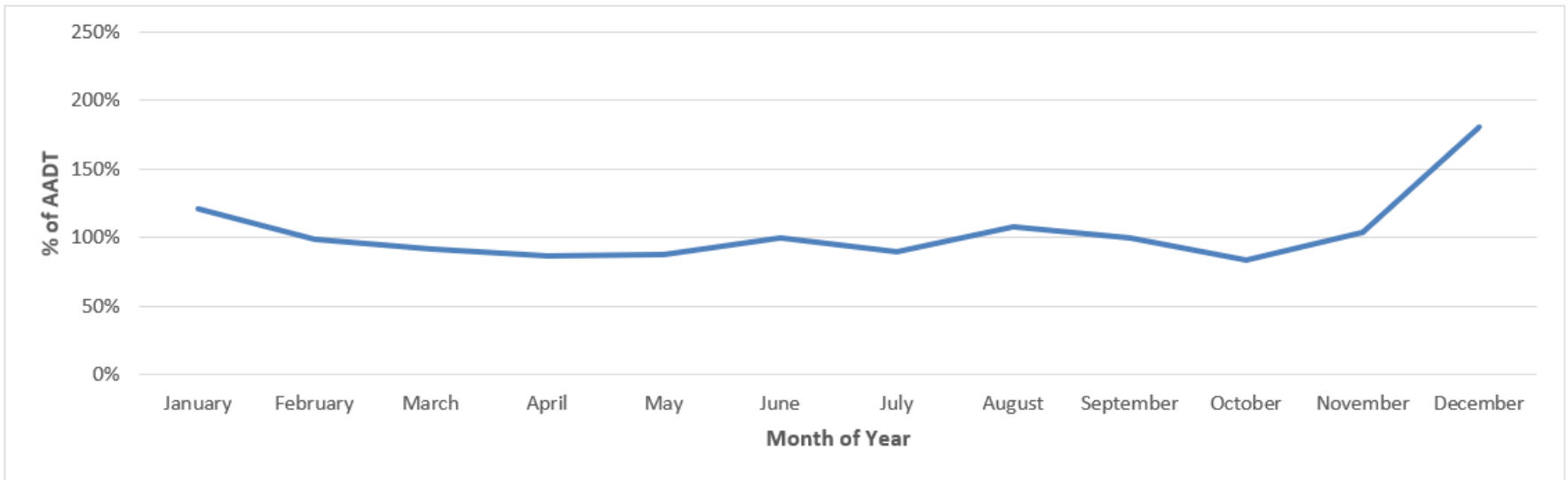
Pedestrian and Bicyclist Month-of-Year Count Adjustment Factors in Texas



Permanent counter - Commuters



Permanent counter - Recreation



Break!



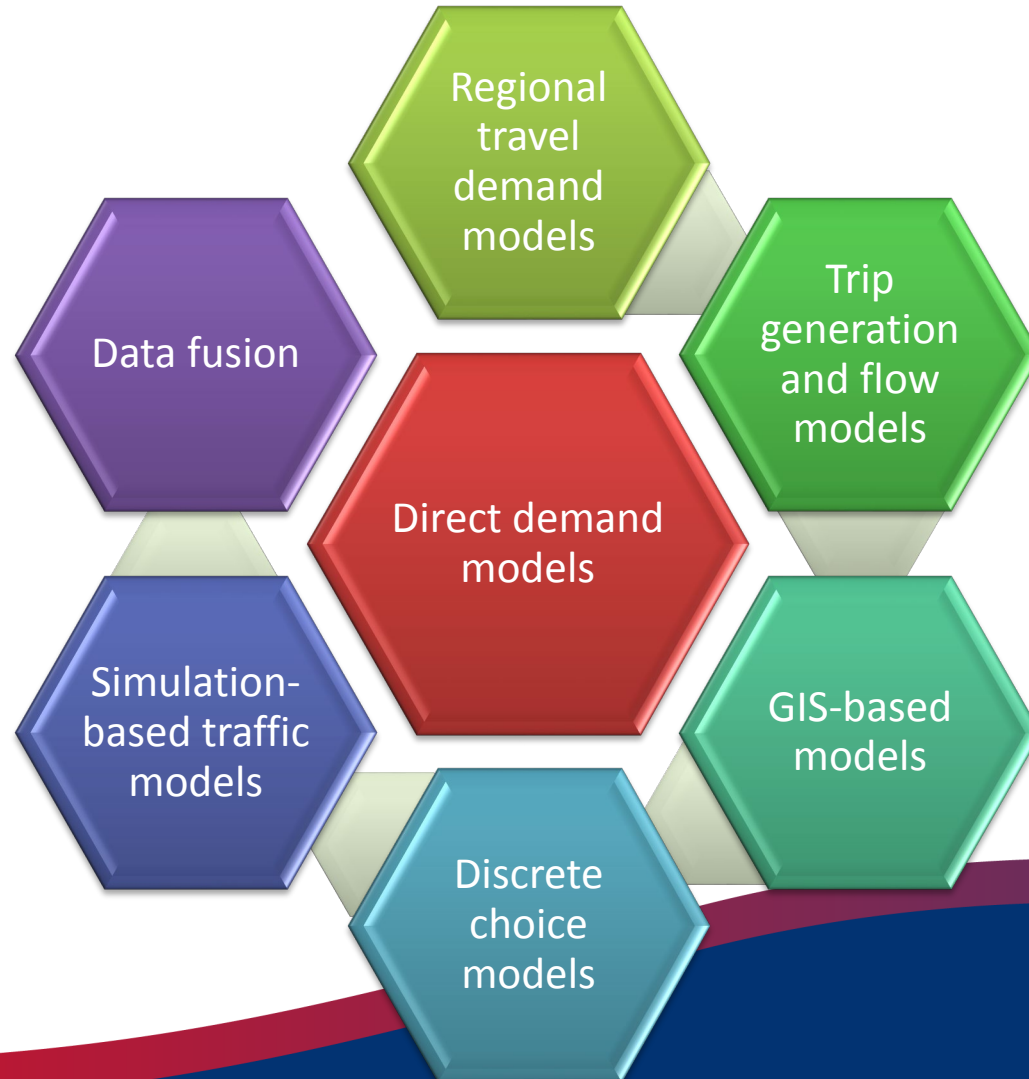
Exposure from Demand Estimation Models



Demand Estimation Models

- Numerous models to estimate pedestrian and bicyclist demand.
- Some have been more commonly used.
- Several rely on pedestrian and bicyclist count data.
- Some provide the volume estimate directly, some must be integrated with other methods.

Demand Estimation Models



Have a potential role as non-motorized planning tools that can be used in exposure estimation.

Demand Estimation Models



Method Selection Matrix

Analytic Method		Input Data Requirements	Technical Complexity	Popularity in Practice	Direct Usability	Accuracy
Site counts		○	○	●	●	○/●/●
Demand Estimation Models	Direct demand models	●	○/●	●	●	○/●
	Regional TDM	●/●	●/●	○	○/●/●	○/●/●
	Trip generation and flow models	●/●	●/●	●	●	●/●
	GIS-based models	●	●	●	●	●/●
	Discrete choice models	●/●	●/●	●	○	●/●
	Simulation-based traffic models	●	●	○	●	●
	Data fusion	●	●/●	○	●	●/●
Travel surveys		○	○	●	●	○/●/●

Legend: ○ = low suitability; ● = moderate suitability; ● = high suitability.

Key Considerations

- Review the project goals and resources available.



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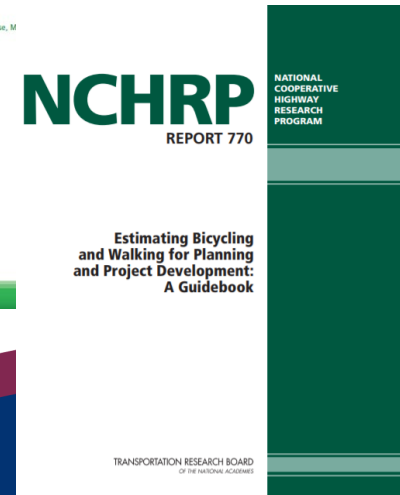
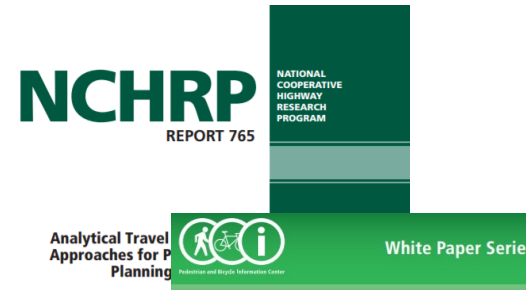
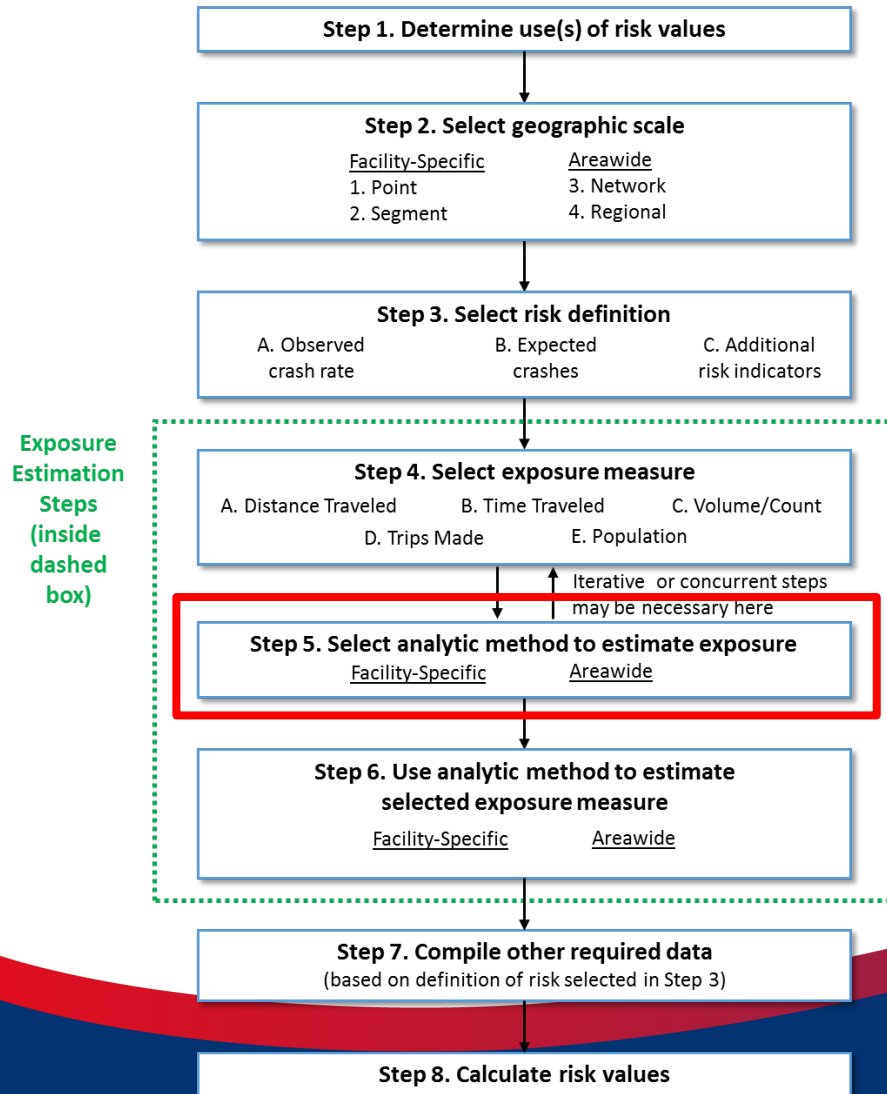
Key Considerations

