New in 2010 NASS GES

There were many changes to the 2010 NASS GES, most of which are the result of NHTSA's efforts to standardize variables in the NASS GES and the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). Additions, deletions, and changes are listed below.

More detailed information on each variable can be found in the NASS GES Coding and Editing Manuals, which NHTSA publishes for each year of data collection. While the 2010 changes are addressed in this Analytical User's Manual, data users should compare the 2009 and 2010 Coding and Editing Manuals for a more thorough understanding. Manuals for 1995 to the present can be found at:

http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/cats/listpublications.aspx?Id=k&ShowBy=DocType.

General changes to 2010 NASS GES are:

- Non-harmful events are added to the Cevent (formerly the Event) data set.
- A new data set (Vevent) is added which lists the harmful and non-harmful events for each in-transport motor vehicle.
- Pedestrian/bicyclist typing is updated to use the coding procedures in the document "Pedestrian and Bicycle Crash Analysis Tool Version 2.0" (March 2006). The pedestrian/bicyclist typing information is collected for all pedestrians, bicyclists and people on personal conveyances and is in a data set which is new in 2010, Pbtype. In 2009 and before, the pedestrian/bicyclist information is available for the first qualifying person in the crash and is in the Accident data set.
- The data sets Nmprior and Nmcrash are added in 2010; they replace the Nmaction data set and contain information about what people (who are not occupants of motor vehicles) are doing prior to the crash (Nmprior) and any improper actions or contributing circumstances noted on the PAR (Nmcrash).
- The Trafcon data set is retired in 2010. In prior years (2002-2009) the Trafcon data set could contain multiple traffic controls for each in-transport motor vehicle. In 2010, one traffic control is coded per in-transport motor vehicle eliminating the need for the Trafcon data set. The traffic control coded in 2010 is the one which best describes the traffic controls in the vehicle's environment just prior to its critical precrash event.

2010 Variables with Changes in Definitions, Attributes or SAS Codes

Accident:

| A06 | First Harmful Event EVENT1 |
|-----------|--|
| A07 | |
| - | Manner of Collision MAN_COL |
| A09 | Relation to Junction REL_JCT1/REL_JCT2 |
| A10 | Relation to Trafficway REL_ROAD |
| A11/V_A11 | Trafficway Description DTRAFWAY/VTRAFWAY |
| A12/V_A12 | Total Lanes of Roadway DNUM_LAN/VNUM_LAN |
| A13/V_A13 | Roadway Alignment DALIGN/VALIGN |
| A14/V_A14 | Roadway Grade DPROFILE/VPROFILE |
| A15/V_A15 | Roadway Surface Conditions DSURCOND/VSURCOND |
| A16/V_A16 | Traffic Control Device DTRAFCON/VTRAFCON |
| A18/V_A18 | Speed Limit DSPD_LIM/VSPD_LIM |
| A19 | Light Condition LGHT_CON |
| A20 | Atmospheric Conditions WEATHER/WEATHER1/WEATHER2 |
| A21 | School Bus Related SCH_BUS |
| A25 | Work Zone WRK_ZONE |

Cevent/Vevent (only Event in 2009 and prior, modified in 2010):

E03/V24 Areas of Impact (This Vehicle)/ Areas of Impact – Initial GAD/IMPACT1
E03/V38 Areas of Impact (This Vehicle)/ Areas of Impact – Most Damaged GAD/IMPACT2
E04 Non-Collision Category or Object Contacted (Sequence of Events) OBJCONT
E05/V24 Areas of Impact (Other Vehicle) OBJGAD/IMPACT1
E06/VE06 Action E_ACTION

Vehicle:

- V02 Hit and Run HIT_RUN
- V03 Vehicle Make MAKE
- V04 Vehicle Model MODEL
- V05 Body Type BODY_TYP
- V06 Vehicle Model Year MODEL_YR
- V07 Vehicle Identification Number VIN
- V08 Special Use SPEC_USE
- V09 Emergency Use EMER_USE
- V10B Number of Occupants NUMOCCS
- V18 Extent of Damage DEFORMED
- V19 Vehicle Removal TOWED
- V20 Most Harmful Event V_EVENT
- V31 Vehicle Motor Carrier Identification Number MCARR_ID
- V33 Cargo Body Type CARGO_BT
- V41 Trafficway Description VTRAFWAY (it was V_A11 in 2009)

Parked:

- PV05 Parked/Working Body Type PBODYTYP
- PV06 Parked/Working Vehicle Model Year PMODELYR
- PV07 Parked/Working Vehicle Identification Number PVIN
- PV08 Parked/Working Special Use PSP_USE
- PV10 Parked/Working Number of Occupants Coded POCCINVL

- PV10B Parked/Working Number of Occupants PNUMOCCS
- PV18 Parked/Working Extent of Damage PVEH_SEV
- PV19 Parked/Working Vehicle Removal PTOWED
- PV31 Parked/Working Vehicle Motor Carriers Identification Number PCARIDNO
- PV33 Parked/Working Cargo Body Type PCARGTYP
- PV34 Parked/Working Hazardous Materials Placard PHAZPLAC
- PV37 Parked/Working Vehicle Location PREL_RWY
- PV38 Parked/Working Vehicle Areas of Impact Most Damaged PIMPACT2

Person:

- P03 Person Type PER_TYP
- P04 Seating Position SEAT_POS
- P06 Ejection EJECTION
- P07 Åge AGE
- P08 Sex SEX
- P09 Injury Severity INJ_SEV
- P10 Transported to Medical Facility By HOSPITAL
- P11A Alcohol Test Status ALCHTEST
- P11B Alcohol Test Type ALTSTYPE
- P11C Alcohol Test Result ALTRSULT P03 Person Type PER_TYP
- P13 Non-Motorist Location at Time of Crash LOCATN
- P15 Restraint System/Helmet Use REST_SYS
- P17A Drug Test Status DRUGTEST
- P17B Drug Test Type DRTSTYPE
- P17C Drug Test Result DRTRSULT
- P21 Air Bag Deployed AIR_BAG

Safetyeq:

M_P20 Non-Motorist Safety Equipment Use MSAFEQMT

New Variables:

Accident:

| A17/V_A17 | Device Functioning DTCONT_F/VTCONT_F |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| A28 | Type of Intersection TYP_INT |

Vehicle:

| V39 | Bus Use BUS_USE |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| V40 | Vehicle Configuration V_CONFIG |

Person:

| P24 | Any Indication of Mis-use of Restraint System/Helmet Use REST_MIS |
|-----|---|
| P25 | Non-Motorist Action/Circumstances Prior to Time of Crash MPR_ACT |
| P26 | Non-Motorist Action/Circumstances at Time of Crash MTM_CRSH |

Parked:

| PV38 | Parked/Working Vehicle Areas of Impact – Most Damaged PIMPACT2 |
|------|--|
| PV40 | Parked/Working Vehicle Configuration PV_CONFIG |

Pbtype (new in 2010):

- PB27 Marked Crosswalk PBCWALK
- PB28 Sidewalk Present PBSWALK
- PB29 School Zone PBSZONE
- PB30 Crash Type (Pedestrian) PEDCTYPE
- PB30B Crash Type (Bicyclist) BIKECTYPE
- PB31 Crash Type Location (Pedestrian) PEDLOC
- PB31B Crash Type Location (Bicyclist) BIKELOC
- PB32 Pedestrian Position PEDPOS
- PB32B Bicyclist Position BIKEPOS
- PB33 Pedestrian Initial Direction of Travel PEDDIR
- PB33B Bicyclist Direction BIKEDIR
- PB34 Motorist Direction MOTDIR
- PB35 Motorist Maneuver MOTMAN
- PB36 Intersection Leg PEDLEG
- PB37 Pedestrian Scenario PEDSNR
- PB38 Crash Group (Pedestrian) PEDCGP
- PB38B Crash Group (Bicyclist) BIKECGP

The following are new SAS tables in 2010:

- Vevent
- Nmprior
- Nmcrash

Deleted Variables:

Accident:

A24 Pedestrian/Cyclist Crash Type PED_ACC

Vehicle:

- V22 Vehicle Role VEH_ROLE
- V25 Damaged Areas DAM_AREA
- D02 Violations Charged VIOLATN
- D04 Driver's Vision Öbscured By VIS_OBSC
- D06 Driver Maneuvered to Avoid DR_MANAV
- D07 Driver Distracted By DR_DSTRD

Person:

- P18 Condition (Impairment) at the Time of Crash IMPAIRMT
- P19 Non-Motorist Action ACTION
- P20 Non-Motorist Safety Equipment Use SAF_EQMT

Nmaction (this table replaced by Nmprior and Nmcrash):

M_P19 Non-Motorist Action MACTION

Trafcon (this table is not available in 2010):

M_A16 Traffic Control Device MTRAFCON

Other Changes in the 2010 Coding and Editing Manual:

The following variables have changes to the remarks and/or attribute definitions in 2010.

