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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Following the repeal of Prohibition, state laws regulating the minimum legal age for the purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages remained virtually unchanged for almost 40 years. After a Constitutional Amendment in July 1971 permitted 18-year-olds to vote in federal elections, legislation was passed in over 20 states to lower the legal drinking age. Although the general trend was to bring full adult rights into conformity with the 18-year-old age of majority, six states lowered the legal drinking age from 20 to 19.

The present study investigated the impact of the lower legal drinking age on the alcohol-related highway crash experience of affected young driving populations in Maine, Michigan, and Vermont. The specific research questions in this legal impact study were:

- (1) Did the alcohol-related crash experience change in the three study states which lowered the legal drinking age to 18?
- (2) If changes occurred in alcohol-related crash experiences in the three study states, were those changes causally related to the legal change?

Opposing viewpoints of expected and reported consequences of the lower drinking ages on highway safety emerged during the legislative processes preceding the new laws and after the effective dates. In Michigan, for example, resistance to an 18-year-old legal drinking age came from law enforcement officials and organizations

concerned with alcohol-related social problems.<sup>1-9</sup> Following the legal change in Michigan the same sources have contended that alcohol-related crashes of young drivers have increased dramatically.

Proponents of the new law included the organized alcoholic beverage industry, many liberal political groups, and segments of the academic community interested in alcohol-related behavior. These groups have challenged the validity

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<sup>1</sup>Commission on Alcohol Problems, State of Minnesota. "Reduction of Drinking Ages Increases Young DWI Arrests." (NEWSRELEASE) Hennepin County Alcohol Safety Action Project, August 8, 1973, 3pp.

<sup>2</sup>Commission on Alcohol Problems, State of Minnesota. "More Young DWI's." ASAP FOCUS, Hennepin County Alcohol Safety Action Project, August 1973, p.1.

<sup>3</sup>R.L. Hammond. "Legal Drinking at 18 or 21 - Does It Make Any Difference?" Journal of Alcohol and Drug Education, Vol. 18, No. 3, pp.9-13, Spring 1973.

<sup>4</sup>B.D. Bowen and M.R. Kagay. Report to the White House Conference on Youth: The Impact of Lowering the Age of Majority to 18, June 1973. White House Conference on Youth, Washington, D.C. 63pp.

<sup>5</sup>Safety and Traffic Division, State of Michigan Department of State Police. "Motor Vehicle Accident Experience of Drivers 18 to 20 Years of Age and of All Other Drivers in Michigan - First Quarter of 1971, 1972, 1973." Mimeo, August 1973.

<sup>6</sup>Michigan Council on Alcohol Problems. "Liquor Lobbyist's Dual Role Uncovered - Conflict of Interest Charged in Hearing." Focus, Vol. 6, No. 2, pp.1-2, Summer 1973.

<sup>7</sup>Michigan Council on Alcohol Problems, Report No. 35 (On Effects of Lower Age of Majority Law and Traffic Safety.) Micap Recap, August 14, 1973. 2pp.

<sup>8</sup>Michigan Council on Alcohol Problems. "It's All in How You Figure the Percentage - Homicides or Teen Driving Accidents." Focus, Vol. 6, No. 4, p.2, Winter 1973.

<sup>9</sup>D.A. Works. "Statement on 18 Year Old Drinking." Journal of Alcohol and Drug Education, Vol. 18, No. 3, p.14, Spring 1973.

of reported increases in alcohol-related crash statistics as being artifactual, rather than actual evidence of extensive behavioral changes among the 18- to 20-year-old drivers involved in crashes.<sup>10-14</sup>

The impact of the lower legal drinking age on highway safety has continued to be an unresolved issue. Long-term data have not been available and controlled investigations have not been conducted. The majority of state officials questioned in a governmental survey reported that accident statistics show little evidence of changes which could be attributed to the lower legal drinking ages. Officials in Michigan and Rhode Island, however, claimed that accidents among young people have increased since the legal changes became effective.<sup>15,16</sup>

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<sup>10</sup>Bowen and Kagay, op.cit, 1973.

<sup>11</sup>Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, Inc., Licensed Beverage Industries. "Public Attitudes Changing: Minimum Age Law." New York, New York, No. 326, p.1, June-July 1973.

<sup>12</sup>Michigan Licensed Beverage Association (Correspondence to Chairman, Governor's Task Force on Drinking Driver Problems.) Critical Review of Effect of Age of Majority on Michigan Traffic Statistics, July 2, 1973, 9pp.

<sup>13</sup>R. Zylman. "When It is Legal to Drink at 18: What Should We Expect." Journal of Traffic Safety Education, pp.9-10, June 1973.

<sup>14</sup>R. Zylman. "When It Became Legal to Drink at 18 in Michigan: What Happened?" Journal of Traffic Safety Education, April 1974, pp.15-16.

<sup>15</sup>Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, Inc., Licensed Beverage Industries. "Survey of Minimum Age Law Experience on Drinking/Driving." New York, New York, News Letter, No. 330, pp.1 & 3, December 1973.

<sup>16</sup>National Clearinghouse for Alcohol Information of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. "24 States Drop Drinking Age in 3-Year Period." Alcohol and Health Notes, pp.1 & 5, Rockville, Maryland, October 1973.

Evidence from individual states which lowered the legal drinking age has largely consisted of relatively informal observations of accident data with no design or analytic control for alternative explanations. For a variety of reasons, the direct information on drinking and driving among young people is confounded by factors other than the change in drinking laws. It has been suggested that police officers became more attentive to reporting alcohol involvement in crash investigations with young drivers after the legal change in Michigan, a practice which allegedly has created artifactual statistical increases. Changes in accident reporting forms and procedures have resulted in questionable validity of before and after comparisons based on recorded alcohol involvement data. Reporting systems have grown in comprehensiveness during the same time period which raises other questions about the validity of before and after comparisons.

Therefore, particular attention has been given to the problems of research design, measurement, and analytic technique in the present investigation. Attempts have been made to define and measure quantities which indicate true changes in the alcohol-related crash experience of specific populations and which are independent of the kinds of operational variations which have been suggested above. A quasi-experimental design has been used which included three states--Maine, Michigan, and Vermont--which recently lowered the legal drinking age to 18 as an experimental group. Two control groups were included. New York and Louisiana were studied as long-term 18-year-old drinking states and Texas and Pennsylvania represented long-term 21-year-old drinking states. An objective, empirically-derived surrogate measure of alcohol-related crash frequencies was used in comparative time-series analyses. The methodology applied and detailed in the present work is viewed as an important element in



the report, both in appreciating the conclusions and in facilitating analyses of other states which have lowered their legal drinking ages.

### Findings

In Michigan, and also in two of its counties studied separately, alcohol-related crashes among 18- to 20-year-old drivers increased after the lower legal drinking age became effective. The increases are statistically significant and of magnitudes large enough to be considered socially significant. The effect of the lower legal drinking age appears to be directly related to the relative proportion of the 18- to 20-year-old population in the jurisdiction under consideration. Increases in alcohol-related crashes were accompanied by alterations in the age-specific crash frequency distributions of young drivers. After the legal change the 18- and 19-year-old drivers became more involved than drivers in other age groups. No significant increases in alcohol-related crashes occurred among older drivers.

The results of analyses of Maine data were similar to those of Michigan. The legal situation in Maine affords somewhat less confidence in the conclusions than in Michigan in that the legal drinking age changed from 21 to 20 in 1969, and then from 20 to 18 in June 1972.

No significant increases in alcohol-related crash experience were identified in Vermont for either young or old drivers. In addition to an absence of change in magnitude, the age-specific frequency distribution of alcohol-related crashes of young drivers did not change following the lowering of the legal drinking age.

Increases which could be attributed to an influence affecting only the 18- to 20-year-old driving population were not found in any of the four control states.

It is suggested that Vermont experienced no legal impact following the legal change because the pattern of the age-specific alcohol-related crash frequencies was like an 18-year-old age-of-majority state before the legal change. In Pennsylvania the distribution was similar to those in Maine and Michigan before 18-year-old drinking ages became legal in those states. It is suggested that Pennsylvania would experience a legal impact like Michigan and Maine with an 18-year-old legal drinking age.

Texas, where the legal drinking age was changed from 21- to 18-year-old in August 1973, was characterized until 1972 by an alcohol-related frequency distribution similar to Louisiana and other 18-year-old states. This situation is analogous to Vermont in 1972. No legal impact is predicted for Texas.

An "end state" of alcohol-related crash frequency distributions of young drivers is proposed stating that maximum alcohol-related crash frequencies will be found among 18- or 19-year-old drivers when the minimum legal drinking age is 18-years-old. Under the "end state" no major resurgent age-specific-frequency would be of a comparable magnitude for other (older) age groups. States with 21-year-old drinking ages, that do not have this "end state" condition, are predicted to undergo a change if the legal drinking age is lowered to 18-years-old. The change is predicted to result in the "end state" condition characteristic of New York and Louisiana, with long-term 18-year-old drinking ages, as well as Michigan and Maine after the legal drinking age became 18-years-old.

## 2.0 METHODOLOGY

A data analytic approach, using a multiple time-series quasi-experimental analysis of available accident data, was selected to address the research questions of interest. The overall experimental situation first had to be assessed and a suitable design selected to study the legal impact phenomenon under consideration. An appropriate statistical model and companion statistical procedures applicable to the experimental design were chosen. Implementing the design consisted of selecting appropriate study jurisdictions, identifying appropriate variables from available accident data, and processing these data in conformance with the requirements of the statistical model.

These steps are subsequently discussed in some depth to reveal both the strengths and weaknesses of the methodology. Several important research issues are developed more fully in appropriate appendices.

### 2.1 THE EXPERIMENTAL SITUATION

Ideally, investigations of the effects of a change and causal inferences regarding that change can best be accomplished in a controlled experiment. Such an experiment, on the model of the natural science laboratory, exercises control over the population potentially being affected by an experimental variable in such a way as to eliminate all confounding factors which might also affect the population. A second ingredient in the pure experimental design is the inclusion of one or more control groups which are identical to the experimental group except for presence of the change-producing, experimental variable. The best experimental procedures randomly assign individual subjects to control or

experimental groups. In that valid assumptions about the comparability of groups can be made in a controlled experiment, causal inferences relating the experimental variable to observed changes in the experimental group can also be made. Replications of such a controlled experiment strengthen the causal interpretation but do not alter the basic validity of causal inferences of the first experiment performed.

The present research is obviously not compatible with a pure controlled experimental design. An investigation of lower legal drinking ages is a legal impact study in which the effects of a specific legal change on a social system are assessed. It is not possible to assign legal conditions randomly to naturally existing populations, nor is it possible to control which state populations are exposed to a new law and which are not. In addition, no control is possible over the effective date of a new law or what specific administrative changes accompany a new law. The problem, then, is to apply a research strategy to the real-world, non-laboratory environment of highway accident phenomena occurring in jurisdictions with previously prescribed legal conditions and with an intact social structure.

## 2.2 QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNS

Campbell and Stanley have set forth a classification of research strategies known as quasi-experimental designs which help to circumvent some of these inherent problems.<sup>17,18</sup>

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<sup>17</sup>D.T. Campbell and J.C. Stanley. Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Designs for Research. Chicago: Rand McNally, 1966.

<sup>18</sup>D.T. Campbell. "Reforms as Experiments." American Psychologist, Vol. 24:409-29, 1969;  
D.T. Campbell and H.L. Ross. "The Connecticut Crackdown on Speeding: Time Series Data in Quasi-Experimental Analysis." Law & Society Review, Vol. 3:33-53, 1968;  
J.Stanley (ed). Improving Experimental Design and Statistical Analysis. Seventh Annual Phi Delta Kappa Symposium on Educational Research. "Administrative Experimentation, Institutional Records, and Nonreactive Measures." D.T. Campbell, Chicago: Rand McNally & Co., 1967, pp.257-91.

Lempert (1966) adopted these to legal impact studies.<sup>19</sup> The development of the quasi-experimental, or "almost experimental", design was intended to assist investigators faced with the desire for causal interpretation in real-world circumstances, including the effects of legal changes. This section presents, in general terms, an overview of important issues of quasi-experimental research designs and the analytical strategy selected to study the effects of lower legal drinking ages. Definitions and notation follow that of Campbell and Stanley.

2.2.1 RESEARCH DESIGN ISSUES. Fundamental to the development of a sound research design is the delineation of conceptual benchmarks that provide a basis of design evaluation. Three such conceptual topics are of particular importance: plausible rival hypotheses, and the extent to which these are controlled; internal design validity; and external design validity.

A plausible rival hypothesis represents a possibility that an event or combination of events, long-term phenomena, or characteristics of a population might explain an observed change rather than the experimental variation being investigated. Optimally, the full range of plausible rival hypotheses is controlled in a laboratory situation, and it is this level of control that a social investigator is compelled to approximate. Rival hypotheses come in a variety of forms from the obvious and dramatic to the more subtle and easily overlooked. Factors which define plausible rival hypotheses jeopardize the validity of conclusions drawn from empirical investigations.

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<sup>19</sup>R. Lempert. "Strategies of Research Design in the Legal Impact Study." Law & Society Review, pp.111-32, November 1966.

Design validity, logically preceding validity of interpretation, can be classified into two distinct forms: internal validity and external validity. Internal validity is the basic minimum without which any experiment is uninterpretable; without it, no confident conclusions can be made regarding the relationship of observed effects and experimental changes. Without internal validity, external validity is not tenable.

Regarding the internal validity of legal impact research in the highway safety area, six classes of extraneous variables warrant attention. If not controlled, such sources of variation might confound the effects of a legal change. These variable classes are:

(1) History, the specific events influencing the population between the first and last observation of the experimental period. Examples in this situation are specific changes in laws other than the age of majority; changes in administrative procedures; short-term economic and social dynamics and extraneous stimuli, including potential effects of age-of-majority related mass media messages; and the effects of such stimuli both on the newly enfranchized 18 - 20-year-old drinking-driving population and the legal-enforcement-administrative groups, including police.

(2) Maturation, processes acting on the affected populations as a normal function of the passage of time. Long-term economic, demographic, and social trends constitute the basic components of such gradual effects. Specifically, the linear trends of relative affluence, population growth, total alcohol beverage consumption, age-specific population growth rates, vehicle population growth, increase of personal vehicle ownership or accessibility, and long-term trends of roadway improvement, taken as a whole, contribute to the explanation of changes in highway safety over a period of time.

(3) Instrumentation, in which changes in the operational measurement of variables are altered. An example, as will be seen subsequently, is a change in the recording of reported alcohol involvement in crashes that occurred in Michigan during the period under study.

(4) Statistical regression, in which high outcomes or frequencies tend to be followed by lower outcomes and vice versa. Accident data exhibit diurnal weekly, seasonal, and long-range cyclic characteristics in which peaks in time-series measurements are invariably followed by troughs.

(5) Selection of experimental and control groups, if uncontrolled, introduce biases which are large or small depending upon the total comparability of the groups. In the present case it is obvious that no one state is like another in all respects. However, by matching to the extent possible certain geographic, economic, and demographic characteristics, and keeping potential biases in mind during the process of interpretation, a functional control of selection biases can be attained.

(6) Any of the above sources of alternative explanation can act interactively and create a plausible rival hypothesis unlike each acting independently. Frequently selection, maturation, and history have been found to have interactive effects.

Lempert<sup>20</sup> emphasized another extraneous variable of specific concern in legal impact studies. When two or more experimental jurisdictions are included in an investigation of a specific legal change, the effective date of the legal change must be comparable or exactly the same. While several states have lowered the legal drinking age in recent years, only Michigan and Vermont laws became effective on or about January 1, 1972. Vermont's law became effective on December 31, 1971. Maine's new age-of-majority law became

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<sup>20</sup>Lempert, op.cit., p.118.

effective in the first half of that year. These facts precluded the inclusion of other states on the basis of the effective date of new age-of-majority legislation. If other jurisdictions with different effective dates were included, a variety of uncertainties based on previously defined extraneous variables would be present in the design. The desire for accurate interpretation in this case predetermined the state selection process.

2.2.2 THE MULTIPLE TIME-SERIES QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN. The availability of the "running record" in the form of representative accident data over a reasonable time period provided the opportunity of implementing what Campbell and Stanley defined as the multiple time-series quasi-experimental design. Lempert defended this design as the "design par excellence for legal impact theory experimentation".<sup>21</sup>

The design is basically a series of comparable, consistent measurements at regular time intervals taken on two or more populations interrupted by a social or legal dynamic in one or more of the populations. The appeal of this design, when coupled with appropriate statistical analyses, is its ability to achieve maximal control over plausible rival hypotheses as expressed by the defined classes of extraneous variables.

The design can be represented in the abstract with the following formulation:

	$t_1$	$t_9$	$t_{16}$
Group 1	0000000	X	00000000
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Group 2	0000000		00000000

<sup>21</sup>Lempert, op.cit., p.130.



where:

O = an observation, or measurement, taken at equal time intervals,  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{16}$ .

X = an experimental variable introduced to Group 1, the experimental group, at time point  $t_9$ .

--- indicates that group assignment was prescribed by circumstance, and not according to random selection methods.

With this design, comparisons are made between the affected "experimental" population and the unaffected "control" population on parameters of interest. The comparisons become more internally valid the larger the number of time-ordered measurements and the greater the equivalence of measurements before and after the introduction of the social dynamic or experimental variable. The design increases in external validity, or generalizability, with increased representativeness of demographic, geographic, and other pertinent characteristics among the measured populations.

### 2.3 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TIME-SERIES DESIGN

Implementation of the quasi-experimental design outlined abstractly above consisted of several interrelated steps, including selection of states and investigation of data availability, identification and selection of variables, and data processing.

2.3.1 SELECTION OF STUDY STATES. As mentioned earlier, the state selection process for the present research was largely prescribed by historical events regarding the legal structures of the states from which to choose.

Three uncomplicated legal classes exist in the United States regarding the minimum legal drinking age: long-term 18-year-old; long-term 21-year-old; and transitional, in

which the minimum age has been changed from 21 to 18, or 20 to 19 as in Maine. More complicated classes include those states with mixed legal structures by age of majority, e.g., 19-year-old, or beverage-specific combinations such as low alcohol content beer, wine and beer but not spirits, and other unique categories. States with complex legal structures regarding the legal drinking age, especially beverage-specific combinations, were eliminated because of the confounding effects on analysis and interpretation introduced by these mixed structures.

Only New York and Louisiana have long established 18-year-old legal drinking ages. New York's law became effective in 1934 and Louisiana's in 1948. The desire for as much external validity as possible led to the inclusion of at least two states in each of the three legally defined groups, and therefore both New York and Louisiana necessarily were selected. New York data were available for the full 1968-72 time period, and Louisiana data were available in digital form for the January 1971 to July 1973 period.

Michigan and Vermont are the only states which, for practical purposes, lowered the legal drinking age from 21 to 18 in the first half of 1972. Michigan's "Age of Majority Act of 1971"<sup>22</sup> and Vermont's Public Act Number 90, 1971 became effective December 31, 1971.<sup>23,24</sup> Maine's law

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<sup>22</sup>Michigan State Legislature. Age of Majority Act of 1971. Michigan Public Acts 1971 - No. 79. Lansing, Michigan: State of Michigan, 1971, pp.142-43.

<sup>23</sup>Vermont State Legislature. Public Acts, 1971. No. 90. Montpelier, Vermont, 1971.

<sup>24</sup>For purposes of analysis, January 1, 1972 was used as the effective date in the present research.

lowered the legal drinking age from 20 to 18 effective June 9, 1972.<sup>25,26</sup> The time-scale of the study dictated the choice of these states, rather than others that subsequently passed similar legislation, to include as many data points in the "after" time-series as possible.

Michigan data were available for the January 1968-July 1973 time period; however, not all reporting jurisdictions throughout the state were included until 1971. Specifically, the 1968 data excluded thirty-two of the largest Michigan cities and included only eleven. Most of these jurisdictions were represented in 1971 and later; however, Detroit was not completely represented until 1972. In order to avoid seriously incorrect inferences from analyses of a changing data base, the least common set of reporting jurisdictions which comprised the file in 1968 were used exclusively for the full time period. The statewide Michigan file, therefore, is primarily non-urban and represents about 55% of the total Michigan crash experience.

As a means of offsetting the non-representativeness of statewide Michigan data, files available at HSRI were utilized. Oakland County, Michigan 1968-72; Washtenaw County, Michigan 1968-72; Michigan Fatal Accidents, 1968-72; and Wayne County, Michigan (excluding Detroit) 1971-July 1973 were built into the design as independent jurisdictional data files. These data have been subjected to analyses identical to the other statewide data files. Utilization of the auxiliary data bases compensated for the largely non-urban statewide data in Michigan. Additionally, the specific analyses of Washtenaw, Oakland, Wayne and Michigan Fatal

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<sup>25</sup>Maine State Legislature. Maine Public Acts, 1972, Chapter 598. "An Act to Grant Adult Rights to Persons Eighteen Years of Age." Augusta, Maine, 1972, pp.49-50.

<sup>26</sup>For purposes of analysis, June 1, 1972 was used as the effective date in the present research.

Accidents provided further insight into the largest state in the study which lowered the legal drinking age.

Washtenaw County, which includes both Eastern Michigan University and The University of Michigan, has an unusually high proportion of 18- to 20-year-old residents and a youth-oriented social atmosphere much unlike the rest of Michigan. Oakland County, also in southeastern Michigan, is densely populated with major residential and industrial regions. Wayne County, surrounding the City of Detroit, is highly urbanized. A specific analysis of fatal accidents should serve to qualify the conclusions of a change in the level of the various parameters in terms of the most severe category of vehicle crash.

Vermont data were available only for the years 1971 and 1972. These data were secured from the State of Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles. Maine, the third transitional state, is represented by 1970, 1971, and 1972 data which were provided by the State of Maine Department of Transportation.

The selection of states in the long-term 21-year-old drinking category afforded the greatest latitude. However, the desire to match states as closely as possible on geographic, demographic, and economic parameters and issues of data availability resulted in the inclusion of Texas and Pennsylvania.

Texas, an approximate geographic match to Louisiana, was included using statewide data available at HSRI for the 1969-72 period. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation provided 1968-72 data; except for fatal accidents, however, no data were available for 1970. The missing data were filled-in by generating linear regression estimates of selected variables for the 1968-71 period.<sup>27</sup>

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<sup>27</sup>The 1968-71 period was used in computing regression estimates of the 1970 parameters because, if a societal effect produced changes in 1972 in the experimental states, this would be confounded if comparison data were estimated from 1972 frequencies in Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania is an exceptionally good match for Michigan and New York on geographic, demographic, and economic parameters.

2.3.2 ANALYTIC CRASH FILES. The states selected for study and the years for which accident data were obtained and analyzed are shown in Figure 2.1.

Accident data in digital form were available for each of the seven study states and the three Michigan counties, but the yearly coverage prior to 1972 is seen to be uneven. 1968 was selected as the first year for which data would be retrieved, thereby assuring an adequate number of monthly data points in the "before" time-series.

Accident files from the larger states were systematically sampled to create analytic files of manageable size, and the sampling fractions chosen were large enough to assure adequate representativeness of the sample. The Louisiana Highway Safety Commission provided a 10% systematic sample of data files starting with January 1971, and the New York Department of Motor Vehicles provided a 5% sample of accident files for the 1968-72 period.

The original crash files were copied and supplied to HSRI for Maine, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Vermont. All Maine and Vermont accidents were retained for analysis, but a 15% sample of Michigan accidents and a 5% sample of Pennsylvania were used. Wayne County data, complete only from January 1971-July 1973, were taken from the 15% Michigan sample, but all of the Oakland and Washtenaw County data were available for a full five-year period. The original data were in the form of sequential archives of accident records. Each record contained numerous data elements of each involved vehicle and driver in a particular accident. In order to deal with multiple-vehicle cases the analytic files were built with individual drivers and vehicles as unique case determinants. Therefore, a single-vehicle crash representing one driver and one vehicle in the

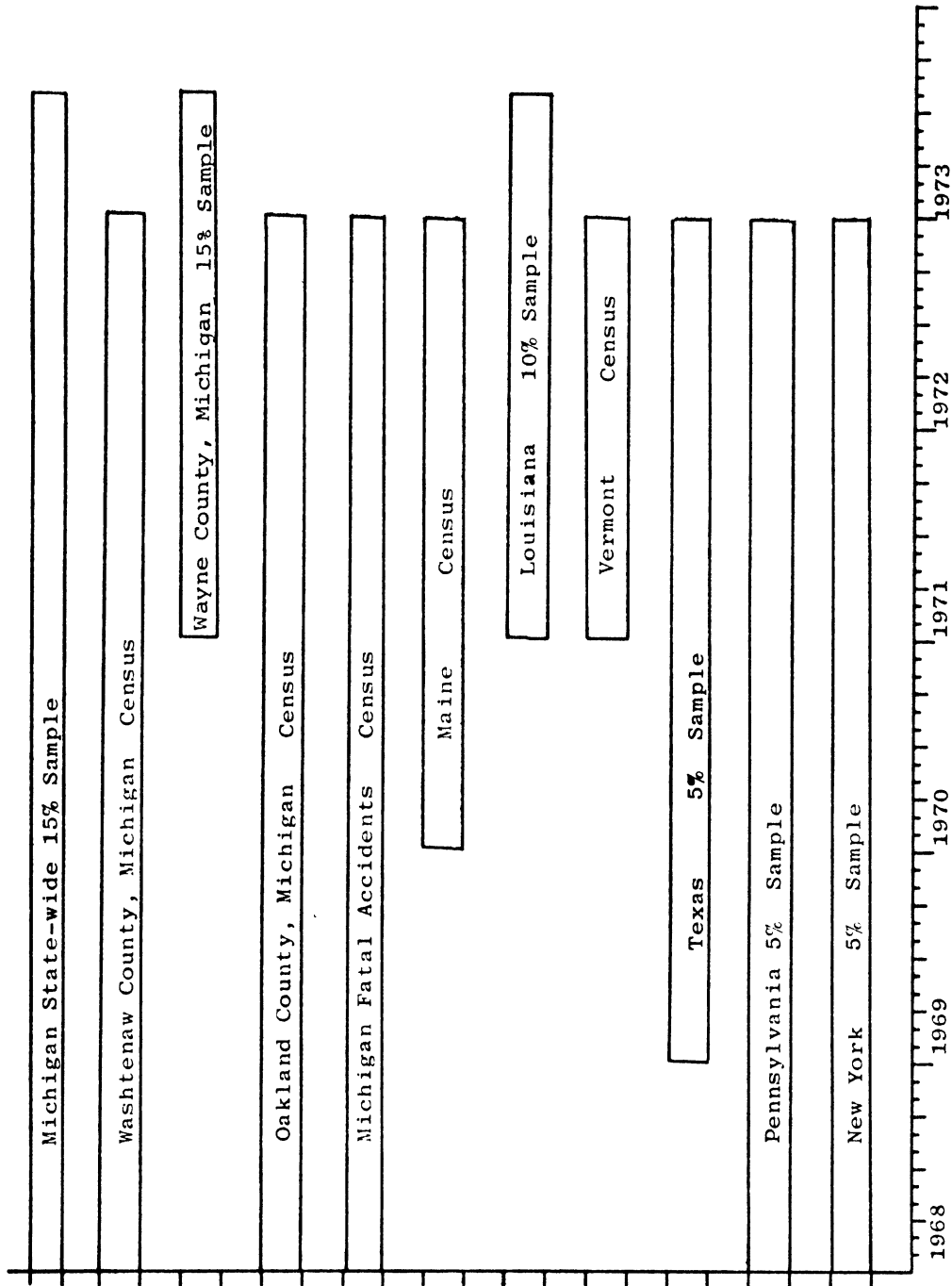


FIGURE 2.1. FULL QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN WITH RANGE OF JURISDICTION DATA AND FILE COMPOSITION

original data produced one driver and one vehicle in the analytic (vehicle) files. On the other hand, a two-vehicle crash listing both vehicles and drivers in one record in the original data produced two separate driver involvements in the analytic files. In other words, a case is defined as one driver-vehicle involvement in a crash. Vehicle files were prepared for each jurisdiction and included the first two drivers in each original accident record. Identical sets of crash parameters were associated with each of the first two drivers involved in the same crash.

Table 2.1 presents a complete summary of data files included in this research. The table includes total numbers of records of master files which were used to generate vehicle files. Also noted are appropriate sampling fractions, coverage periods, and peculiarities of each file.

2.3.3 SELECTION OF ANALYTIC VARIABLES. A time-series analysis requires that the independent variable, time be structured into equally-spaced regular intervals.<sup>28</sup> An individual month has been taken as the basic time unit and various monthly total measures of crash experience constitute the basic analytical units. The Michigan statewide data, for instance, have a total of 67 monthly intervals, with 48 in the  $n_1$  "before" series from January 1968 to December 1971, and 19 monthly intervals from January 1972 to July 1973 in the  $n_2$  "after" series. Monthly measures were also aggregated into yearly measures and into "before" and "after" measures in various analyses.

All dependent variables used in subsequent analysis originated from routine reports of crashes occurring in the ten jurisdictions under study. Generally investigating police officers fill out an accident report form, and the forms are compiled in a central registry within each state.

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<sup>28</sup>M.G. Kendall. Time-Series. New York: Hafner Press, 1973, pp.7.

TABLE 2.1. FULL QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN FILE DESCRIPTIONS

Year of File	Jurisdiction	Number of Records in Original File	Number of Cases in Analytic Vehicle File	Census Sample Fraction (if any)	Time Period Covered	Missing Data and Notations
1970	Maine 06	27,113	45,299	Census	1/1-12/31/70	Property damage changed from \$100 to \$200 on September 23, 1971.
1971	Maine 06	26,695	45,216	Census	1/1-12/31/71	Source: State of Maine Department of Transportation
1972	Maine 06	24,952	41,201	Census	1/1-12/31/72	
1971	Louisiana 07	11,874	22,644	10%	1/1-12/31/71	Original data a 10% sample including 1st & 2nd involved drivers. Property definition damage change, 1972. Source: Louisiana Highway Safety Commission
1972	Louisiana 07	13,051	25,184	10%	1/1-12/31/72	
1973	Louisiana 07	7,975	15,295	10%	1/1-07/31/73	
1971	Vermont 08	16,561 (approx)	27,657	Census	1/1-12/31/71	Source: State of Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles
1972	Vermont 08	16,944 (approx)	27,958	Census	1/1-12/31/72	
1969	Texas 09	18,837	32,224	5%	1/1-12/31/69	HBD variable not coded after 1970.
1970	Texas 09	19,392	33,204	5%	1/1-12/31/70	Source: HSNR*
1971	Texas 09	19,088	33,140	5%	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Texas 09	21,000	36,505	5%	1/1-12/31/72	
1968	Pennsylvania 10	279,663	24,851	5%	1/1-12/31/68	Property damage definition changed from \$150 to \$200 in 1972. All except Fatal's missing in 1970.
1969	Pennsylvania 10	292,192	25,868	5%	1/1-12/31/69	Source: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
1970	Pennsylvania 10	1,966	2,866	5%	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	Pennsylvania 10	301,374	20,911	5%	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Pennsylvania 10	277,556	24,198	5%	1/1-12/31/72	
1968	New York 11	50,820 (approx)	86,053	5%	1/1-12/31/68	Year identifier miscoded in 1968 (grouped with 1969). Property damage definition changed from \$150 to \$200 in 1970. Source: New York State Department of Motor Vehicles
1969	New York 11					
1970	New York 11	25,310 (approx)	42,281	5%	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	New York 11	21,780 (approx)	38,328	5%	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	New York 11	22,990 (approx)	39,377	5%	1/1-12/31/72	

\*HBD - Had Been Drinking



2.1. FULL QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN DESCRIPTIONS

Year of File	Jurisdiction	Number of Records in Original File	Number of Cases in Analytic Vehicle File	Census Sample Fraction (if any)	Time Period Covered	Missing Data and Notations
1968	Michigan Statewide 01	413,281 <sup>1</sup>	45,461	15%	1/1-12/31/68	"HBD" variable form change effective 1/1/71. Source: State of Michigan Department of State Police.
1969	Michigan Statewide 01	449,215	49,465	15%	1/1-12/31/69	
1970	Michigan Statewide 01	472,165	52,369	15%	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	Michigan Statewide 01	577,609	63,537	15%	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Michigan Statewide 01	855,612	91,240	15%	1/1-12/31/72	
1973	Michigan Statewide 01	544,537	57,743	15%	1/1-07/31/73	
1968	Washtenaw County, Michigan 02	7,495	11,351	Census	1/1-12/31/68	Source: HSRI
1969	Washtenaw County, Michigan 02	7,911	12,540	Census	1/1-12/31/69	
1970	Washtenaw County, Michigan 02	8,327	12,598	Census	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	Washtenaw County, Michigan 02	8,744	13,448	Census	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Washtenaw County, Michigan 02	9,160	13,887	Census	1/1-12/31/72	
1971	Wayne County, Michigan 03	----- <sup>2</sup>	3,005	15%	1/1-12/31/71	Not including the city of Detroit.
1972	Wayne County, Michigan 03	-----	5,113	15%	1/1-12/31/72	
1973	Wayne County, Michigan 03	-----	3,442	15%	1/1-07/31/73	
1968	Oakland County, Michigan 04	25,387	44,926	Census	1/1-12/31/68	Source: HSRI
1969	Oakland County, Michigan 04	29,265	51,798	Census	1/1-12/31/69	
1970	Oakland County, Michigan 04	29,650	52,994	Census	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	Oakland County, Michigan 04	29,362	52,652	Census	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Oakland County, Michigan 04	34,262	60,900	Census	1/1-12/31/72	
1968	Michigan Fatal Accidents 05	1,987	3,057	Census	1/1-12/31/68	Source: HSRI
1969	Michigan Fatal Accidents 05	2,154	3,265	Census	1/1-12/31/69	
1970	Michigan Fatal Accidents 05	1,863	2,815	Census	1/1-12/31/70	
1971	Michigan Fatal Accidents 05	1,889	3,289	Census	1/1-12/31/71	
1972	Michigan Fatal Accidents 05	1,997	3,453	Census	1/1-12/31/72	

<sup>1</sup>In Michigan there is a variable number of records per accident. In each accident a record for the accident plus a separate record for each injury and each driver-vehicle is built into the master file. Therefore, there is no apparent correspondence between the number of records in the original file and the number of cases in the vehicle analytic file. Michigan master files include between two and twelve individual records per accident.

New York data, however, also include self-reported accident data submitted by crash-involved motorists.

All states' accident report forms include some kind of provision for recording whether the investigating police officer believes that the driver had been drinking prior to the crash. This dependent variable is clearly important in the present study and it has been used extensively. However, reported alcohol-involvement is known to be subject to a number of defects which render it unsuitable as the sole measure of alcohol-related crashes. Appendix A contains detailed information about various problems with the reported alcohol-involvement variable that were found among the states under study. It should not be inferred, however, that this variable is useless. In states which have been attentive to the issue, such as Michigan, the reported alcohol-involvement variable remains the best single estimate of the proportion of alcohol-related crashes, particularly in non-fatal crashes where objective chemical tests of drivers' blood alcohol concentrations are made infrequently. The reader is cautioned to interpret the subsequent findings about this variable carefully and in view of the Appendix A discussion.

Because of the known problems with the reported alcohol-involvement variable, considerable emphasis was placed on the development of a surrogate measure for alcohol-involvement. The surrogate measure, described more fully in Appendix B, consists of the frequency of that subset of all crashes involving a single vehicle driven by a male driver and occurring between 9:00PM and 6:00AM. Various replicated analyses indicated that between 53% and 63% of these three-factor-surrogate crashes are consistently alcohol-related. Thus, the surrogate can be used as a reliable indicator of alcohol-related crashes across jurisdictions and also within jurisdictions over time, thereby overcoming many of the defects

inherent in the reported alcohol-involvement variable. A major strength of the surrogate is that its three components are all reliably-reported, objective data elements free from judgments and biases on the part of crash investigators. It is true, of course, that there does not exist a one-to-one correlation between three-factor-surrogate crashes and reported alcohol-related crashes. However, the three-factor-surrogate is consistently related to alcohol-involvement, objective, and equally valid for young and old drivers. These qualities provide a measure with great utility for monitoring changes in alcohol-related crash experience occurring within a jurisdiction over a several year period, and for comparing across jurisdictions.

The two measures of a jurisdiction's alcohol-related crash experience described above were supplemented by the total monthly crash experience of that jurisdiction, irrespective of alcohol involvement. Together with the inclusion of age-of-driver data for each crash this permitted the computation of age-specific rates of alcohol-related crashes. These age-specific rates are the frequency of alcohol-related crashes (as measured either by reported alcohol-involvement or by the three-factor surrogate) in a given age group divided by the frequency of all crashes for the same age group occurring within the period under consideration. Their utility is discussed in the methodological summary section.

These selection processes resulted in the following 11 basic measures of each jurisdiction's crash experience:

- Total 18-20 year-old crash experience<sup>29</sup>
- Total 21-45 year-old crash experience
- Total crash experience, all ages

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<sup>29</sup> In Maine, the age stratifications were 18-19 and 20-44 years-old.