- Review the project goals and resources available.
- A model is as good as its input data.
- Learn and understand what is available in the region.
- May not be directly transferable.
 - re-design, re-implement, and calibrate with respect to local conditions



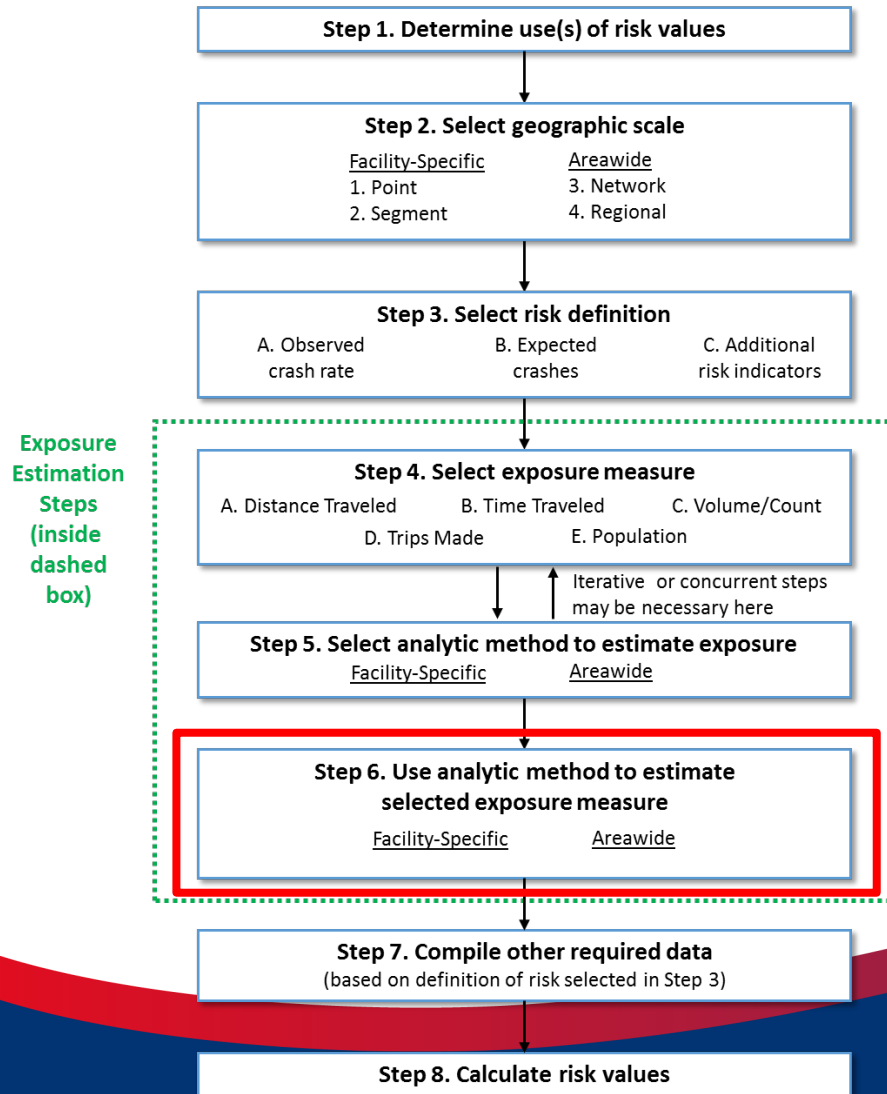
Step 5: Select

Overview, Considerations, Checklist & Resources



Step 6: Use

Detailed Overview, Development, Examples



Direct Demand Models



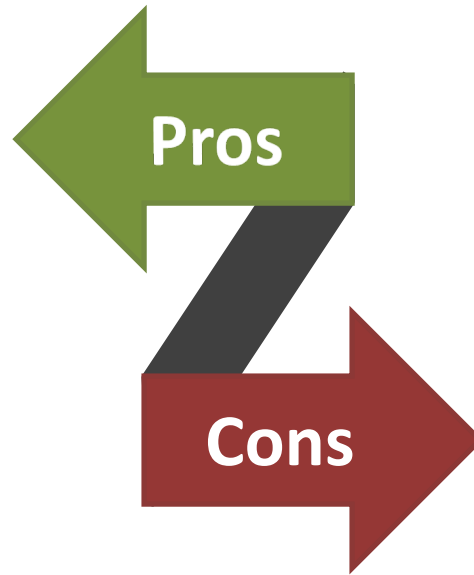
Direct Demand Models

- Statistical models
 - often based on regression analysis
 - developed using different data sources
- Primarily used to develop facility-specific demand estimations
 - facility use or needs
 - estimates of non-motorized activity
 - connection between the built environment and non-motorized demand



Direct Demand Models

- Simple, practical and generally based on available data
- Particularly useful for screening and preliminary analyses when resources are limited



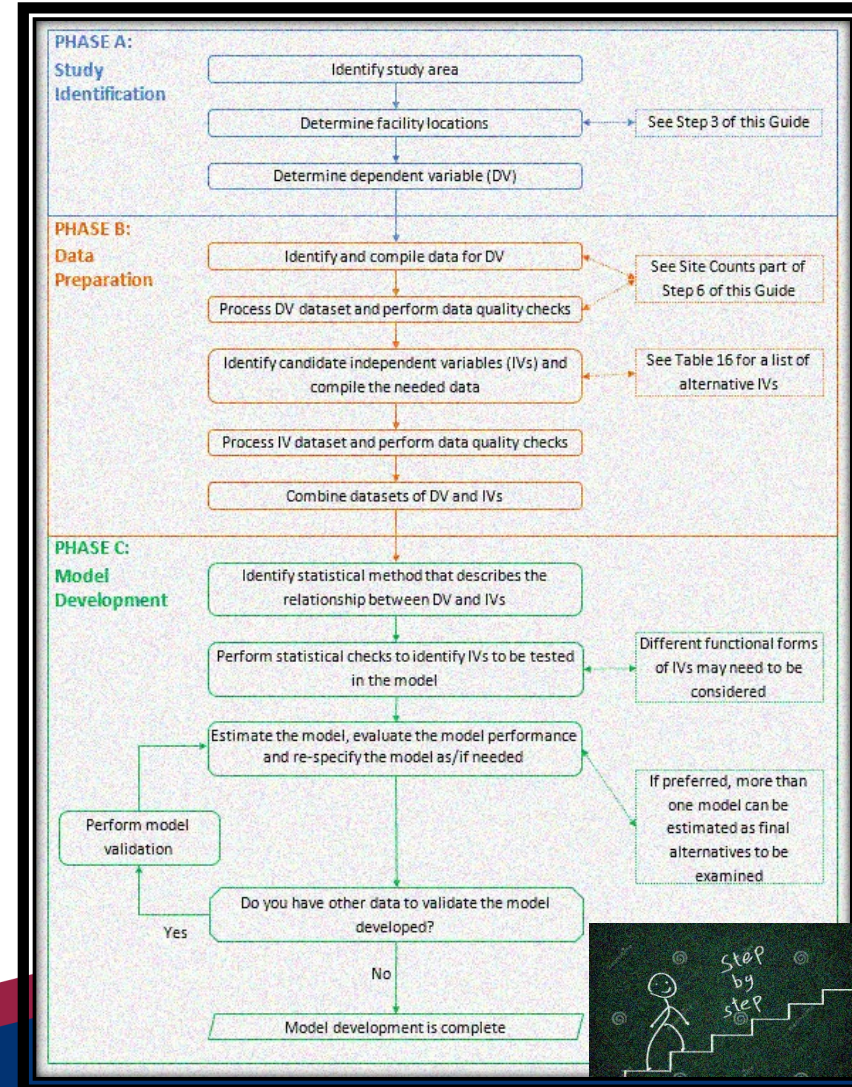
- Usually not transferable
- Limited in terms of capturing the underlying behaviors and travel patterns

Development of a Direct Demand Model

Phase A:
Study
Identification

Phase B:
Data
Preparation

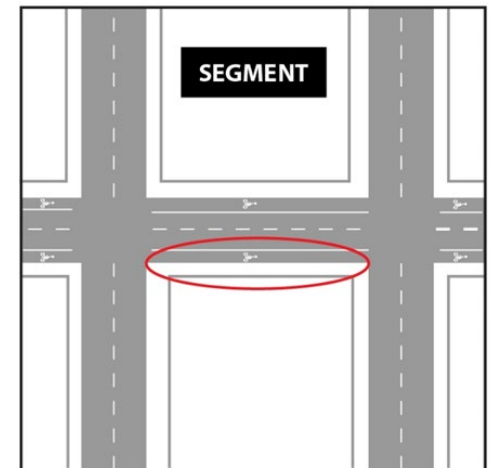
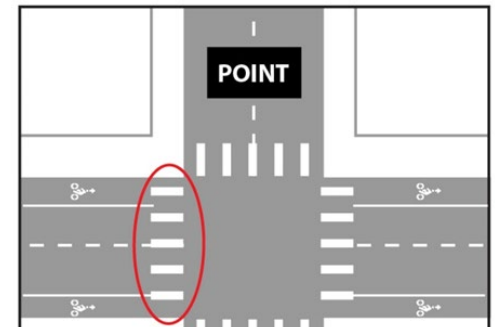
Phase C:
Model
Development



Development Process

Identify the
FOCUS

- Avoid any unnecessary process, optimize the resources and limit the bias.
- Location-specific details?
 - geographic scale, facility locations
- Main outcome?
 - e.g. annual pedestrian crossing intersection volume, peak hour bicycle volume



Development Process

Prepare the
DATA

Dependent variable

- Site counts are the main ingredients
- Not feasible to collect site counts at all facility locations
 - need a sampling strategy
 - depend on the study focus
 - need representative sample of site counts
 - not just the worst crash locations or busiest sites

Development Process

Prepare the
DATA

Explanatory variables

- Various different variables
 - demographic profile (e.g. population density)
 - bike/walk infrastructure (e.g. presence of bike facilities)
 - interaction with vehicle traffic (e.g. speed limit)
 - transit facilities (e.g. presence of transit stops)
 - major generators (e.g. proximity to a university campus)
 - land use (e.g. land use mix)
 - ...