Cevent/Vevent (only Event in 2009 and prior, modified in 2010):

E06/VE06 Action E_ACTION

Vehicle:

V21 Movement Prior to Critical Event P_CRASH1

Person:

| P03 | Person Type PER_TYP |
|-----|---|
| P13 | Non-Motorist Location at Time of Crash LOCATN |
| P15 | Restraint System/Helmet Use REST_SYS |

Parked:

| PV05 | Parked/Working Body Type PBODYTYP |
|-------|--|
| PV06 | Parked/Working Vehicle Model Year PMODELYR |
| PV07 | Parked/Working Vehicle Identification Number PVIN |
| PV08 | Parked/Working Special Use PSP_USE |
| PV10 | Parked/Working Number of Occupants Coded POCCINVL |
| PV10B | Parked/Working Number of Occupants PNUMOCCS |
| PV18 | Parked/Working Extent of Damage PVEH_SEV |
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| PV37 | Parked/Working Vehicle Location PREL_RWY |
| PV38 | Parked/Working Vehicle Areas of Impact – Most Damaged PIMPACT2 |
| PV40 | Parked/Working Vehicle Configuration PV_CONFIG |

Biketraf:

MB_A16 Traffic Control Device-Cyclist BTRAFCON

Summary of the SAS Naming Changes in 2010

| Locator Code | 2009 SAS Name | New 2010 SAS Name | Variable Name |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|--|
| A05 | N/A | LAND_USE | Land Use |
| A09A | REL_JCT | RELJCT1 | Relation To Junction -Within Interchange Area? |
| A09B | REL_JCT | RELJCT2 | Relation To Junction -Junction |
| A11 | TRAF_WAY | DTRAFWAY | Trafficway Description |
| A12 | NO_LANES | DNUM_LAN | Total Lanes in Roadway |
| A13 | ALIGNMNT | DALIGN | Roadway Alignment |
| A14 | PROFILE | DPROFILE | Roadway Grade |
| A15 | SUR_COND | DSURCOND | Roadway Surface Condition |
| A16 | TRAF_CON | DTRAFCON | Traffic Control Device |
| A17 | N/A | DTCONT_F | Traffic Control Device Functioning |
| A18 | SP_LIMIT | DSPD_LIM | Speed Limit |
| A24 | PED_ACC | N/A (deleted) | Ped/Cycle Accident Type |
| A27 | N/A | TYP_INT | Type of Intersection |
| V12 | FACTOR | deleted in Vehicle table | Vehicle Contributing Factors (MFACTOR) stored in Factor table |
| V22 | VEH_ROLE | N/A (deleted) | Vehicle Role |
| V24 | IMPACT | IMPACT1 | Areas of Impact - Initial Damage Area |
| V31 | CARINDUM | MCARR_ID | Carrier's Identification Number |
| V39 | N/A | BUS_USE | Bus Use |
| V40 | N/A | V_CONFIG | Vehicle Configuration |
| D02 | VIOLATN | deleted in Vehicle table | Violations Charged (MVIOLATN) stored in Violatn table |
| D04 | VIS_OBSC | deleted in Vehicle table | Violations Charged (MVISOBSC) stored in Vision table |
| D06 | DRMAN_AV | deleted in Vehicle table | Driver Maneuvered to Avoid (MDRMANAV) stored in Maneuver table |
| D07 | DR_DSTRD | deleted in Vehicle table | Driver Distracted By (MDRSTRD) stored in Distract table |
| P18 | IMPAIRMT | deleted in Person table | Condition at Time of Crash (MIMPAIR) stored in Impair table |
| P19 | ACTION | deleted in Person table | Non-Motorist Action (changed in 2010) |

| Locator Code | 2009 SAS Name | New 2010 SAS Name | Variable Name |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|--|
| P20 | SAF_EQMT | deleted in Person table | Non-Motorist Safety Equipment Use (MSAFEQMT) stored in Safetyeq table |
| P24 | N/A | REST_MIS | Indication of Restraints/Helmet Mis-Use |
| P25 | N/A | MPR_ACT | Non-Motorist Actions/Circumstances At Time of Crash (MPR_ACT) stored in Nmcrash table |
| P26 | N/A | MTM_CRSH | Non-Motorist Actions/Circumstances Prior to Crash (MTM_CRSH) stored in Nmprior table |

The variables in RED are new to 2010 NASS GES. The variables in BLUE are changed in 2010 NASS GES.