18-20 year-old HBD crash experience<sup>30</sup>

21-45 year-old HBD crash experience

Total HBD crash experience, all ages

18-20 year-old three-factor-surrogate crash experience

21-45 year-old three-factor-surrogate crash experience

Total year-old three-factor-surrogate crash experience,  
all ages

18-20 age-specific three-factor-surrogate rate

21-45 age-specific three-factor-surrogate rate

Data on these 11 measures were subjected to identical time-series analyses for all jurisdictions as described subsequently.

#### 2.4 PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS OF DATA

The objectives of the study were to determine whether changes occurred in the alcohol-related crash experience of young drivers following reduction of legal drinking ages to 18 in the transitional states, and to determine whether any resultant changes were causally related to the reduced legal drinking age. The primary procedure for accomplishing the first objective consisted of forming time-series of the frequency measures of reported alcohol-related crash experience and of the three-factor-surrogate rate among the affected population in the transitional states and examining these series for shifts in their level from the before period to the after period.<sup>31</sup> The second objective was accomplished primarily by forming similar time-series on the same measures

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<sup>30</sup>HBD denotes "had been drinking", the reported alcohol involvement variable, for all jurisdictions. Appendix A discusses the meaning of this variable for each jurisdiction.

<sup>31</sup>G.E.P. Box and G.C. Tiao. "A Change in Level of a Non-Stationary Time Series," Biometrika, (1965), Vol. 52, pp.181-192.

for non-affected adults in the transitional states and for both youthful and adult drivers in the four control states and then comparing the results of the several time-series analyses. The flow of this process for each time-series is depicted in Figure 2.2.

Additional insight into the nature of the resulting changes was gained by plotting age-specific frequency histograms of three-factor-surrogate crash annual mean values of young drivers before and after the legal drinking ages were changed.

2.4.1 FORMATION AND DECOMPOSITION OF TIME-SERIES. The literature frequently frames a time-series in the context of an additive model consisting of four components:<sup>32</sup>

$$Y = S + C + T + I$$

where

- Y is the series;
- S are seasonal, cyclic components;
- C are non-seasonal, cyclic components;
- T is the trend, or long-term movement;
- I are residual, irregular, or random effects not a part of the other components.

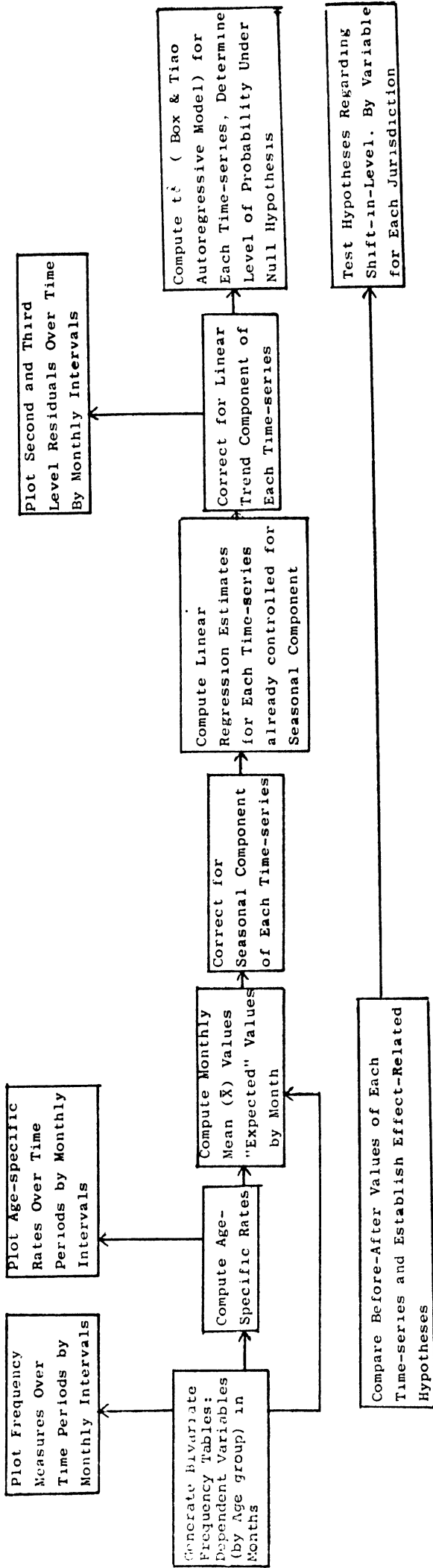
The irregular, residual components are of central concern here. If the other three components are absent or can be removed, then the effects of other unexplained variations, including those due to a change in the legal drinking age, would appear as a shift  $\delta$  in the I component of the several time-series under consideration.

It can be seen from Figure 2.2 that monthly measures of crash experience were first generated to form the time-series for subsequent analysis.<sup>33</sup> Each time-series was then plotted

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<sup>32</sup>M.G. Kendall, op.cit., p.16.

<sup>33</sup>Ross, et al., (1970) standardized 28-day, 29-day, and 30-day monthly accident data to 31-day months. That level of precision was considered unnecessary in this study.



$$(Y - S) - T - I$$

$$Y - S - T + I$$

$$Y - S + T + I$$

Components and Decomposition      Y- Series, S- Seasonal Component  
 of Time-series Data:                  T- Trend Component, I- Irregular Component

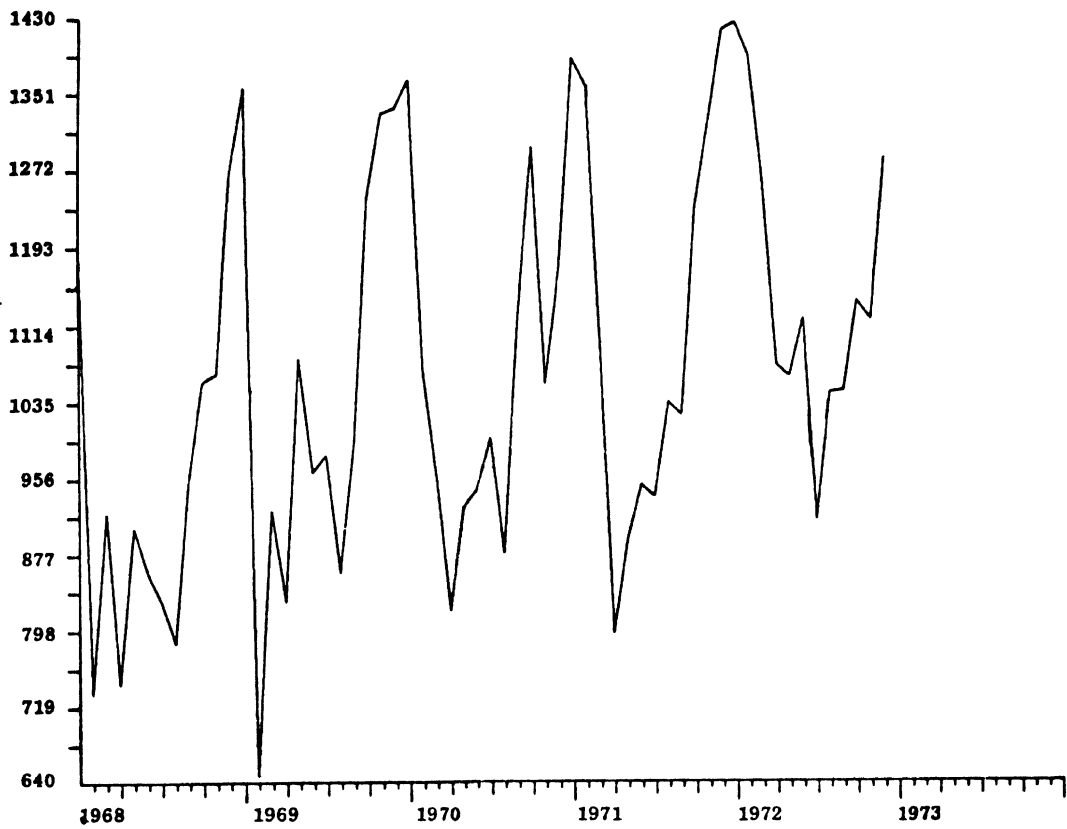
FIGURE 2.2. ANALYSIS FLOW CHART

and examined for the presence of S, C, or T components. Examples of plotted time-series frequencies demonstrating strong trend and seasonal components are shown in Figure 2.3. No C-type cyclical components were identified in time-series of the pertinent crash data, but seasonal (S) and trend (T) components are readily apparent from Figure 2.3. Therefore the time-series residuals were conceptualized as consisting of the difference between the raw series and its S and T components:  $I = Y - S - T$ .

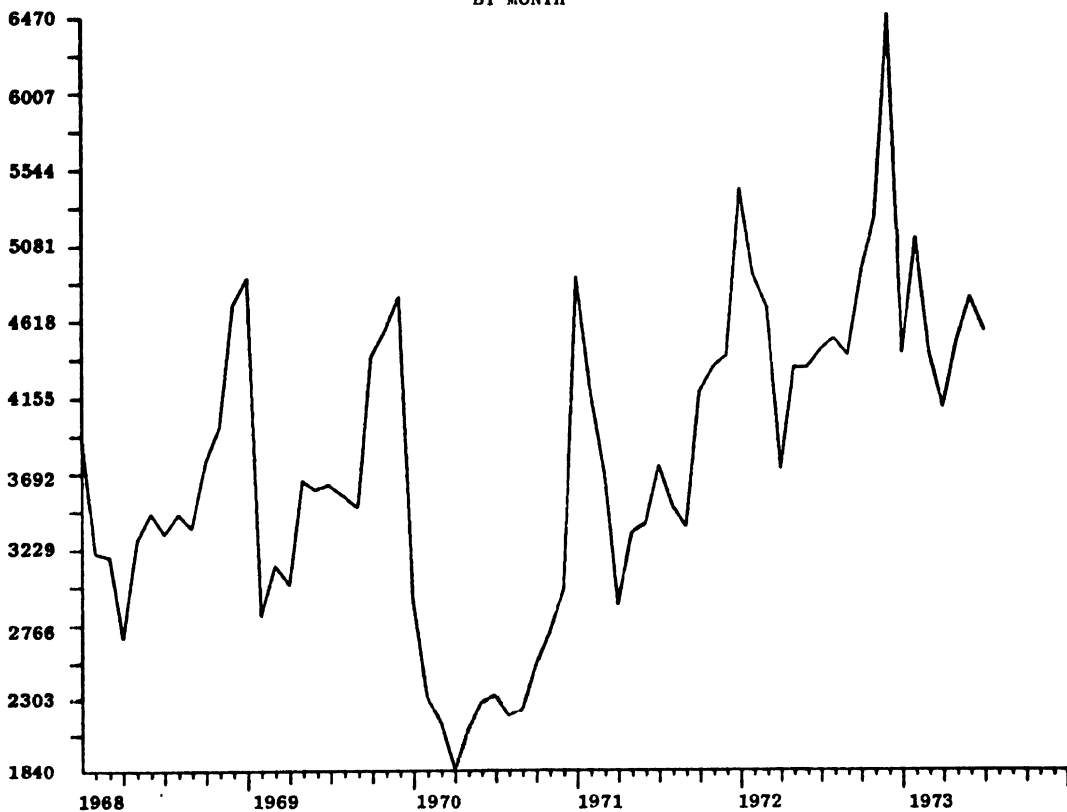
The appropriate statistical procedures subsequently applied require that the time-series be free from systematic trends or cycles and have mean values equal to zero. Therefore seasonal decomposition was accomplished by computing the twelve monthly means of any given dependent variable for all like months, e.g., all Januarys, in the series and then subtracting the appropriate mean values from each monthly observation of like months. The expected, seasonally cyclic variation in each series was thus removed.

Data corrected for seasonal effects then were submitted to linear regression analysis. The least squares plots of all observations in the series were computed and residuals about the line were saved. In this way the trend component of the series was removed, and the residuals define the irregular component I in the general time-series model with zero mean values. Because both seasonal and trend components have been removed, the resultant irregular data points are called a second-order residual. These residuals were then segregated into  $n_1$  pre-intervention observations and  $n_2$  post-intervention observations and the test statistic  $t\hat{\delta}$  was computed for each of eleven variables for each of eleven analytic jurisdictions.

2.4.2 STATISTICAL PROCEDURES. Two statistical models, the autoregressive model and the integrated moving average



TOTAL DRIVER-CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
BY MONTH



TOTAL DRIVER-CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN MICHIGAN (STATEWIDE FILE)  
BY MONTH

FIGURE 2.3. EXAMPLES OF TREND AND SEASONALITY IN TIME-SERIES DATA



model, are candidates for determining a change in level of a non-stationary time-series. Both rely on the Student t-distribution for determination of statistical significance of differences between the before and after levels of a time-series. The essential difference between the two lies in the way in which observations in the before and after series are weighted in computing the test statistic. Observations in the autoregressive model are uniformly weighted, irrespective of their proximity to the intervention point. In the integrated moving average model, the data points closer in time to the intervention point are weighted more heavily than those further removed; the weights decay exponentially as a function of the length of the time-series, and the degree of interdependence of the observations in the time-series. These models are discussed in the fundamental paper by Box and Tiao (1965).<sup>34</sup>

In contrast to other investigations<sup>35,36</sup>, in which the integrated moving average model was used in analyzing legal impacts, the autoregressive model was chosen for this study. The Connecticut crackdown on speeding in 1956 (Glass, 1968) and the revision of the German divorce laws in 1900 (Glass, et al., 1971) clearly attempted to restrict behavior patterns considered undesirable. In contrast, lower legal drinking ages, rather than being more restrictive, are permissive in that a new part of the population is legally permitted to

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<sup>34</sup>G.E.P. Box and G.C. Tiao, op.cit., 1965, p.181-192.

<sup>35</sup>G.V. Glass. "Analysis of Data on the Connecticut Speeding Crackdown as a Time-Series Quasi-Experiment." Law & Society Review, Vol. 3, August 1968, pp.55-76.

<sup>36</sup>G.V. Glass, G.C. Tiao, and T.O. Maguire. "The 1900 Revision of German Divorce Laws." Law & Society Review, Vol. 5, May 1971, pp.539-62.

purchase and consume beverage alcohol. A reasonable presumption is that restrictive practices are more likely to result in immediate compliance, if they are to be effective at all, than permissive legislation which does not require that a population change its behavior at all. The current nationwide reduction to a 55 m.p.h. speed limit, and popularly reported compliance with it, is a case in point.

Newly enfranchised drinkers were in a different situation. Except for those who had been drinking (illegally) and subsequently driving before the law changed, the new drinkers had to go through a several-step process before changed behavior patterns would appear in crash statistics. In effect they first had to learn to drink, and they had to establish new drinking patterns of some regularity. Further, those who would become exposed to alcohol-related crashes had to couple increased consumption with subsequent driving in sufficient frequency that alcohol-related crashes, which are rare events among drinking drivers, would have adequate opportunity to occur in a probabilistic sense. In short, a complex maturation process resulting in different drinking and driving patterns was almost certainly at work, and there is every reason to suppose that several months, and perhaps even much longer, would be required before the situation stabilized. It was concluded, therefore, that observations near the end of the rather short "after" series should be weighted as heavily as those closer to the date of the new legal drinking age and that the autoregressive statistical model was the proper choice in this application.

The computer program developed by Maguire and Glass (1967)<sup>37</sup> applicable to the Box-Tiao model was available within the University's School of Public Health, Department of

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<sup>37</sup>T.O. Maguire and G.V. Glass. "A Program for the Analysis of Certain Time-Series Quasi-Experiments." Educational and Psychological Measurement, 1967, Vol. 27, pp.743-750.

Biostatistics. The program was modified to fit the University's computing equipment and to use uniform weighting of before and after data points. The modified program was used to compute  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$ , the autoregressive t statistic associated with the estimated change in level,  $\hat{\delta}$ , of the series.<sup>38</sup>

## 2.5 SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION OF METHODOLOGY

The multiple interrupted time-series quasi-experimental design was selected as the most appropriate means of addressing the purposes of this research. Operationalization of the design included state selection, identification of appropriate dependent and independent variables, and statistical procedures. Sources of extraneous variation that introduce hypotheses which challenge a causal association between any observed changes in alcohol-related crash experience among the legally affected, crash-involved populations have been defined and addressed. The design has been executed in order to impose controls over as many extraneous variables as possible.

Specifically six plausible rival hypotheses, which are sources of design invalidity, have been controlled in the present study, as summarized in Table 2.2.

As a consequence of the state selection process which completes a three-group, eleven-jurisdiction multiple time-series design, the extraneous variables of selection and

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<sup>38</sup>In the autoregressive model the value of  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$ , and estimates of a shift in level following an intervention, depend upon the value of the lag-1 autocorrelation of the time-series ( $\rho$ ). In the present case, the full range of possible lag-1 autocorrelations and associated  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$  values were computed. The maximum likelihood estimate of the lag-1 autocorrelation ( $\rho$ -estimate) was calculated and its associated  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$  value was determined by identifying the  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$  associated with an equivalent value of  $\rho$ . Intervals around the  $t_{\hat{\delta}}$  values were examined and statistical confidence in the interpretations was found to be consistent. Appendix C contains a detailed explanation of the mathematical model.

TABLE 2.2. COMPONENTS OF DESIGN OPERATIONALIZATION AND CONTROL OF PLAUSIBLE RIVAL HYPOTHESES (X INDICATES CONTROL EFFECTED BY OPERATIONAL STAGE)

Plausible Rival Hypotheses	Operational Component		
	State Selection	Variable Identification	Statistical Procedures
History	X	X	
Maturation		X	X
Instrumentation		X	
Statistical Regression			X
Selection	X	X	X
Comparability of Legal Change Effective Date	X		

history have been partially controlled. Interstate economic and social changes which have taken place during the five-year period were experienced in both Northern and Southern states, in both rural and industrial areas, and among densely and sparsely populated regions. Development and improvement of interstate highway systems was common to the states selected, although more pronounced in some than others. Geographic peculiarities of the three northern transitional states are found as well in New York and Pennsylvania.

With the inclusion of two Southern states with quite different seasonal and geographic characteristics, the external validity of an inference has been strengthened. An historical threat to the validity of the design at this stage is uncontrolled, this being the incomplete data bases for Vermont, Maine, and Louisiana; it is not possible to state with precision what changes in the eventual interpretation would be made if full five-year periods were available for these jurisdictions. The selection of distinct subsets of

Michigan as jurisdictions for analysis is expected to add strength to the external validity of the design by increasing the heterogeneity of the comparison groups without affecting the comparability of these groups.

Campbell and Ross (1968)<sup>39</sup>, in an analysis of the 1955 Connecticut crackdown on speeding, observed that when a legal or social change occurs in one state, the effects of that change have a potential effect in neighboring states. The authors termed this threat to validity the process of diffusion, and there is a possibility of diffusion between several states in the current design (Maine, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania). However, control states located at significant distances (Texas and Louisiana) and an isolated experimental state (Michigan) should provide reasonable control for the problem.

A result of variable identification was to effect partial control over four threats to design validity. Interaction of selection and instrumentation represents non-comparability of the reported alcohol involvement variable between the different state jurisdictions. The surrogate for reported alcohol involvement provides an alternative dependent variable which has effected a control over the inconsistency of the reported statistics within and between jurisdictions. The surrogate also controls for historical events in Michigan and Texas--administrative changes in the crash investigation form in Michigan and absence of reported alcohol involvement in the Texas data. The surrogate variable has the additional quality of being valid across jurisdictions in the design which augments the external validity of the investigation.

The computation of age-specific rates effected a partial control over the extraneous variable maturation, as defined earlier. Age-specific determinants of positive or negative

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<sup>39</sup>Campbell and Ross (1968), op.cit., p.46.

trends which are primarily a function of the age-specific total crash experience are "smoothed" with the utilization of rates, although more general social, economic, and other determinants of general, linear trend remain to be controlled by other statistical procedures.

A final component of the operationalization of the quasi-experimental design, statistical procedures, dealt both with the underlying additive model of the time-series analysis and the need to control for extraneous variables of selection, statistical regression, and maturation. Seasonality is different among the seven states in the design, particularly between the five Northern states and the two southern states. The selection biases imposed by seasonal differences have been controlled by the removal of expected monthly values that were isolated through time-series decomposition. Similarly, maturation (linear trend) was controlled through the removal of time-ordered expected values identified through linear regression analyses. Statistical regression is best expressed as the interaction of seasonal cycles and linear trend. In that long-term cycles were not identified in the data, regression effects have been controlled.

The inclusion of comparison groups within the three transitional states and in other states provided a basis for causal inference to the lower legal drinking ages in Maine, Michigan, and Vermont. By imposing design and statistical controls on the time-series data, the direction of any changes can be interpreted.

The Box and Tiao (1965) autoregressive technique to determine the statistical significance of shifts in level of critical dependent variables was selected. The conceptual and statistical reasons for the selection of this statistical procedure were discussed earlier and are discussed in greater detail in Appendix C. The statistical model requires

that inputted data be free of regular cyclic and trend components. Thus, in the process of imposing controls over plausible rival hypotheses the criteria for statistical testing were largely met. In addition, the input data (residuals) are required to have zero-mean values. Washtenaw County, Michigan statistics are presented in Table 2.3 as an example of the degree to which the zero-mean assumption has been met through the statistical procedures. Overall, the range of the residuals of the eleven dependent variables for eleven jurisdictions was  $\pm 1.0 \times 10^{-9}$  to  $\pm 1.0 \times 10^{-18}$ . A full set of time-series plots for eleven analytic variables in Washtenaw County is presented in Appendix D. These figures demonstrate the adequacy of the statistical procedures regarding the control of trend and seasonal components.

TABLE 2.3. DESCRIPTIVE MEASURES OF ELEVEN DEPENDENT VARIABLES WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1968-1972  
n=60 MONTHLY OBSERVATIONS

Variable	Frequency (Raw Data)				Level 2. Residual			
	Mean	Standard Deviation	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard Deviation	Minimum	Maximum
18-20 Total Experience	158.450	32.338	100.000	225.000	-.11369X10 <sup>-13</sup>	17.8800	-35.798	36.643
21-45 Total Experience	563.500	117.930	312.000	790.000	-.50922X10 <sup>-14</sup>	61.8600	-214.160	175.620
18-20 Had Been Drinking	11.017	4.890	2.000	25.000	-.15728X10 <sup>-14</sup>	3.9790	-7.467	10.933
21-45 Had Been Drinking	60.883	12.153	35.000	89.000	-.20724X10 <sup>-15</sup>	8.8900	-23.260	28.960
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate	8.400	3.376	3.000	17.000	-.65133X10 <sup>-15</sup>	3.0160	-6.293	6.306
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate	25.550	6.940	11.000	43.000	-.12953X10 <sup>-15</sup>	6.1551	-14.866	13.637
Total Overall Crash Experience	1063.100	197.390	647.000	1426.000	-.27833X10 <sup>-14</sup>	106.1000	-326.120	288.890
Total Overall Had Been Drinking Experience	92.470	14.810	62.000	126.000	-.32196X10 <sup>-15</sup>	10.7320	-27.284	30.449
Total Overall Three Factor Surrogate Experience	40.850	9.690	21.000	68.000	-.62913X10 <sup>-16</sup>	8.3270	-20.091	18.291
Age Specific Rates - Level 1. Residual Controlled for Age Specific Population Growth								
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate	.05295	.01893	.02222	.10345	-.10119X10 <sup>-17</sup>	.01844	-.03152	.05244
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate	.04659	.01358	.02056	.08558	.40621X10 <sup>-17</sup>	.01134	-.03131	.03168
Age Specific Rates - Level 3. Residual Controlled for Growth, Seasonal and Linear Trend Components								
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate								
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate								



### 3.0 RESULTS

Results of the analyses will be presented in three stages. The findings of the full quasi-experimental time-series analysis will provide a basis for the development of a position relating the lower legal drinking age to an increase in alcohol-related crashes in two of the three states that changed the law. Following the findings of the time-series analyses the magnitude of the problem will be put into perspective through an examination of the relationships of the time-series  $t\hat{\delta}$  statistics and percentage changes for age-specific crash frequencies in the three transitional states. This examination will address the question of social significance of the statistically significant findings of the time-series tests. The final stage of the presentation of results will be a comparative analysis of the age-specific frequency distributions of the three-factor-surrogate for young drivers in all states in the design. The primary purposes of the analysis of distributions are to better understand the results of the time-series analyses and to provide a basis for predictions regarding the potential impact of legal changes in Texas and Pennsylvania.

#### 3.1 TIME-SERIES ANALYSES

Michigan. Eleven analytic variables in each of five Michigan data files were tested for statistically significant changes following the effective date of the lower legal drinking age in Michigan, January 1, 1972. Table 3.1 presents the  $t\hat{\delta}$  values for five Michigan files. Considering first the three 18- to 20-year-old measures of alcohol involvement, it can be seen that reported alcohol involvement shifted in level in four of the five files. In Wayne

TABLE 3.1. TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS OF SHIFT IN LEVEL OF CRASH-RELATED DEPENDENT VARIABLES MICHIGAN JURISDICTIONS

Variable Name	Michigan Statewide $t\delta$	$n_1=48$ $n_2=19$ $\rho$ level	Washtenaw County $t\delta$	$n_1=48$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level	Oakland County $t\delta$	$n_1=48$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level	Wayne County $t\delta$	$n_1=12$ $n_2=19$ $\rho$ level	Fatals Statewide $t\delta$	$n_1=48$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level
18-20 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	2.8104	$\rho < .0025$	.28458	n.s.	.48778	n.s.	1.4202	n.s.	2.3451	$\rho < .0094$
21-45 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	1.2053	n.s.	-.07365	n.s.	1.6589	$\rho < .0485$	2.4708	$\rho < .0068$	-.50753	n.s.
18-20 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	3.2941	$\rho < .0007$	3.5533	$\rho < .001$	3.247	$\rho < .001$	1.3105	n.s.	1.6616	$\rho < .0485$
21-45 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	1.6130	n.s.	-.57737	n.s.	-.5065	n.s.	.8166	n.s.	.17364	n.s.
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	2.3663	$\rho < .0091$	2.1028	$\rho < .0166$	3.6966	$\rho < .001$	.4135	n.s.	1.5363	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	1.1365	n.s.	-1.1946	n.s.	-.4867	n.s.	.66427	n.s.	1.2118	n.s.
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	1.6444	$\rho < .05005$	3.7331	$\rho < .0001$	2.2037	$\rho < .0139$	-.2493	n.s.	-.86595	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	-.06431	n.s.	-.93616	n.s.	-.14816	n.s.	-.4634	n.s.	-2.4675	$\rho < .0068$
Total Overall Crash Experience - Frequency	1.5622	n.s.	-.57677	n.s.	.24544	n.s.	2.3790	$\rho < .0087$	.9911	n.s.
Total Overall Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	2.5551	$\rho < .005$	.4491	n.s.	2.2048	$\rho < .0122$	1.5639	n.s.	.21655	n.s.
Total Overall Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	2.6685	$\rho < .004$	-.00777	n.s.	3.7150	$\rho < .001$	1.1600	n.s.	1.007	n.s.

Statistic: Autoregressive Time-Series "t" statistic ( $t\delta$ ) Box and Tiao, 1965.  
 One tailed significance tests, of shift in level of time series after the legal drinking age was lowered, effective 1/1/72.

County the level did shift in a positive direction, however, the statistical significance of the shift did not reach the .05 probability level. The 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate frequency and age-specific rate shifted significantly in Washtenaw and Oakland Counties and in the State-wide file. Non-significant, positive shifts were measured for the three-factor-surrogate frequency and rate for 18- to 20-year-old driver involvements in Wayne County and in the Fatal File.

Of the three alcohol-related dependent variables for 21- to 45-year-old driver involvements in five Michigan data files, only once did the age-specific three-factor-surrogate rate shift at or above the .05 significance level; in the Fatal File the value of this variable decreased. It is clear that there was no increase in alcohol-related crash involvement in these jurisdictions among the 21- to 45-year-old groups. In the Statewide, Washtenaw, and Oakland files where consistent and highly significant increases were measured among the 18- to 20-year-old groups for the three critical alcohol-involvement variables, the 21- to 45-year-old groups experienced non-significant shifts in the negative direction.

Among the remaining variables there is no clear pattern, regarding shifts in level, between jurisdictions. The overall experience of total crashes shifted significantly in only Wayne County. Overall reported alcohol involvement and three-factor-surrogate shifts were found in the Statewide and Oakland files with non-significant changes elsewhere.

From these results it is clear, except for Wayne County, that the critical 18- to 20-year-old variables shifted positively after the legal drinking age was lowered to 18-years-old. These files represent a full range of crash types and severity. Among fatal accidents, reported alcohol

involvement for the 18- to 20-year-old group shifted significantly along with total crash involvement for the age group. The three-factor-surrogate frequency shifted positively, however, statistical significance was not attained and the age-specific-rate for the surrogate was negative. For fatal crash involvements, then, it appears that the increase in alcohol-related crashes was more a function of total crash involvement for the 18- to 20-year-old group and increased alcohol-involvement reporting, than anything else, including a measurable shift related to the legal change. This interpretation will receive further attention in Section 3.2.

The clearest demonstrations of a shift in alcohol-related crashes following the legal change are in Oakland and Washtenaw Counties where reported and surrogate measures of alcohol involvement shifted dramatically while non-alcohol-related crash involvements for the 21- to 45-year-old groups remained unchanged.

Maine and Vermont. Table 3.2 presents the  $t\hat{\delta}$  values for time-series analyses of Maine and Vermont data. In Maine reported alcohol involvement for the affected 18- to 19-year-old drivers shifted significantly while the three-factor-surrogate frequency and age-specific rate for this group failed to shift at a statistically significant level. No 20- to 44-year-old group measure shifted at a statistically significant level and the  $t\hat{\delta}$  values for the older group were consistently smaller than those for the 18- and 19-year-old drivers. The short, seven-month post-intervention period in Maine could have affected the value of  $t\hat{\delta}$  for the three-factor-surrogate frequency for the young drivers. However, the small value of the 18- to 19-year-old three-factor-surrogate rate suggests that the frequency increase was likely related to increased total age-specific crash involvement.

TABLE 3.2. TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS OF SHIFT IN LEVEL OF CRASH-RELATED DEPENDENT VARIABLES, MAINE AND VERMONT

Variable Name	Maine Statewide $t_{\hat{\delta}}$	$n_1=29$ $n_2=7$ $\rho$ level	Vermont Statewide $t_{\hat{\delta}}$	$n_1=12$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level
18-19 or 18-20 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	.43723	n.s.	-.5189	n.s.
20-44 or 21-45 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	-.12188	n.s.	-.78658	n.s.
18-19 or 18-20 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	2.2995	$\rho < .0110$	.9779	n.s.
20-44 or 21-45 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	.72298	n.s.	-1.0598	n.s.
18-19 or 18-20 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	1.4629	n.s.	.62321	n.s.
20-44 or 21-45 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	.3817	n.s.	1.1747	n.s.
18-19 or 18-20 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	.13237	n.s.	.22366	n.s.
20-44 or 21-45 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	.06913	n.s.	-1.2872	n.s.
Total Overall Crash Experience - Frequency	-.02384	n.s.	-.22393	n.s.
Total Overall Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	1.1121	n.s.	-.0661	n.s.
Total Overall Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	.89265	n.s.	.96742	n.s.

18-19 and 20-44 age brackets in Maine.  
18-20 and 21-45 age brackets in Vermont.

Statistic: Autoregressive Time-Series "t" statistic ( $t_{\hat{\delta}}$ ) Box and Tiao, 1965.  
One tailed significance tests of shift in level of time-series after the legal drinking age was lowered.

No time-series measures shifted at a statistically significant level in Vermont following the lower legal drinking age. 18- to 20-year-old alcohol-related crash involvements remained unchanged as did total crash involvements. The only  $t\hat{\delta}$  values of consequence were of the 21- to 45-year-old alcohol-related crash frequencies which suggested a small decrease in 1972. Unlike Michigan and Maine, there is little basis for suspecting that further analyses might demonstrate an impact of the lower legal drinking age in Vermont.

Pennsylvania and Texas. The results of time-series analyses of the 21-year-old control states, Pennsylvania and Texas, are presented in Table 3.3. No  $t\hat{\delta}$  values were computed for reported alcohol-involvement. The lack of 1971 and 1972 data for reported alcohol-involvement in Texas and previously identified under-reporting in Pennsylvania, prevented time-series analyses.

In both states the 18- to 20-year-old total crash involvement remained relatively constant, however, the total 21- to 45-year-old experience shifted positively, and significantly, in 1972. Neither state experienced a shift in level of the three-factor-surrogate frequencies, however, in Pennsylvania both age-specific surrogate rates shifted significantly. The age-specific rates shifted negatively in Texas in 1972, although the shifts were not statistically significant.

The increased 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate rate in Pennsylvania is unrelated to an extraneous influence, such as a legal change specific to the young age group, because a shift in the same direction and of comparable magnitude and significance occurred for the 21- to 45-year-old group as well. No alcohol-involvement measure changed significantly in Texas. Therefore, there is no evidence that the alcohol-related crash experience in Pennsylvania or Texas paralleled the Michigan experience in 1972.

TABLE 3.3. TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS OF SHIFT IN LEVEL OF CRASH-RELATED DEPENDENT VARIABLES, PENNSYLVANIA AND TEXAS

Variable Name	Pennsylvania Statewide $t\hat{\delta}$	$n_1=48$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level	Texas Statewide $t\hat{\delta}$	$n_1=36$ $n_2=12$ $\rho$ level
18-20 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	.04781	n.s.	1.3915	n.s.
21-45 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	2.0769	$\rho < .0192$	1.9399	$\rho < .0262$
18-20 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-----	-----	-----	-----
21-45 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-----	-----	-----	-----
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	1.4044	n.s.	.7540	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	.62337	n.s.	.3284	n.s.
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	1.9994	$\rho < .0233$	-.4467	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	1.7808	$\rho < .0375$	-1.2862	n.s.
Total Overall Crash Experience - Frequency	2.4319	$\rho < .0075$	2.2031	$\rho < .0136$
Total Overall Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Overall Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	1.6609	n.s.	1.11327	n.s.

Statistic: Autoregressive Time-Series "t" statistic ( $t\hat{\delta}$ ) Box and Tiao, 1965.  
 One tailed significance tests of shift in level after the legal drinking age was  
 lowered in Michigan and Vermont.

New York and Louisiana. Time-series analysis results for the two long-term 18-year-old drinking states are presented in Table 3.4. Louisiana appears to have had the best post-intervention period (1972 to July, 1973) crash experience of the seven states in the design. Ten of eleven analytic variables shifted slightly downward with small  $t\hat{\delta}$  values.

In New York, only the 21- to 45-year-old three-factor-surrogate age-specific rate shifted significantly in 1972. All 18- to 20-year-old measures are remarkably stable in New York with values of  $t\hat{\delta}$  ranging from  $-.306$  to  $+.055$ . Most measures of New York's crash experience are stable within the limits of statistical confidence.

The long-term 18-year-old drinking states, like the two 21-year-old control states, exhibited no evidence of any sudden change in alcohol-related crash frequencies or rates for young drivers that could be attributed to an external influence that became effective in 1972.

The Full Quasi-Experimental Design. Table 3.5 summarizes the time-series analyses of eleven analytic variables for all eleven files. It is apparent that the 1972 Michigan alcohol-related crash experience for young drivers was worse than for any other state in the design. The two statewide files in Michigan are marked by significant positive shifts for the total 18- to 20-year-old frequencies. None of the other six states experienced such a change.

Reported alcohol involvement for young drivers in five of seven experimental group files showed highly significant, positive increases after the legal drinking ages were lowered. None of the eleven jurisdictions experienced a significant shift in reported alcohol involvement among the older driver comparison groups.

Three-factor-surrogate frequencies shifted significantly in three Michigan jurisdictions for the young drivers after



TABLE 3.4. TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS OF SHIFT IN LEVEL OF CRASH-RELATED DEPENDENT VARIABLES, LOUISIANA AND NEW YORK

Variable Name	Louisiana Statewide $t\hat{\delta}$	$n_1=12$ $n_2=19$ $\rho$ level	New York Statewide $t\hat{\delta}$	$n_1=24$ $n_2=12$ } Frequency
				$n_1=36$ $n_2=12$ } Rates $\rho$ level
18-20 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	-.31131	n.s.	.85158	n.s.
21-45 Total Crash Experience - Frequency	-.3861	n.s.	-.30631	n.s.
18-20 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-1.2678	n.s.	-.20152	n.s.
21-45 Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-1.2527	n.s.	.05501	n.s.
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	-1.2762	n.s.	-.11957	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	-1.5341	n.s.	1.1225	n.s.
18-20 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	-.19558	n.s.	.05368	n.s.
21-45 Three Factor Surrogate Age Specific Rate	-.98393	n.s.	1.7415	$\rho < .0409$
Total Overall Crash Experience - Frequency	.63703	n.s.	-.50045	n.s.
Total Overall Reported Had Been Drinking - Frequency	-.21318	n.s.	-.44225	n.s.
Total Overall Three Factor Surrogate - Frequency	-1.4566	n.s.	1.0401	n.s.