Development Process

Prepare the
DATA

Explanatory variables

- Differences based on the mode
 - neighborhood forms might be more influential on pedestrian models; infrastructure and system characteristics more on bicycle models
- Consideration of buffer widths
 - some variables have the greatest influence on a large spatial area, and some variables on a smaller spatial area
- Different forms of variables
 - e.g. categorical or binary forms

Development Process

Prepare the
DATA

Explanatory variables

- Have an initial (desired) set of variables?
- Need guidance?
- Final model variables
 - intuitive, logical and relevant to the action items in the decision making process

Table 18. Key Explanatory Variables of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Direct Demand Models

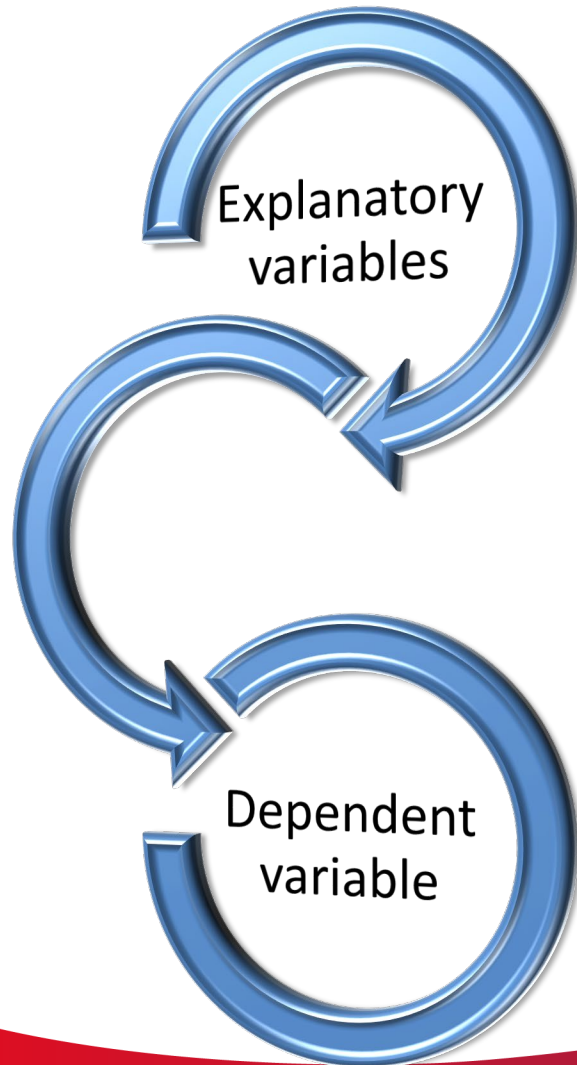
Category	Variable	Pedestrian		Bicycle	
		Frequency	Impact	Frequency	Impact
Demographic	Population density	●	+	○	+
	Total population	○	+	○	+
	% of non-white residents	○	+	○	+
	% of black residents	○	-	○	-
	% residents with a college education	●	+	●	+
Socioeconomic	% residents younger than 5 and older than 65 years			○	+
	Household income	○	-	●	+/-
	Total employment	○	+	●	+
	Employment density	○	+/-	○	+
Network/ interaction with vehicle traffic	Number of lanes	○	+	○	+/-
	Speed limit			○	-
	Arterial street (of count location)	●	+	○	+
	% major arterials	○	-		
	Collector street (of count location)	●	+		
	Presence of four-way intersection	○	+		
	Presence of bike lane	○	+	○	+
	Presence of sidewalk	○	+		
	Footway pavement width	○	+		
	Bicycle- or pedestrian- specific infrastructure	On-street bicycle facility length			●
Presence of a cycle track				○	+
Bicycle-trail access				○	+
Bike lane or curb lane width				○	+
Separated path				○	+
Presence of bicycle markings on any approach				○	+
Transit facilities	Number of bus/transit stops	●	+	●	+
	Presence of subway station	○	+	○	+
	Bus frequency	○	+		
Major generators	Accessibility to an underground station	○	+		
	Distance from the central business district/downtown	●	-	○	-
Land use	Presence of three approaches		○		-
	Presence of parking entrance		○		-

Legend: ○ = to a small extent (1,2); ● = to a moderate extent (3,4); ● = to a great extent (>=5)

Source: Based on the literature review of 22 studies conducted by Munira and Sener 2017.

Development Process

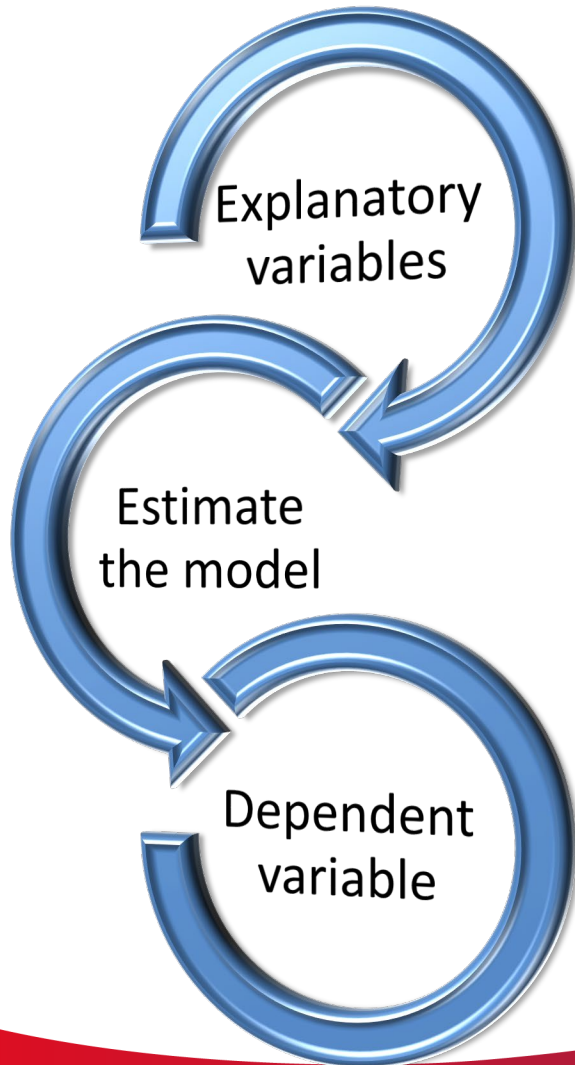
Develop the
MODEL



- Examine the data
 - identify the statistical method
 - screen variables and their relationships
 - (e.g. nature of the data, correlations)

Development Process

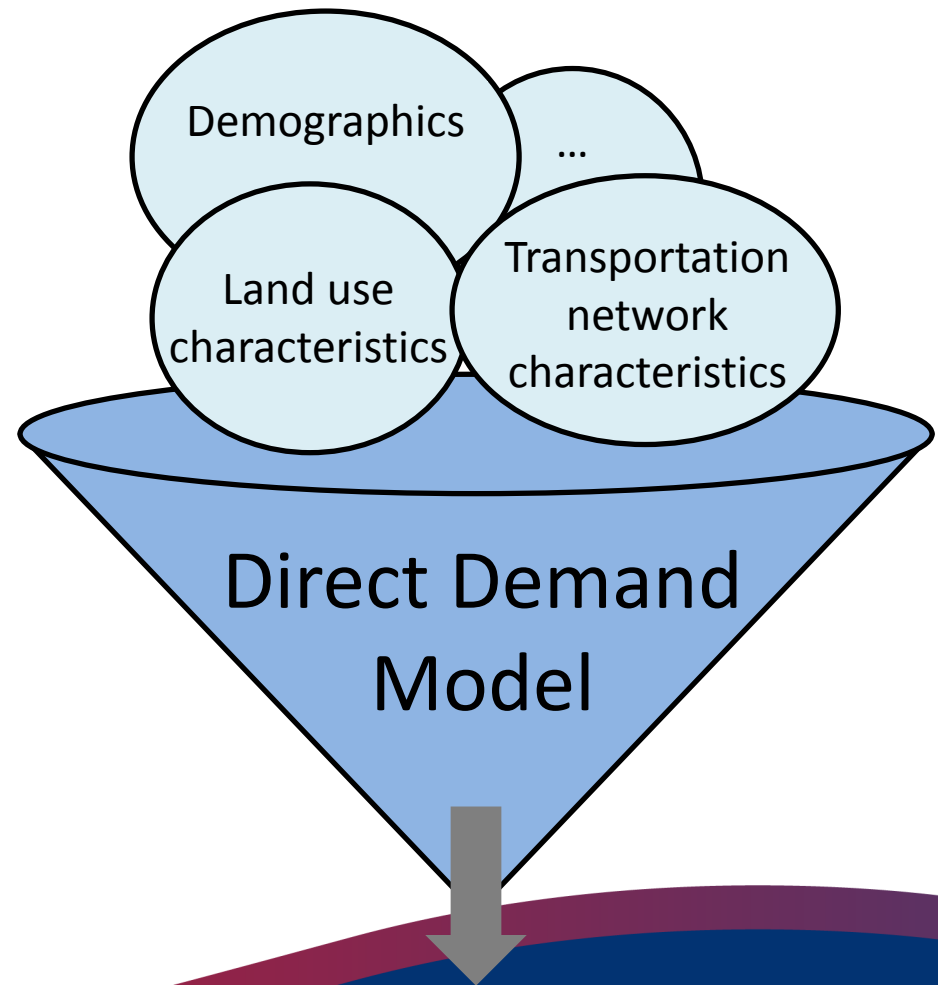
Develop the
MODEL



- Estimate
 - evaluate & re-specify as/if needed
 - have data for model validation?
- Final model
 - consider both statistical robustness and intuitiveness

Direct Demand Model – Build

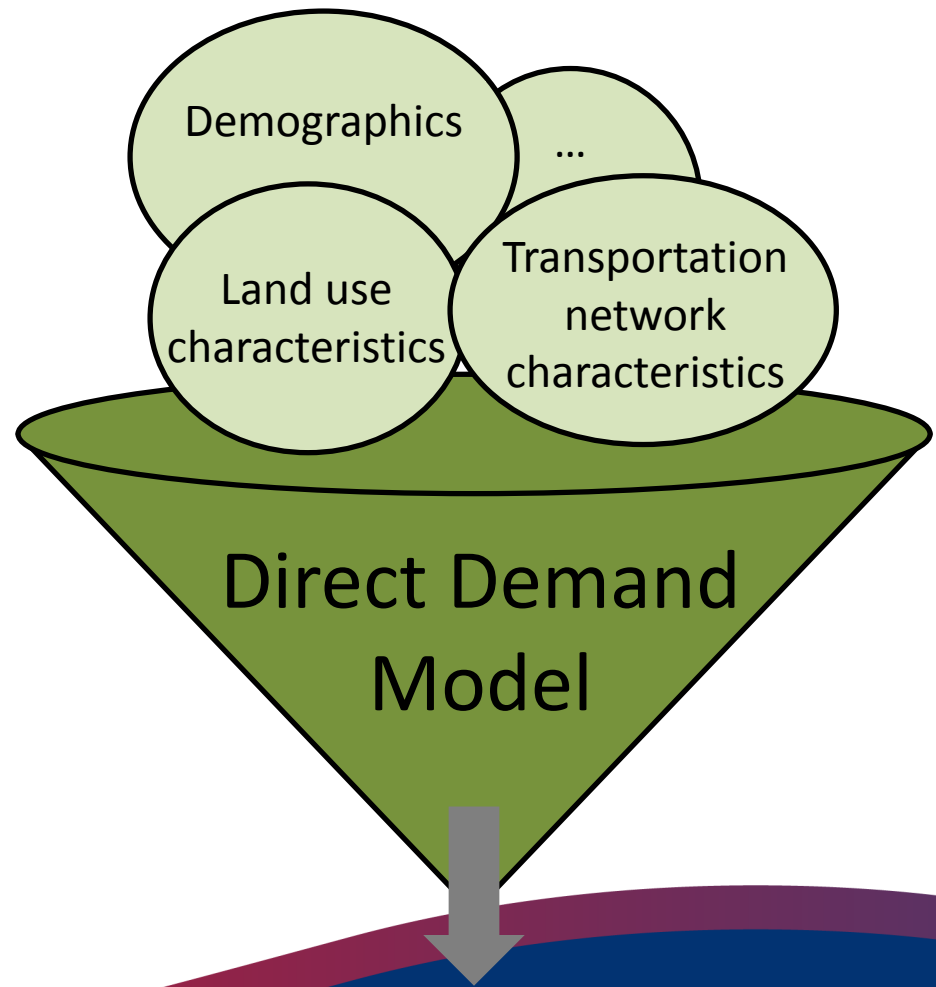
Build a model that predicts walk or bike facility use and volumes based on **observed counts**



