



Traffic Records Programs

National, state, and local decision-makers need complete, accurate, and timely traffic safety data available to identify traffic safety problems and create effective countermeasures to reduce injuries and deaths caused by crashes. NHTSA provides coordinated guidance, outreach, best practices, training, and technical assistance to states to improve traffic safety data collection, management, and analysis through evaluation, training, and technical assistance.

Contact your NHTSA Regional Office for information on how to request technical assistance for traffic records programs.

State Traffic Records Assessments

The *Traffic Records Program Assessment Advisory, 2018 Edition* (Report No. DOT HS 812 601) describes the ideal capabilities of a traffic records system as informed by a national group of subject matter experts. Lacking timely, accurate, complete, uniform, integrated, and accessible data impedes how states identify and prioritize traffic safety opportunities. NHTSA offers states free peer assessments using a highly qualified facilitator and an online assessment tool called the State Traffic Records Assessment Program. During the STRAP assessment, a team of peer assessors evaluate the state's responses to questions about their traffic records system. Following the assessment, the state receives a comprehensive final report with recommendations and considerations for improving its traffic records program.



MMUCC Mappings

MMUCC* mappings examine the extent to which a state's crash data aligns to MMUCC by comparing the data elements and attributes from the state's police crash report and crash database to the data elements and attributes defined in the MMUCC. NHTSA gives states detailed reports of how each element and their attributes align with MMUCC.

States use the results to plan changes to their crash report forms and crash database by identifying specific data elements and attributes to consider when discussing updates. Using MMUCC also makes it easier for states to share data with NHTSA and other states.

Crash Data Improvement Program

CDIP examines performance measures to examine the quality of a state's crash data and provides specific recommendations to improve data quality and management. Database administrators, managers, and technicians use these recommendations improve their crash systems and support safety decisions.

Strategic Planning Workshops

Following a traffic records assessment, many states experience challenges developing their Traffic Records Strategic Plan. NHTSA offers states the TRCC Traffic Records Strategic Planning Guide and facilitated workshop program with training material for state TRCCs seeking to improve their traffic records system. Informed by their most recent traffic records assessments, this program helps states identify and prioritize projects using five modules that can be tailored to the state TRCC's preferences, time, capabilities, and needs.

*The Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria is a minimum, standardized data set for describing motor vehicle crashes and the vehicles and people involved.

GO Teams

GO Teams give customizable technical assistance to states on all aspects of traffic records improvement. Through a GO Team, states access subject matter experts with direct experience in the topic requested by the state. The subject matter experts work with the state's staff and describe actions the state can consider for implementation.

GO Teams can evaluate available databases and facilitate discussions between data custodians to improve data integration as well as help states identify the sources of data quality programs.



Data Integration



Traffic Records System
Cost-Effectiveness



Data Quality Management



TRCC Management &
Strategic Planning



Data Governance



Traffic Records Data
Collector Training



Visit nhtsa.gov/data/traffic-records for more information on any of these programs or scan the code to the left.

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