Statistic: Autoregressive Time-Series "t" statistic Box and Tiao, 1965.  
 One tailed significance tests of shift in level after the legal drinking age was  
 lowered in Michigan and Vermont.

TABLE 3.5. TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS OF SHIFT IN LEVEL OF CRASH-RELATED DEPENDENT VARIABLES FULL ELEVEN JURISDICTION QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN<sup>1,2</sup>

Jurisdiction	18-20 Total	21-45 Total	18-20 HBD	21-45 HBD	18-20 3FS	21-45 3FS	18-20 3FS Rate	21-45 3FS Rate	Total Crash	Total HBD	Total 3FS
Michigan Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =48 n <sub>2</sub> =19	2.8104 p<.0025	1.2053 n.s.	3.2941 p<.0007	1.6130 n.s.	2.3663 p<.0091	1.1365 n.s.	1.6444 p<.05005	-.064314 n.s.	1.5622 n.s.	2.5551 p<.0053	2.6685 p<.0038
Washtcnew County n <sub>1</sub> =48 n <sub>2</sub> =12	.28458 n.s.	-.07635 n.s.	3.5533 p<.001	-.57737 n.s.	2.1028 p<.0166	-1.1996 n.s.	3.7331 p<.0001	-.93616 n.s.	.57677 n.s.	.44908 n.s.	-.007768 n.s.
Wayne County n <sub>1</sub> =12 n <sub>2</sub> =19	1.4202 n.s.	2.4708 p<.0068	1.3105 n.s.	.81655 n.s.	.41349 n.s.	.66427 n.s.	-.124928 n.s.	-.46344 n.s.	2.3790 p<.0087	1.5639 n.s.	1.1600 n.s.
Oakland County n <sub>1</sub> =48 n <sub>2</sub> =12	.98778 n.s.	1.6589 p<.0485	3.247 p<.001	-.50654 n.s.	3.6966 p<.001	-.4867 n.s.	2.2037 p<.0139	-.14816 n.s.	.24544 n.s.	2.2048 p<.0122	3.7150 .001
Michigan Fatals n <sub>1</sub> =48 n <sub>2</sub> =12	2.3451 p<.0094	-.50753 n.s.	1.6616 p<.0485	.17364 n.s.	1.5363 n.s.	1.2118 n.s.	-.86595 n.s.	-2.4675 p<.0068	.99107 n.s.	.21655 n.s.	1.007 n.s.
Maine Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =29 n <sub>2</sub> =7	.93723 n.s.	-.12188 n.s.	2.2975 p<.0110	.72298 n.s.	1.4629 n.s.	.38170 n.s.	.13237 n.s.	.069132 n.s.	-.02384 n.s.	1.1121 n.s.	.89265 n.s.
Vermont Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =12 n <sub>2</sub> =12	-.5189 n.s.	-.78658 n.s.	.9779 n.s.	-1.0598 n.s.	.62321 n.s.	1.1747 n.s.	.22366 n.s.	-1.2872 n.s.	-.22393 n.s.	-.0661 n.s.	.96742 n.s.
Pennsylvania Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =48 n <sub>2</sub> =12	.04781 n.s.	2.0769 p<.0192	-----	-----	1.4044 n.s.	.62337 n.s.	1.9994 p<.0233	1.7808 p<.0375	2.4319 p<.0075	-----	1.6609 n.s.
Texas Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =36 n <sub>2</sub> =12	1.3915 n.s.	1.9399 p<.0262	-----	-----	.7540 n.s.	.3284 n.s.	-.4467 n.s.	-1.2862 n.s.	2.2031 p<.0136	-----	1.11327 n.s.
Louisiana Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =12 n <sub>2</sub> =19	-.31131 n.s.	-.3861 n.s.	-1.2678 n.s.	-1.2527 n.s.	-1.2762 n.s.	-1.5341 n.s.	-.19558 n.s.	-.98393 n.s.	.6370 n.s.	-.21318 n.s.	-1.4566 n.s.
New York Statewide n <sub>1</sub> =24* n <sub>2</sub> =12 r <sub>1</sub> =36 r <sub>2</sub> =12	.85158 n.s.	-.30631 n.s.	-.20152 n.s.	.055005 n.s.	-.11957 n.s.	1.1225 n.s.	.05368 n.s.	1.7415 p<.0409	-.50045 n.s.	-.44225 n.s.	1.0401 n.s.

<sup>1</sup>Statistic: Autoregressive Time-Series "t" statistic Box and Tiao, 1965. One tailed significance tests of shift in level after the legal drinking age was lowered in Michigan and Vermont.

<sup>2</sup>Impact point, except for Maine, is January 1, 1972. June 1, 1972 used for Maine.

the lower legal drinking age became effective. Analyses of the surrogate frequencies in Vermont suggest that no change occurred. In Maine and for Fatal crashes in Michigan, the  $t\hat{\delta}$  values are positive and approaching significance at the .05 probability level. Three-factor-surrogate frequency measures of 21- to 45-year-old drivers did not shift significantly in any of the eleven analytic files.

In Wayne County, Michigan it will be recalled that only 1971, 1972 and seven months of 1973 data were available for analysis. Figure 3.1 shows the frequency plots of 21- to 45-year-old and 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate driver involvements in Wayne County for the time periods available. It is clear that for both young and old drivers a general linear increase in crash involvement was present. The linear, trend, component is stronger in the plot of 18- to 20-year-old involvements than for the older drivers. The strong linear component in the 18- to 20-year-old plot is present in 1972 and absent during that year for the 21- to 45-year-old drivers. It is possible to speculate at this juncture that the time-series decomposition, and specifically the removal of the linear trend component, is primarily responsible for the small  $t\hat{\delta}$  value computed for the 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate frequency. There are a variety of speculative explanations for the Wayne County time-series analysis results, of which none can be tested adequately. It is possible that if the linear 1971 increase for the 18- to 20-year-olds was in anticipation of the forthcoming lower legal drinking age, then, the model imposed on the data in the present analysis has produced a type II interpretive error; by rejecting a hypothesis of change related to the new law when one, indeed, was present. On the other hand, if the 1971 increase was related to unknown reporting system growth, or behavioral factors that were unrelated to the new law, then the present analysis has properly

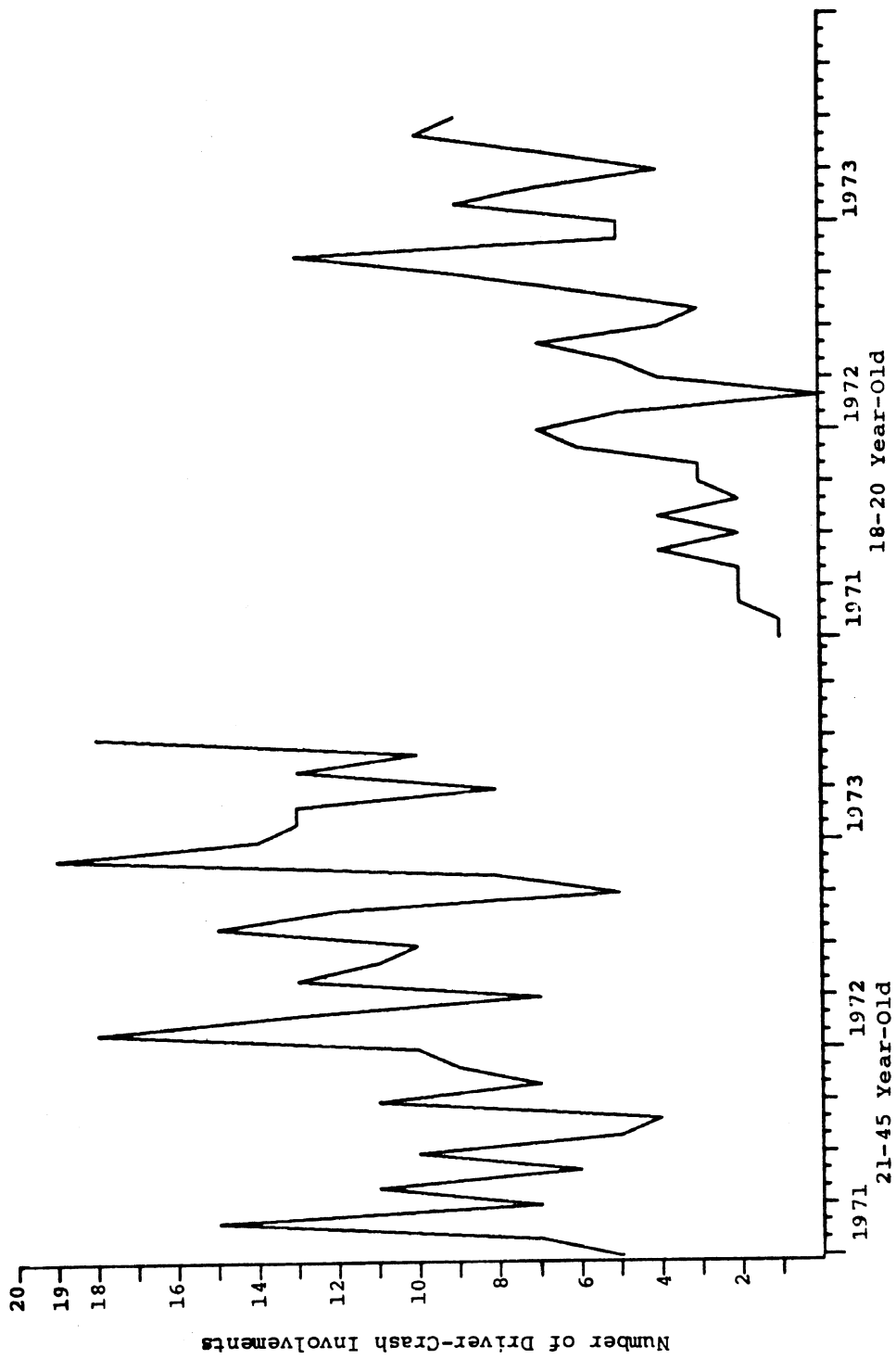


FIGURE 3.1.1. THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE DRIVER-CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN 15% SAMPLE OF NON-DETROIT, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

controlled for plausible rival hypotheses. The interpretation of Wayne County will continue in Section 3.3.

Age-specific three-factor-surrogate rates for the affected young drivers shifted significantly in three Michigan jurisdictions. The age-specific-rates, the most conservative measures of alcohol-involvement, did not exhibit evidence of any change in the other four experimental files - including Maine and Vermont. No age-specific surrogate rate for older drivers increased significantly in Michigan, Maine, or Vermont. In no control state did the 18- to 20-year-old age-specific surrogate rate increase in the absence of an increase among the older drivers. Thus, when the rate for young drivers did increase in an experimental jurisdiction, the increase was unlikely to be related to a societal influence that also affected other age groups.

In two experimental files, Michigan Fatal and Maine, the 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate frequencies shifted significantly at the .07 probability level. In that the age-specific rates associated with these frequencies did not shift, it might be concluded that the frequency increases can be explained as a function of total age-specific crash increases. Two problems arise in this explanation, however, which require further investigation. First, Fatal accidents are known to have a higher probability of alcohol-involvement than crashes of other levels of severity. If the three-factor-surrogate is a conservative measure for all crashes, it becomes more conservative for fatal crashes. Secondly, in Maine the short post-intervention period did not cover a full annual cycle which puts into question the conclusiveness of the apparent discrepancy between reported alcohol-involvement and the three-factor-surrogate for young drivers.

### 3.2 RELATIONSHIPS OF $t\hat{\delta}$ STATISTICS AND PERCENTAGE OF CHANGES BETWEEN EXPECTED FREQUENCIES AND SECOND-LEVEL RESIDUALS FOR AGE-SPECIFIC FREQUENCIES

Table 3.6 displays the values of  $t\hat{\delta}$ , the unexpected residual frequencies, and the percentage of difference between the actual (observed) and the residual frequencies in the post-intervention period. The table refers to six experimental group files and six frequency measures. The percentage values were computed according to the equation:

$$\hat{\%}_f = \frac{\hat{\delta}}{(f_a - \hat{\delta})} \times 100, \text{ where:}$$

- $\hat{\delta}$  is the estimated second-level residual post-intervention frequency not explained by linear trend or seasonal cycles;
- $f_a$  is the total actual frequency in the post-intervention period;
- $\hat{\%}_f$  is the percentage of  $f_a$  that is not more adequately explained by linear trend or seasonal cycles.

It can be seen from the table that there is no intuitive relationship between the size of the percentage difference in the post-intervention period and the value  $t\hat{\delta}$ . Herein lies the difference between statistical and social significance.

The 18- to 20-year-old observations in four Michigan files increased uniformly after the lower legal drinking age became effective. That the statistical test  $t\hat{\delta}$  is conservative is readily apparent when it is considered that in the Michigan Fatal file, the 14.5% increase of 18- to 20-year-old three-factor-surrogate crashes was not statistically significant at the .05 level. If 19, unexpected, three-factor-surrogate fatalities for the 18- to 20-year-old drivers in the Michigan Fatal file (representing

TABLE 3.6. RELATIONSHIPS OF ( $\hat{t}$ ) STATISTICS AND PERCENTAGE OF CHANGE BETWEEN EXPECTED FREQUENCIES AND SECOND-LEVEL RESIDUALS FOR AGE-SPECIFIC FREQUENCIES

Jurisdiction	18-20 Total	21-45 Total	18-20 Reported Alcohol-Involvement	21-45 Reported Alcohol-Involvement	18-20 Three-Factor-Surrogate	21-45 Three-Factor-Surrogate
Michigan (Statewide)						
$\hat{t}$	2.8104*	1.2053	3.2941*	1.6130	2.3663*	1.1365
%	5.80%	0.81%	13.1%	2.97%	9.99%	1.64%
$\hat{\delta}$	684	296	226	184	135	53
Washtenaw County						
$\hat{t}$	.28458	.07635	3.5533*	-.57737	2.1028*	-1.1996
%	1.58%	-0.03%	26.9%	1.59%	25.66%	-7.26%
$\hat{\delta}$	34	-2	46	12	29	-23
Oakland County						
$\hat{t}$	.98778	1.6589*	3.247*	-.50654	3.6966*	-.4867
%	3.07%	3.25%	20.48%	5.47%	19.15%	4.97%
$\hat{\delta}$	273	934	206	234	99	63
Michigan Fatals						
$\hat{t}$	2.3451*	-.50753	1.6616*	.17364	1.5363	1.2118
%	19.6%	-0.01%	16.57%	5.34%	14.5%	4.6%
$\hat{\delta}$	79	-11	28	34	19	17
Vermont						
$\hat{t}$	-.5189	-.78658	.9779	-1.0598	.62321	1.1747
%	0.92%	0.20%	2.73%	1.14%	1.59%	0.75%
$\hat{\delta}$	37	28	8	12	7	8
Maine						
$\hat{t}$	.93723	-.12188	2.2975*	.72298	1.4629	.38170
%	6.49%	-5.07%	29.14%	5.73%	16.42%	5.65%
$\hat{\delta}$	158	-621	67	74	44	55

55% of the state's crash experience) are "significant" enough to merit social concern, then the four Michigan files represented in Table 3.6 are consistent. The lower legal drinking age appears to have increased alcohol-related crashes for 18- to 20-year-olds in these Michigan data by about 18%, while unexpected total 18- to 20-year-old crashes increased by about 7%. In Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, where the greatest evidence is available supporting a large increase in alcohol-related crashes, unexpected total crashes for the 18- to 20-year-olds was lowest (about 2%).

In Maine 18- to 19-year-old drivers experienced an unexpected 16.42% increase in three-factor-surrogate crashes that did not reach the .05 level of statistical significance. Because the associated 44 crashes are of all levels of crash severity, from fatal to property damage, it is less certain that these crashes represent social significance. Also, a smaller proportion of these crashes were causally related to alcohol than was the case with the fatal crashes previously examined in Michigan. On the other hand, the magnitude of the percentage increase in Maine of the 18- to 19-year-old three-factor-surrogate frequency is within the range of observed, and statistically significant shifts of affected young drivers in four Michigan files. It is possible that the short, seven month post-intervention period has acted on the conservative significance testing methodologies in such a way as to produce a type II interpretive error. It is unlikely that, even with greatly increased police reporting activity, a 29.14% increase in reported alcohol-involved crashes would take place without a proportionate, real, increase in the frequency of three-factor-surrogate crashes.

Unlike the Michigan files displayed in Table 3.6 and in Maine, Vermont data offer no evidence of a statistically or socially significant increase in 18- to 20-year-old alcohol-related crashes.



In all cases in Michigan and Maine, as shown in Table 3.6, 21- to 45-year-old alcohol-related crash frequencies remained stable. The absence of concomitant increases in these measures supports a causal relationship between the legal changes that affected the young drivers and increased youth crash involvement. The absence of time-series statistical support of increases in youth alcohol-related crash frequencies in Vermont and Wayne County, Michigan remain to be further examined.

### 3.3 AGE-SPECIFIC THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS OF YOUNG DRIVER INVOLVEMENTS AND THE LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE

The present discussion departs from the primary time-series analytic focus of the research to address a different hypothesis. Among affected populations, did the lower legal drinking age cause a change in the age-specific frequency distributions of alcohol-related crashes among young drivers? To address the hypothesis that the legal change is accompanied by a distribution change, age-specific frequency distributions of three-factor-surrogate crashes were plotted by age for 18- to 23-year-old drivers.<sup>40</sup> Average, age-specific frequencies were plotted for mean time periods before and after the lower legal drinking ages became effective in experimental jurisdictions, and according to the Michigan and Vermont impact points in the control states.

A frequently reported bimodal distribution of alcohol-related crashes among young Michigan drivers is clearly seen in "before" distributions of the three-factor-surrogate in Figures 3.2 to 3.5.<sup>41</sup> These four Michigan jurisdictions demonstrate striking consistency in the age-specific

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<sup>40</sup>Beside the desire for parsimony, the 18- to 23-year-old age range was selected to provide a balanced 6-year age range of "young" drivers, given that the 18- to 20-year-old group has been focus of the time-series analyses, and is the most often affected by the lower legal drinking age. Peak frequencies for the three-factor-surrogate were found within the 18- to 23-year-old age range in all files.

<sup>41</sup>J. O'Day. "Drinking Involvement and Age of Young Drivers in Fatal Accidents." HIT LAB Reports, October 1970, pp.13-14.

D.C. Pelz, T.L. McDole and S.H. Schuman. "Drinking-Driving Behavior of Young Men in Relation to Accidents." Paper prepared for American Psychological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, September 1974.

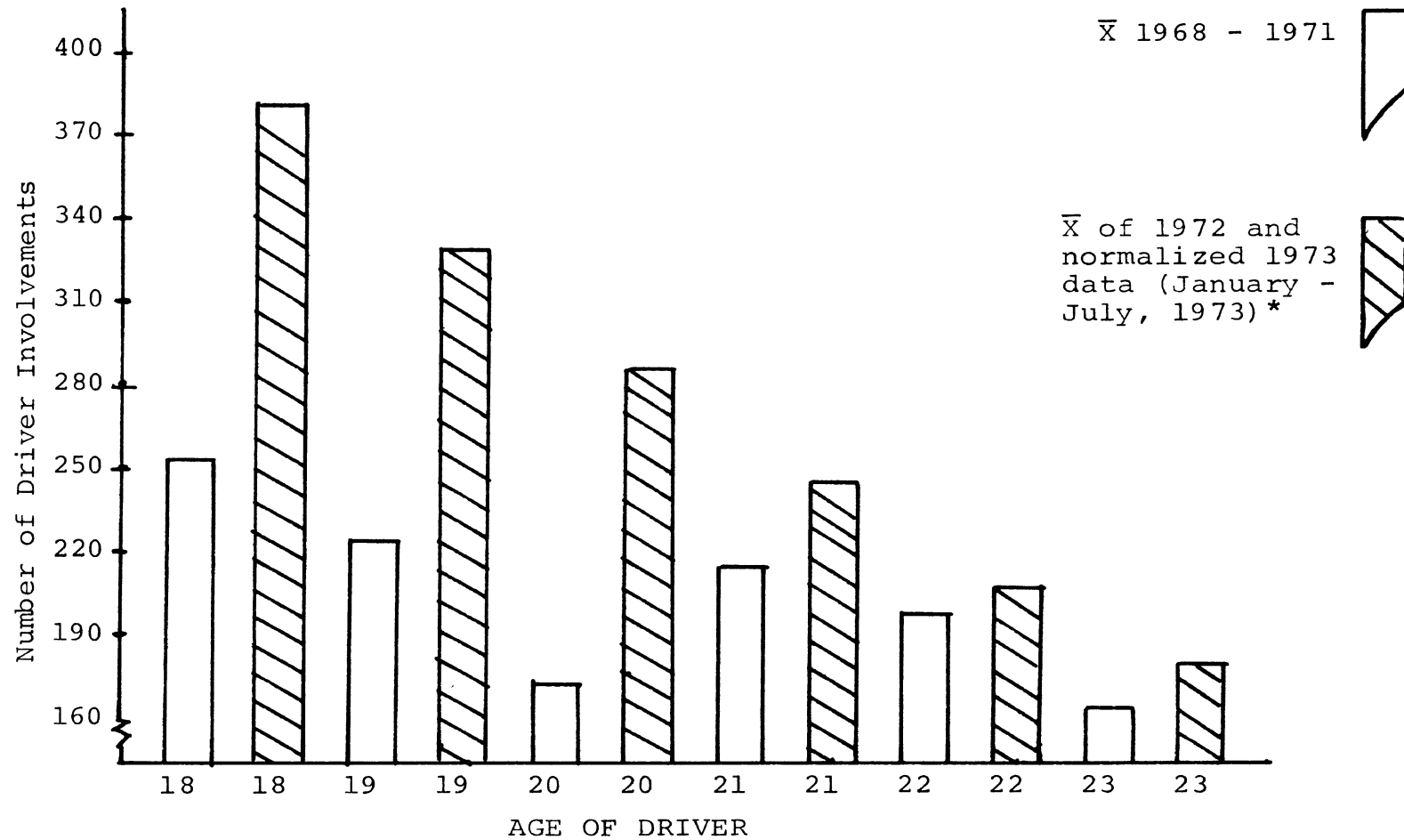


FIGURE 3.2. MICHIGAN STATEWIDE (15% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE

\* $[(1972 \text{ Frequencies}) + (\text{January-July, } 1973 \text{ Frequencies})] / 1.583$  years for each age stratum.

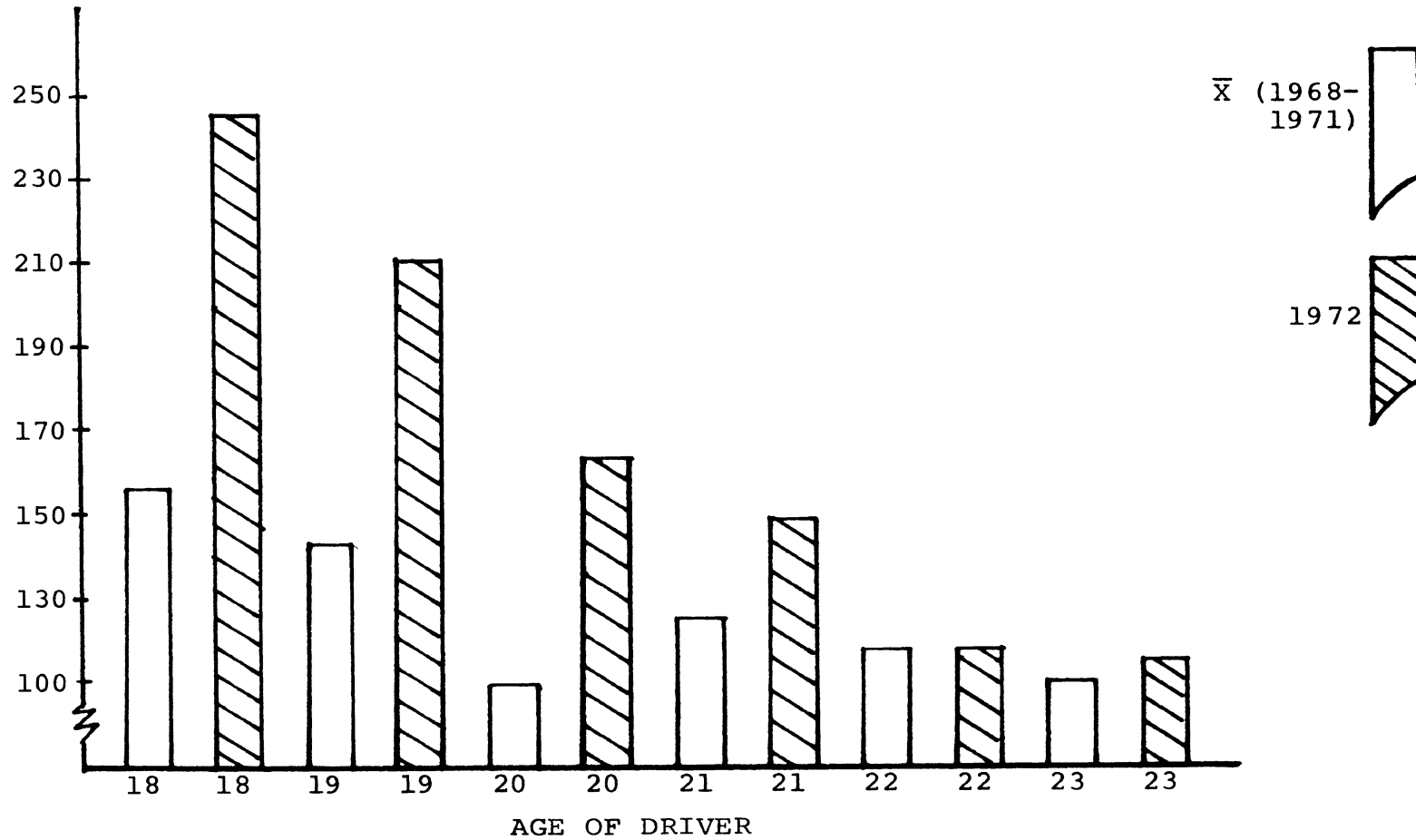


FIGURE 3.3. OAKLAND COUNTY THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE

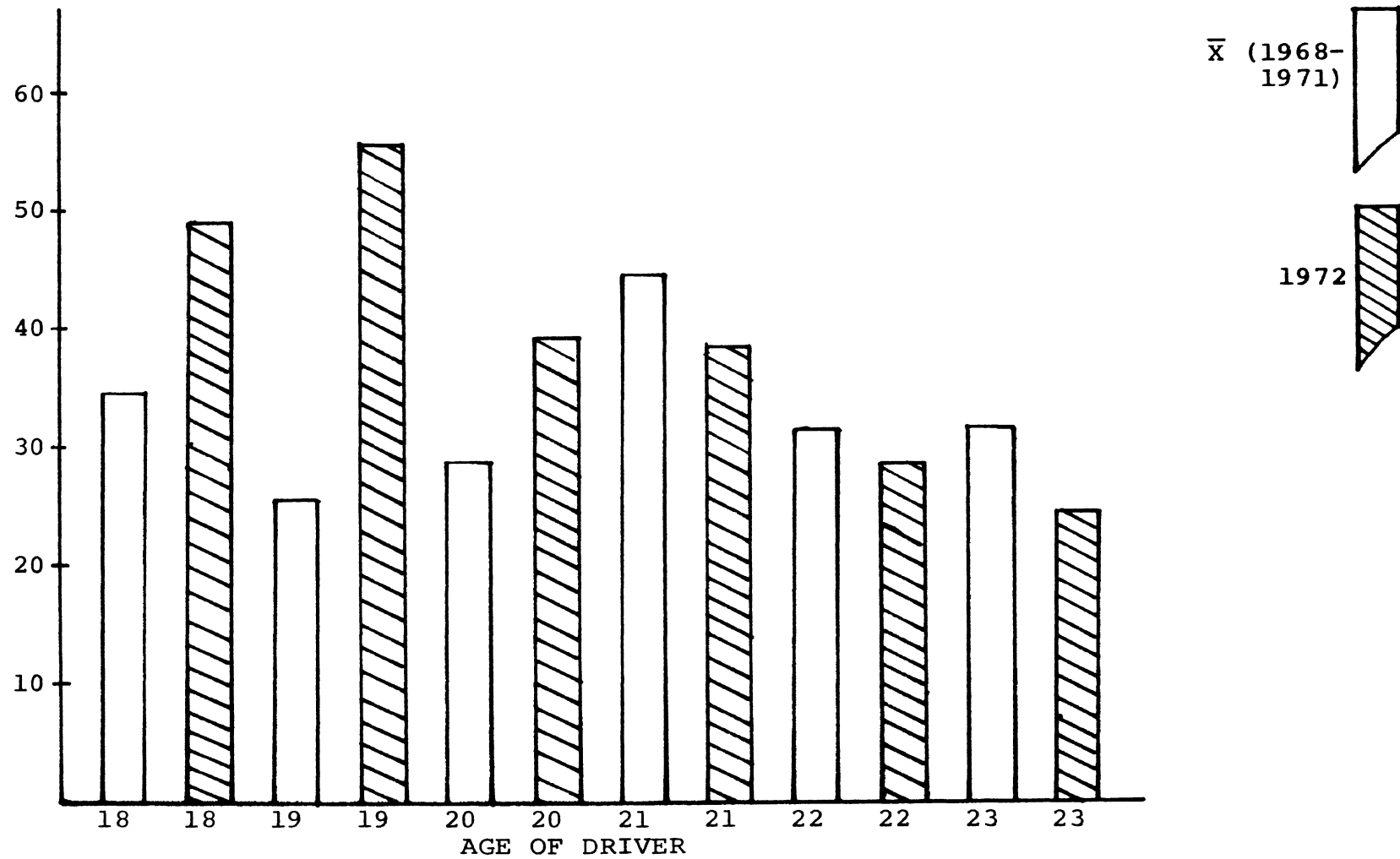


FIGURE 3.4. WASHTENAW COUNTY THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE

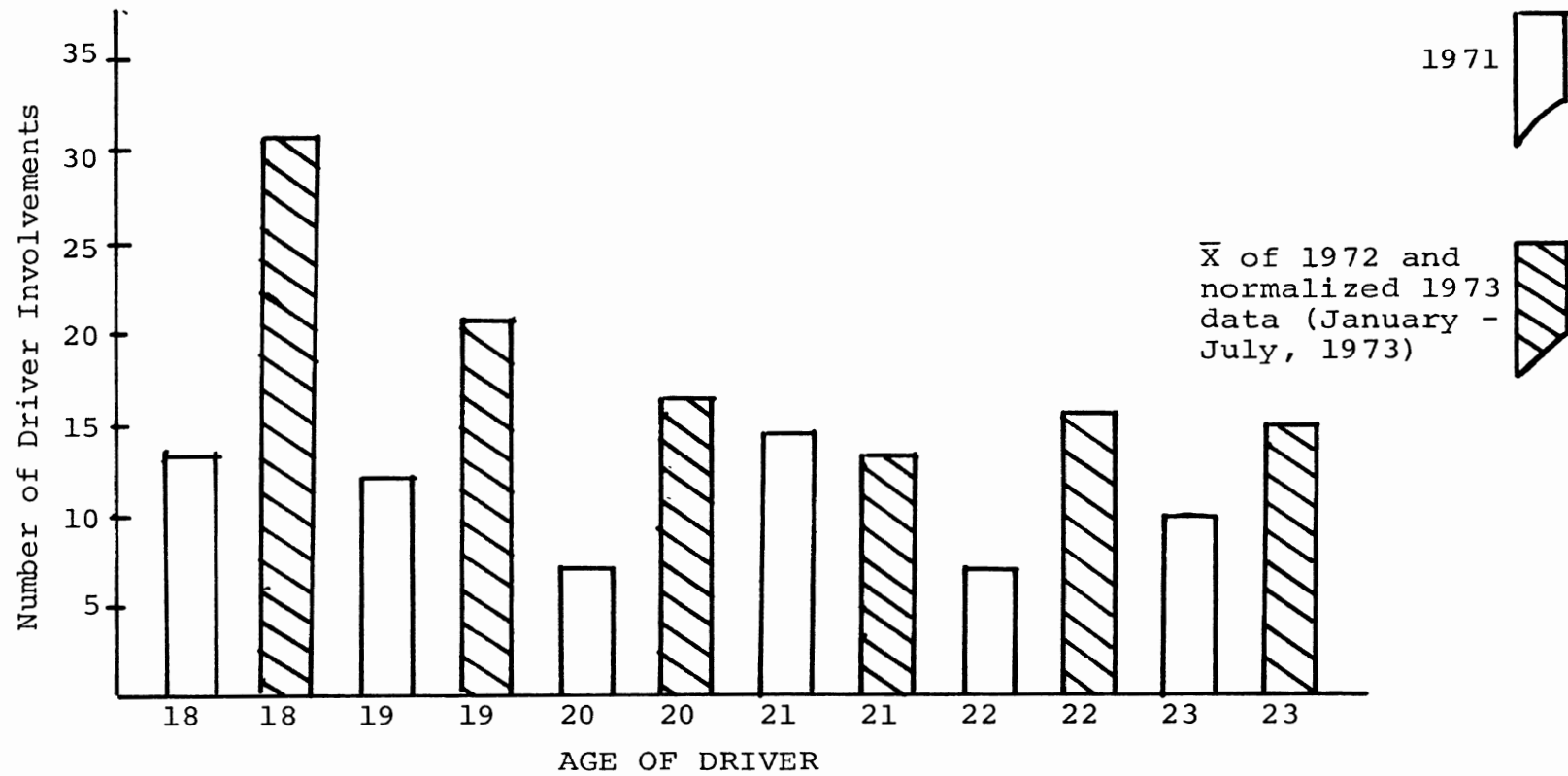


FIGURE 3.5. WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN (15% SAMPLE, EXCLUDING DETROIT) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE

frequency distributions when the legal drinking age in Michigan was 21-years-old. In the same four jurisdictions, the age-specific frequency distributions became skewed with maximum crash involvements among the 18-year-old or the 19-year-old drivers, after the legal drinking age was lowered to 18. O'Day (1970) predicted that the bimodal distribution, that had a long history in Michigan, would change under a lower legal drinking age; it appears that his prediction has been supported.

In Maine, Figure 3.6, the three-factor-surrogate distribution before the 18-year-old legal drinking age is much like the distributions found in Michigan. The general bimodal shape of the distribution changed after the effective date of the lower legal drinking age in exactly the same way as did the Michigan jurisdictions. After the legal change the distribution became sharply skewed with peak involvement at age 18.

Unlike Michigan and Maine distributions, Vermont data after the lower legal drinking age remained unchanged. The importance of the Vermont distribution is the fact that the shape of the distribution is skewed with peak involvement at age 18 - both before and after the lower legal drinking age (Figure 3.7). This is the age-specific frequency distribution pattern found in Michigan and in Maine after the legal drinking ages were lowered.

These distributions of crash involvements in states that lowered the legal drinking age support the hypothesis that the legal change had a uniform effect on youth crash involvements in Michigan, despite the lack of a statistically significant shift in the time-series analysis of the Wayne County experience. In addition, the speculation of a statistically significant shift in Maine, given a longer post-intervention period, is supported by the frequency distribution changes that paralleled the changes in Michigan jurisdictions.