Estimate at locations where the count data are collected

Direct Demand Model – Apply

Apply the same model to predict volumes at locations where the **count data are not available** across the study area



Estimate at locations where the count data not available

Exposure from Travel Surveys, Spreadsheet Tool

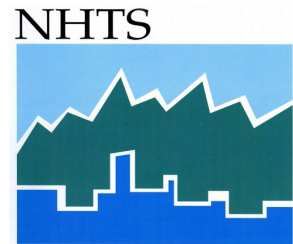


Travel Surveys

- American Community Survey (ACS)



- National Household Travel Survey (NHTS)



- Regional Household Travel Survey



<http://crdtravelsurvey.ca/>



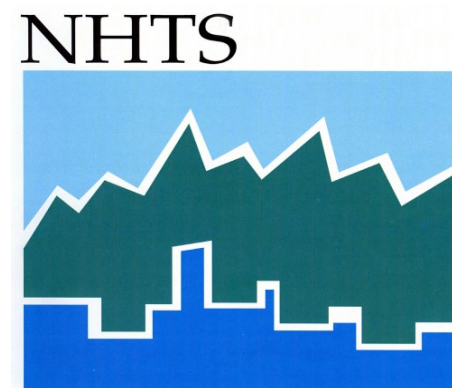
American Community Survey (ACS)

- National ongoing survey of U.S. households
- Conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau
- Limited to commute trip information
- Data Availability
 - 3- and 5-year estimates best for small areas
 - 1-year estimates best for larger population areas



National Household Travel Survey (NHTS)

- National ongoing survey of U.S. households
- Conducted by U.S. DOT / FHWA
- Information
 - All trips
 - Household & person demographics
 - Vehicles
- Data Availability
 - Conducted every 5 to 7 years
 - Add-on samples can be purchased





Regional Household Travel Survey

- Conducted by an MPO/regional planning agency
- Stratified sample to represent local population
- Data Availability
 - Conducted every 8 to 10 years
 - GPS data may be collected



<http://crdtravelsurvey.ca/>

Travel Surveys

Survey Type	Frequency	Areas Covered	Trip Types	Other Limitations
ACS	Yearly	Census Geographies	Home-to-Work Commute Only	Does not capture trips by children/adults.
NHTS	Periodic (5 – 7 years)	State & CBSA	All	Sample sizes become sparse at small geographic areas.
Regional Household Travel Survey	Periodic (8 – 10 years)	Local	Customizable	High cost to conduct. Expertise required to process and analyze survey data.

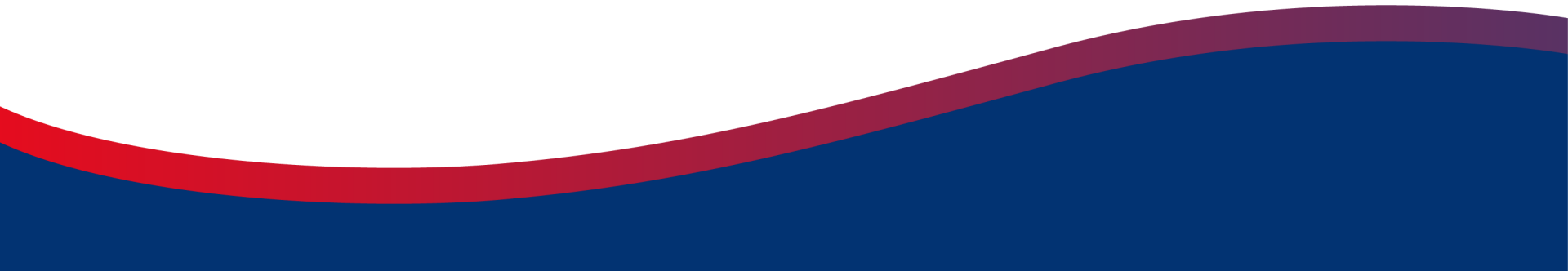


Areawide Non-Motorized Exposure Tool

- Purpose
 - Estimate non-motorized exposure to risk at different geographic scales
- Annual exposure for walking & bicycling
 - Trips
 - Miles of travel
 - Hours of travel



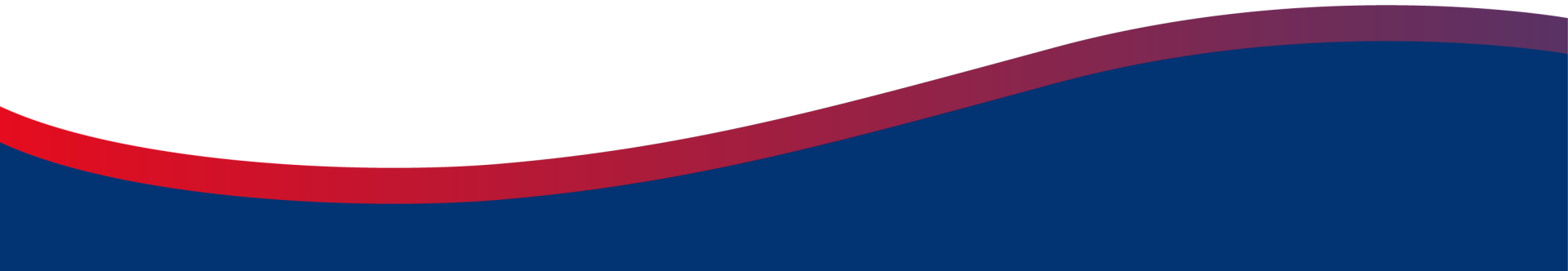
Geographic Scales

- **Statewide**
 - 2009 NHTS travel characteristics
 - ACS 1-year estimates to fill gap
 - **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)**
 - 2009 NHTS travel characteristics
 - NHTS samples in CBSAs used as proxies for MPOs
 - ACS 5-year estimates interpolated up to MPOs
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Statewide Non-Motorized Exposure

- Estimates walking and biking exposure at the state-level for years 2009 – 2016
- 2009 NHTS trips adjusted to represent the analysis year
 - Changes in population
 - Changes in relationship between commute trips and total trips



Statewide Exposure Estimates

State: New York

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Select **State** of interest

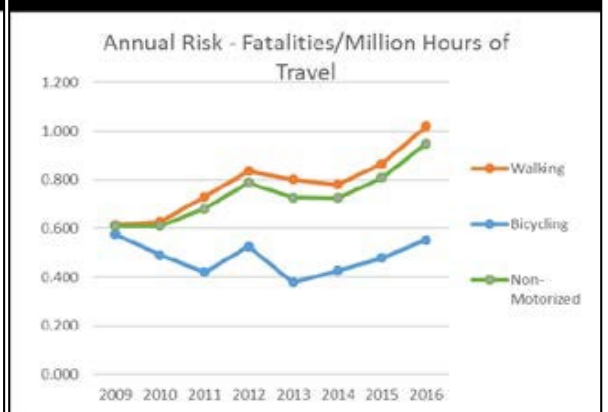
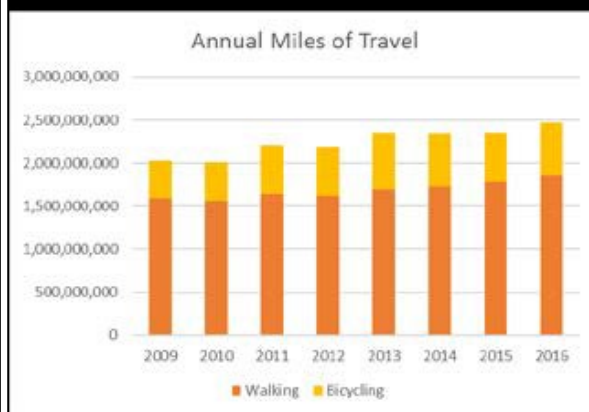
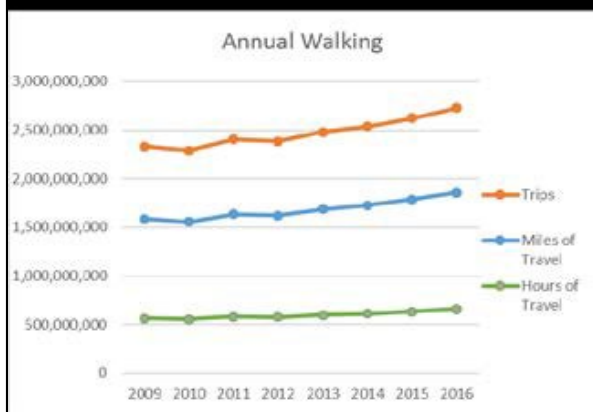
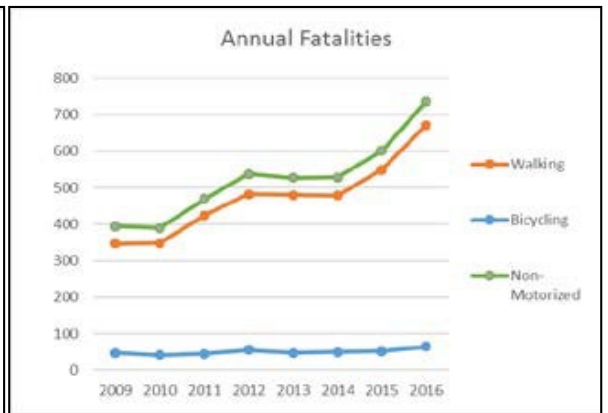
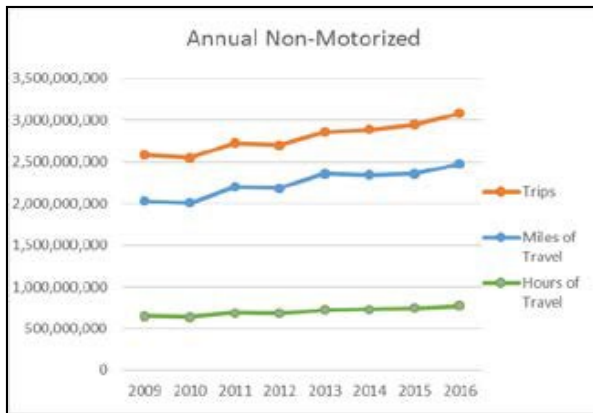
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		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Daily Persons Commuting		574,322	542,579	575,553	568,540	574,861	576,752	583,151	577,983
Commute-to-Total Trips Adjustment Factor		25.49	25.49	25.49	25.49	25.49	25.49	25.49	25.49
Population Adjustment Factor		1.00	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01
Estimated Annual Pedestrian Trips		5,343,405,740	4,997,592,893	5,354,858,779	5,289,610,879	5,401,904,720	5,419,674,236	5,479,804,926	5,431,241,806
Average Trip Length (Miles)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
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Estimated Annual Pedestrian Miles of Travel		4,060,988,362	3,798,170,599	4,069,692,672	4,020,104,268	4,105,447,587	4,118,952,419	4,164,651,744	4,127,743,772
Average Trip Duration (Minutes)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
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Estimated Annual Pedestrian Hours of Travel		1,319,821,218	1,234,405,445	1,322,650,118	1,306,533,887	1,334,270,466	1,338,659,536	1,353,511,817	1,341,516,726
Fatalities		290	288	273	287	293	262	295	300
Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.220	0.233	0.206	0.220	0.220	0.196	0.218	0.224

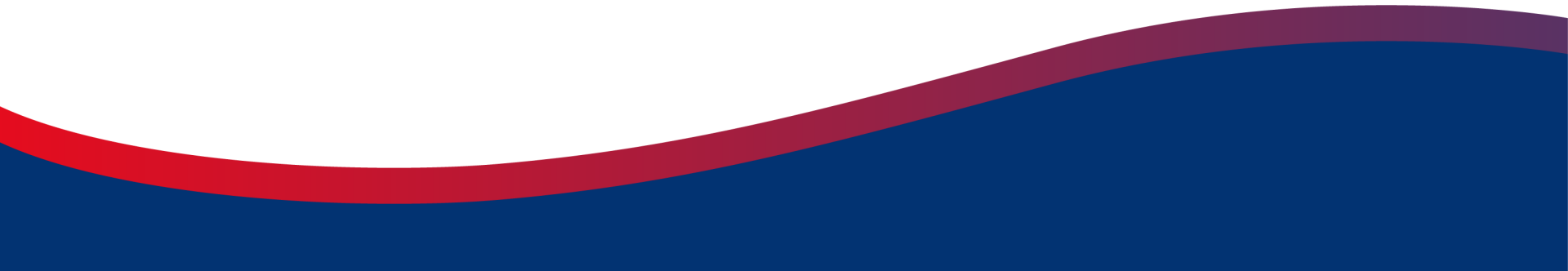
		Bicycling							
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Daily Persons Commuting		39,185	41,232	44,418	53,119	62,021	58,198	61,618	66,595
Commute-to-Total Trips Adjustment Factor		11.54	11.54	11.54	11.54	11.54	11.54	11.54	11.54
Population Adjustment Factor		1.00	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01
Estimated Annual Bicyclist Trips		165,051,139	171,936,574	187,093,058	223,742,540	263,851,041	247,587,154	262,136,590	283,309,847
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Estimated Annual Bicyclist Miles of Travel		318,548,697	331,837,588	361,089,602	431,823,102	509,232,508	477,843,207	505,923,618	546,788,006
Average Trip Duration (Minutes)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	20.81	20.81	20.81	20.81	20.81	20.81	20.81	20.81
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Estimated Annual Bicyclist Hours of Travel		57,245,237	59,633,335	64,890,109	77,601,371	91,512,336	85,871,478	90,917,707	98,261,299
Fatalities		28	36	57	42	36	46	36	36
Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.489	0.604	0.878	0.541	0.393	0.536	0.396	0.366

		Non-Motorized							
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Trips		5,508,456,878	5,169,529,467	5,541,951,837	5,513,353,419	5,665,755,761	5,667,261,390	5,741,941,515	5,714,551,653
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Miles of Travel		4,379,537,059.48	4,130,008,186.64	4,430,782,273.63	4,451,927,370.05	4,614,680,095.64	4,596,795,626.23	4,670,575,361.39	4,674,531,778.15
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Hours of Travel		1,377,066,454.24	1,294,038,779.66	1,387,540,227.31	1,384,135,258.03	1,425,782,801.77	1,424,531,014.16	1,444,429,523.79	1,439,778,024.83
Non-Motorized Fatalities		318	324	330	329	329	308	331	336
Non-Motorized Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.231	0.250	0.238	0.238	0.231	0.216	0.229	0.233





MPO Non-Motorized Exposure

- Estimates walking and biking exposure at the MPO-level for years 2009 – 2016
 - 2009 NHTS trips adjusted to represent analysis year
 - Changes in commute trip making between 2009 and analysis year
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MPO Exposure Tool (BETA)

State: Oregon

MPO: Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System (OR)

1 Select State of interest

2 Select MPO of interest

3 Select the source (Default or User Input) of the required inputs. For the User Input option, values are required in the cell below.

		Walking							
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Person Trip Rate	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156	0.63156
	User Input Value:								
MPO Population Estimate	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	1,382,368	1,397,685	1,418,280	1,438,803	1,459,111	1,477,113	1,499,485	1,519,651
	User Input Value:								
Population Adjustment Factor	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	1.00000	1.04175	1.03828	1.12315	1.13918	1.13549	1.16579	1.19087
	User Input Value:								
Estimated Annual Pedestrian Trips		318,661,769	335,643,597	339,455,956	372,516,428	383,167,403	386,637,020	402,965,257	417,169,821
Average Trip Length (Miles)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978	0.67978
	User Input Value:								
Estimated Annual Pedestrian Miles of Travel		216,619,443	228,163,326	230,754,886	253,228,687	260,468,992	262,827,562	273,927,149	283,583,107
Average Trip Duration (Minutes)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
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Estimated Annual Pedestrian Hours of Travel		76,989,059	81,091,888	82,012,959	90,000,408	92,573,696	93,411,959	97,356,881	100,788,720
Fatalities		12	21	14	25	20	21	24	32
Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.156	0.259	0.171	0.278	0.216	0.225	0.247	0.317

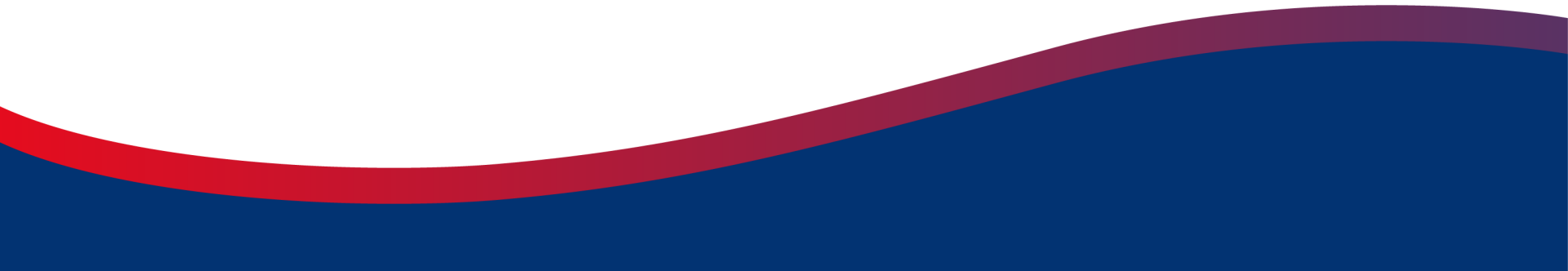
		Bicycling							
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
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MPO Population Estimate	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	1,382,368	1,397,685	1,418,280	1,438,803	1,459,111	1,477,113	1,499,485	1,519,651
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Population Adjustment Factor	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	1.00000	1.11245	1.18615	1.25574	1.27402	1.34042	1.39129	1.45871
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Estimated Annual Bicyclist Trips		27,445,001	30,869,364	33,399,511	35,870,766	36,906,645	39,309,202	41,418,949	44,010,206
Average Trip Length (Miles)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
	Default Value:	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657	3.07657
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Estimated Annual Bicyclist Miles of Travel		84,436,561	94,971,865	102,756,049	110,359,046	113,546,004	120,937,645	127,428,439	135,400,630
Average Trip Duration (Minutes)	Source:	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default	Default
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Estimated Annual Bicyclist Hours of Travel		10,382,317	11,677,738	12,634,881	13,569,745	13,961,613	14,870,489	15,668,597	16,648,857
Fatalities		4	1	4	3	1	1	2	7
Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.385	0.086	0.317	0.221	0.072	0.067	0.128	0.420

		Non-Motorized							
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Trips		346,106,770	366,512,961	372,855,467	408,387,194	420,074,048	425,946,221	444,384,207	461,180,027
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Miles of Travel		301,056,004.07	323,135,191.75	333,510,935.19	363,587,732.43	374,014,995.15	383,765,207.22	401,355,587.76	418,983,736.98
Estimated Annual Non-Motorized Hours of Travel		87,371,375.61	92,769,626.10	94,647,839.42	103,570,152.69	106,535,309.07	108,282,448.44	113,025,477.79	117,437,577.47
Non-Motorized Fatalities		16	22	18	28	21	22	26	39
Non-Motorized Fatalities/Million Hours of Travel		0.183	0.237	0.190	0.270	0.197	0.203	0.230	0.332