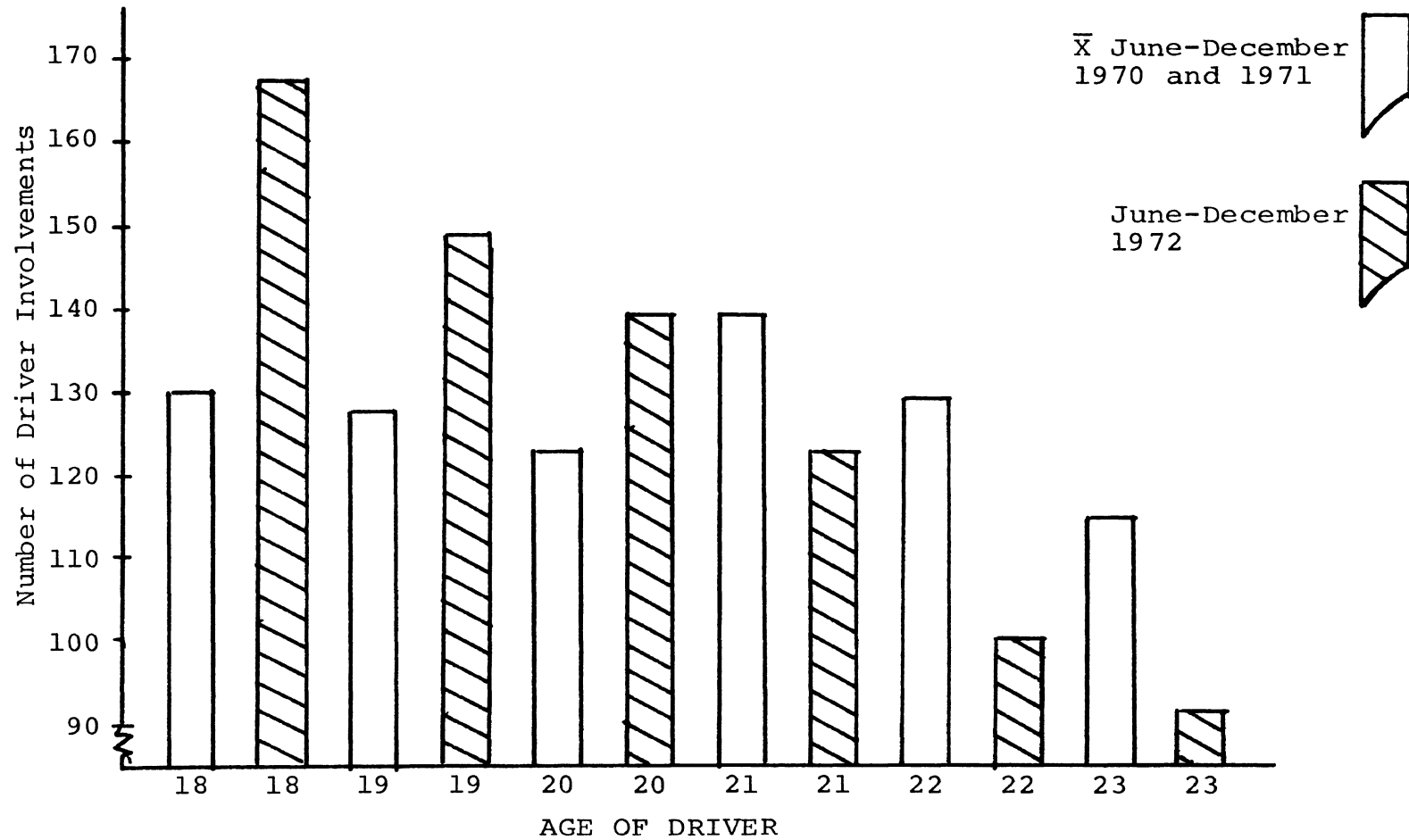


FIGURE 3.6. MAINE THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE\*

\*June-December used in order to avoid confounding related to Seasonal Effects.



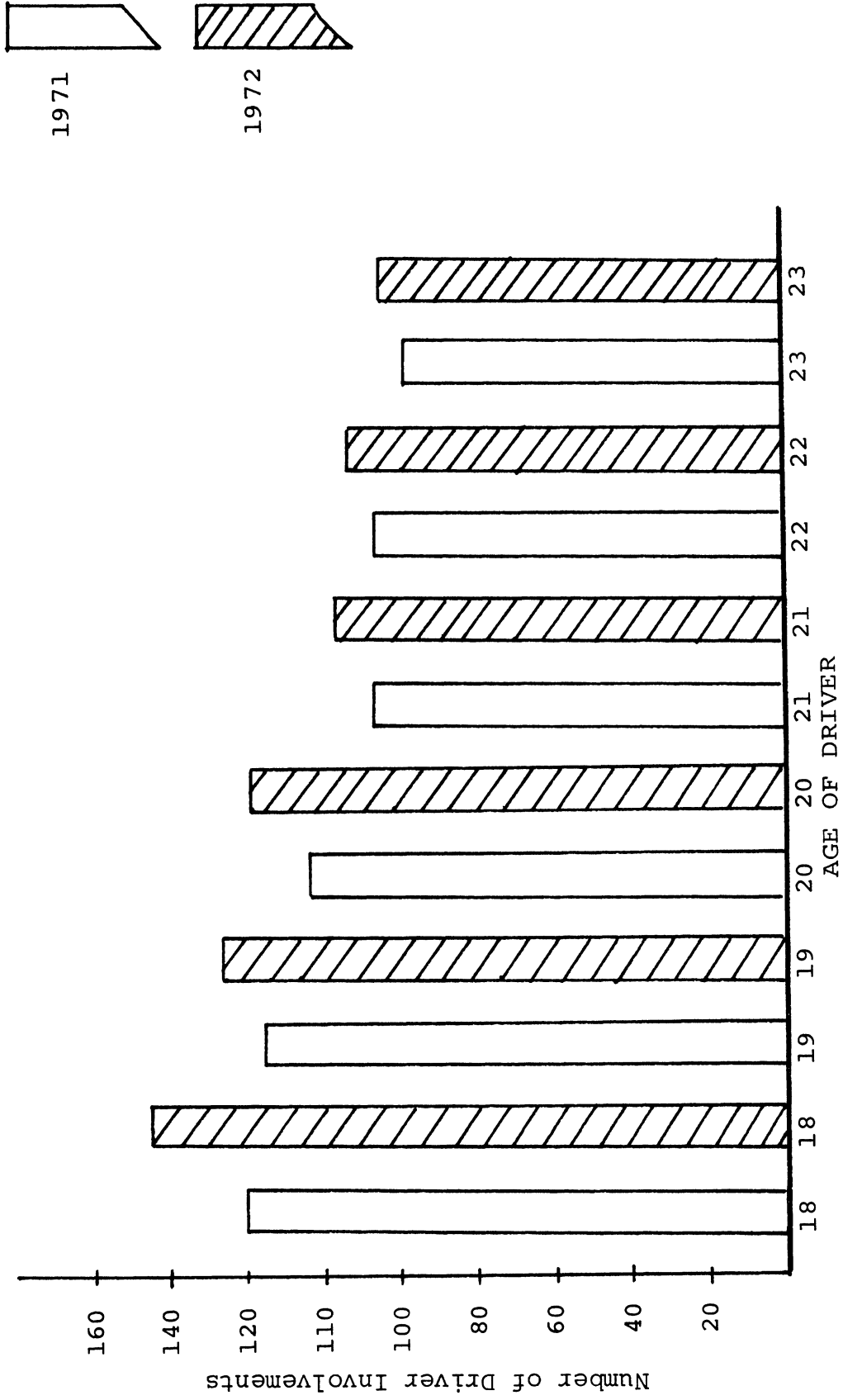


FIGURE 3.7. VERMONT THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND YEAR 1971 and 1972

The examinations of frequency distributions after the legal impacts in Michigan and Maine provide an explanation of why no statistically, or socially, significant crash increase was found in Vermont. It appears that the age-specific alcohol-related crash frequency distribution in Vermont was like Michigan and Maine after the 18-year-old drinking ages became effective in those states. In Vermont the 18-year-old drivers dominated the skewed age-specific frequency distribution before the legal change, which predetermined the distribution pattern expected on the basis of the Michigan and Maine experiences. How do these distributions compare with the long-term 18-year-old and 21-year-old control states in the design?

Figures 3.8 and 3.9 present the age-specific frequency distributions of three-factor-surrogate measures in Pennsylvania and Texas. In Pennsylvania the distributions are bimodal before and after 1972. The distributions closely resemble the Michigan jurisdictions and Maine when those states had 21-year-old legal drinking ages. In Texas, the 1972 distribution is bimodal, like Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Maine under a 21-year-old age of majority; however, the mean 1969-1971 distribution is skewed and similar to Washtenaw County, Michigan after the lower legal drinking age became effective. A four-year average would be unimodal with a 19-year-old peak frequency.

The age-specific three-factor-surrogate frequency distributions in New York and Louisiana, long-term 18-year-old drinkings states, are presented in Figures 3.10, 3.11, and 3.12. From 3.10 it is clear that the 18- to 20-year-old drivers in New York state dominate the distributions in both time periods and the distributions are skewed with peak involvement frequencies at age 18.

In Louisiana, 1971 and 1972 data were complete, while only the first seven months of 1973 were available. As can

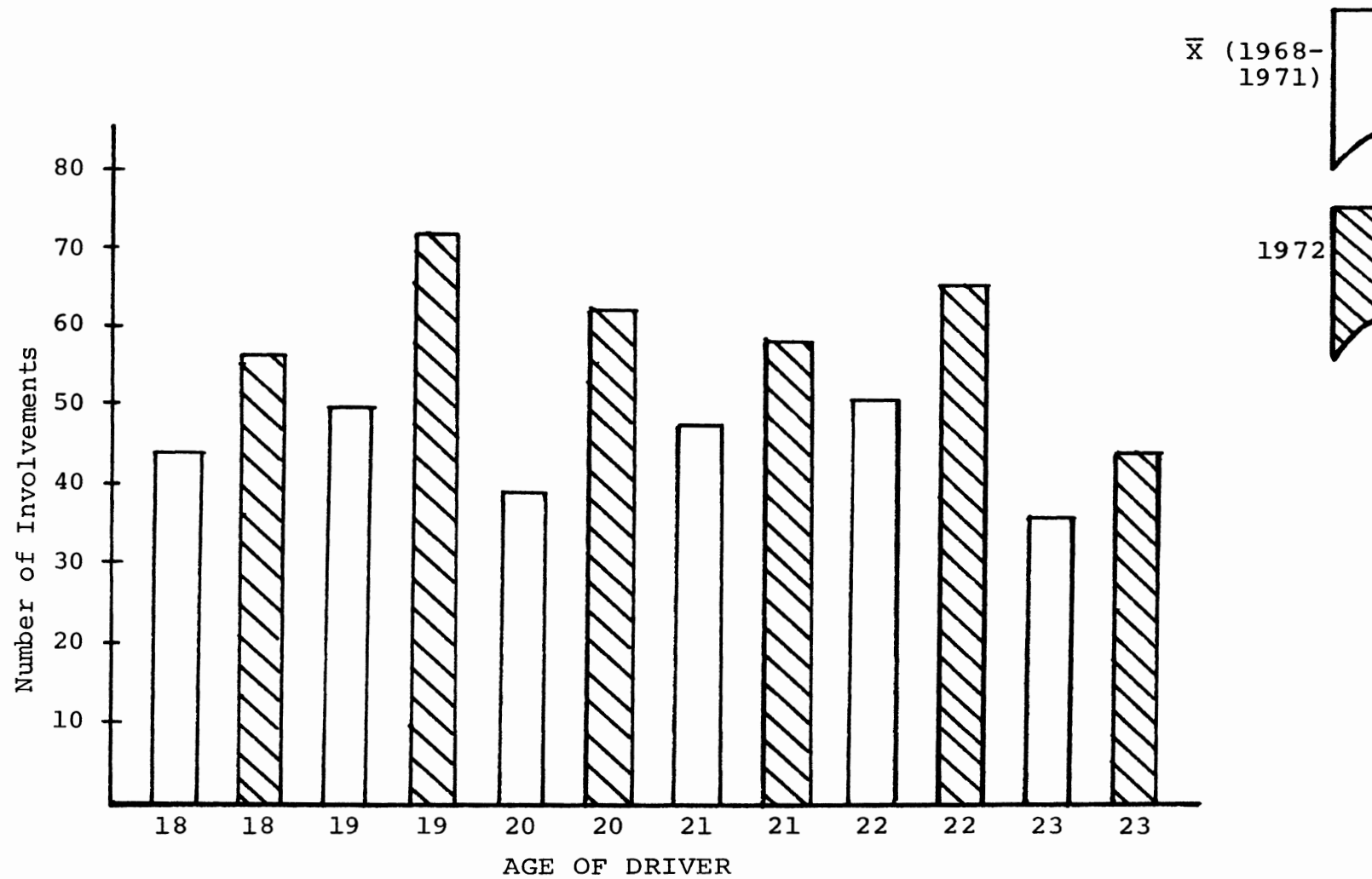


FIGURE 3.8. PENNSYLVANIA (5% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGE CHANGED IN MICHIGAN AND VERMONT (1972)

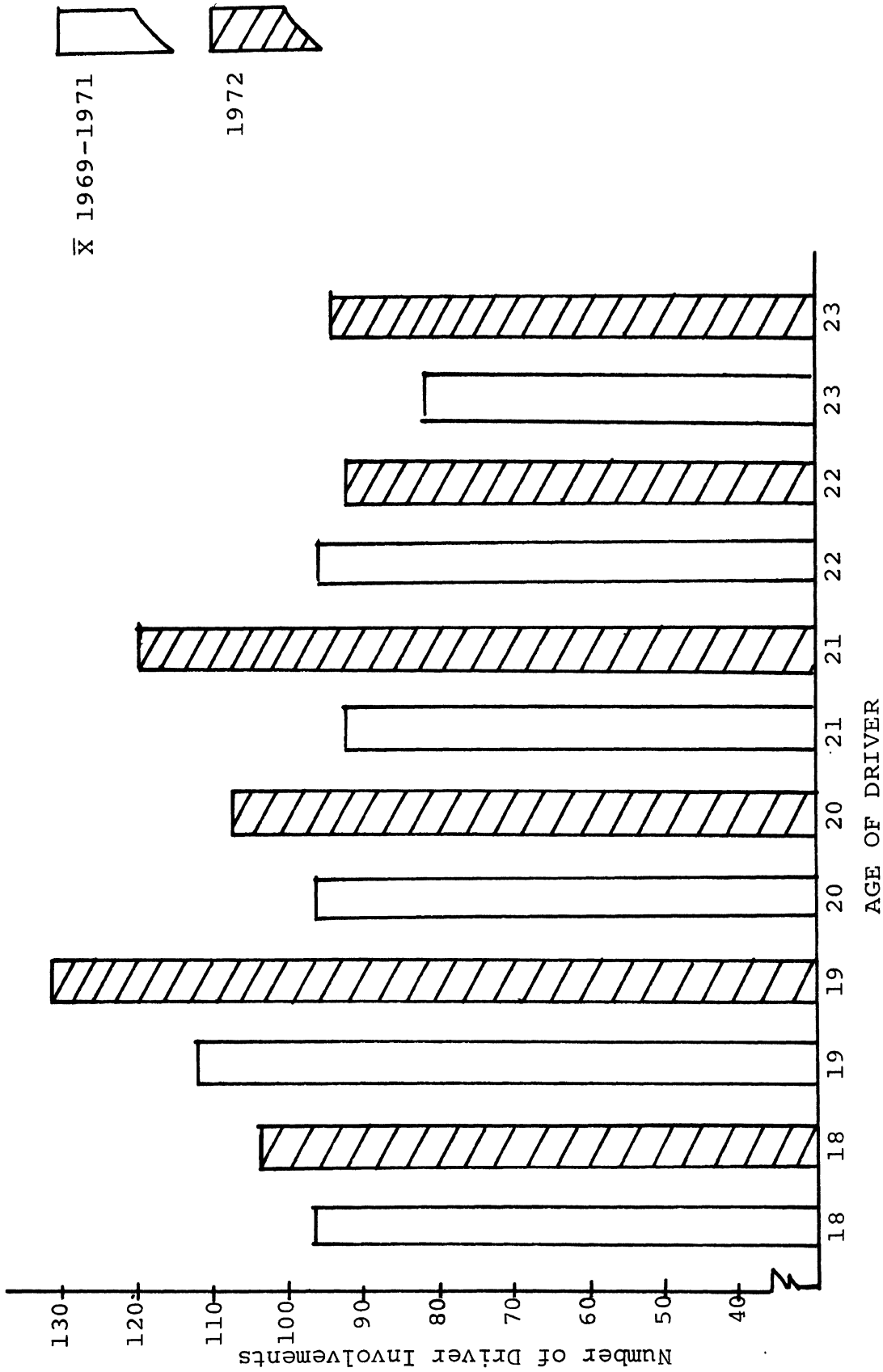


FIGURE 3.9. TEXAS (5% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER THE LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGES IN MICHIGAN AND VERMONT

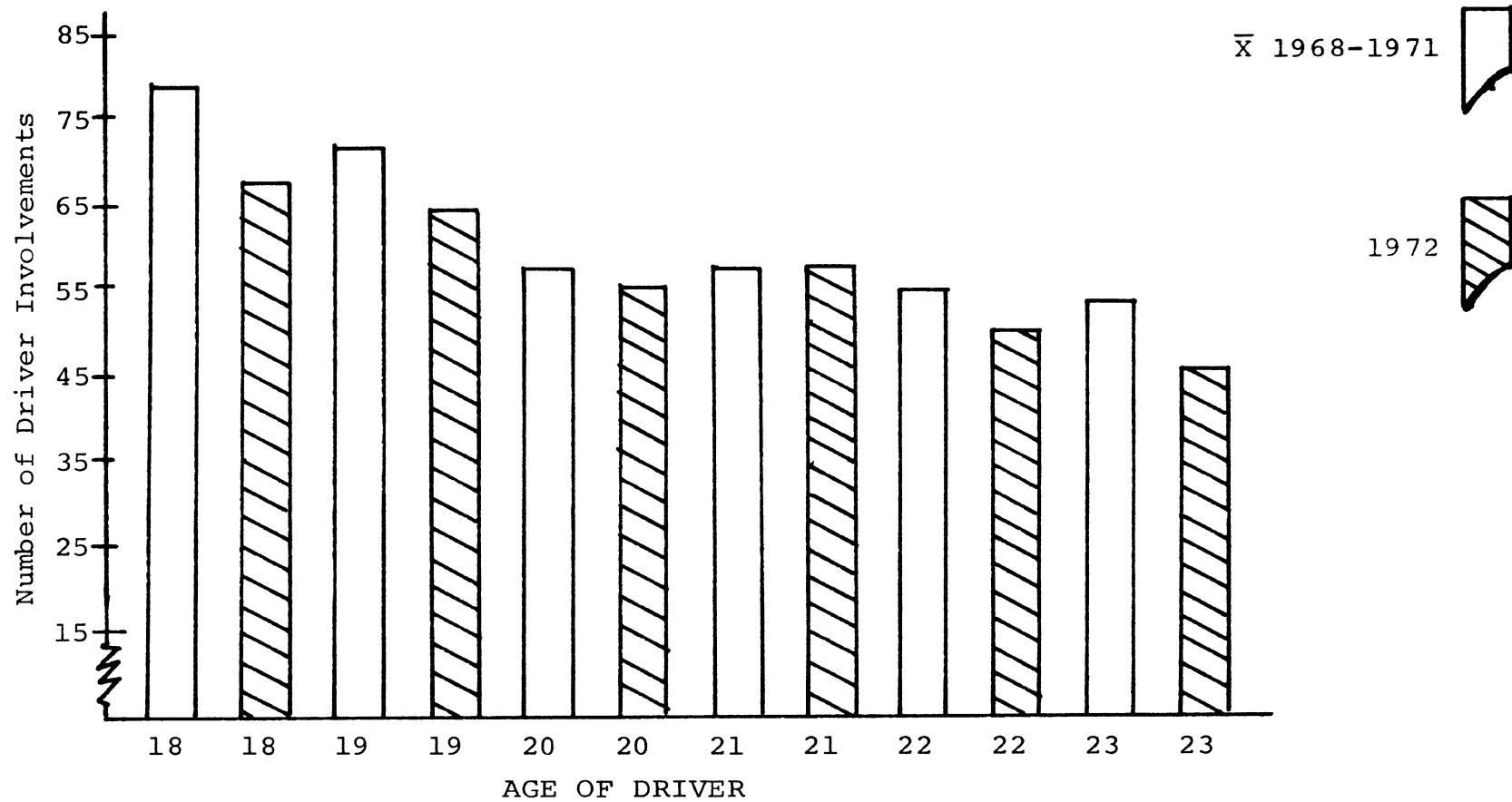


FIGURE 3.10. NEW YORK STATE (5% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE AGE-SPECIFIC FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE OF DRIVER AND PERIOD BEFORE AND AFTER LEGAL DRINKING AGE CHANGES IN MICHIGAN AND VERMONT

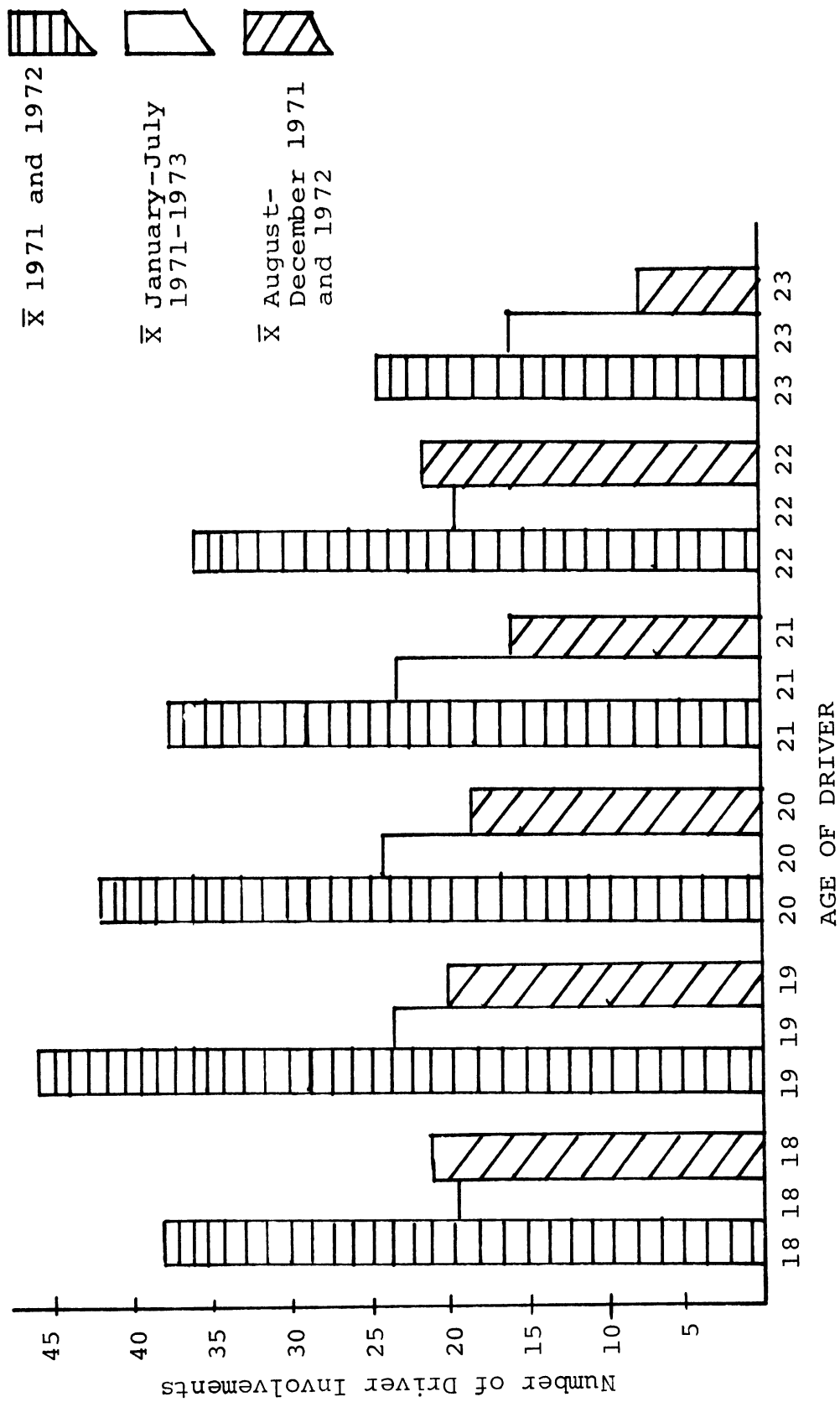


FIGURE 3.11. LOUISIANA (10% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE AGE-SPECIFIC FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE OF DRIVER DEMONSTRATING SEASONAL DIFFERENCES

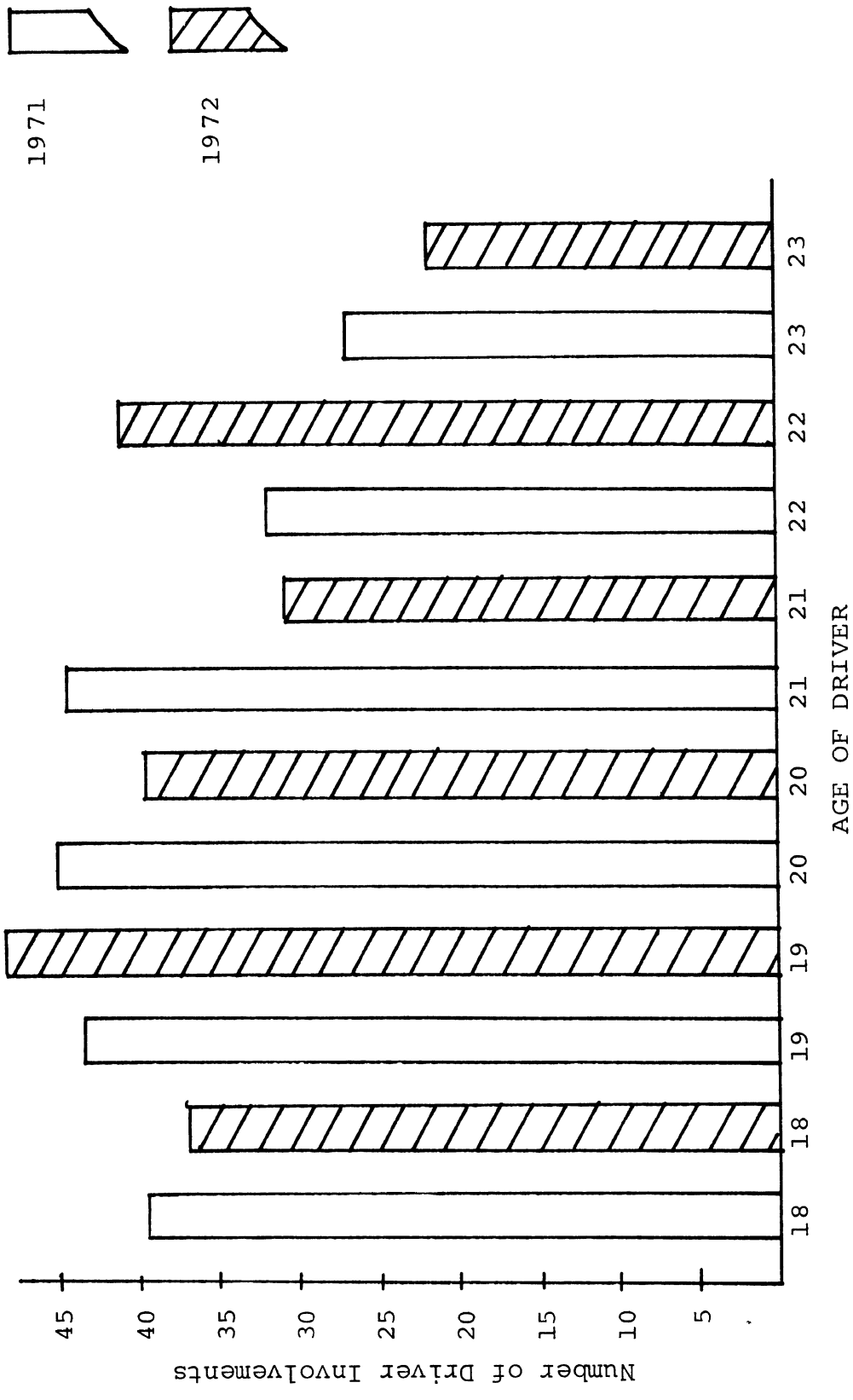


FIGURE 3.12. LOUISIANA (10% SAMPLE) THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE AGE-SPECIFIC FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS BY AGE OF DRIVER DEMONSTRATING ATYPICAL 22-YEAR-OLD FREQUENCY, ATTRIBUTED TO AUGUST-DECEMBER, 1972 22-YEAR-OLD EXPERIENCE

be seen in Figure 3.11 the mean age-specific frequencies for 1971 and 1972 demonstrate a sharply skewed distribution with peak involvements at age 19. In order to utilize all available data with adequate control for seasonal effects, January to July mean frequencies were computed for 1971 and 1973 (Figure 3.11). Similarly, mean frequencies are shown in the figure for August to December, 1971 and 1972. The January to July distribution is unimodal and 18- to 20-year-old involvements are dominant. An unexpected increase in 22-year-old involvements is seen in the August to December distribution that suggests either a regular seasonal shift to a bimodal distribution, or an atypical situation for a long-term 18-year-old drinking age state. The distributions in Figure 3.12 demonstrate that the unexpected 22-year-old frequency in Figure 3.11 is attributable to August to December, 1972; this is interpreted to be an atypical situation. The Louisiana age-specific frequency distributions, are considered to be skewed with peak involvements among 18- to 20-year-old drivers, as expected for a state with an 18-year-old legal drinking age.

A comparison of the distributions of the three quasi-experimental groups suggests that the two long-term 18-year-old states (New York and Louisiana); Michigan and Maine after the lowering of the legal drinking ages; and Vermont before and after 1972, are all characterized by skewed frequency distributions with peak crash involvements within the 18- to 20-year-old group. Michigan and Maine, before the lower legal drinking ages became effective, and Pennsylvania, a long-term 21-year-old state, are characterized by bimodal distributions with no clear dominance of the 18- to 20-year-old group.

Vermont shares a common border with New York state and the population concentration is close to New York. It is possible to speculate that Vermont was characterized by



age-specific frequency distributions common to an 18-year-old state before the legal change because of a diffusion of drinking norms and practices from New York, perhaps in anticipation of the new law. Time-series data of longer duration would be necessary to substantiate a long-term frequency distribution similarity between New York and Vermont.

Texas is more like Louisiana than the experimental jurisdictions before the change in legal drinking ages, regarding the age-specific frequency distributions. The speculation of a diffusion of drinking norms and practices from Louisiana to Texas is not tenable because of the total size and population dispersion in Texas. It is valid, however, to speculate that drinking and driving-after-drinking practices in Texas, for whatever reasons, are more like long-term 18-year-old states than Michigan, Maine, or Pennsylvania with 21-year-old legal drinking ages. The mean distributions of Louisiana (1971-1972) and Texas (1969-1971) are virtually identical, which is suggestive of regional or cultural determinants.

The comparative analysis of age-specific frequency distributions of the three-factor-surrogate provides a potential means of predicting the outcome of lowering the legal drinking age. The Pennsylvania distributions closely resemble distributions in Michigan and Maine before the lower legal drinking ages became effective. It is predicted that, if the legal drinking age in Pennsylvania were to be lowered, then the consequence would be a change in the age-specific frequency distribution of alcohol-related crash involvements similar to the changes in Maine and Michigan. It is likely that the magnitude of the frequency increases in Pennsylvania would parallel the Michigan experience, on the basis of the socio-economic and demographic similarities of the two states. Based on the pre-existing similarities of

the frequency distributions in Texas to jurisdictions with 18-year-old legal drinking ages, a legal impact of the magnitude or character identified in Michigan and Maine would not be expected. This prediction can be tested because the lower legal drinking age became effective in Texas in August, 1973. Just as Vermont experienced no change under a lower legal drinking age, Texas is not expected to experience sudden changes in the frequency or relative distribution of 18- to 20-year-old alcohol-related crash involvements.

## 4.0 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

### 4.1 THE MEANING OF LEGAL IMPACTS OF LOWER LEGAL DRINKING AGES ON YOUTH CRASH INVOLVEMENT

Throughout this report the lower legal drinking ages in Michigan, Maine and Vermont have been conceptualized in terms of an experimental treatment in a quasi-experimental design. The meaning of this particular legal change needs to be taken into consideration before the research results can be adequately appreciated.

How much change in the drinking, driving-after-drinking, or alcohol-related crash experiences of young people could reasonably be expected as a consequence of a lower legal drinking age? If few young people acquired, and consumed alcoholic beverages, by any means, before they reach the legal drinking age, and if monthly birth rates were approximately equal, then about seven times the normal number of people entered the alcoholic beverage consuming population in Michigan and Vermont in 1972.<sup>42</sup> If this was true, it might be expected that behavioral consequences, including alcohol-related-crashes, would increase many-fold for the affected population concurrently with the consuming population increase.

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<sup>42</sup>The seven-fold incremental increase was determined by the following deductions. On the basis of mean annual time intervals, six months of new 21-year-olds normally enter the legally enfranchised drinking population in a normal year for a 21-year-old state. In Michigan and Vermont, this was the case until 1972. In 1972, however, 12 months of 21-year-old, 12 months of 20-year-olds, 12 months of 19-year-olds and 6 months of 18-year-olds technically entered the enfranchised drinking population. This represents an immediate increment of about seven times the normal number of persons newly enfranchised to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages.

It is not true, however, that few young people drink, or that few young people drink and drive, before they reach the legal age of majority. The facts that many, indeed most, 18- to 20-year-olds drink occasionally, and many frequently drive after drinking prevents an accurate estimate of the effect of the lower legal drinking age by deductive means. In that the proportion of the total 18- to 20-year-old drinking and driving population that would normally become crash-involved as a result of drinking was unknown in any of the three experimental states, accurate a priori predictions of the effect of the lower legal drinking age were not possible. Therefore, it was necessary to conduct a retrospective investigation such as the present study to seek a meaningful answer to the question of a legal impact.

It has been demonstrated in the present research that in Michigan jurisdictions and in Maine the frequency of alcohol-related crashes and the age-specific frequency distributions were altered after the legal change. On the basis of no concomitant changes in long-term 18-year-old or long-term 21-year-old control states in the design, the changes in Michigan and Maine were attributable to the lower legal drinking age.

No impact was identified in Vermont, however, which has been explained in relation to the conditions existing in Vermont before the legal change. It has been suggested that for one reason or another Vermont 18- to 20-year-olds were involved in alcohol-related crashes in much the same ways as those in New York or other states with 18-year-old legal drinking ages. One explanation might be that the 21-year-old legal drinking age in Michigan and the 20-year-old legal drinking age in Maine were more effective in determining drinking patterns and associated behavioral consequences than the legal drinking age was in Vermont. This suggests that among some populations the legal drinking age and the

enforcement of the laws are more effective than among other populations.

Still unknown, however, are several critical intervening variables. It remains unknown if age-specific consumption changed, if the places in which drinking occurs changed rather than the quantities consumed, or how much more after-drinking driving exposure resulted from the lower legal drinking ages. It is, in short, possible now to say with confidence what happened regarding alcohol-related crash experiences in Michigan, Maine, and Vermont, but the variables linking the legal condition to crash involvement remain in doubt.

At the same time as the legal drinking ages were being changed in Michigan and Vermont, Alcohol Safety Action Programs (ASAPs) were active in Washtenaw County, Michigan and throughout Vermont. Survey research findings before and after the lower legal drinking ages were changed provided some evidence that there was little change in drinking/driving behavior in Vermont while significant changes were taking place in Washtenaw County, Michigan.

In Vermont, 1971 roadside survey findings showed that 51% of the young males in the sample were "high risk drivers" based on reported drinking patterns and measured blood alcohol concentrations.

A high proportion of the young men was under 20-years-old. The authors of the 1971 survey noted that, "These data concerning the TAM (teenaged males) are even more striking when one realizes that, at the time of this baseline survey, the legal age for consumption of alcohol beverages in Vermont was 21 years. This must stand as a classic example, therefore of a law that was not effective."<sup>43</sup> A second

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<sup>43</sup>Waller, J.A., Worden, J.K., and Maranville, I.W. Baseline Data for Public Education About Alcohol and Highway Safety in Vermont. CRASH Report I-1, February 1972, Waterbury, Vermont, pp.30-31.

survey in 1972 found that 55% of the young males was high risk drivers.<sup>44</sup> The difference between 51% and 55% in the two surveys is not likely to be significant if normal measurement error and other rival hypotheses are taken into consideration. These survey findings would lead one to expect little impact of a lower legal drinking age - a prediction supported by the findings of the present research.

In Washtenaw County, Michigan, on the other hand, two ASAP surveys of high school students in 1971 and 1973; two general public surveys in 1971 and 1973; and three (1971, 1972, and 1973) replicated blood alcohol concentration roadside surveys indicate that both drinking and drinking/driving patterns underwent significant change during the time that the legal drinking age was lowered.

The first high school survey was conducted in the Fall and Winter of 1970-71 and the second during the 1972-73 school year. The authors report that:

"In comparing the results of the two surveys the most obvious findings is the widespread and increasing use of alcoholic beverages by high school students. In 1970 66% of the respondents said they would drink at least once or twice a year, while in 1972 76% of the respondents said they had drunk alcoholic beverages at least once in the previous year. In 1970 only 3% said they would drink three or more times a week, while in 1972 7% indicated that they drank about this frequently. In 1970 12% said their usual quantity was five or more drinks, while in 1972 20% said they usually drank that much. In 1970 31% said that their maximum was five or more drinks, while in 1972 40% said they had drunk six or more drinks at least once in the previous year. In 1970 43% reported that half or more of their "crowd" drank at least once a month, while in 1972 65% reported that half or more of their

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<sup>44</sup>Worden, J.K., Waller, J.A., Riley, T.J., and Flowers, L. Pre-campaign Data for Public Education About Alcohol and Highway Safety in Vermont. CRASH Report I-2, February 1973, Waterbury, Vermont, p.12.

teenage friends drank at least occasionally ... In 1970 13% of the respondents (22% of the licensed drivers) said they had driven after drinking two or more drinks at least once in the previous three months, and in 1972 22% of the respondents (43% of the licensed drivers) said they had done this at least once in the previous year. Nineteen percent of the student licensed drivers admitted they had driven at least once after drinking "too much for safe driving", which is not a great deal less than the 28% of the general public licensed drivers who admitted to doing this in the 1973 survey".<sup>45</sup>

The general public surveys in Washtenaw County were conducted in the Spring of 1971 and in 1973. These were household surveys conducted for the Alcohol Safety Action Program. The authors stated that,

"In regard to alcohol use a comparison of the two surveys shows a substantial increase from 1971 to 1973 in alcohol consumption in the county, an increase that is particularly marked among 18- to 20-year-olds but is also substantial in all age groups under 35. Along with this there is a smaller but still considerable increase in the reported extent of "driving after drinking too much", an increase found almost entirely in the 18-20 year old group."<sup>46</sup>

The replicated roadside surveys in Washtenaw County demonstrated that, based on blood alcohol concentrations, in 1971 8% of 18- to 20-year-old drivers were drinking. This proportion rose to 12% in 1972, and 16% in 1973. Over the same time period a decrease in drinking and driving was measured for older drivers. At the time of the surveys it was noted that,

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<sup>45</sup> Wolfe, A.C. and Chapman, M.M. 1971 and 1973 ASAP Surveys: Washtenaw County High School Students. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, UM-HSRI-AL-73-12, November 1973, pp.1-2.

<sup>46</sup> Wolfe, A.C. and Chapman, M.M. 1971 and 1973 ASAP Surveys: Washtenaw County General Public. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, UM-HSRI-AL-73-9, November 1973, p.1.

"One explanation for the differences in proportion between the 18- to 20-year-old age group and older drivers might be the change in Michigan's age of majority law which gave 18-year-olds the right to drink legally...Although hypotheses regarding the reason for the increase in 18- to 20-year-old drinking were not tested, the increase was related in time, to the legal change."<sup>47</sup>

The Washtenaw County ASAP survey results help explain the immediate and significant changes in the alcohol-related crash rates and frequencies after the lower legal drinking age became effective.

#### 4.2 THE MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE

Through highly controlled time-series analyses, changes in the level of frequencies and age-specific rates of alcohol-related-crashes have been measured. Table 4.1 displays results of the time-series analyses of the legal impact in seven experimental group files. The percent change in three-factor-surrogate frequency measures ( $\% \hat{\delta}$ ) is the estimated increase in alcohol-related crashes among affected populations attributable to the legal change.<sup>48</sup> The values of statistical tests of a change in level of time-series measurements ( $t \hat{\delta}$ ) are displayed for frequency measures and associated age-specific rates.<sup>49</sup> The age-specific rates were based on monthly observations of three-factor-surrogate frequencies divided by total age-specific crash frequencies.

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<sup>47</sup> Clark, C.D., Compton, M.J., Douglass, R.L., and Filkins, L.D. Washtenaw County 1971, 1972 and 1973 BAC Roadside Surveys. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, UM-HSRI-AL-73-6, August 1973, p.14.

<sup>48</sup>  $\hat{\delta}$  = actual observed frequencies minus expected frequencies determined through time-series analysis.

<sup>49</sup>  $t \hat{\delta}$  values are used to determine the probability that  $\% \hat{\delta}$  values were not due to random effects.



TABLE 4.1. CHANGES IN THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE  
 CRASHES AMONG LEGALLY-AFFECTED YOUNG  
 DRIVERS IN MICHIGAN, MAINE, AND  
 VERMONT

Jurisdiction/File	$\hat{\delta}$	Frequency $t\hat{\delta}^*$	Age-Specific Rate $t\hat{\delta}^*$
Michigan (statewide)	9.99%	2.366**	1.644**
Washtenaw County	25.66%	2.103**	3.733**
Oakland County	19.15%	3.697**	2.204**
Wayne County	1.47%	.414***	-.249
Michigan Fatals	14.50%	1.536***	-.866
Maine	16.42%	1.463***	.132
Vermont	1.59%	.623	.224

\*Box and Tiao (1965) autoregressive time-series "t" statistic values.

\*\*Statistically significant at or above .05 level.

\*\*\*Other evidence supports frequency changes in these files of social importance.

From Table 4.1 it is clear that three patterns of response to the legal change emerged from the present analysis. The patterns are based on the degree of association between frequency  $t\hat{\delta}$  values and age-specific rate  $t\hat{\delta}$  values. Michigan (statewide), Washtenaw County, Michigan, and Oakland County, Michigan all had statistically significant positive increases in frequency and rate measures. There is reason to believe that these jurisdictions experienced an effect of the lower legal drinking age above the level established by a four year pre-intervention time-series.

Wayne County, Michigan data and fatal Michigan crashes were characterized by small non-significant positive frequency  $t\hat{\delta}$  values and non-significant negative age-specific rate  $t\hat{\delta}$  values. The interpretation of these relationships is that these jurisdictions experienced a reaction to the lower legal drinking age below the expected level.

In both Maine and Vermont the magnitude and sign relationships of the frequency and rate  $t\hat{\delta}$  values suggests that the percent  $\hat{\delta}$  change, after the legal drinking age changed, was within the limits of expectation. In Maine and Vermont there is no evidence that the proportion of the total crash population related to alcohol increased at a faster rate than all other crash types. This appears to be true in addition to other evidence that Maine experienced reaction of importance to the legal change and Vermont did not.<sup>50</sup>

These interpretations suggest that legally-affected young Michigan drinking drivers, except those in non-Detroit, Wayne County and those involved in fatal crashes, over-reacted to the lower legal drinking age. The degree of over-involvement as seen in three Michigan jurisdictions was not apparent in either Maine or Vermont.

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<sup>50</sup>Based on age-specific three-factor-surrogate crash frequency distributions of Maine data.

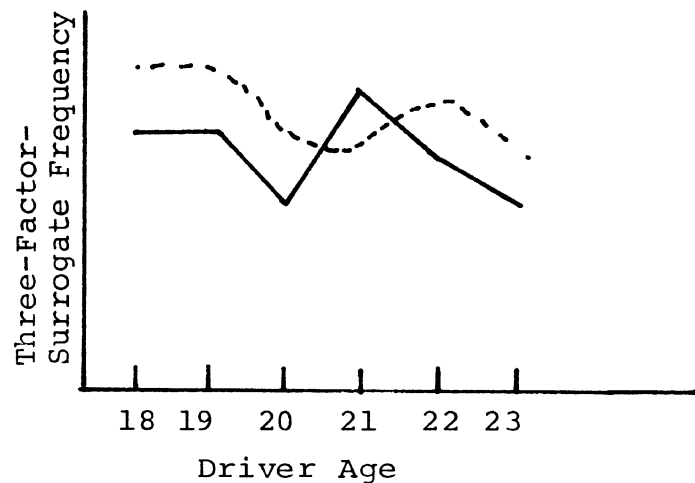
### 4.3 THE PATTERNS OF CHANGE

In all Michigan data and in Maine, for all levels of crash severity, the age-specific frequency distributions of 18- to 23-year-old driver involvements in three-factor-surrogate (alcohol-related) crashes changed after the lower legal drinking ages became effective. These changes did not proceed the legal changes, but took place immediately after the legal changes.

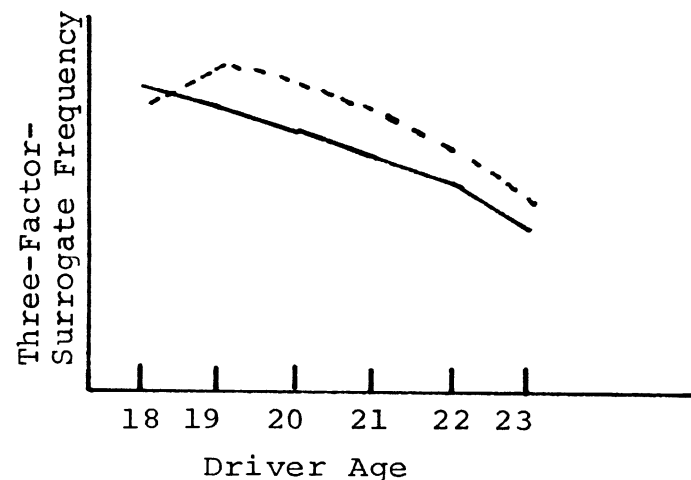
Figure 4.1 presents generalized bimodal and skewed distributions that were characteristic of the three-factor-surrogate crash data examined in this study. The figure lists jurisdictions by time period for which the generalized distribution patterns apply. The analyses show that of the jurisdictions where a demonstrable frequency increase could be measured, the age-specific frequency distribution patterns also changed.

The skewed distribution of alcohol-related crashes with peak involvement among 18- to 19-year-old drivers appears to be an "end state" common to states with 18-year-old minimum drinking ages. If a state has this characteristic prior to a lowering of the legal drinking age, as in Vermont, then no legal impact will result following the legal change. If a state has a bimodal frequency distribution of alcohol-related crashes however, the lower legal drinking age is expected to increase the frequency of alcohol-related crashes among affected age groups and alter the frequency distribution to a skewed pattern. These findings are consistent among the seven states in this study.

On the basis of these observations, Pennsylvania would be expected to experience an increase in the frequency of alcohol-related crashes among 18- to 20-year-old drivers if the legal drinking age there would be lowered to 18. Texas, the other 21-year-old control state, is not expected to



Generalized Bimodal Distributions



Generalized Skewed Distributions

Representative Jurisdictions

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Michigan (statewide) 1968-1971<sup>1</sup>  
 Oakland County, Michigan 1968-1971<sup>1</sup>  
 Washtenaw County, Michigan 1968-1971<sup>1</sup>  
 Wayne County (non-Detroit),  
 Michigan 1971<sup>1</sup>  
 Maine 1970-1971<sup>2</sup>  
 Pennsylvania 1968-1972<sup>1</sup>

Michigan (statewide) 1972-1973<sup>3</sup>  
 Oakland County, Michigan 1972<sup>3</sup>  
 Washtenaw County, Michigan 1972<sup>3</sup>  
 Wayne County, Michigan 1972-1973<sup>3</sup>  
 Maine 1972<sup>3</sup>  
 Vermont 1971-1972<sup>1,3</sup>  
 Louisiana 1971-1973<sup>3</sup>  
 Texas 1969-1972<sup>1</sup>  
 New York State 1968-1972<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Legal Drinking Age: 21-years-old  
<sup>2</sup>Legal Drinking Age: 20-years-old  
<sup>3</sup>Legal Drinking Age: 18-years-old

FIGURE 4.1. GENERALIZED AGE-SPECIFIC THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTIONS AND REPRESENTATIVE JURISDICTIONS IN THE QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

experience a significant impact following the legal change (August 1973) in that the frequency distribution pattern of alcohol-related crashes was similar to long-term 18-year-old states before the legal change.

It is evident from the analyses discussed above that the effect of the lower legal drinking age on alcohol-related crash involvement of youth is not simply stated. The design and statistical techniques applied in this research have provided the basis for conservative and highly confident assessments of the stability or change in crash frequencies and rates in the course of time-series observations. Although, as Glass noted, the time-series analytic procedures used here are blind to the underlying causes of such alterations,<sup>51</sup> the statistical procedures in combination with state selection, variable identification and other components of the research methodology, support a causal relationship between frequency, age-specific rate, and frequency distribution changes of alcohol-related crashes and the lower legal drinking ages in Michigan and in Maine.

Survey research findings have provided support to the conclusions of change in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and the absence change in Vermont following legal changes in these jurisdictions. The analysis of age-specific-frequency distribution patterns appears to provide a basis for prediction regarding the potential impact of lower legal drinking ages on youth crash involvement.

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<sup>51</sup>Glass, op.cit., 1968, p.76.

#### 4.4 RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations for action and research are based on the findings and conclusions of the present investigation.

##### Action

(1) Reporting procedures and practices regarding alcohol-involvement in crash investigations should be improved. Operational formats similar to the forced-response category now found in Michigan should become standard in other states.

(2) States now considering the enactment of a lower legal drinking age should investigate the age-specific three-factor-surrogate (alcohol-related) crash frequency distributions of young drivers and determine if an impact of the new law is to be expected.

(3) States that expect to lower the legal drinking age and expect a legal impact should plan and implement counter-measures specific to the legally affected age groups of drivers.

(4) States that expect a legal impact might consider lowering the legal drinking age to 18-years-olds in a step-wise fashion, beginning with 20-year-olds, in order to lessen the abrupt changes found in Michigan's experience.

##### Research

(1) The methodology detailed in the present research should be replicated in analyses of other states in transition between legal drinking ages.

(2) Additional research is highly desirable regarding drinking and driving-after-drinking behavior of youth before and after changes in legal drinking ages.

(3) The stability and generalizability of the three-factor-surrogate as a measure of alcohol-related crashes should be tested in many more populations than was possible in the present research.

(4) The legal impact of the 18-year-old minimum drinking age on under-aged drivers should be investigated, with particular attention to 14- to 17-year-old drivers.

(5) The duration of effects in Michigan and Maine should be followed and measured to determine if the lower legal drinking ages produced permanent or temporary changes in those states.

(6) The long-term alcohol-related crash experience of cohorts of young drivers should be investigated over several years. It is possible that the overall crash experience of these groups will decrease, increase or remain unchanged over time as a consequence of the 18-year-old minimum drinking age.

(7) Levels of enforcement of the alcohol beverage control laws, including the legal drinking age, should be researched. The present research offers evidence that enforcement of the legal age laws is different between states. Research that is specific to this question is greatly needed.

(8) Examination of critical intervening variables is highly desirable in order to more fully understand changes in Michigan and Maine. It is important to determine if consumption levels actually increased among the 18- to 20-year-old populations after the age of majority became 18. If consumption did not change dramatically, then the social environment of the drinking practices should be investigated for changes associated with the lower legal drinking age.

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APPENDIX A

THE OPERATIONAL MEANING OF REPORTED ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT  
IN OFFICIAL STATE ACCIDENT DATA



## THE OPERATIONAL MEANING OF REPORTED ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT IN OFFICIAL STATE ACCIDENT DATA

### A.1 REPORTED ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT

Each of the seven states' accident data included in the quasi-experimental design contained a measure of alcohol involvement. The operational forms and meanings of the official data, however, were characterized by a wide range of definitions which by no means could be taken to refer to the same category of event. In all states except Michigan and Texas the operational formats of alcohol-involvement questions remained constant during the present period of investigation.

This appendix will detail the operational formats and meanings of reported alcohol involvement during the study period in the seven states under investigation. The inconsistencies between jurisdictions and over time required the development of a more satisfactory surrogate dependent variable for analysis (see Appendix B).

### A.2 MICHIGAN

The official Michigan accident report form contained a separate section for documenting alcohol involvement during the 1968-1973 time period. However, extensive revisions in 1971 created an operational incompatibility with the earlier version. The old and new operational forms are shown in Figure A.1.

It can be seen that the old form includes three possibilities for an affirmative response to the question of drinking by a crash-involved driver, an option for a negative response, including an opportunity to defer the issue with a valid "Influence Not Known" code. The new form is a forced-response question in which uncertainties become missing data rather than separate valid responses. Both

OLD FORM  
(1968-1970)

DRINKING CONDITION: Check one

DRIVER

1 2 PED. HAD BEEN DRINKING

- Under the influence  
   Not under the influence  
   Influence not known

HAD NOT BEEN DRINKING

NOT KNOWN IF DRINKING

CHECK IF APPLICABLE:

- Chemical test given

NEW FORM  
(1971-1973)

HBD	HN	Test	Driver #1
Age	Sex	Inj	
HBD	HN	Test	Driver #2
Age	Sex	Inj	

FIGURE A.1. MICHIGAN ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT - OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

forms provide a means of recording chemical tests from which levels of intoxication are determined.<sup>52</sup> In the new form all affirmative options of the old form are collapsed into a single affirmative response option.

The absence of a valid "Unknown" code in the new form was intended to force crash investigators to address the question of alcohol involvement. It is likely that reporting of alcohol involvement with the new form has been affected with proportionally more of the previously documented "Influence Unknown" responses becoming "HBD" (Had Been Drinking) in the new form, than either missing data or "HN" (Had Not Been Drinking).

All three affirmative options of the old form were collapsed into a single affirmative response for the 1968-1973 time-series analyses in the present study. The negative response codes "Had Not Been Drinking" were unchanged between data

<sup>52</sup> A further confounding influence is the fact that chemical testing capabilities within police agencies were changing during the period of study.



sets before and after the new form was introduced. These operational procedures were used for Michigan data which were affected by the form changes in 1971.

### A.3 VERMONT

The data received from Vermont included alcohol-involvement information as components of a non-specific category of accident causation. All causation is translated in terms of violations. This proved to be true of several other states and presented a problem regarding the comparability of measurements across jurisdictions. The Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles, under "Cause of Accidents" lists 41 possibilities of violations including #13: "Operator had been drinking" and #14: "Operator under influence" (of alcohol). The range of possibilities is listed in Figure A.2.

As can be seen from the list, the available options from which a police can choose suggests that in Vermont, relative to states such as Michigan in which attention is directed specifically to alcohol involvement, evidence of drinking that is less than obvious is less likely to be reported.

Presumably, in Vermont the accident investigator can identify as many of the listed accident causes that apply. However, only "...the most serious accident causing violation as the primary cause."<sup>53</sup> Only one causative factor was coded and available in digital form.

### A.4 MAINE

In Maine, alcohol involvement was coded under a variable entitled "Physical condition of drivers". While not to the extent found in Vermont, Maine also includes response categories other than alcohol-related from which the crash

<sup>53</sup> U.J. Sartorelli, Chief, Analysis and Information Section. "Coding of all Police (investigated) Motor Vehicle Accidents", Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (the standard code manual), January 1, 1969, p.3.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Cause of Accidents  
Accident by Location

1. Driving left of center
2. Speed too high for road conditions
3. Speed in excess of legal limits
4. Passing way ahead not clear
5. Road slippery from ice, snow, etc.
6. Following too close
7. Failed to yield right of way
8. Failure to stop for stop sign
9. Entering into roadway without due care and caution
10. Leaving parking space inattentively
11. Failure to signal
12. Disregard traffic control
13. Operator had been drinking
14. Operator under influence
15. Operator inattentive
16. Operator fell asleep
17. Operator had physical defect
18. Operator used poor judgment
19. Careless operator of bicycle
20. Mechanical failure or defect
21. Animal in roadway
22. Backing into highway
23. Leaving vehicle improperly secured
24. Operator inexperienced
25. Improper action of uninvolved operator
26. Improper backing in traffic
27. Object falling from moving vehicle & striking another vehicle
28. Object thrown up from highway by moving vehicle & striking another vehicle
29. Improperly parked vehicle
30. Attempting to pass while being passed
31. Careless pedestrian
32. Miscellaneous
33. Undertimined
34. Failure use due care & caution at intersection
35. Failure stop at red light
36. Occupant fell from vehicle
37. Defective equipment
38. Tire blew out
39. Other--road condition - narrow
40. Improper passing
41. Drugs

FIGURE A.2. VERMONT ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT -  
OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

investigator must chose the most significant condition. The Maine codes are not violations. The possible response categories in Maine are listed in Figure A.3.

Condition of Drivers

The physical condition of drivers  
will be coded as follows:

<u>Physical Condition of Drivers</u>	<u>Code</u>
Apparently normal	01
Had been drinking	02
Under influence of liquor	03
Under influence of drugs	04
Fatigued	05
Asleep	06

FIGURE A.3. MAINE ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT -  
OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

It is only possible to speculate about the mutual independence of an apparently fatigued condition (05) and less than intoxicated evidence of drinking (02). As in Vermont, documentation regarding the presence or absence of drinking by a crash-involved driver is less uniform than in Michigan, with Michigan's revised accident reporting procedure.

#### A.5 TEXAS

The HSRI police report level data files on Texas were used in this research. No alcohol-involvement data were coded for 1971 and 1972. For 1969 and 1970, however, alcohol involvement data were built into the files in the form of optional responses under the general category of Driver Violations. Two violations were possible valid codes for any single driver-involvement in a crash. The single value that addressed the question of drinking was one of several possibilities under "Driver Violation #2". The format of the Texas data appear in Figure A.4.

DRIVER VIOLATION #1

0. NO FACTOR IN THIS VARIABLE APPLIES
1. SPEEDING OVER LIMIT OR DURING UNSAFE CONDITIONS
2. FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY
3. DISREGARDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL
4. IMPROPER TURN, WIDE RIGHT
5. IMPROPER TURN, CUT CORNER ON LEFT
6. IMPROPER TURN, IMPROPER LANE
7. WRONG SIDE, NOT PASSING
8. WRONG WAY ON ONE WAY ROAD
9. MISSING DATA

THE ABOVE CODES ARE FOR VIOLATIONS COMMITTED BY DRIVERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

IF THE CASE TRAFFIC UNIT IS A PEDESTRIAN, THIS VARIABLE DESCRIBES THE PEDESTRIAN'S ACTION, AND THE CODES HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:

1. CROSSING OR ENTERING ROADWAY
2. GETTING ON OR OFF VEHICLE
3. WALKING IN ROADWAY - WITH TRAFFIC
4. WALKING IN ROADWAY - AGAINST TRAFFIC
5. HITCH-HIKING OR STANDING IN ROADWAY
6. PUSHING OR WORKING ON VEHICLE
7. OTHER WORKING OR PLAYING IN ROADWAY
8. NOT IN ROADWAY
9. MISSING DATA

DRIVER VIOLATION #2

0. NO FACTOR IN THIS VARIABLE APPLIES
1. FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY
2. IMPROPER PASSING
3. NO SIGNAL OR WRONG SIGNAL OF INTENT
4. IMPROPER START FROM PARKED POSITION
5. FAIL TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY TO PEDESTRIAN
6. IMPROPER PARKING
7. UNDER INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL
8. UNDER INFLUENCE OF DRUGS
9. OTHER FACTOR OF MISSING DATA

THE ABOVE CODES ARE FOR VIOLATIONS COMMITTED BY DRIVERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

IF THE CASE TRAFFIC UNIT IS A PEDESTRIAN, THE CODES HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:

1. PEDESTRIAN DRINKING
2. PEDESTRIAN NOT DRINKING
3. UNKNOWN IF PEDESTRIAN DRINKING
9. MISSING DATA

FIGURE A.4. TEXAS ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT - OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

The data for each driver included one selection of Violation #1 and one from Violation #2. It can be seen that only code value (7) under Driver Violation #2 addressed the question of drinking and this is in itself a most extreme subset of a general question of alcohol involvement.

Texas data also included a variable which appeared to present the possibility of a better measure of drinking involvement, "Driver Impairment". As seen in Figure A.5, however, the impairment variable includes no valid code regarding alcohol involvement.

#### DRIVER IMPAIRMENT

1. EYESIGHT DEFECTIVE
2. HEARING DEFECTIVE
3. LIMBS MISSING
4. OTHER PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENT
5. ILL
6. FATIGUED OR ASLEEP
7. MENTALLY ABNORMAL
8. OTHER HANDICAP
9. MISSING DATA

THE ABOVE CODES ARE FOR IMPAIRMENT OF DRIVERS  
OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

FIGURE A.5. TEXAS DRIVER IMPAIRMENT CODES

It is interesting to note that valid codes in Texas for impairment, such as fatigue, were valid options to alcohol involvement in data from other states.

#### A.6 PENNSYLVANIA

The Police Accident Report form in Pennsylvania contained no forced response to drinking-involvement questions. Pennsylvania data included alcohol-involvement information under a general category "Causes Attributed to Driver Condition" which was itself a subset of "Contributing Conditions". Indication of drinking by a driver was the result

of a content analysis of the "Narrative" and "Violations Indicated" sections of the official accident report form. From inspection of information recorded on the forms, valid codes regarding alcohol involvement were entered into the final accident file. Figure A.6 shows the valid codes under "Causes attributed to driver condition" in Pennsylvania.

<u>Causes attributed to driver condition</u>	
50.....	Drowsiness, asleep
51.....	Under effects of alcohol, drunk, offending driver (Use only if charged)
52.....	Poor eyesight, or no glasses when needed
53.....	Physical disability
54.....	Illness, stroke, heart attack, etc.
55.....	Other, Inexperience, driver error
96.....	Effects of drugs, under the influence
26.....	Under effects of alcohol, drunk, Involved driver (Only if charged)
27.....	Drinking indicated, offending driver (not charged)
29.....	Drinking indicated, involved driver (not charged)

FIGURE A.6. PENNSYLVANIA ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT -  
OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

Again, the format includes a mixed-bag of violations, physical impairments or driver negligence. Low frequencies of valid codes (51), (26), (27), or (29) in the Pennsylvania data suggested that little attention was directed toward the possibility of alcohol involvement during the study period. The notorious difficulty police are faced with in getting a conviction, once charges of driving while intoxicated are made, suggests that investigating officers in Pennsylvania tend to document other contributing causes less problematic than alcohol involvement.

#### A.7 LOUISIANA

The Louisiana official accident report form included a forced response category of "had been drinking" under a

section entitled "Condition of Drivers and Pedestrians". Only one of eleven valid codes was possible, however, and the alternatives included categories of both negligence and physical handicaps. The Louisiana form is shown in Figure A.7 and is much like forms in Pennsylvania and Maine, considering the valid codes which are options to alcohol involvement. Unlike Texas and Vermont, documentation of drinking by an involved driver or pedestrian did not imply, necessarily, that a violation had been committed.

	Driver		Pedestrian	
	1	2		
A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Apparently asleep
B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Inattentive or distracted
C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Illness
D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eyesight defect
E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fainting, blackout, etc.
F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hearing defect
G	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fatigue
H	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other body defects
I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Had been drinking
J	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Condition unknown
K	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Normal

FIGURE A.7. LOUISIANA ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT - OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

#### A.8 NEW YORK

In New York there appeared to be a discrepancy between the valid code for alcohol involvement in a crash and the definition of such involvement in the official report form. On the form the question was specifically addressed under the section "Apparent Condition of Driver" which was identical for all involved drivers. The valid codes on the form, as shown in Figure A.8 included: "Normal, Ill, Physical Defect, Fell Asleep and Had Been Drinking".

Motorist Ident.No. Exactly as Printed on License		
Date of Birth: Mo. _____ Day _____ Year _____ Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
State of License	<input type="checkbox"/> New York	Give State if Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Unlicensed	<input type="checkbox"/> N.Y. Learner's Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> N.Y. Interim Permit
Apparent Condition of Driver		
<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Ill	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Defect
		<input type="checkbox"/> Fell Asleep
		<input type="checkbox"/> Had Been Drinking
Describe Damage to Vehicle		
		Estimated Cost of Repairs
Plate No.	State of Registration	Expiration Month Year

FIGURE A.8. NEW YORK ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT - OFFICIAL OPERATIONAL FORMAT

In the digitally coded accident data received from the New York Department of Transportation, however, alcohol involvement was recorded as either "Drinking Involved" and/or "Apparently Intoxicated" along with ten optional codes under a categorical variable entitled "Special Condition Involved" - of which only one selection was valid. The format of New York data on this question, Figure A.9, demonstrated lack of specificity in these data regarding alcohol involvement in a crash. Questions of comprehensiveness of reporting alcohol involvement and validity of documentation were obvious.



SPECIAL CONDITION INVOLVED - (1 space)

Code special conditions as follows:

- 1 = Drinking involved, appeared intoxicated
- 2 = Physical defect involved
- 3 = Apparent illness involved
- 4 = Falling asleep involved
- 5 = Apparent vehicle defects involved
- 6 = Apparent road defects (holes, ruts, road gives way, etc.)
- 7 = Blinded by headlights
- 8 = Inattention to driving
- 9 = Improper pedestrian action
- 10 = No special condition involved
- 11 = Hit & Run

FIGURE A.9. CODED "SPECIAL CONDITIONS" NEW YORK STATE ACCIDENT DATA



APPENDIX B

EMPIRICAL DEVELOPMENT OF A SURROGATE MEASURE OF  
ALCOHOL-INVOLVEMENT IN OFFICIAL ACCIDENT DATA



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Appendix A presented a detailed discussion of the operational forms of the reported alcohol-involvement variables in each of the seven states that are included in the present research. It has been argued that operational non-comparability of the alcohol-involvement measures between states, and in two states, non-comparability over time, prevents meaningful comparative time-series analyses. In order to overcome the shortcomings of reported alcohol-involvement in the official state accident files available for analyses, a multivariate analysis strategy was employed to develop an alternative measure. This discussion describes the empirical development of a surrogate measure of alcohol-involvement. The surrogate has been found to be applicable to both young and old drivers with equal reliability over time and between eleven jurisdictions in the quasi-experimental design. The validity of the empirical surrogate is discussed on the basis of several independent studies of the role of alcohol in accident causation.

The purpose of the analytic strategy was to determine sets of independent variables from accident investigation forms which interactively provide the best predictions of alcohol-involvement. A computer algorithm known as AID (Automatic Interaction Detector)<sup>54</sup> was used for this purpose. The AID analysis algorithm involves the successive segregation of sample sub-groups through the stepwise application

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<sup>54</sup>Sonquist, J.A. and Morgan, J.N. The Detection of Interaction Effects-A Report on a Computer Program for the Selection of Optimal Combinations of Explanatory Variables. Monograph #35. Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, The University of Michigan, 1964, p.1.

of one-way analysis of variance techniques.<sup>55</sup> The program is most useful in studying the interrelationships among a set of up to 37 independent variables. One variable is selected as a dependent variable and the program examines all non-symmetrical binary splits based upon all values of each independent measure.<sup>56</sup> Linearity and additivity assumptions inherent in conventional multiple regression techniques are not required. The result of the AID analysis is the identification of the subgroup which maximizes one's ability to predict values of the dependent variable.

Alcohol-involvement, as reported in two analytic files, was selected as the best available dependent variable for the purposes of the present analysis. The "had been drinking" question in the Oakland County, Michigan, 1972 file was selected because previous experience with police enforcement activities in Oakland County provided a level of confidence in the consistency of reporting practices. In addition, the operational form of the variable in Oakland County in 1972 was a forced-response question in which the investigating officer was required to attend to the question and check "had been drinking" or "had not been drinking" for each driver involved in a given crash. Missing data were present in cases where the investigating officer omitted the question altogether, however missing data in Oakland County, 1972, represented only 9.6% of over 22,000 driver involvements. Texas statewide data for 1970 were selected as a comparison population because the violation-related meaning of the alcohol-involvement variable in the 5% Texas file was considered to be a conservative measure which would

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<sup>55</sup> Sonquist, J.A. Multivariate Model Building - The Validation of a Search Strategy. Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, The University of Michigan, 1970, p.vii.

<sup>56</sup> Selected "best" splits represents the two-way binary division of the independent variable which maximizes the explained sums of squares of variability in the dependent variable.

be reasonably reliable and valid. Texas data were chosen also because of the geographic and social differences between southeastern Michigan and Texas. The reasoning behind this jurisdiction selection was that if multivariate models of alcohol-involvement derived from these remote jurisdictions were similar, or identical, there would be more confidence in the generalizability of the model produced.

AID analyses were replicated for 18- to 20-year-old drivers and 21- to 45-year-old drivers in Texas and Oakland County, Michigan. Reported alcohol-involvement was taken as a binomial dependent variable and the program divided the data into successive binary splits, by all possible combinations of measurement levels, for all independent variables. All possible binary splits were analysed for each independent variable, and the split which accounted for the widest variation on the dependent variable was plotted as the first predicting split. The procedure was replicated for each resulting subgroup which generated further binary divisions. The resulting diagram presented interactive relationships among the independent variables, for various combinations of levels of measurement, and the order of prediction importance.

Independent variables were selected that were considered to be relatively free of judgmental variation (error) on the part of the accident investigator. Pre-crash movements (apparent), violations codes such as speeding, reckless driving, etc., were not included in the analyses as independent variables because these measures are open to challenge as being subjective. Therefore, objectively measured variables were chosen that would provide a prediction model of consistent meaning and reliability. The following independent variables were included in AID analyses of Texas 1970 and Oakland County, Michigan, 1972 data.

<u>Day of Week:</u>	<u>Population of Area in Which Crash Occurred:</u>
Sunday-Saturday	Township or rural
<u>Hour of Day:</u>	Less than 1,000
6AM-9AM	1,000-2,500
9AM-11:59AM	2,500-5,000
Noon-2:59AM	5,000-10,000
3PM-5:59PM	10,000-25,000
<u>Accident Type:</u>	25,000-50,000
Rollover	50,000-100,000
Went off road	100,000-250,000
Crossed road	Missing data
Hit another vehicle	<u>Driver Age:</u>
Hit fixed object	18-20
Hit non-vehicular moving object	21-45
Other	<u>Driver Sex:</u>
<u>Accident Severity:</u>	Male
Fatal	Female
Injury	<u>Model Year of Vehicle:</u>
Property damage	Before 1964
<u>Number of Moving Vehicles:</u>	1964-66
1-4	1967-68
	1969-70
	More recent
<u>Investigation Agency:</u>	
State police	
City police	
Township police or constable	
Other (military, etc.)	

In the execution of the AID analyses, subgroup minimum size was set at  $n=20$  and statistical significance for binary divisions was established at  $p > .01$ . More liberal limits on the analytic procedure would have extended the number of subgroup divisions with little predictive improvement.