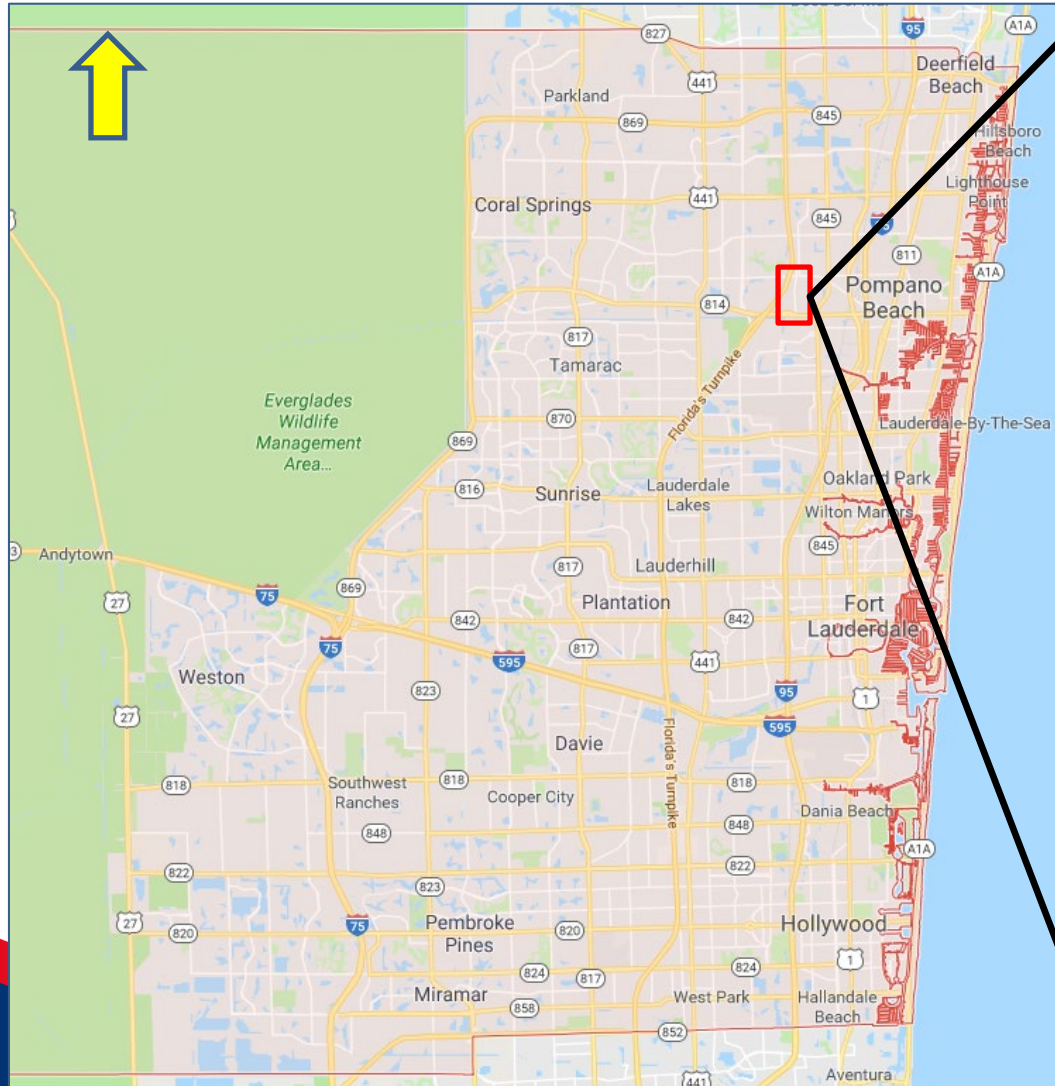
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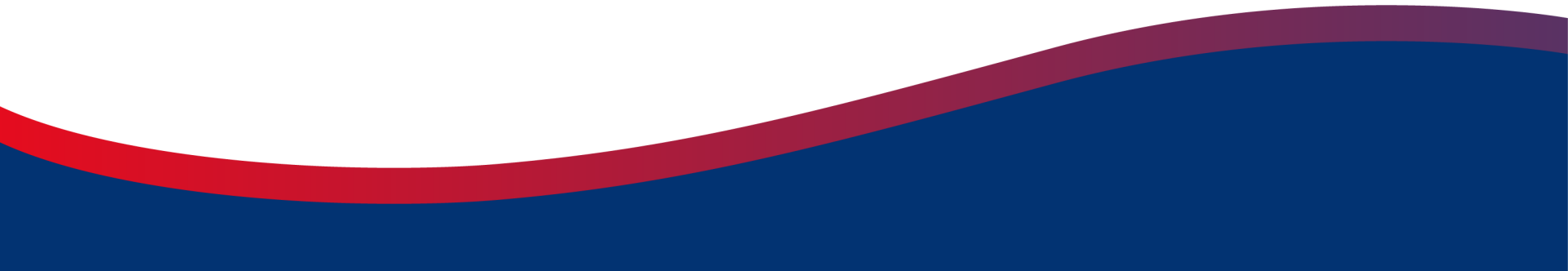
Objectives

- Apply the 8-step process for a location in Broward County
 - Discuss considerations of each step
 - Data sources
 - Assumptions
 - Applications of results
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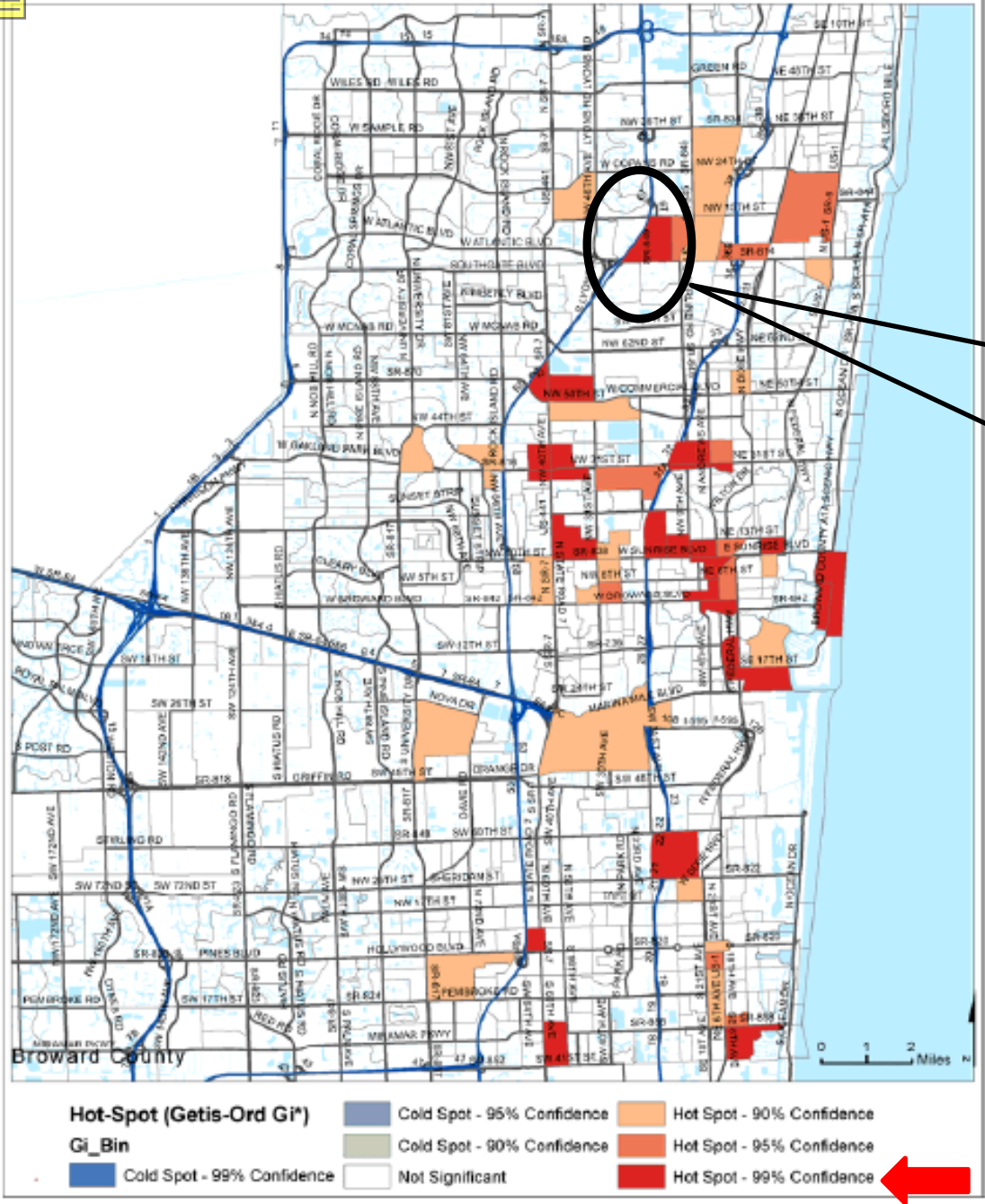
Location: NW 31 Avenue between MLK Boulevard and Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach



The Context for Location Selection

- NW 31 Avenue is within a Census Block Group identified as a pedestrian crash hotspot in the County
 - A study is being done to define the scope of improvements to address pedestrian safety
 - The “risk assessment” is one of the analysis tools used in the study
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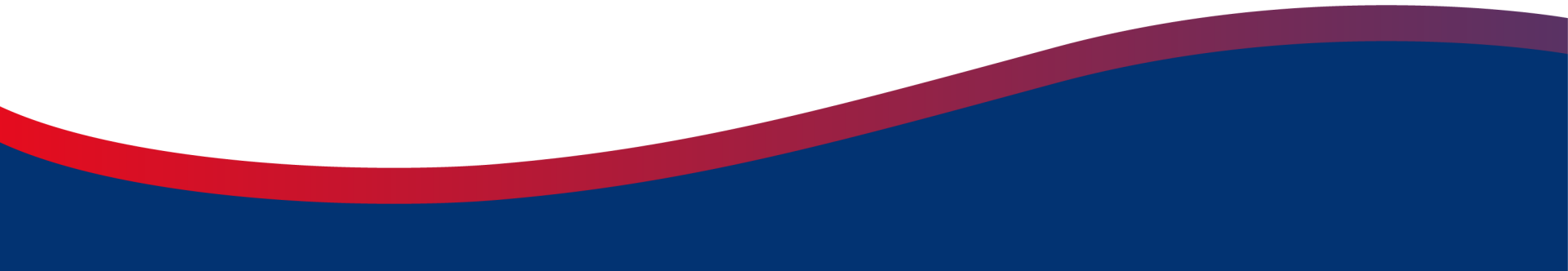
Pedestrian Safety Hot Spots



Source: Application of Demographic Analysis to Pedestrian Safety, CUTR/FDOT Study, 2017

Figure 42. Locations of hot spots in Broward County

Step 1: Determine Uses of Risk Values

- Use risk values (in addition to crash data) to prioritize intersections/segments within the study corridor for countermeasures
 - Estimate risk for “Before” conditions for a future Before-After evaluation
 - To quantify effectiveness of countermeasures
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Exercise: List Location Characteristics

- Type of road
- Posted speed limit
- Major intersections
- Intersection control methods
- Existing pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Street lighting
- Transit?
- Key land uses/pedestrian trip generators
- Risk factors for pedestrians/bicyclists

Use Google Streetview

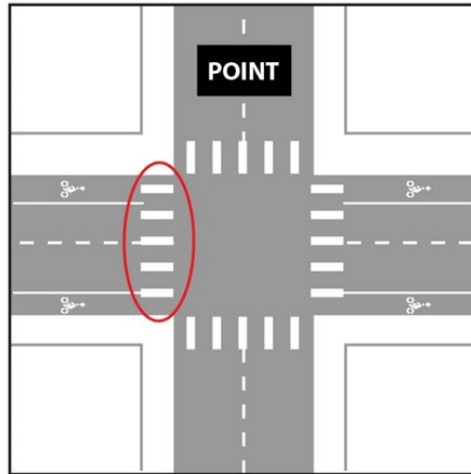
Location Characteristics

- Length: 0.85 miles
- 4-lane road with TWLTL
- Posted speed: 40 mph
- Two signalized intersections
- Bike lanes and sidewalks
- Street lighting on the west side
- Land Uses: School, single family residential, mobile homes, truck stop, motels, fast food restaurant, adult entertainment
- No crosswalks other than at signalized intersections