Inspection of Figures B.1 and B.2 indicates that, if one begins with the base group where a proportion of the population had been drinking, and follows the uppermost path,



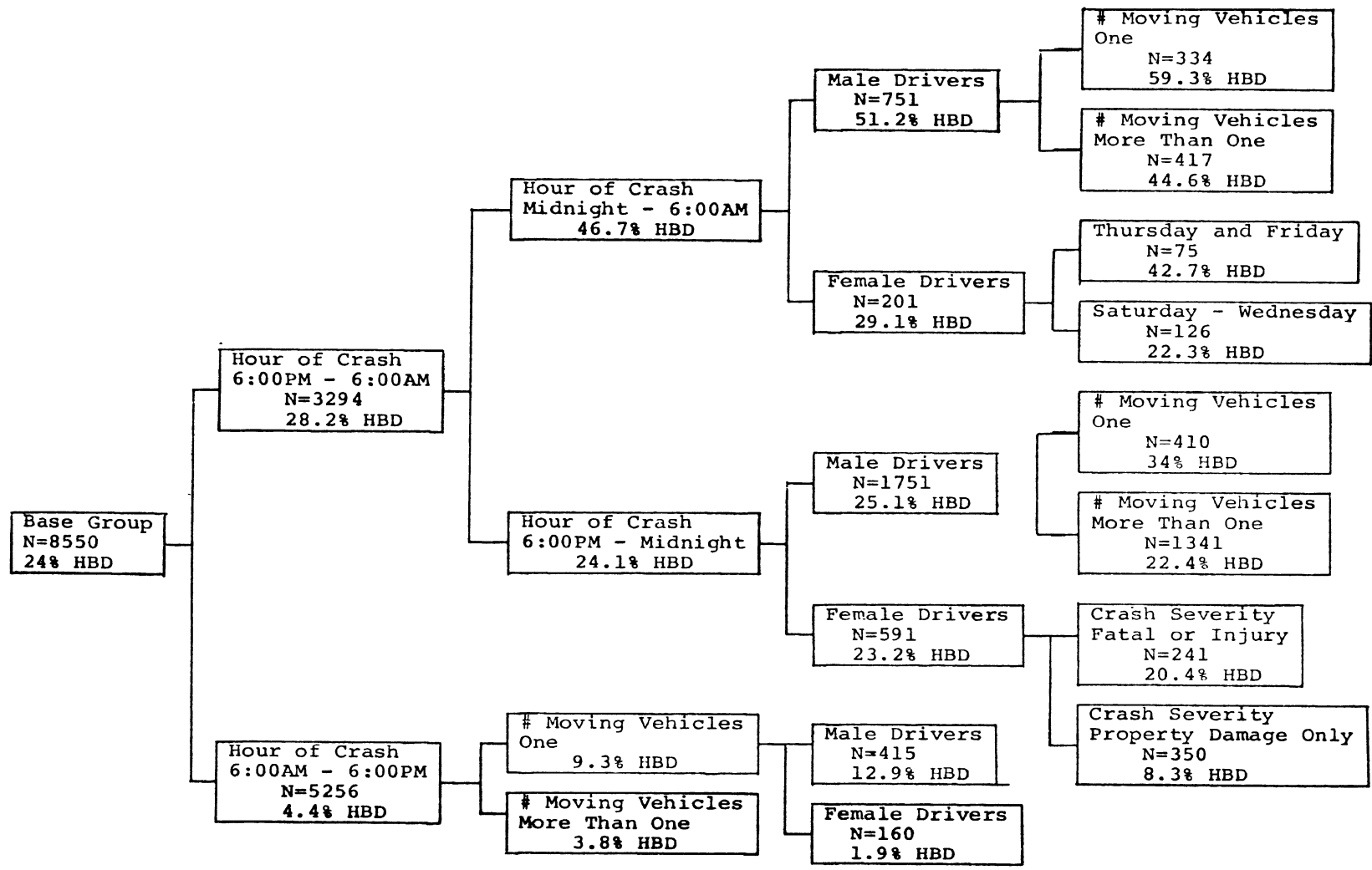


FIGURE B.1. AID ANALYSIS OF OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN 18-20 YEAR-OLD DRIVERS "HAD BEEN DRINKING" (HBD) AS DEPENDENT VARIABLE, 1972 DATA

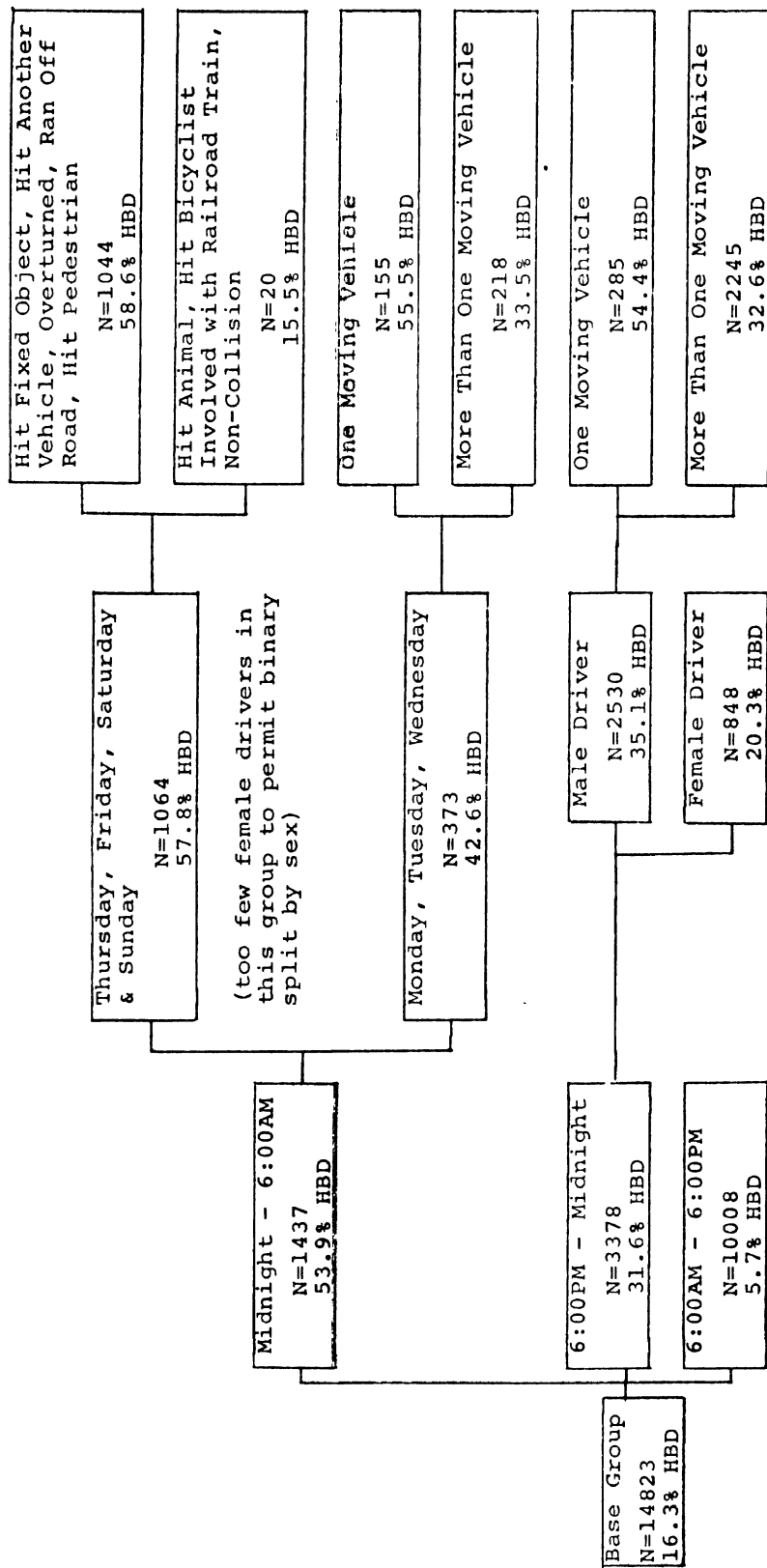


FIGURE B.2. AID ANALYSIS OF OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN 21-45 YEAR-OLD DRIVERS "HAD BEEN DRINKING" (HBD) AS DEPENDENT VARIABLE, 1972 DATA

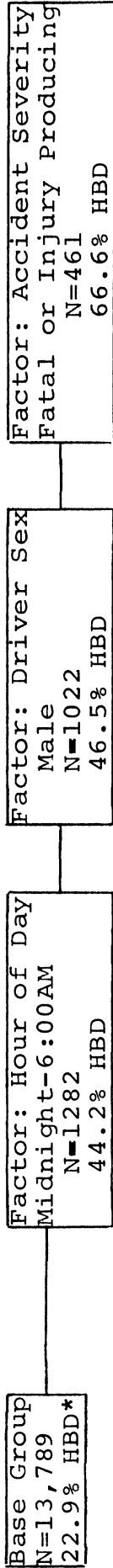
the final cell is the "worst case" in terms of proportion with drinking involved. Similarly, if the lower paths are followed from the base group, the "best paths" can be identified.

Figures B.3 and B.4 presents the worst paths for a number of AID analyses for Oakland County, Michigan 1972 and the state of Texas, 1970. Separate analyses were performed for age subgroups (18-20 year old drivers, 16-20 year old drivers, 21-45 year old drivers).

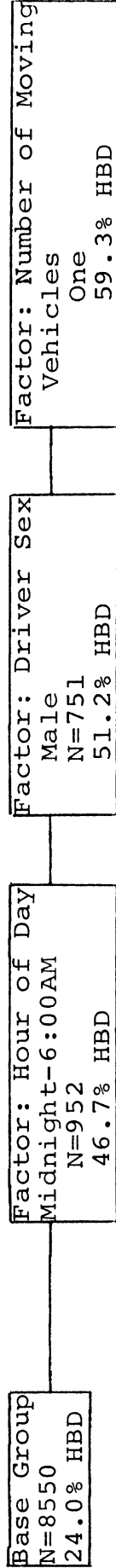
Inspection of Figures B.3 and B.4 reveals several interesting points. The most striking outcome is the consistency of the Hour of Day factor as the most important single prediction of alcohol-involved crashes. The dark hours of the night defined either as 9:00PM-6:00AM, 9:00PM-4:00AM or Midnight to 6:00AM always enter the worst paths first. In Oakland County, Michigan this factor alone doubles the proportion of drivers who had been drinking in the base group. Similarly in the Texas analyses the base group proportion is greatly increased with only one factor in the model - time of the crash.

The second most striking outcome of these analyses is the discrepancy between Texas and Oakland County of the proportion of HBD drivers in the base groups. In Oakland County between 16.3% and 24.0% of all drivers had been drinking while in Texas the range of percent HBD is just 5.9-8.5%. This is more likely to be an artifact of the reporting of alcohol-involvement rather than a substantive difference between Texas and Oakland County crash-involved driving populations. Perhaps the Texas investigators have a priori notions concerning where, when and under what circumstances a driver is likely to have been drinking to levels of intoxication. If so, then these a priori notions appear to be quite valid. This would suggest that Texas investigators selectively pursue evidence of drinking with violation

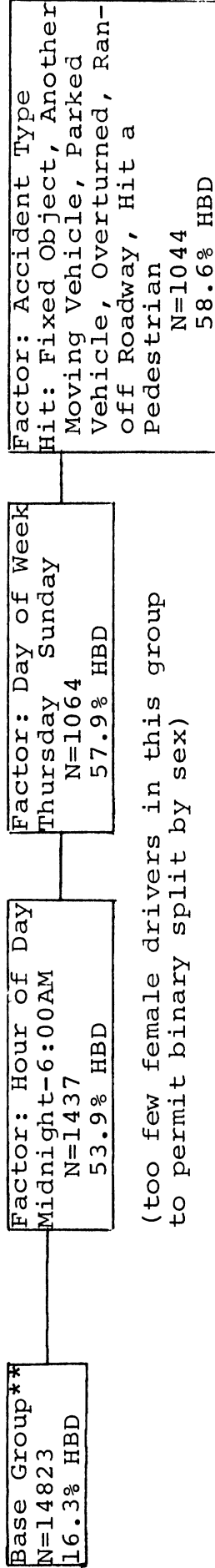
16-20 Year Old Drivers



18-20 Year Old Drivers



21-45 Year Old Drivers

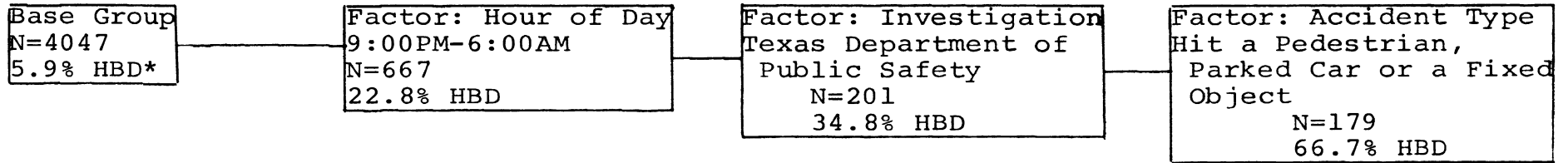


(too few female drivers in this group to permit binary split by sex)

\*Had Been Drinking  
\*\*Odd ages (21,23,....,45)

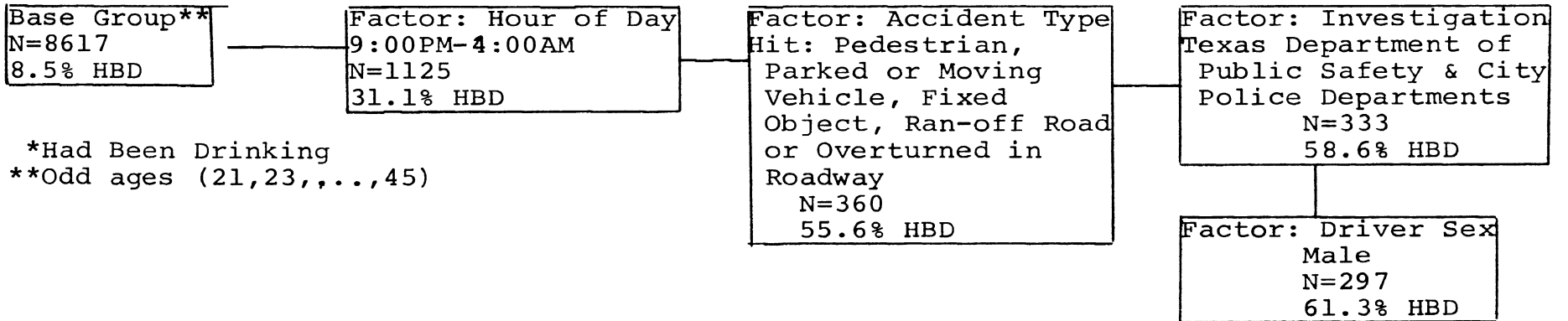
FIGURE B.3. OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1972 DATA

18-20 Year Old Drivers



(too few female drivers in this group  
to permit binary split by sex)

21-45 Year Old Drivers



\*Had Been Drinking  
\*\*Odd ages (21,23,,...,45)

FIGURE B.4. TEXAS 1970 DATA

charges in mind while Oakland County investigators address the possibility of a wider range of alcohol-involvement. The discrepancies between Texas and Oakland County base group proportions are eliminated as the multivariate model unfolds.

Throughout these analyses the consistency of specific types of accidents (ran-off-roadway, hit fixed object, single vehicle involvement, etc.) and involvement of male rather than female drivers is noteworthy.

From the AID analyses three factors were identified that consistently enter into prediction models for alcohol-related crashes - time of crash, sex of driver, number of moving vehicles. Taking these three independent variables factors and subsetting total crash populations to isolate crashes which occurred between 9:00PM-6:00AM, with Male Drivers involving a Single Moving Vehicle, the proportion of alcohol-involvement is consistently about 53-63%, between jurisdictions and age groups. Consistency is achieved regardless of the initial proportion of the total crash population which is reputed to be alcohol-involved, and which is believed to be highly influenced by administrative and operational variations between jurisdictions.

The three-factor surrogate as developed above is compatible with a large body of knowledge regarding the interaction of drinking and driving. O'Day<sup>57,58</sup> also using AID analyses, demonstrated the importance of the dark hours of

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<sup>57</sup>O'Day, J. "Characteristics of Alcohol Involvement in Michigan Fatalities 1966-1969". HIT LAB Reports. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, October 1970, pp.4-8.

<sup>58</sup>O'Day, J., op.cit., 1970, pp.13-14.

the night in predictions of fatal accidents in Michigan between 1966 and 1969. Clark, et al.<sup>59,60</sup> reported that time of night was the single most consistent predictor of high blood alcohol concentrations (BAC) in a three-year replication of roadside BAC surveys in Washtenaw County, Michigan. Filkins, et al.<sup>61</sup> similarly demonstrated that among Wayne County, Michigan fatalities, the drivers who were killed during the night were most likely to have been drinking. Zylman has reported that, "...nighttime crashes, single vehicle crashes, and crashes involving drivers between 20 and 60 years old are more likely to involve alcohol than multivehicle crashes that occur in the daytime and involve drivers who are under 20 or more than 60 years old".<sup>62</sup> Here, time of night, number of involved vehicles, and driver age are used, in much the same way as the present AID analyses would suggest. It is quite true that 20- to 60-year-old drivers are more likely to have high BACs than younger drivers, however it is also true that lower BACs can contribute to accident involvement among younger drivers than among older

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<sup>59</sup>Clark, C.D., Compton, M.J., Douglass, R.L. and Filkins, L.D. op.cit., 1973, pp.8-11.

<sup>60</sup>Clark, C.D., Compton, M.J., Douglas, R.L. and Filkins, L.D. "A Three Year Comparison of Alcohol-Related Driving Behavior in Washtenaw County, Michigan." HIT LAB Reports. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, October 1973, pp.1-14.

<sup>61</sup>Filkins, L.D., Clark, C.D., Rosenblatt, C.A., Carlson, W.L., Kerlan, M.W. and Manson, H. Alcohol Abuse and Traffic Safety: A Study of Fatalities, DWI Offenders, Alcoholics, and Court-Related Treatment Approaches. Final Report. Highway Safety Research Institute, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, June 1970, p.257.

<sup>62</sup>Zylman, R. "Overemphasis on Alcohol May Be Costing Lives." The Police Chief, Vol. 41, No. 1, January 1974, p.66.

ones. The present AID analyses do not discriminate significantly between the 18-20 and 21-45 age groups in terms of the proportion which had been drinking after the same three factors are interpreted interactively. The present three-factor-surrogate is considered to be valid and reliable for all jurisdictions in the quasi-experimental design and for both young and old drivers.



APPENDIX C

ANALYSIS OF DATA AS A TIME-SERIES QUASI-EXPERIMENT



## ANALYSIS OF DATA AS A TIME-SERIES QUASI-EXPERIMENT

The purpose of the analysis is to determine if, within the framework of the quasi-experimental design, a measurable and statistically significant change in the level of alcohol-related crashes occurred among newly enfranchised drinking populations. In that it is possible to only approximate an experimental situation, it is necessary to impose certain statistical models on the time-series data which will effect additional controls for extraneous rival hypotheses. This section is concerned with the problem of measuring a change in level of the time-series accident data and making statistical inferences regarding such changes.

The statistical model upon which the analysis is based was developed by Box and Tiao (1965). Box and Tiao presented an analytic technique for estimating and making inferences about a change in level of non-stationary time-series measurements. The model upon which the analysis is based is restrictive; however, by decomposing the data according to an additive general model of time-series data and by transforming data into indices the assumptions of the model can be largely met.

Glass (1968), Glass, Tiao and Maguire (1971) and Maguire and Glass (1967) have described the application of the principle technique first developed by Box and Tiao to empirical settings. The model these authors employed was a special case of the integrated moving average process:

$$Z_t = L + \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{t-1} a_{t-j} + a_t, \quad t=1, \dots, n. \quad (1)$$

where:

- L is a location parameter which is descriptive of the overall general level of the series,
- $\gamma$  is a parameter which depends upon the inter-dependency of the observations in the series,
- $a_t$  is an observation of a random normal variable with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Formula (1) described the  $n_1$  observations taken prior to the introduction of a treatment, e.g., the lower legal drinking age. The  $n_2$  observations following the introduction of the treatment differ from (1) only in that a treatment effect,  $\delta$ , is present.

$$Z_t = L + \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{t-1} a_{t-j} + a_t + \delta, \quad t=n_2, \dots, n_1+n_2. \quad (2)$$

The parameter  $\delta$  is the increment or decrement in the level of the time-series due to the introduction of the treatment. The treatment, under this model, is assumed to work an immediate and constant effect,  $\delta$ , upon the time-series.

As applied, for instance to the Connecticut crackdown on speeding in 1955, the treatment parameter was instantly

imposed upon the entire driving population of that state. Further, the investigators were able to obtain  $n_1=60$  monthly measures prior to the treatment's introduction and  $n_2=48$  monthly measures after the legal change.<sup>63</sup>

Inferences based on the model described assume an exponential weighting of the observations in  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  series most proximal to the treatment point. Observations more removed from the treatment point are assigned lesser importance and influence in the analysis.

In the present investigation of the effect on highway safety of lower legal drinking age, two characteristics of the legal change and the availability of data to us do not permit a valid application of the Box and Tiao technique as utilized by earlier legal impact investigators. The lower legal drinking age, rather than defining a more restrictive acceptable behavior as in the crackdown on speeding, permits a population to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages (legally) for the first time. Conceptually, the difference between more restrictive and a more permissive legal change suggests that, with consideration to social norms regarding both police enforcement and drinking practices, more immediate compliance is likely to result among a population faced with a restrictive and enforced legal change than a more permissive change. A stepwise chain of events and learning curves logically preceded the effect of a permissive legal change on crash involvement. It seems reasonable that young people needed to: 1) learn about the legal change, 2) to decide to take advantage of the new legal right to purchase alcoholic beverages, 3) to, in many cases learn to drink or change existing drinking patterns, and then, 4) to drive after drinking more often and after more drinking

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<sup>63</sup>Glass, op.cit., 1968, p.60.

before the lower legal age will have a measurable effect on the highway environment. The relationship of the legal change of age of majority legislation on highway safety is much more complex and less direct than a legal crackdown on a particular aspect of driving behavior.

A second problem associated with the assumption of an immediate general effect of the legal change being investigated is that, unlike the Connecticut crackdown the entire population of new legal drinkers is not affected immediately. Not only do young people need to pass through a series of learning curves, decision making and behavioral changes before the highway environment is affected, but also the distribution of birth dates throughout the year tends to graduate young people into the enfranchised population over an annual cycle. It was necessary to measure the impact of the lower legal drinking age not as an immediate effect, but rather as a gradual impact over the full  $n_2$  time period following the new laws.

A more pragmatic difficulty is that the legal impact of this study is recent and a maximum of only  $n_2=19$  monthly measures were available for analysis. The short duration of the  $n_2$  period (most often 12 months) suggests that measurements of the last observation in the  $n_2$  series are at least as important as the first  $n_2$  measurement. Indeed, if learning curves have as great an influence on young drivers' behavior as the fact of a new law, then equalizing the value of short duration post-series observations is mandatory, rather than exponentially weighting the observations most proximal to the impact point of intervention.

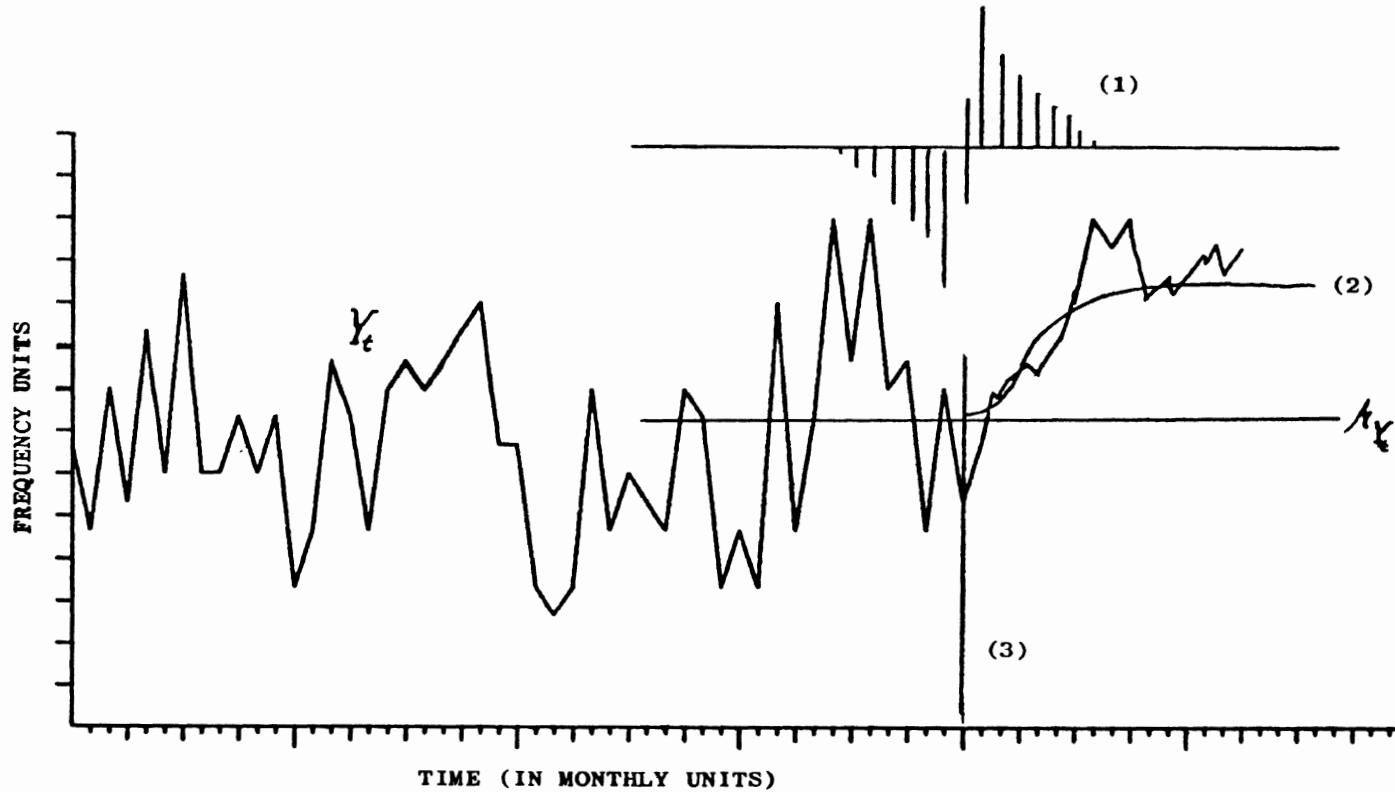


FIGURE C.1. HYPOTHETICAL TIME-SERIES OF ALCOHOL-RELATED CRASH FREQUENCIES WITH EXPONENTIAL WEIGHTING FUNCTION AND ONE-YEAR LEARNING CURVE SUPERIMPOSED ON  $Y_t$

Figure C.1 illustrates the difficulty presented when an impact confounded by learning curves is investigated with an integrated moving average model such as the Box Tiao model used by Glass; a measurable effect could be masked by the exponential weighting functions. In the figure:

- (1) Are exponential weighting functions with exponential decay associated with distance from the impact point,
- (2) A hypothetical learning curve reaching peak at the end of 12 months,
- ( $y_t$ ) A superimposed time-series of crash data,
- (3) Point of intervention.

In order to avoid the problems identified with the appropriateness of the integrated moving average model an alternative autoregressive model which Box and Tiao presented was adopted. Given adequate pre and post time periods, the integrated moving average model is superior to an autoregressive one in terms of limiting causal inferences to the "treatment". The data available in the present study, however, invalidate the use of an integrated moving average model. Valuable time points of the after series would be lost and quite possibly invalid inferences would be made.

Development of the test statistic  $t\hat{\delta}$  is as follows. On the assumption that the series is generated by a first order autoregressive process which starts at  $t=1$ , then:

$$z_1 = L + \alpha_1, \quad (3)$$

$$z_p = L + \rho \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \rho^{j-1} \alpha_{p-j} + \alpha_p \quad (p=2, \dots, n_1) \quad (4)$$

and

$$z_p = L + \delta + \rho \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \rho^{j-1} \alpha_{p-j} + \alpha_p \quad (p=n_1+1, \dots, n_1+n_2) \quad (5)$$



with  $|\rho| < 1$   
 instead of:

$$z_1 = L + \alpha_1, \quad (6)$$

$$z_p = L + \gamma_0 \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \alpha_{p-j} + \alpha_p \quad (7)$$

$$= \gamma_0 \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} (1-\gamma_0)^j z_{p-1-j} + (1-\gamma_0)^{p-1} L + \alpha_p$$

$$(p=2, \dots, n_1) \quad (8)$$

$$z_p = L + \delta + \gamma_0 \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \alpha_{p-j} + \alpha_p \quad (9)$$

$$= \gamma_0 \sum_{j=1}^{p-2} (1-\gamma_0)^j z_{p-1-j} + (1-\gamma_0)^{p-1} L$$

$$+ (1-\gamma_0)^{p-(n_1+1)} \delta + \alpha_p \quad (p=n_1+1, \dots, n_1+n_2) \quad (10)$$

as in the integrated moving average model.<sup>64</sup>

The  $\gamma_0$  terms are absent in the autoregressive model. According to Box and Tiao,  $L$  may be regarded as the mean and  $\delta$  the shift in mean associated with the treatment variable, the lower legal drinking age. For any specific value of the autoregressive coefficient  $\rho$ , ( $\rho = \rho_0$ ) the transformation

<sup>64</sup>Box and Tiao, op.cit., 1965, pp.182-3,187.

$$y_1 = z_1 \quad (11)$$

$$y_p = z_p - \rho_0 z_{p-1} \quad (12)$$

can be written and the linear model becomes

$$y = X\theta + \varepsilon \quad (13)$$

where

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_1} \\ \hline \vdots \\ y_{n_1+n_2} \end{pmatrix}; \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (1-\rho_0) & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (1-\rho_0) & 0 \\ \hline (1-\rho_0) & 1 \\ \vdots & (1-\rho_0) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (1-\rho_0) & (1-\rho_0) \end{pmatrix}; \quad \theta = \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ \delta \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\varepsilon$  is the  $N \times 1$  vector of random normal deviates with common variance  $\sigma^2$ .

The authors stated that:

$$(x'x)^{-1} = c \begin{bmatrix} 1+(n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^2 & -(1-\rho_0)-(n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^2 \\ -(1-\rho_0)-(n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^2 & 1+(N-1)(1-\rho_0)^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (14)$$

$$c^{-1} = n_1(n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^4 - 2(n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^3 + (n_1+2n_2-3)(1-\rho_0)^2 + 1 \quad (15)$$

In terms of the z's, the estimates  $(\hat{L}, \hat{\delta})$ , required for practical application, are given by:

$$\hat{L} = \frac{1}{1 + (N-1)(1-\rho_0)^2} \left\{ (1-\rho_0)^{2N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N z_i + \rho_0 z_1 \right. \\ \left. + (1-\rho_0) z_N - [(1-\rho_0) + (n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^2] \hat{\delta} \right\} \quad (16)$$

$$\hat{\delta} = g_1(z_{n_1+1}, \dots, z_{n_1+n_2}; \rho_0) - g_2(z_1, \dots, z_{n_1}; \rho_0), \quad (17)$$

where

$$g_1(z_{n_1+1}, \dots, z_{n_1+n_2}; \rho_0) = c \left[ a_1 z_{n_1+1} + a_2 \sum_{i=n_2+2}^N z_i \right. \\ \left. + a_3 z_{n_1+n_2} \right], \quad (18)$$

$$g_2(z_1, \dots, z_{n_1}; \rho_0) = c \left[ b_1 z_1 + b_2 \sum_{i=2}^{n_1-1} z_i + b_3 z_{n_1} \right] \quad (19)$$

with

$$a_1 = n_1(1-\rho_0)^4 - N(1-\rho_0)^3 + N(1-\rho_0)^2 + \rho_0,$$

$$a_2 = (1-\rho_0)^2[n_1(1-\rho_0)^2 + \rho_0],$$

$$a_3 = (1-\rho_0)[n_1(1-\rho_0)^2 + \rho_0],$$

$$b_1 = (1-\rho_0)[(1-\rho_0)^2 + \rho_0][n_2(1-\rho_0) + \rho_0],$$

$$b_2 = (1-\rho_0)^3[n_2(1-\rho_0) + \rho_0]$$

and

$$b_3 = (1-\rho_0)^2[n_2(1-\rho_0) + \rho_0] + \rho_0[1 + (N-2)(1-\rho_0)^2 - (n_2-1)(1-\rho_0)^3]. \quad (20)$$

For a specific value,  $\rho=\rho_0$ , the sampling distribution of the quantity

$$\frac{(\hat{\delta}-\delta)}{\{s^2 c [1-(N-1)(1-\rho_0)^2]^{1/2}} \quad (21)$$

is the student t distribution with  $(n_1+n_2-2)$  degrees of freedom with

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n_1+n_2-2} \left\{ (z_1-\hat{L})^2 + \sum_{i=2}^{n_1} [z_i-\rho_0 z_{i-1} - \hat{L}(1-\rho_0)]^2 + [z_{n_1+1} - \rho_0 z_{n_1} - \hat{L}(1-\rho_0) - \hat{\delta}]^2 + \sum_{i=n_1+2}^N [z_i-\rho_0 z_{i-1} - (1-\rho_0)(\hat{L}+\hat{\delta})]^2 \right\}. \quad (22)$$

<sup>65</sup>Box and Tiao, op.cit., 1965, pp.187-8.

To apply this technique when  $\rho_0$  is unknown,  $\hat{\rho}$  has to be estimated from the data. Box and Jenkins provided the basis for the formula used in the present study.<sup>66</sup>

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (z_t - \bar{z})(z_{t+1} - \bar{z})}{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (z_t - \bar{z})^2}, \quad (23)$$

where  $z_t$  is the observation at time  $t$ .

In the event that  $\bar{z}$  is known to be zero, the estimate may be simplified to:

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} z_t z_{t+1}}{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} z_t^2}. \quad (24)$$

The standard deviation of  $\hat{\rho}$  is approximately

$$\sigma_{\hat{\rho}}^2 = \frac{(1 - \hat{\rho}^2)}{n-1} \quad (25)$$

or,

$$\sigma_{\hat{\rho}}^2 = (n-1)^{-1} \left[ 1 - \frac{\left( \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} z_t z_{t+1} \right)^2}{\left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} z_j^2 \right) \left( \sum_{k=2}^n z_k^2 \right)} \right] \quad (26)$$

(to terms of order less than  $1/n$ ).

<sup>66</sup>G.E.P. Box and G.M. Jenkins. Time Series Analysis - Forecasting and Control. San Francisco: Holden-Day, pp.32-36, 1970.

Slight modifications which are often used include:

$$\hat{\rho}_1 = \frac{n}{n-1} \hat{\rho} \quad (27)$$

and

$$\hat{\rho}_2 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} z_t z_{t+1}}{\sum_{j=2}^{n-1} z_j^2} \quad (28)$$

$\hat{\delta}$  is the difference between two weighted averages as given in its definition (Equation 2). The generally restrictive nature of the auto-regressive model is that the weight functions for the averages in the before and after series are uniform. The model is only acceptable if observations near the beginning and the end of the series should have as much weight in the estimation of  $\hat{\delta}$  as those close to the impact event. Such is the case in the study of the lower legal drinking age, given the short-term data available and the lack of immediacy with which the new laws could have affected all potentially enfranchised new drinkers.

The Box and Tiao model is restrictive, also, in that a number of assumptions regarding the data are required.

- (1) The series, before and after a treatment is introduced, is free of linear trend.
- (2) The series is free of regular repeating cycles.

An additive model of time-series data can be stated, in the abstract as:

$$Y = S + C + T + I$$

where

Y = the line

S = seasonal cyclic components

C = cyclic components other than seasonal

T = linear trend components

I = irregular components not explained by  
other components

In the crash data we acquired for analysis we have not been able to identify cyclic components other than those explained by seasonal variations. Therefore a lesser model was adopted such that:

$$Y = S + T + I$$

A simple transformation:

$$(Y-T) - S = I ,$$

demonstrates that if the series is decomposed and seasonal and trend components are removed, irregulars, or residuals, are isolated which meet the assumptions of the Box and Tiao model. That is, in fact, what was done for each of several variables in each jurisdiction of our analysis.

Seasonal decomposition was accomplished by computing the mean value of any given dependent variable by monthly strata and then subtracting the mean, expected, value from each monthly observation. The expected, cyclic, variation in each series was removed.

Data corrected for seasonal effect then were submitted to linear regression analysis. The least squares plot was computed and residuals about the line were saved. In this

way the trend component of the series was removed. The residuals define the irregular component I in the general time-series model. Because both seasonal and trend components have been removed we call the resultant irregular data a second-order residual. The residuals were then segregated into  $n_1$  pre-intervention observations and  $n_2$  post-intervention observations and the test statistic  $t\hat{\delta}$  was computed for each of eleven variables for each of eleven analytic jurisdictions.

The entire analysis process is presented in a flow-diagram in C.2.



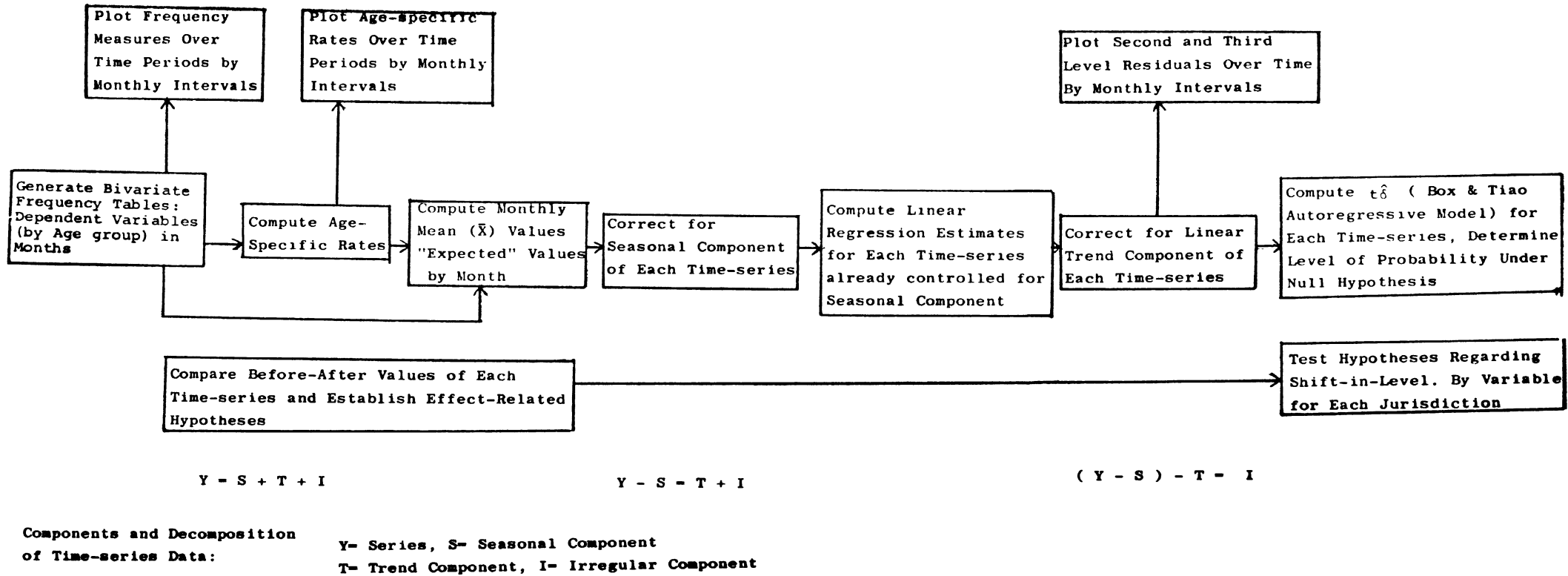


FIGURE C.2. ANALYSIS FLOW CHART



APPENDIX D

TIME-SERIES FREQUENCY POLYGONS OF ELEVEN  
ANALYTIC VARIABLES IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1968-1972



TIME-SERIES FREQUENCY POLYGONS OF ELEVEN ANALYTIC  
VARIABLES IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1968-1972

The following plots demonstrate the effectiveness of the time-series decomposition techniques used in the present investigation regarding the control of linear trend and regular seasonal cycles. According to the general additive model

$$Y = T + S + I,$$

where:

Y = the time-series;

T = linear trend components;

S = regular seasonal cyclic components; and

I = irregular components (residuals).

As discussed in Appendix C and in Section 2, the second level irregulars, residuals, are frequency data controlled for linear trend and seasonal cycles. Third level residuals are age-specific rates that are further controlled for linear trend, not otherwise associated with population change, and seasonal cycles.

The eleven analytic variables include:

Total 18-20 year old crash experience	(D.1)
Total 21-45 year old crash experience	(D.2)
18-20 year old HBD crash experience	(D.3)
21-45 year old HBD crash experience	(D.4)
18-20 year old three-factor-surrogate crash experience	(D.5)
21-45 year old three-factor-surrogate crash experience	(D.6)
Total crash experience, all ages	(D.7)
Total HBD crash experience, all ages	(D.8)
Total year old three-factor-surrogate crash experience, all ages	(D.9)
18-20 age-specific three-factor-surrogate rate	(D.10)
21-45 age-specific three-factor-surrogate rate	(D.11)

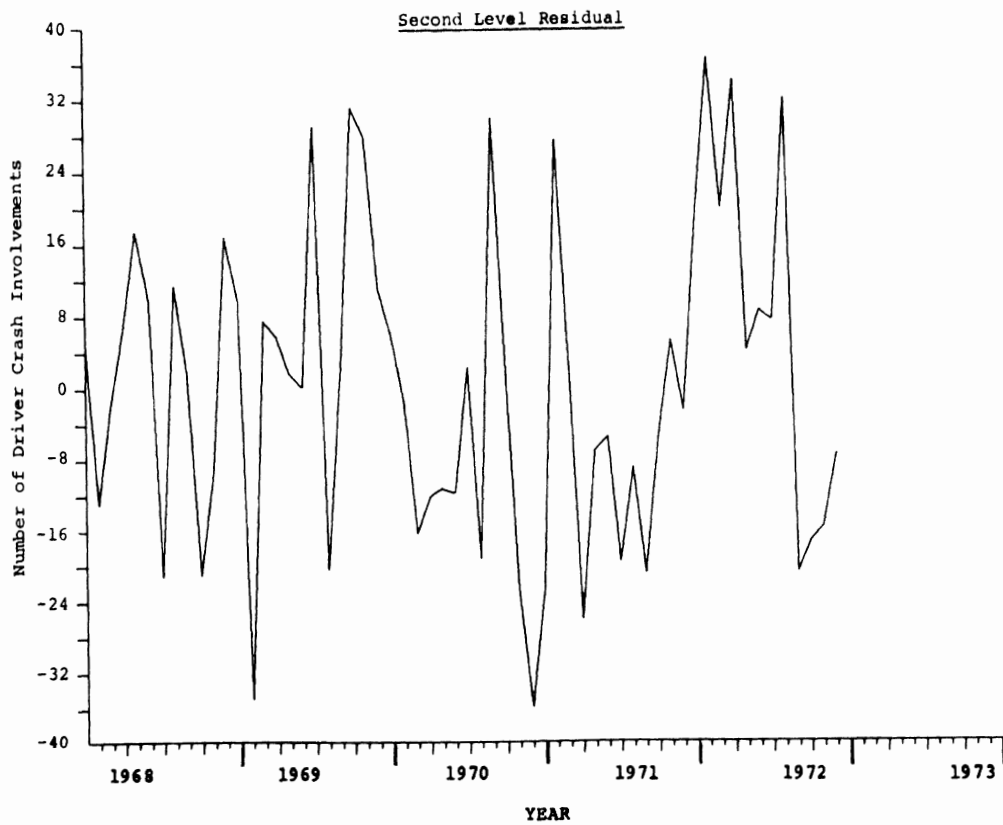
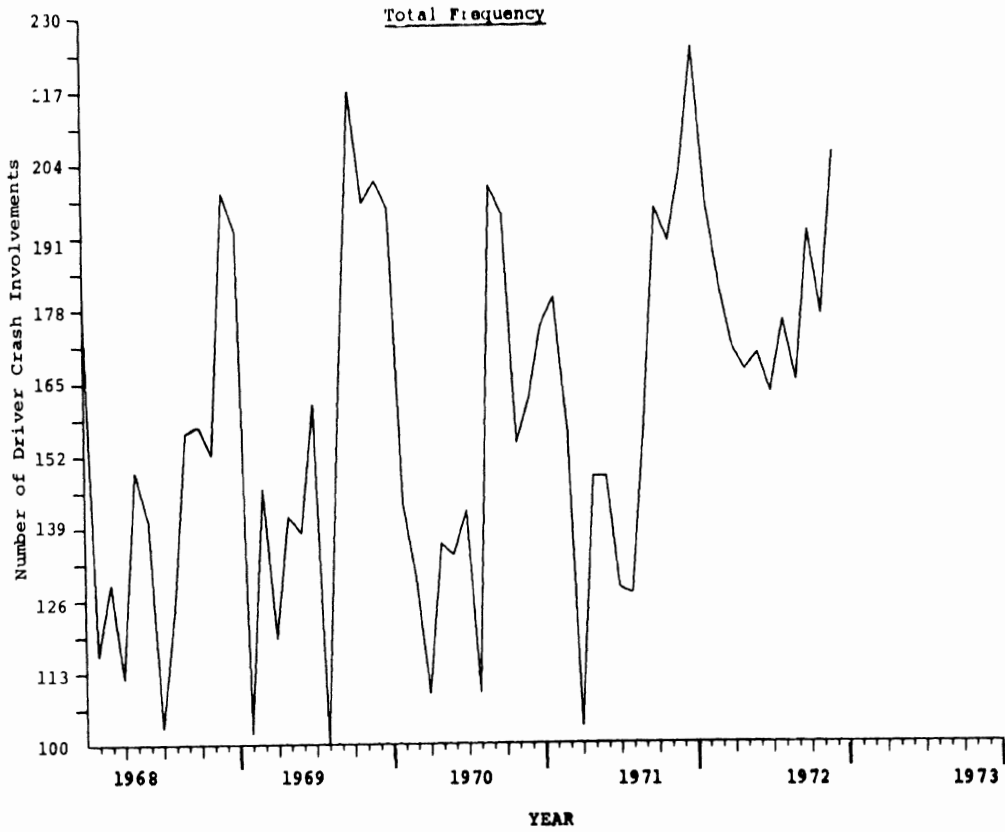


FIGURE D.1. TOTAL 18-20 YEAR-OLD DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

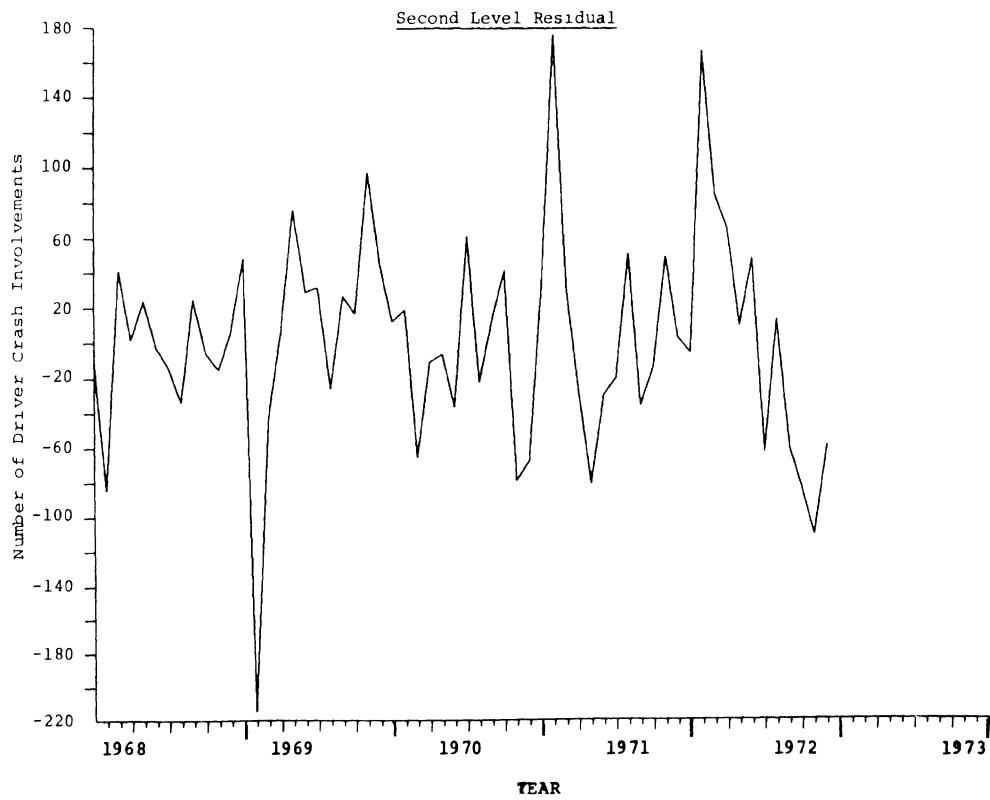
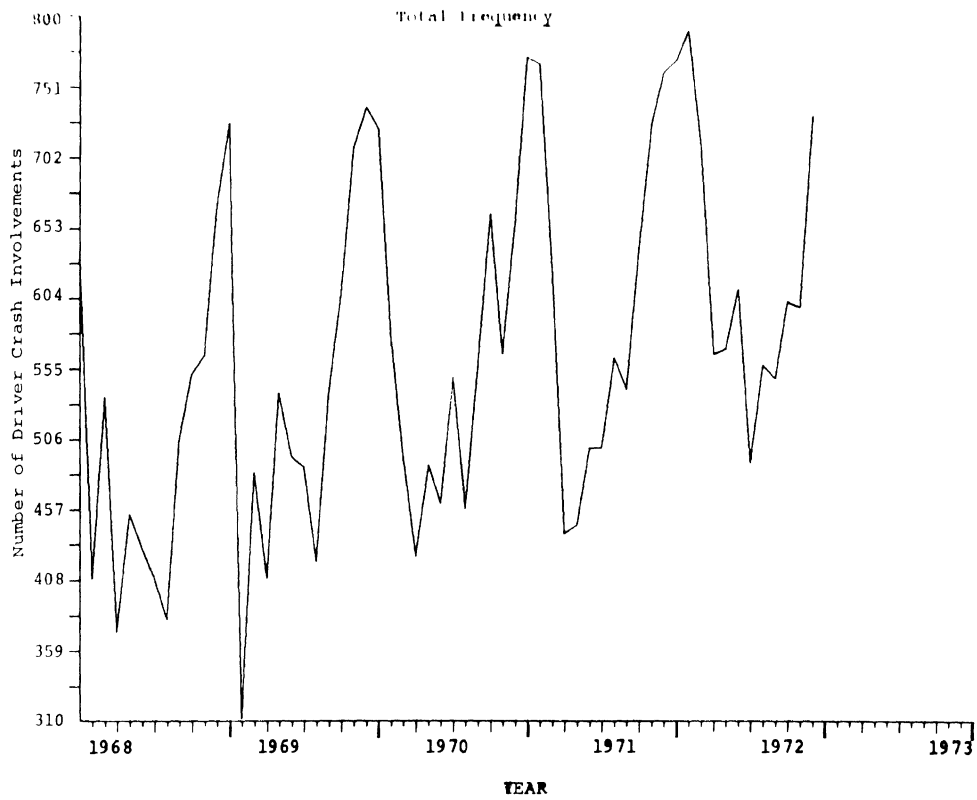


FIGURE D.2. TOTAL 21-45 YEAR OLD DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH



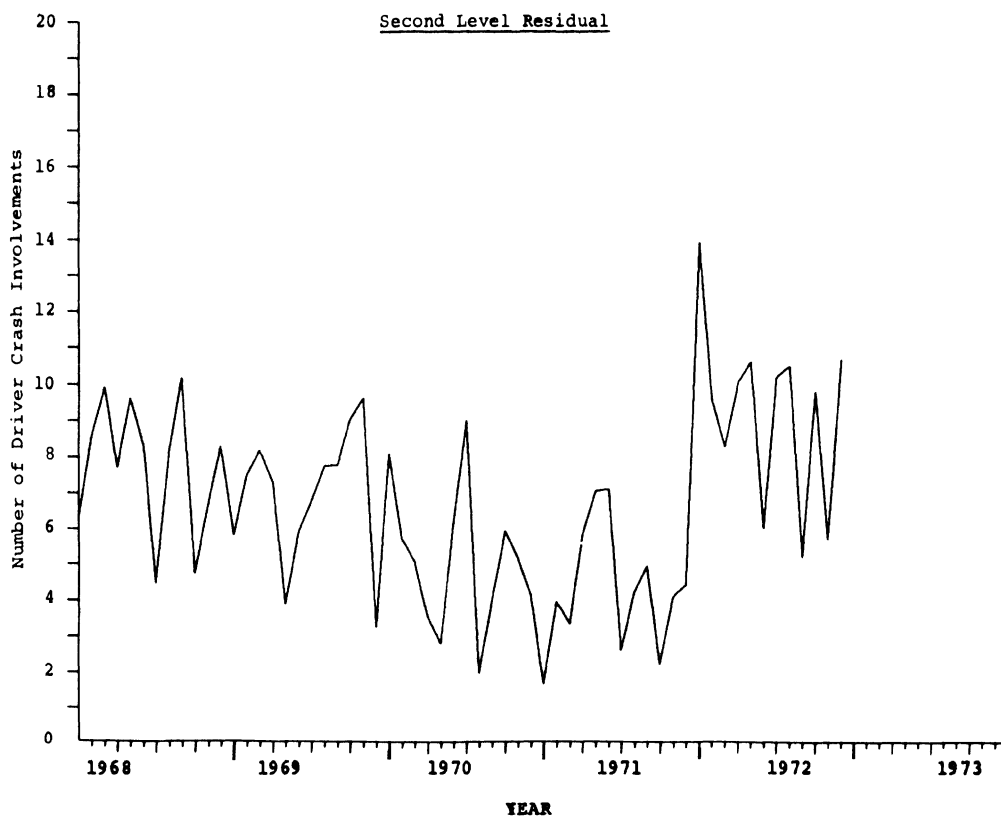
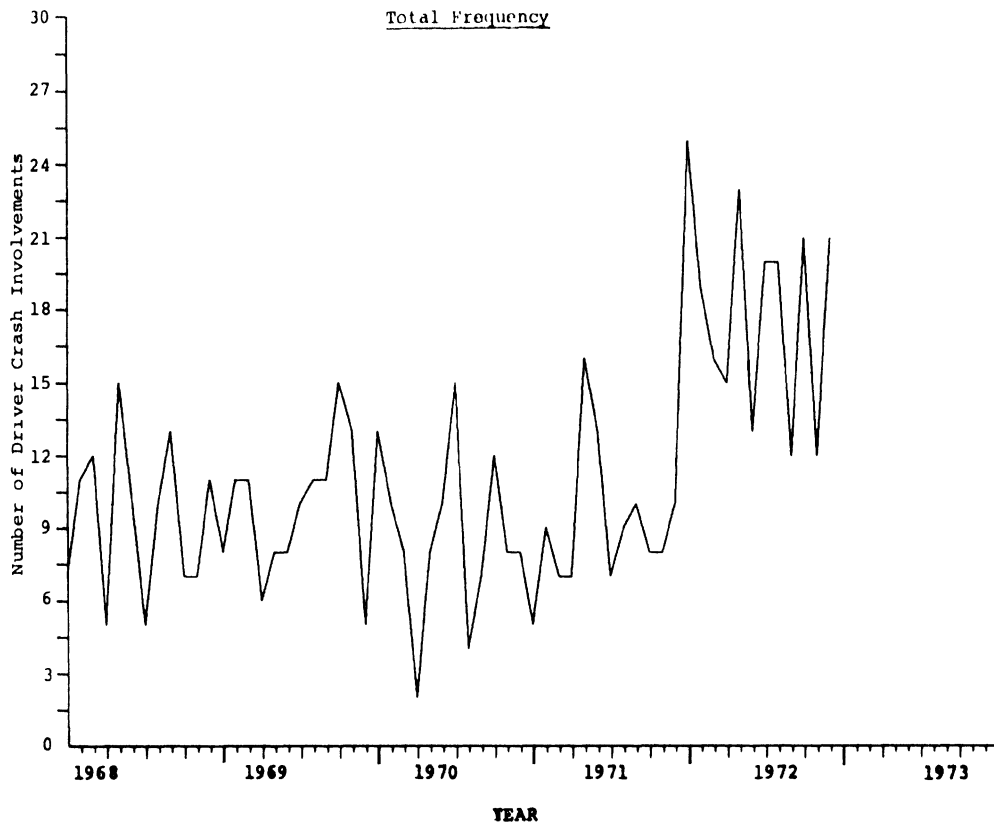


FIGURE D.3. 18-20 YEAR OLD "HBD" DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

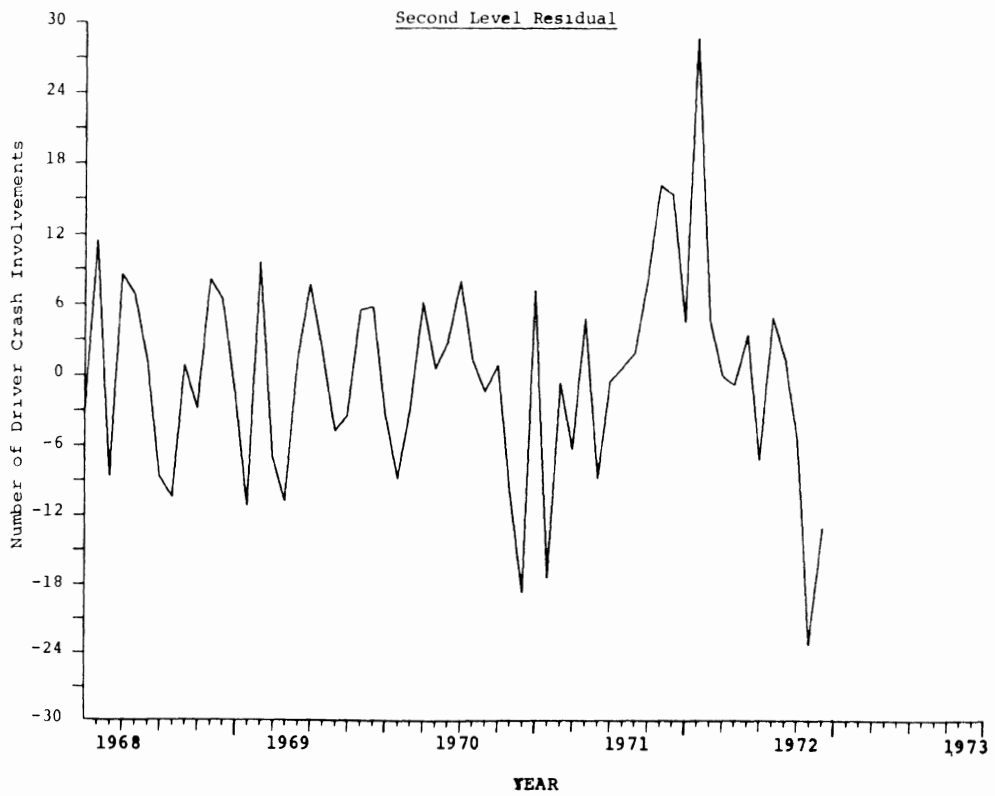
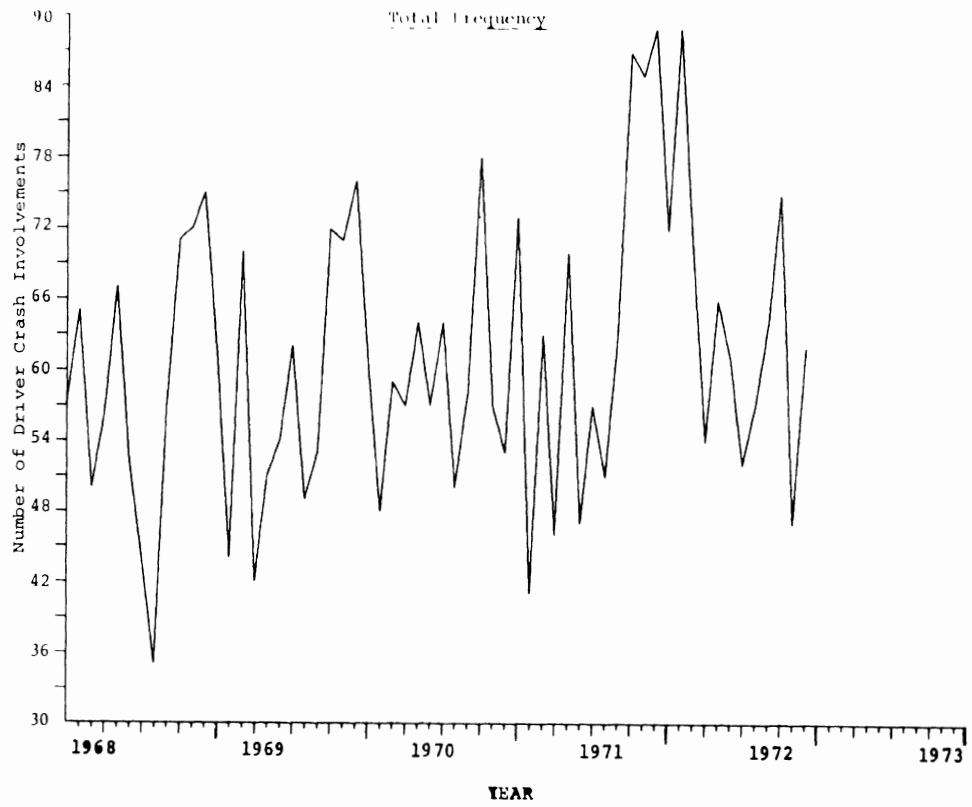


FIGURE D.4. 21-45 YEAR OLD "HBD" DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

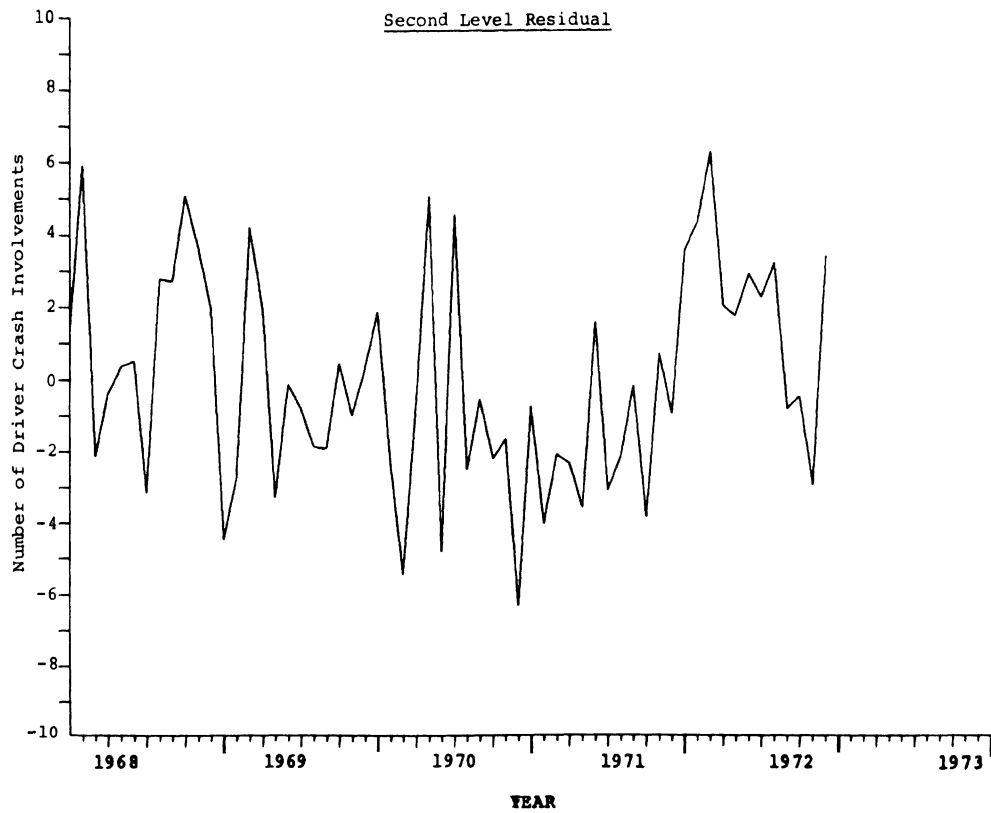
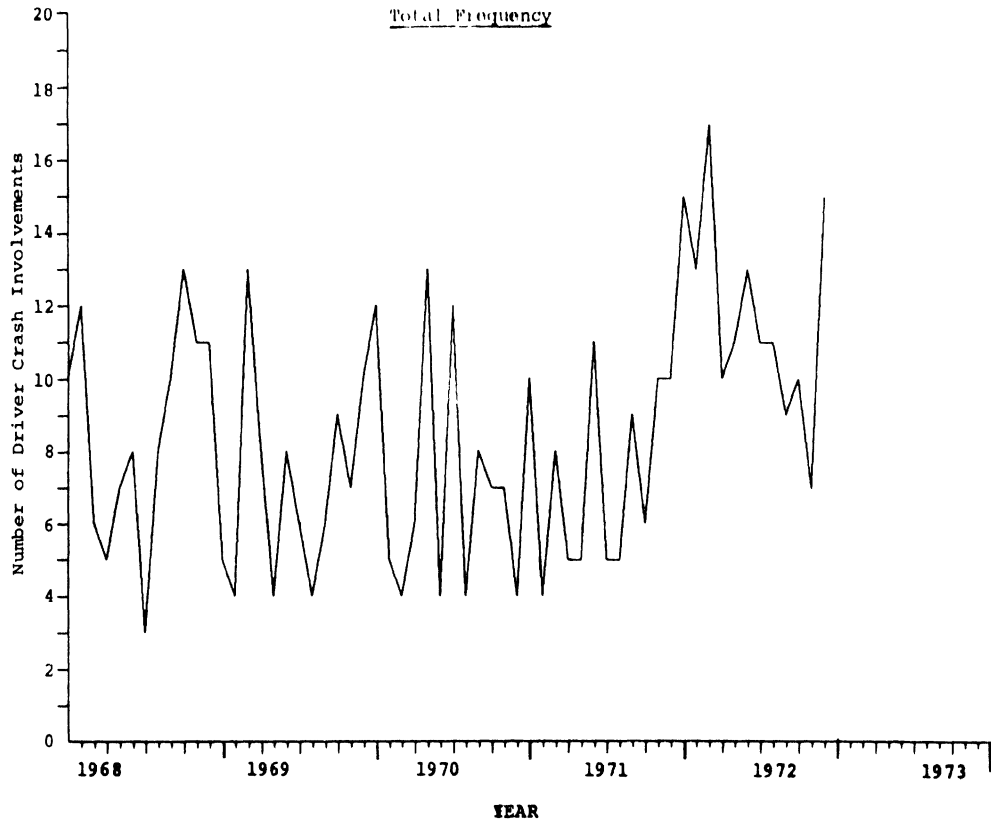


FIGURE D.5. 18-20 YEAR OLD THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

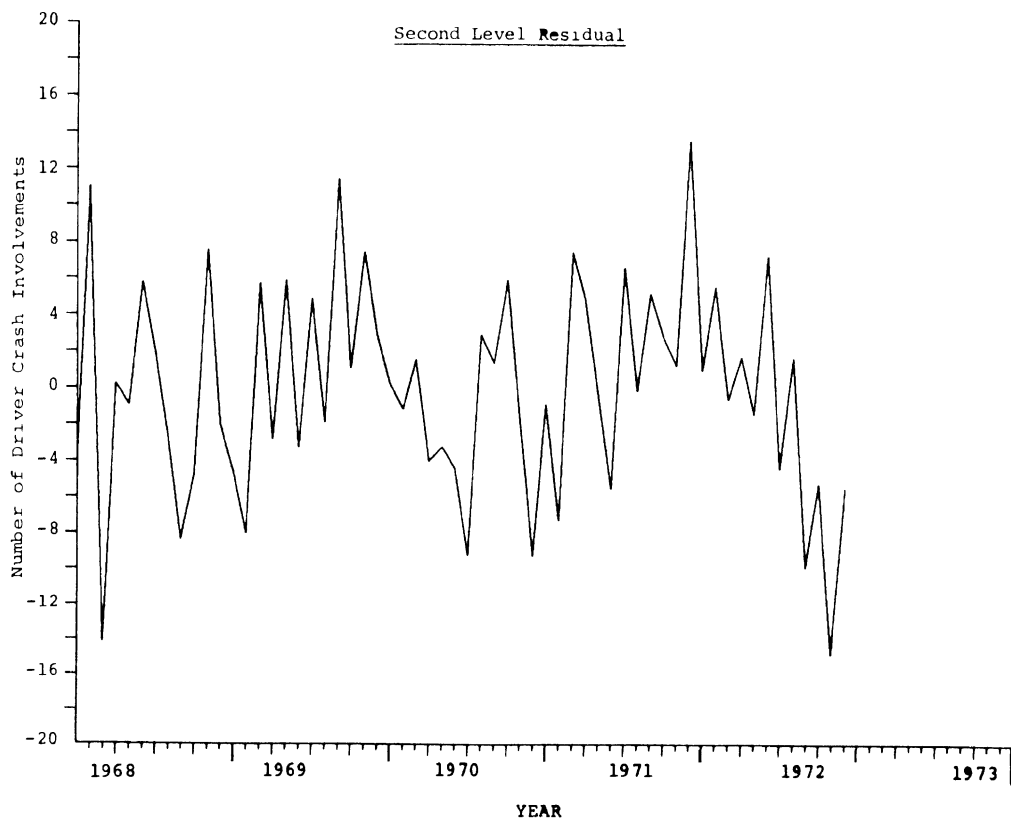
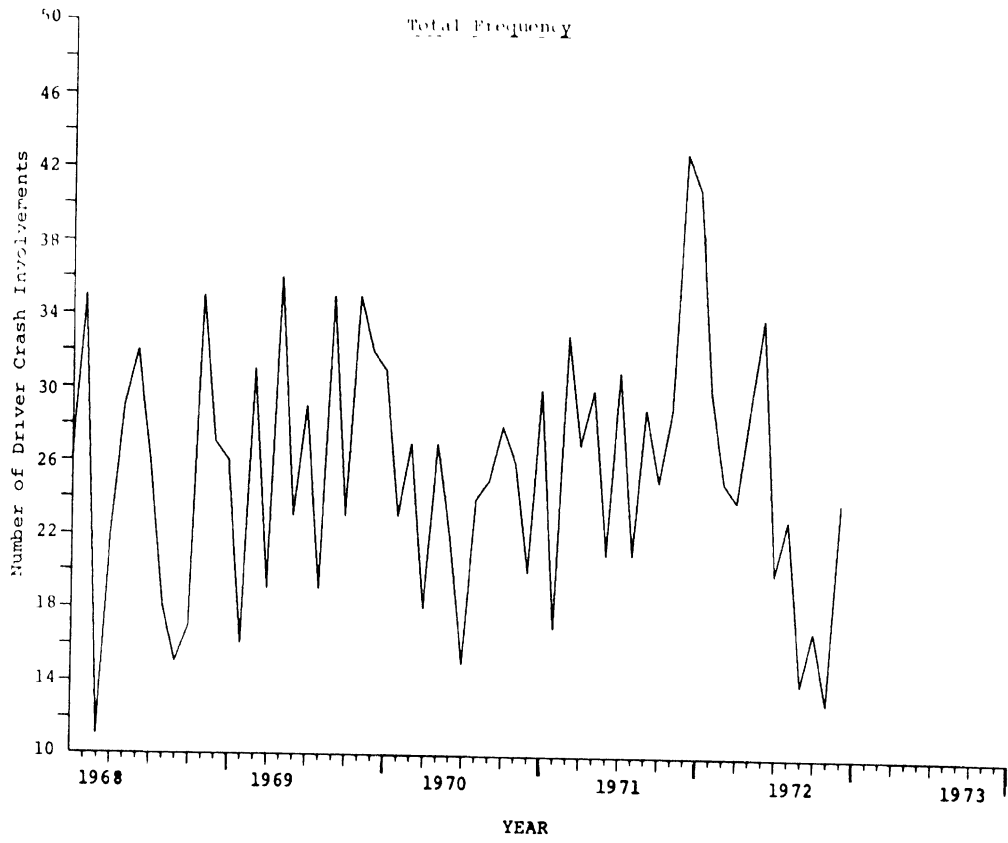


FIGURE D.6. 21-45 YEAR OLD THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

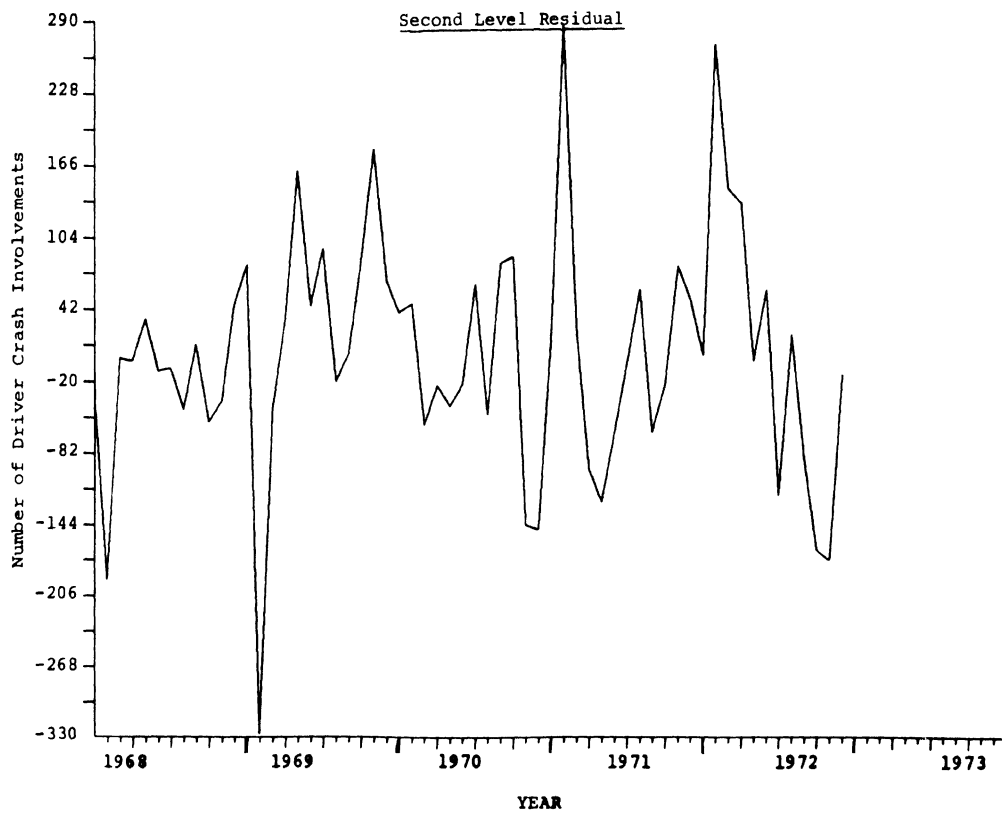
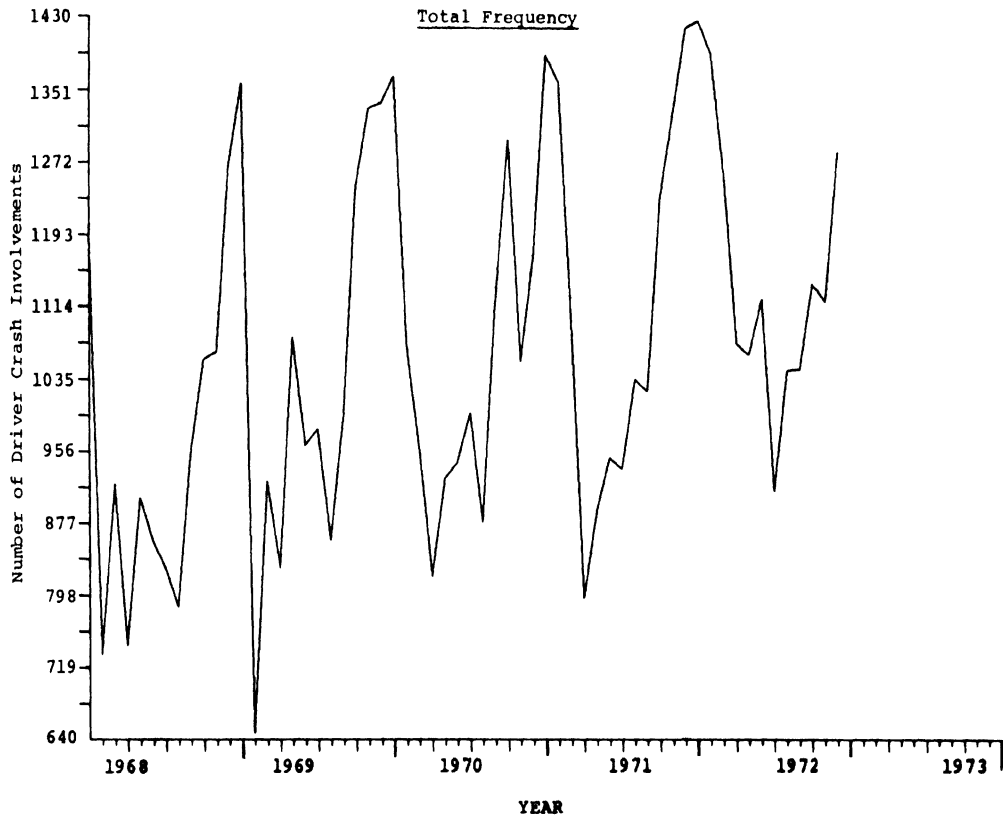