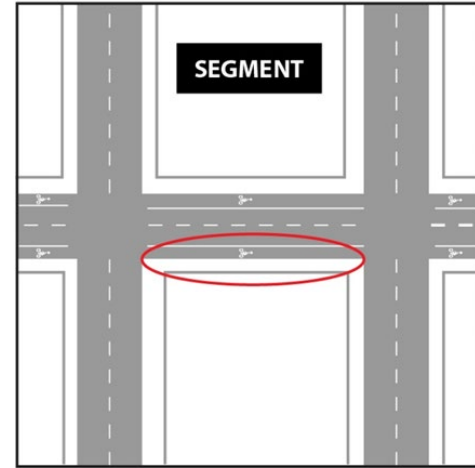


Step 2: Select Geographic Scale(s)

Facility-Specific

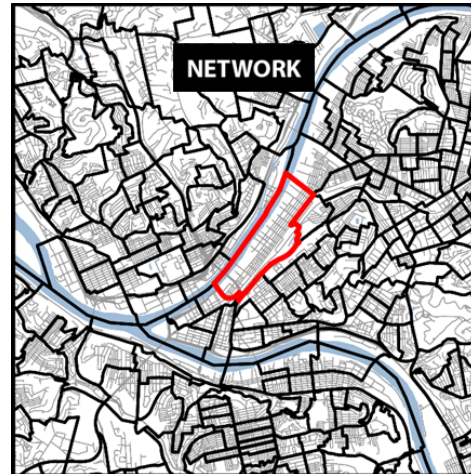


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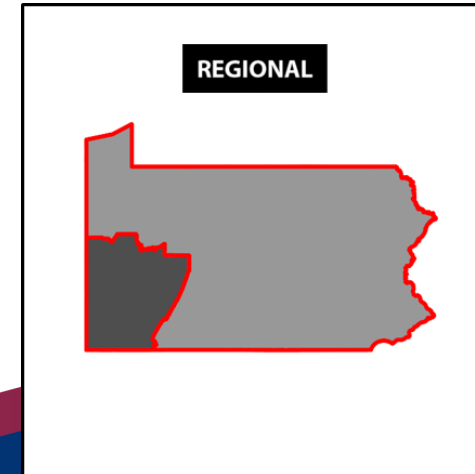


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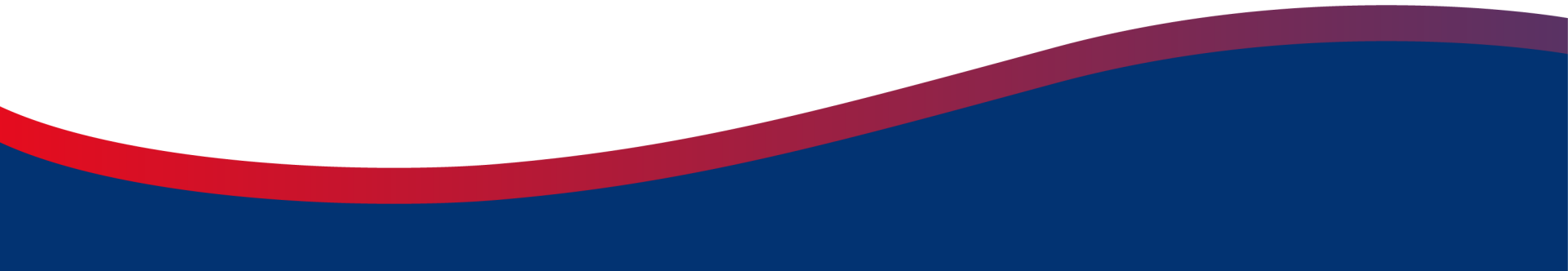
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Exercise: Divide Study Location into Points and Segments

- How many points? Explain the rationale
- How many segments? Explain the rationale

Use Google Streetview



Study Corridor (from North to South)



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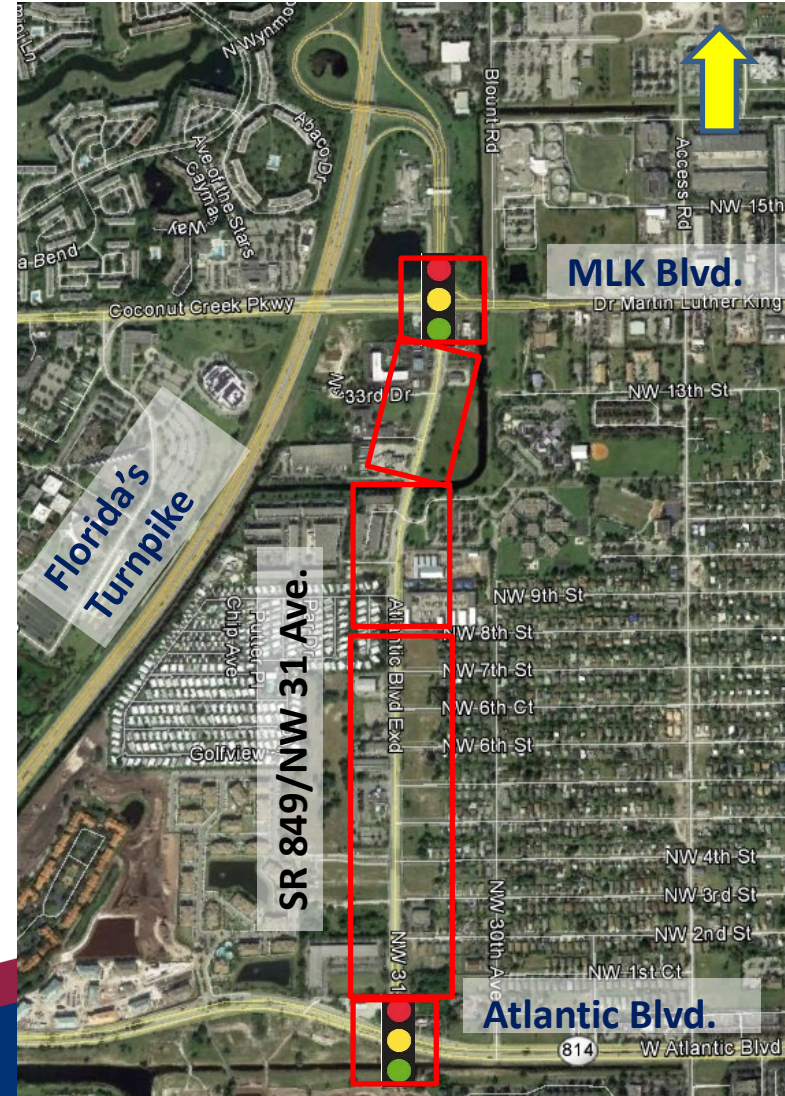


Study Corridor (from North to South)



Step 2: Divide Study Location into Points and Segments

Point/ Segment	Location/ Limits	Notes
Point 1	MLK Blvd	Signalized intersection, expressway entry/exit
Segment 1	MLK Blvd – Canal	Motels, overnight truck parking, fast-food restaurant
Segment 2	Canal – NW 8 St	School, mobile homes, storage facilities
Segment 3	NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd	Residential, retail, adult entertainment
Point 2	Atlantic Blvd	Signalized intersection; two State roads



If this were a county-wide network screening, what would be your approach?

Step 3: Select Risk Definition

- Observed crash rate

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

- Expected crashes

Highway Safety Manual's Predictive Method

- Additional risk indicators

Risk score based on road and traffic variables

Step 3: Possible Crash Data Sources

- What are the possible crash data sources?

CAR Online



The screenshot shows the CAR on-line website interface. At the top, there is a banner with the text "CAR on-line crash analysis reporting on-line" and a logo for "DRIVING SMOOTHER SAFETY OFFICE". Below the banner, the main heading reads "Querying by Location on the State Highway System". The interface includes a navigation menu with options like "Crash Analysis Reporting", "State Roads", "All Roads", "Subsets", "Crash Analysis", "Log Off", and "User: Benjamin Jacobs". A central section titled "Crash Analysis Reporting" contains a disclaimer: "The information contained in this system (report, schedule, list, or data) has been compiled from information collected for the purpose of identifying, evaluating, or planning safety enhancements. This product identifies information used for the purpose of developing highway safety construction improvement projects which may be implemented utilizing federal-aid highway funds. Any document displaying this notice shall be used only for those purposes deemed appropriate by the Florida Department of Transportation. See Title 23, United States Code, Section 409." At the bottom, there is a logo for "FDOT" and contact information for the Florida Department of Transportation, including a phone number and links to "Web Policies and Notices" and "Accessibility Statement".

Signal Four Analytics



The screenshot shows the header of the Signal Four Analytics website. It features a dark background with a white "4" inside a square, followed by the text "SIGNAL FOUR ANALYTICS". To the right, there is a map showing a network of roads with a red dot indicating a location. Below the header, there is a green navigation bar with a "Home" link and a "Request Access Log In" link.

This Signal Four information page is currently offline due to maintenance.

However the Signal Four Analytics application is fully operational. You may access it by clicking the Log in link above in the upper right corner.

For questions, or to learn more about Florida Signal Four Analytics, contact project director Dr. Ilir Bejleri by email at ilir@ufl.edu or by phone at 954-214-7885.

Step 3: Crash Data Sources

Data Source	Notes
Crash Analysis Reporting (CAR) Online <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FDOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Needs a User ID and password (or request the data from FDOT)• Both State and local road data• Can be downloaded to Excel• Lag in entering data (currently 2015 is the most recent complete data)
Signal Four Analytics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• University of Florida• https://s4.geoplan.ufl.edu/	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Needs a User ID and password• Both State and local road data• Typically crash data are uploaded quickly• Crash data and police reports available• Graphic User Interface• Excel and GIS compatible
Local (law enforcement) agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data formats, completeness, and duration varies by agency• Limited to the jurisdiction of the agency• For small geographic areas, more recent and complete data may be available• May take more time and effort to obtain the data

Exercise: Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Data

- How many years of crash data should be used?
 - Two years
 - Three years
 - Five years
- Summarize the crash data (see diagrams)
 - By point/segment

Step 3: Crash Data (Corridor from N to S)



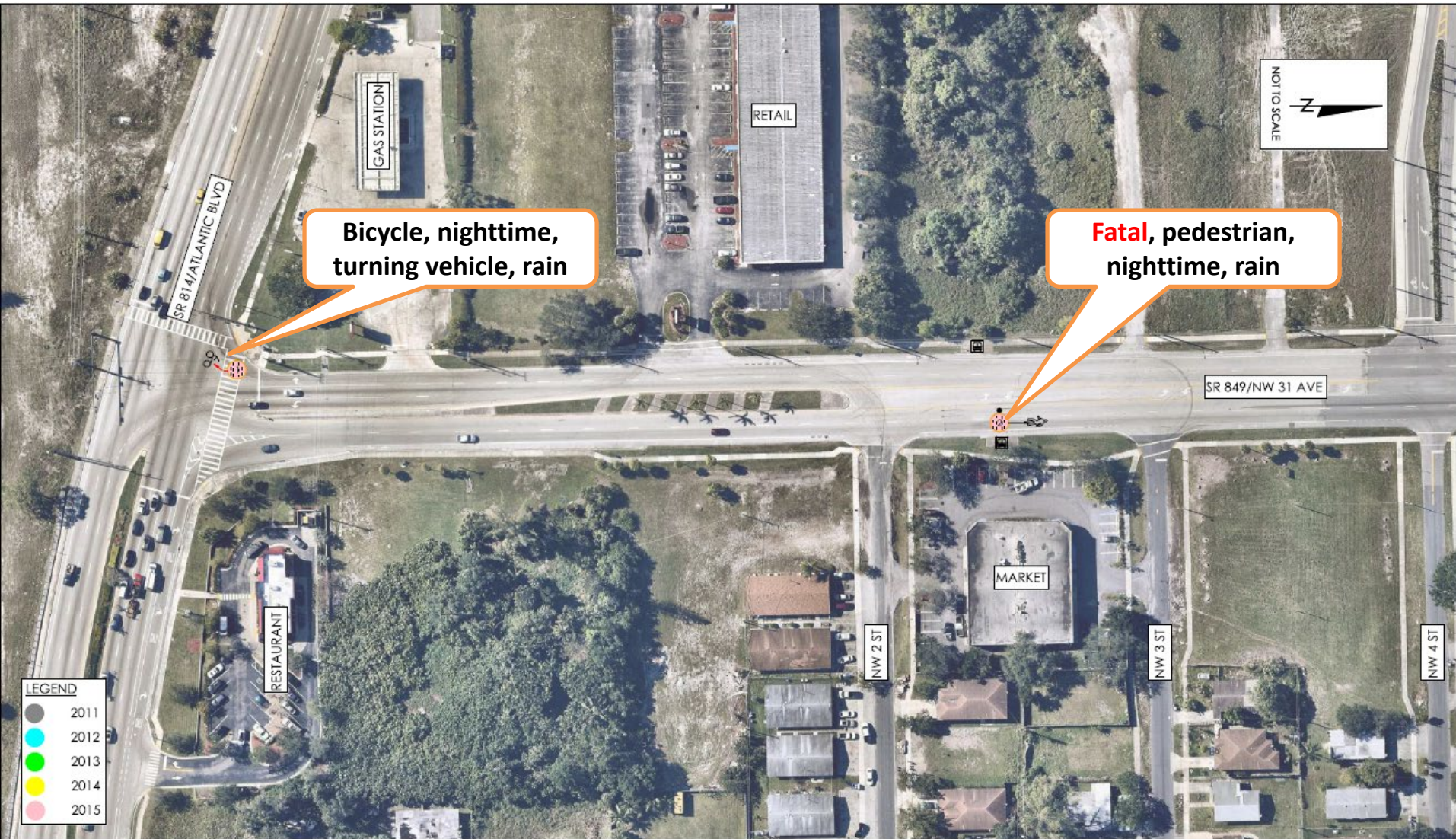
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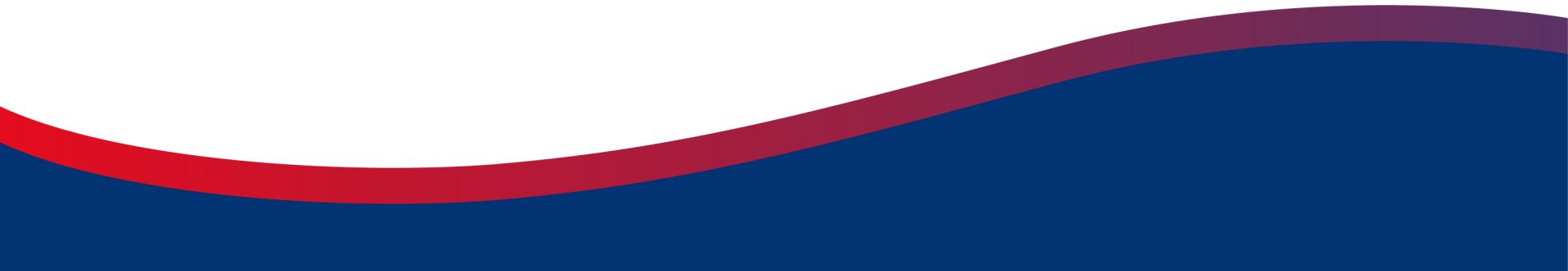


Step 3: Crash Data (Corridor from N to S)



Exercise: Summarize Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Data by Year

Segment/Point	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)						
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)						
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)						
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)						
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)						
Total						



Step 3: Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Data by Year

Segment/Point	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total	Average
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.4
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.4
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)	0	1	1	2	0	4	0.8
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.2
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.2
Total	0	1	1	2	6	10	2.0

Step 3: Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Data

Crashes by Severity

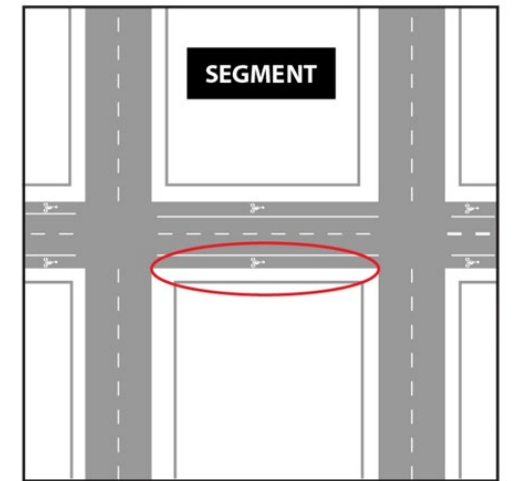
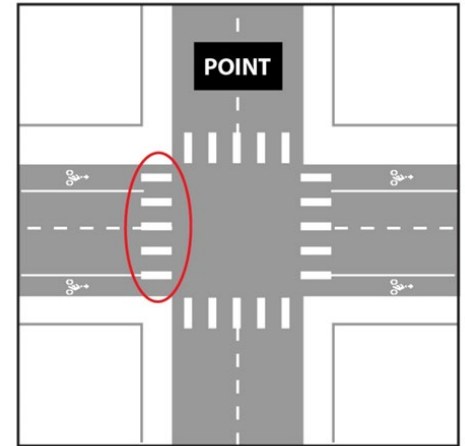
Segment/Point	Fatal	Injury	Non-Injury
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)	0	2	0
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)	1	1	0
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)	1	2	1
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)	1	0	0
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)	0	0	1
Total	3	5	2

Crashes by Lighting Condition

Segment/Point	Dark	Daylight	Total
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)	2	0	2
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)	1	1	2
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)	4	0	4
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)	1	0	1
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)	1	0	1
Total	8	2	10

Step 4: Select Exposure Measure

- **Point:** volume/count
 - Number of peds/bikes crossing**OR**
 - Number of peds/bikes crossing x motor vehicles
- **Segment:**
 - Number of peds/bikes (crossing) x motor vehicles x segment length
 - Depends on the study purpose
 - Pedestrians: crossing vs. using sidewalk
 - Bicyclists: crossing vs. riding with traffic vs. riding on sidewalk



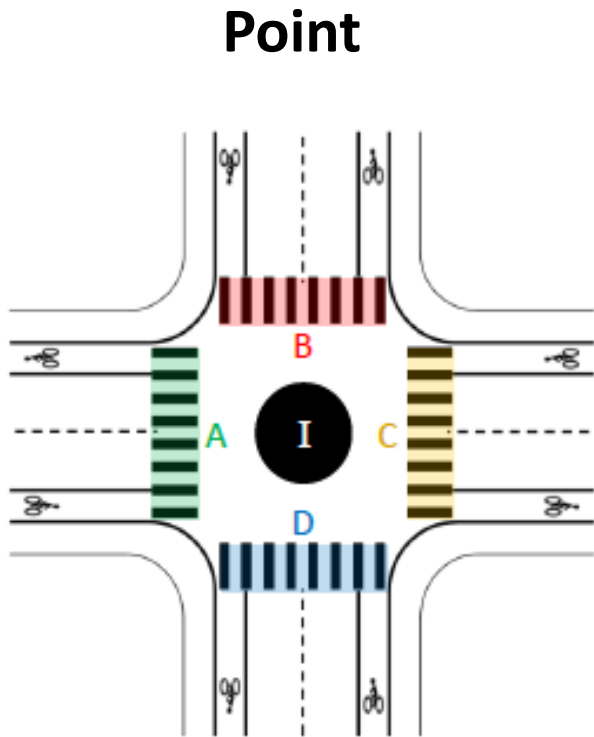
Exercise: Pedestrian/Bicycle Counts

Segment/Point	Pedestrian Count?	Bicycle Count?	Motor Vehicle Count?
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)			
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)			
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)			
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)			
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)			

- What are the factors considered when selecting count locations?
- How many hours per day?
- How many days?
- Count technology?
- What would be different if the data is collected as part of a network screening effort?

Steps 5 & 6: Estimate Exposure

- A hypothetical example for an intersection



Average Daily Volume

Crosswalk	Pedestrians	Bicyclists	Motor Vehicles*
A	120	15	7,000
B	40	25	3,000
C	80	10	6,800
D	30	20	2,600

* Motor vehicles entering the intersection

Steps 5 & 6: Estimate Exposure

- Pedestrian and Bicycle Exposure = (Annual ped/bike volume x annual traffic volume)/100,000,000
 - Crosswalk A = (((120+15) X 364) X (7,000 X 364))/100,000,000 = 1,252
 - Crosswalk B = (((40+25) X 364) X (3,000 X 364))/100,000,000 = 258
 - Crosswalk C = (((80+10) X 364) X (6,800 X 364))/100,000,000 = 810
 - Crosswalk D = (((30+20) X 364) X (2,600 X 364))/100,000,000 = 172
 - **Cumulative Exposure for the Intersection = 2,492**

Steps 7 & 8: Calculate Risk

- Pedestrian/Bicycle Crashes in 5 years = 10
 - Average crashes per year = $10/5 = 2.0$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Risk} &= 2.0/2,492 \\ &= 8 \times 10^{-4}\end{aligned}$$

- How can you account for the severity of crashes?

Hypothetical Risk Estimates for Study Corridor

Segment/Point	Average Crashes per Year	Exposure	Risk = Crashes/Exposure
Points (Intersections)			
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)	0.4	500	8×10^{-4}
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)	0.2	400	5×10^{-4}
Segments			
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)	0.4	2,000	2×10^{-4}
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)	0.8	1,600	5×10^{-4}
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)	0.2	800	2.5×10^{-4}

- Which points/segments would you prioritize for improvements?
- What countermeasures do you consider?

Applications of Results

- How do you use the results in a Before-After study? Consider the hypothetical results below.

“After” Conditions

Segment/Point	Average Crashes per Year	Exposure	Risk = Crashes/Exposure
Points (Intersections)			
Point 1 (MLK Blvd)	0.4	800	5×10^{-4}
Point 2 (Atlantic Blvd)	0.2	500	4×10^{-4}
Segments			
Segment 1 (MLK Blvd – Canal)	0.5	2,500	2×10^{-4}
Segment 2 (Canal – NW 8 St)	0.5	2000	2.5×10^{-4}
Segment 3 (NW 8 St – Atlantic Blvd)	0.2	1000	2×10^{-4}

Discussion

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