FIGURE D.7. TOTAL DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

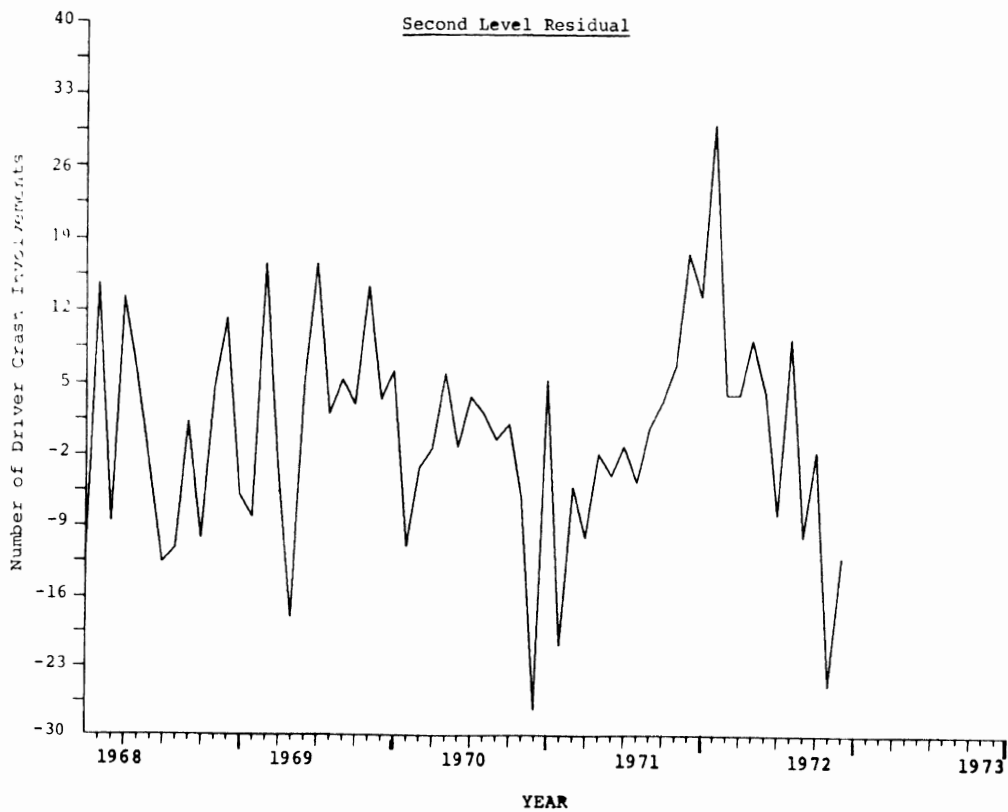
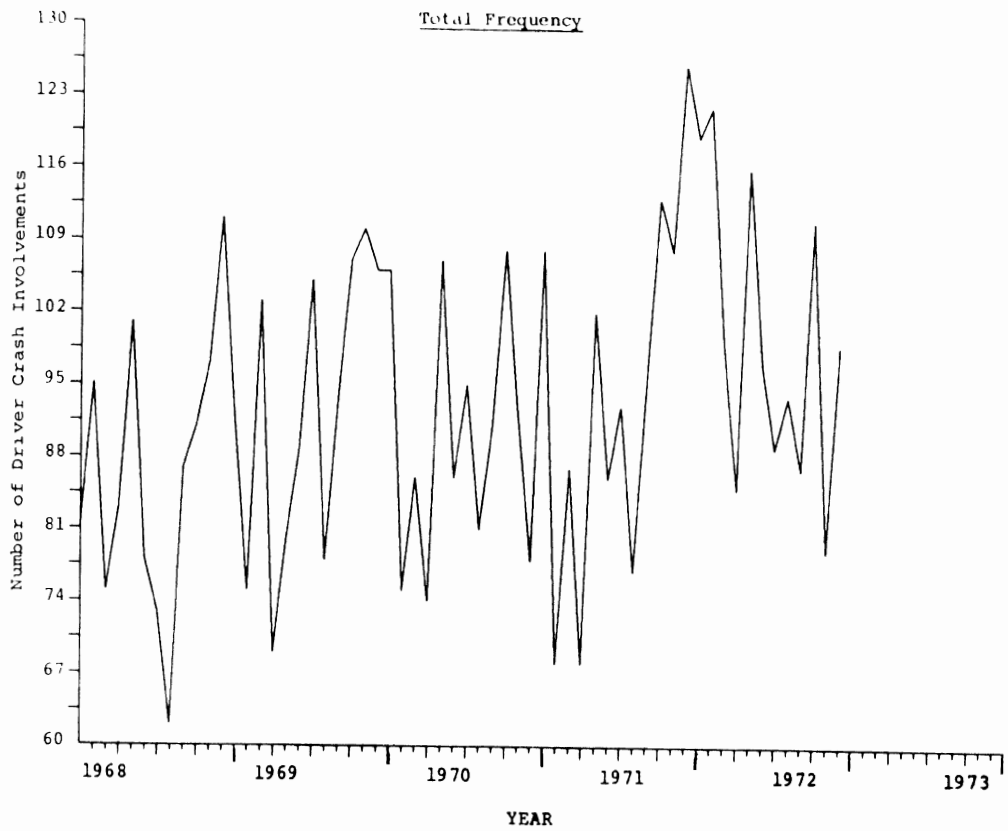


FIGURE D.8. TOTAL "HBD" DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

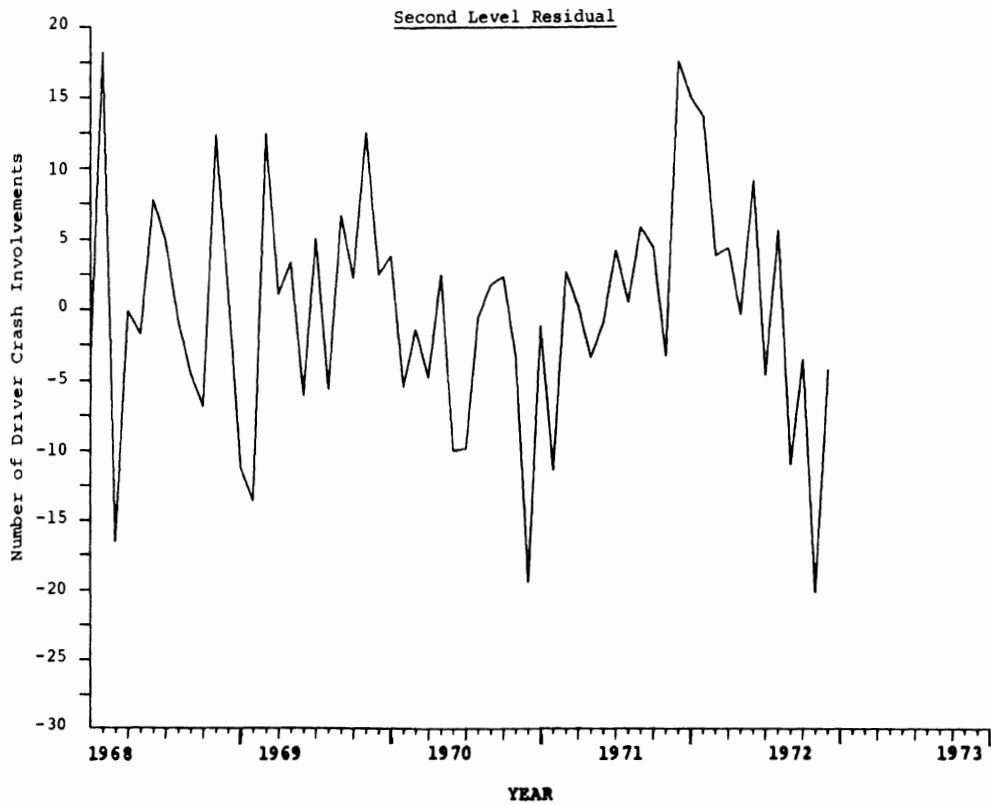
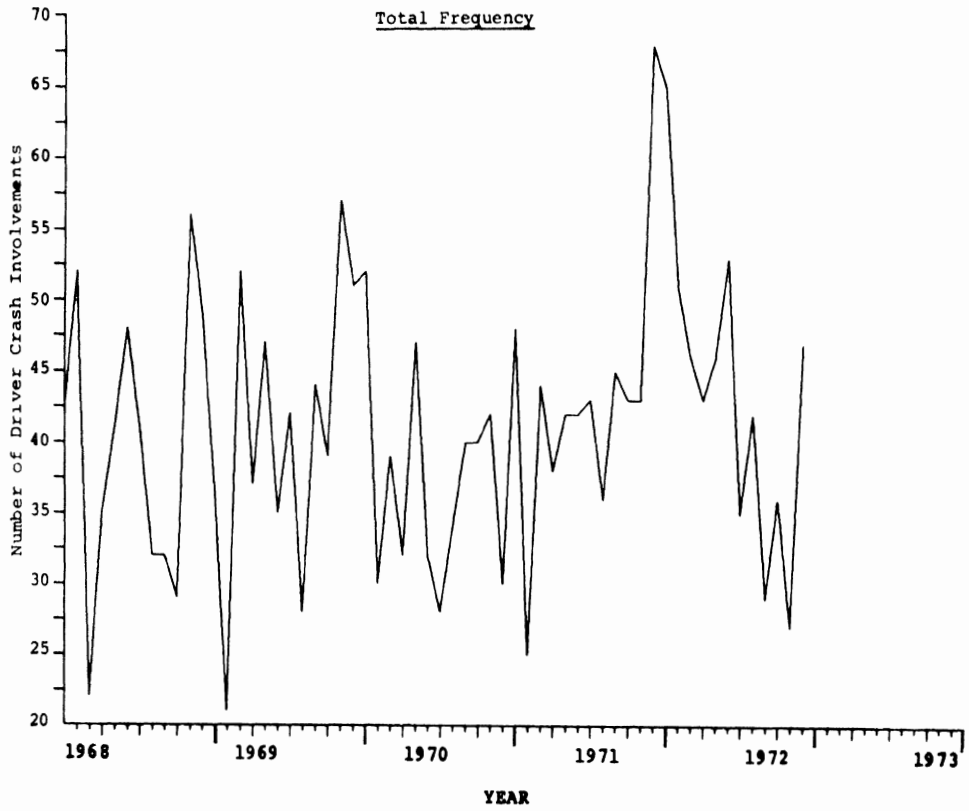


FIGURE D.9. TOTAL THREE-FACTOR-SURROGATE DRIVER CRASH INVOLVEMENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY MONTH

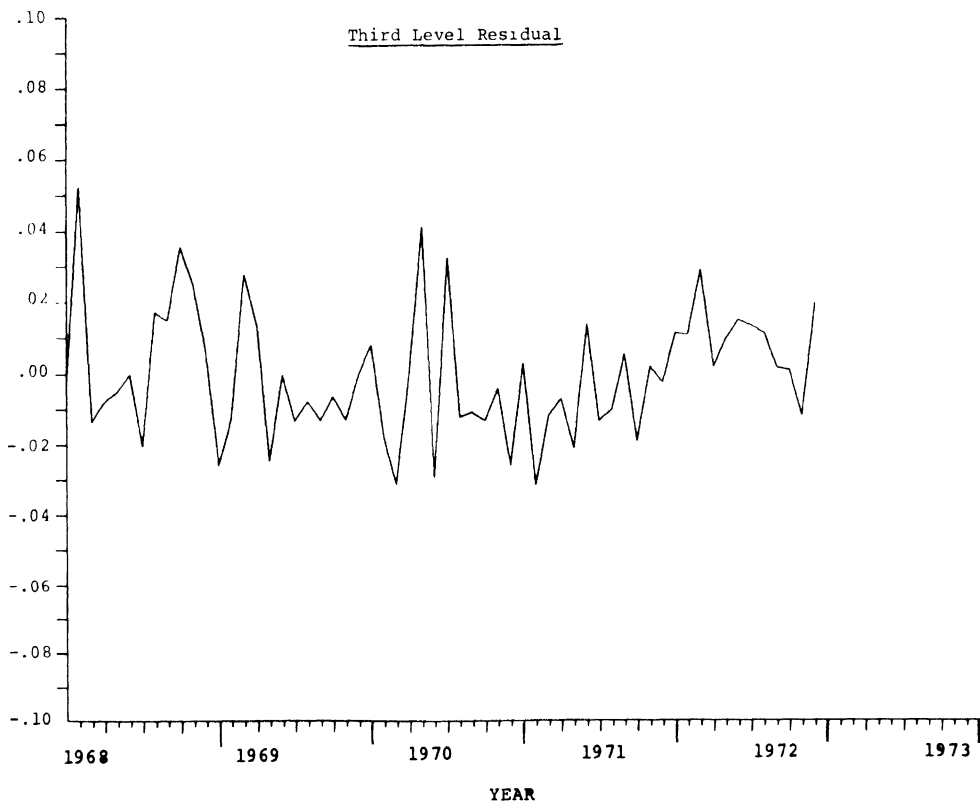
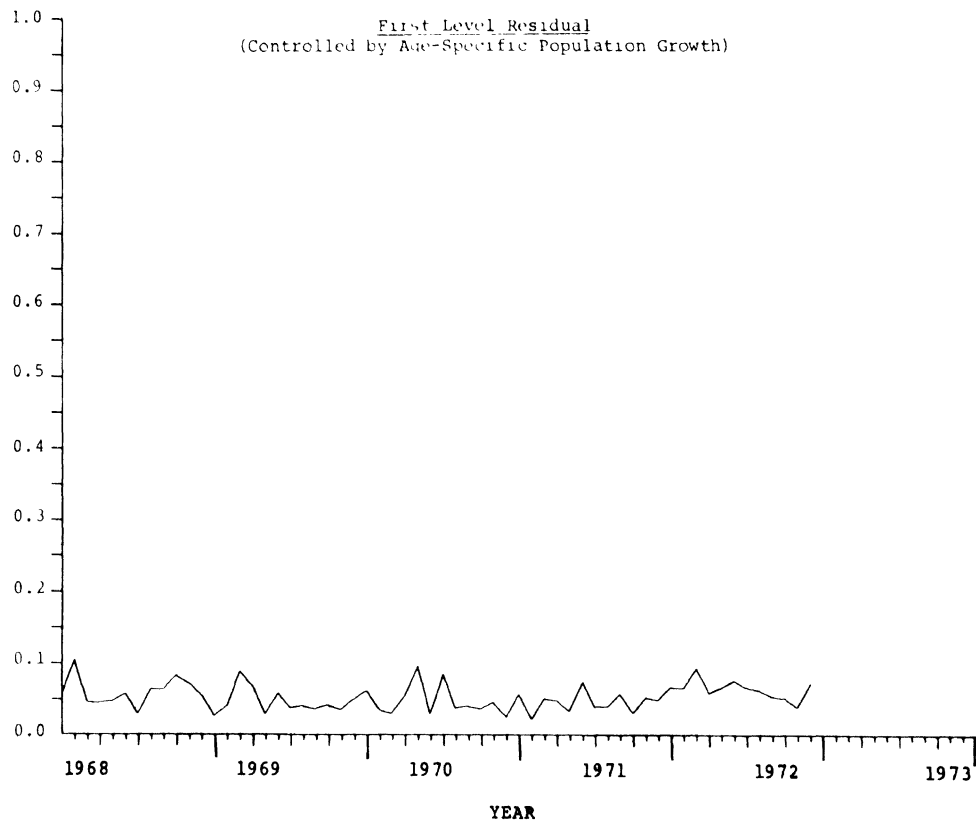


FIGURE D.10. 18-20 YEAR OLD AGE-SPECIFIC THREE-  
FACTOR-SURROGATE RATE WASHTENAW COUNTY,  
MICHIGAN 1968-1972



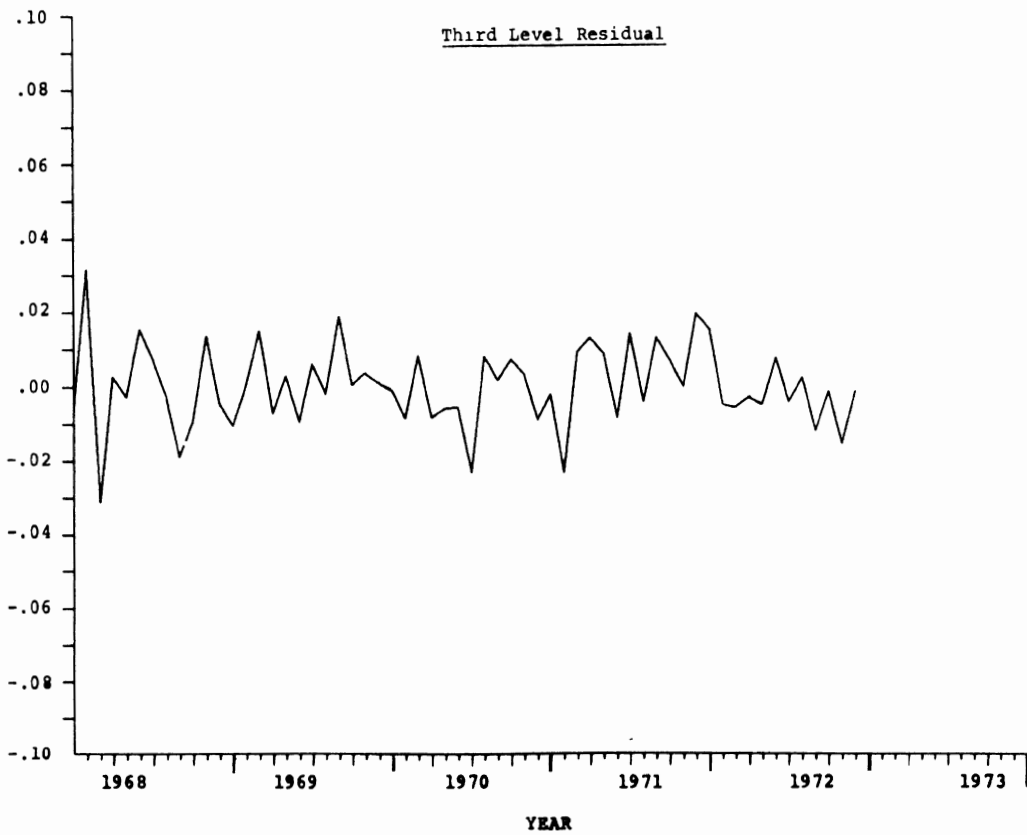
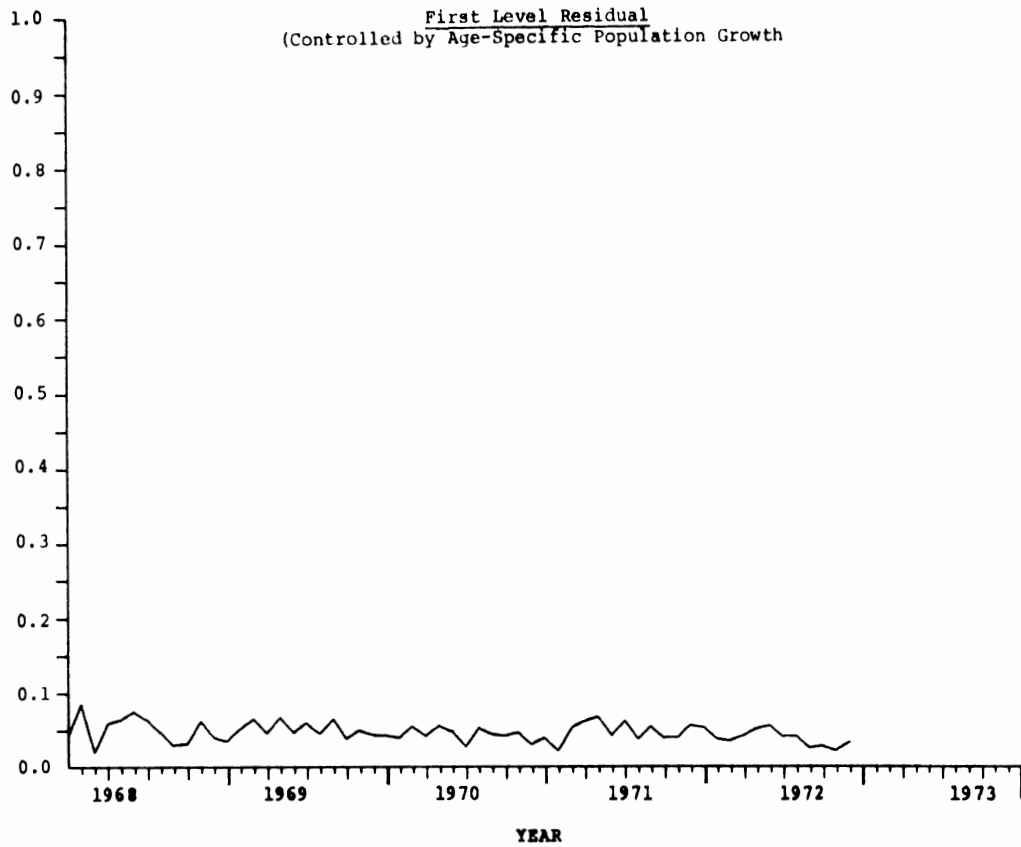


FIGURE D.11. 21-45 YEAR OLD AGE-SPECIFIC THREE-FACTOR SURROGATE RATE WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN 1968-1972



APPENDIX E

TABULAR CRASH DATA FOR FULL QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN



## TABULAR CRASH DATA FOR FULL QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

The following tables present grouped data for all eleven analytic files in the quasi-experimental design. Three tables are included for each of eleven jurisdictions including:

- (1) Annual driver involvements for total crash involvements (T); reported alcohol-related involvements (HBD); and three-factor-surrogate (3f) crash involvements,
- (2) Annual age-specific driver involvement rates by type of crash, and
- (3) Driver involvements by month and crash type.

The following tables are included:

- E.1 Michigan Statewide - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.2 Michigan Statewide - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.3 Michigan Statewide 1968 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Michigan Statewide 1969 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Michigan Statewide 1970 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Michigan Statewide 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Michigan Statewide 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.4 Washtenaw County, Michigan - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.5 Washtenaw County, Michigan - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.6 Washtenaw County, Michigan 1968 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Washtenaw County, Michigan 1969 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Washtenaw County, Michigan 1970 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

- Washtenaw County, Michigan 1971 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- Washtenaw County, Michigan 1972 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.7 Oakland County, Michigan - Annual Driver Involvements  
by Age Group and Type
- E.8 Oakland County, Michigan - Annual Age-Specific  
Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.9 Oakland County, Michigan 1968 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- Oakland County, Michigan 1969 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- Oakland County, Michigan 1970 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- Oakland County, Michigan 1971 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- Oakland County, Michigan 1972 - Driver Involvements  
by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.10 Wayne County, Michigan - Annual Driver Involvements  
by Age Group and Type
- E.11 Wayne County, Michigan - Annual Age-Specific Driver  
Involvement Rates by Type
- E.12 Wayne County, Michigan 1971 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Wayne County, Michigan 1972 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Wayne County, Michigan 1973 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- E.13 Michigan Fatal Crashes - Annual Driver Involvements by  
Age Group and Type
- E.14 Michigan Fatal Crashes - Annual Age-Specific Driver  
Involvement Rates by Type
- E.15 Michigan Fatal Crashes 1968 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Michigan Fatal Crashes 1969 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Michigan Fatal Crashes 1970 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Michigan Fatal Crashes 1971 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- Michigan Fatal Crashes 1972 - Driver Involvements by  
Month, Age Group and Type
- E.16 Maine - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.17 Maine - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates  
by Type
- E.18 Maine 1970 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group  
and Type
- Maine 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group  
and Type
- Maine 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group  
and Type

- E.19 Vermont - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.20 Vermont - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.21 Vermont 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Vermont 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.22 Louisiana - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.23 Louisiana - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.24 Louisiana 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Louisiana 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Louisiana 1973 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.25 New York - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.26 New York - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.27 New York 1968-69 - Driver Involvements by Months, Age Group and Type  
New York 1970 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
New York 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
New York 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.28 Texas - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.29 Texas - Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type
- E.30 Texas 1969 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Texas 1970 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Texas 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Texas 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type
- E.31 Pennsylvania - Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type
- E.32 Pennsylvania - Annual Age-Specific Involvement Rates by Type
- E.33 Pennsylvania 1968 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Pennsylvania 1969 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Pennsylvania 1970 - (linear regression estimates) Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Pennsylvania 1971 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type  
Pennsylvania 1972 - Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

MICHIGAN STATEWIDE

Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1968				1969				1970			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	37481	5576	18689	41164	6251	20331	41878	6210	20738		
HBD	5733	658	3535	6383	717	3924	5905	680	3679		
3f	3048	621	1752	3239	693	1820	3125	598	1801		

1971				1972				1973			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	42147	6182	21067	48160	7877	23720	26603	4438	13032		
HBD	5902	697	3613	7173	1242	4139	3932	713	2249		
3f	3418	653	1928	4213	973	2103	2311	513	1184		

1973'								TOTAL			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	45606	7608	22341				237433	36534	117577		
HBD	6741	1222	3855				35028	4707	21139		
3f	3962	879	2030				19354	4051	10588		

BEFORE								AFTER			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	162670	24219	80825				74763	12315	36752		
HBD	23923	2752	14751				11105	1955	6388		
3f	12830	2565	7301				6524	1486	3287		



MICHIGAN STATEWIDE

Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968			1969			1970		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.153	.118	.189	.155	.115	.193	.141	.110	.177
3f		.081	.111	.094	.079	.111	.090	.075	.096	.087

		1971			1972			1973		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.140	.113	.172	.149	.158	.174	.148	.161	.173
3f		.081	.106	.092	.087	.124	.089	.087	.116	.091

		TOTAL		
		AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.148	.129	.180
3f		.082	.111	.090

		BEFORE			AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.147	.114	.183	.149	.159	.174
3f		.079	.106	.090	.087	.121	.089

## MICHIGAN STATEWIDE 1968

## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3529	530	1854	2784	404	1393	2783	422	1465		
HBD	438	51	265	405	52	241	443	55	268		
3f	246	58	132	185	38	103	223	43	133		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2339	354	1133	2861	441	1402	3050	495	1454		
HBD	414	43	257	467	52	290	451	56	290		
3f	193	43	109	271	49	154	280	62	160		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2988	476	1439	3109	472	1525	2994	450	1481		
HBD	467	54	284	529	74	322	441	52	281		
3f	251	53	148	261	57	148	238	50	134		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3290	446	1648	3557	479	1756	4197	607	2139		
HBD	507	47	305	566	58	348	605	64	384		
3f	254	51	144	338	61	198	308	56	189		

MICHIGAN STATEWIDE 1969

Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4393	634	2340	2540	355	1294	2813	443	1375			
HBD	526	51	341	433	46	265	453	61	286			
3f	233	40	147	215	32	133	228	45	135			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	2658	399	1314	3286	507	1609	3287	533	1580			
HBD	445	49	269	564	56	354	487	53	311			
3f	230	50	121	280	55	156	302	80	164			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3357	576	1579	3284	478	1598	3135	471	1492			
HBD	510	71	294	563	59	345	475	57	262			
3f	273	58	153	250	47	146	224	51	119			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3926	558	1898	4163	624	2046	4322	673	2206			
HBD	603	73	370	641	65	399	683	76	428			
3f	293	71	158	383	81	209	328	83	179			

MICHIGAN STATEWIDE 1970

Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

		JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		4358	647	2214	3521	530	1813	3073	425	1564
HBD		495	49	309	494	57	309	467	52	306
3f		263	57	136	230	40	137	263	50	172
		APRIL			MAY			JUNE		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		2657	405	1331	3110	475	1524	3366	521	1621
HBD		438	50	285	499	61	320	493	61	328
3f		209	41	129	267	47	156	245	48	136
		JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		3427	536	1652	3226	506	1565	3224	470	1507
HBD		442	58	266	475	58	299	468	55	281
3f		243	65	125	239	41	141	235	50	134
		OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		3649	496	1788	3813	560	1886	4454	639	2273
HBD		539	58	322	563	60	344	532	61	310
3f		289	62	154	352	56	205	290	41	176

MICHIGAN STATEWIDE 1971

Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	4544	640	2384	3907	559	2030	3330	465	1735		
HBD	516	49	323	378	43	230	427	36	268		
3f	250	44	140	210	39	114	224	38	145		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2624	332	1331	3087	479	1509	3095	484	1486		
HBD	468	43	297	519	66	324	457	61	277		
3f	262	36	158	266	47	151	297	59	173		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3433	556	1626	3234	526	1527	3052	415	1471		
HBD	494	72	286	505	77	278	482	69	279		
3f	335	77	179	266	59	144	235	40	126		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3840	511	1905	3936	581	2016	4065	634	2047		
HBD	575	61	365	486	51	306	595	69	380		
3f	382	74	230	359	78	188	332	62	180		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4473	700	2352	4141	610	2208	3867	613	1961			
HBD	609	105	356	572	83	358	540	99	321			
3f	392	86	200	319	66	173	322	69	172			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3053	498	1523	3646	646	1723	3733	651	1760			
HBD	494	84	284	613	118	357	540	89	308			
3f	308	69	149	351	91	169	359	85	179			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3782	667	1797	3834	643	1823	3704	592	1770			
HBD	617	111	343	596	109	338	609	109	361			
3f	325	71	165	354	84	160	342	90	166			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4061	653	1891	4394	702	2119	5472	902	2793			
HBD	617	111	351	618	112	328	748	112	434			
3f	345	72	172	401	100	205	395	90	193			

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1968				1969				1970			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	11311	1717	5914	12540	1878	6461	12598	1810	6614		
HBD	1034	113	701	1107	117	705	1079	105	706		
3f	479	104	293	489	84	324	446	86	286		

1971				1972							
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T	13448	1911	7278	13887	2191	7543					
HBD	1131	109	772	1197	217	769					
3f	517	88	336	520	142	294					

				TOTAL							
				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T				63784	9507	33810					
HBD				5548	661	3653					
3f				2451	504	1533					

BEFORE								AFTER			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	49897	7316	26267				13887	2191	7543		
HBD	4351	444	2884				1197	217	769		
3f	1931	362	1239				520	142	294		

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968			1969			1970		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.091	.066	.119	.088	.062	.109	.086	.058	.107
3f		.042	.061	.050	.039	.045	.050	.035	.048	.043

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.084	.057	.106	.086	.099	.101			
3f		.038	.046	.046	.037	.065	.039			

		TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.087	.070	.108			
3f		.038	.053	.045			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.087	.061	.110				.086	.099	.101
3f		.039	.049	.047				.037	.065	.039



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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1201	180	637	733	116	409	920	129	535			
HBD	81	7	57	95	11	65	75	12	50			
3f	49	10	26	52	12	35	22	6	11			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	743	112	372	904	149	454	857	140	430			
HBD	83	5	56	101	15	67	78	10	52			
3f	35	5	22	41	7	29	48	8	32			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	828	103	409	785	124	381	953	156	505			
HBD	73	5	44	62	10	35	87	13	57			
3f	41	3	26	32	8	18	32	10	15			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1056	157	551	1064	152	564	1267	199	667			
HBD	91	7	71	97	7	72	111	11	75			
3f	29	13	17	56	11	35	49	11	27			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1358	192	726	647	102	312	923	146	483		
HBD	91	8	61	75	11	44	103	11	70		
3f	36	5	26	21	4	16	52	13	31		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	828	119	409	1081	141	538	962	138	494		
HBD	69	6	42	80	8	51	89	8	54		
3f	37	8	19	47	4	36	35	8	23		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	980	161	487	858	100	421	994	164	539		
HBD	105	10	62	78	11	49	94	11	53		
3f	42	6	29	28	4	19	44	6	35		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1243	217	606	1330	197	709	1336	201	737		
HBD	107	15	72	110	13	71	106	5	76		
3f	39	9	23	57	7	35	51	10	32		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1365	196	722	1069	143	577	959	130	493			
HBD	106	13	61	75	10	48	86	8	59			
3f	52	12	31	30	5	23	39	4	27			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	819	109	424	926	136	488	943	134	461			
HBD	74	2	57	107	8	64	86	10	57			
3f	32	6	18	47	13	27	32	4	22			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	998	142	549	878	109	457	1120	200	557			
HBD	95	15	64	81	4	50	91	7	58			
3f	28	12	15	34	4	24	40	8	25			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1296	195	663	1054	154	565	1171	162	658			
HBD	108	12	78	92	8	57	78	8	53			
3f	40	7	28	42	7	26	30	4	20			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Groups, and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1388	175	722	1359	180	767	1089	156	622			
HBD	108	5	73	68	9	41	87	7	63			
3f	48	10	30	25	4	17	44	8	33			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	795	103	440	892	148	446	950	148	500			
HBD	68	7	46	102	16	70	86	13	47			
3f	38	5	27	42	5	30	42	11	21			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	938	128	500	1035	127	563	1023	157	541			
HBD	93	7	57	77	9	51	95	10	63			
3f	43	5	31	36	5	21	45	9	29			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1234	196	640	1327	190	726	1418	203	761			
HBD	113	8	87	108	8	85	126	10	89			
3f	43	6	25	43	10	29	68	10	43			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1426	225	769	1391	197	790	1260	182	708			
HBD	119	25	72	122	19	89	99	16	70			
3f	65	15	41	51	13	30	46	17	25			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1074	171	565	1063	167	569	1122	170	611			
HBD	85	15	54	116	23	66	97	13	61			
3f	43	10	24	46	11	29	53	13	34			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	913	163	490	1045	176	558	1047	165	549			
HBD	89	20	52	94	20	57	87	12	64			
3f	35	11	20	42	11	23	29	9	14			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1140	192	603	1121	177	599	1285	206	732			
HBD	111	21	75	79	12	47	99	21	62			
3f	36	10	17	27	7	13	47	15	24			

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1968				1969				1970			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	44926	6031	22197	51798	7058	25414	52994	7154	26040		
HBD	6338	638	3903	7159	714	4381	6478	688	3881		
3f	2052	401	1186	2302	416	1303	2051	391	1174		

1971				1972							
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-y5					
T	52652	7199	25701	60900	9165	29658					
HBD	6532	692	3953	7884	1212	4511					
3f	2170	382	1180	2940	616	1331					

				TOTAL							
				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T				263270	36607	129010					
HBD				34391	3944	20629					
3f				11515	2206	6174					

BEFORE								AFTER			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	202370	27442	99352				60900	9165	29658		
HBD	26507	2732	16118				7884	1212	4511		
3f	8575	1590	4843				2940	616	1331		

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968			1969			1970		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.141	.106	.176	.138	.101	.172	.122	.096	.149
3f		.046	.066	.053	.044	.059	.051	.039	.055	.045

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.124	.096	.154	.129	.132	.152			
3f		.041	.053	.046	.048	.067	.045			

		TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.131	.108	.160			
3f		.044	.060	.048			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45			ALL	18-20	21-45	
HBD		.131	.100	.162			.129	.132	.152	
3f		.042	.058	.049			.048	.067	.045	

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	4318	532	2269	3219	414	1639	3679	497	1880		
HBD	558	60	348	462	42	283	520	51	323		
3f	170	34	94	138	28	87	174	32	98		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2861	395	1393	3499	477	1713	3797	551	1798		
HBD	419	56	239	527	64	334	493	51	305		
3f	113	24	67	159	32	94	184	36	96		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3459	499	1666	3374	466	1635	3671	511	1730		
HBD	435	37	280	471	57	280	474	49	281		
3f	149	26	77	180	39	102	181	33	107		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	4038	484	1935	4015	521	1983	4996	684	2556		
HBD	586	51	343	623	51	383	770	69	504		
3f	170	31	101	176	37	100	258	49	163		



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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	5363	700	2788	2922	364	1438	3674	485	1811		
HBD	665	49	438	471	57	272	496	42	307		
3f	184	33	114	160	27	93	160	21	94		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3487	469	1745	4171	577	2018	4304	644	2041		
HBD	514	56	328	618	65	369	551	53	326		
3f	192	38	113	208	40	114	176	36	92		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	4102	643	1899	4022	584	1940	3812	509	1840		
HBD	481	51	289	607	63	362	546	51	331		
3f	176	34	90	182	33	103	174	29	94		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	5090	610	2498	5176	694	2526	5675	779	2870		
HBD	663	56	399	703	79	418	844	92	542		
3f	206	32	111	234	46	136	250	47	149		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	6053	844	3004	4519	552	2358	3899	502	1968			
HBD	611	76	351	539	45	317	582	57	351			
3f	185	35	96	164	27	105	185	40	111			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3623	485	1775	4307	597	2102	4430	615	2119			
HBD	478	60	280	604	59	381	505	54	323			
3f	151	41	78	191	32	110	182	30	111			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4035	595	1933	3849	550	1822	3945	554	1937			
HBD	448	56	268	464	38	286	509	62	299			
3f	160	35	89	173	30	91	134	31	76			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4334	559	2126	4205	550	2017	5795	751	2879			
HBD	574	65	329	490	61	284	674	55	412			
3f	184	33	108	167	33	88	175	24	111			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	5544	751	2814	4762	604	2459	4224	565	2083			
HBD	583	60	357	510	38	330	479	43	272			
3f	195	34	105	167	19	114	156	26	91			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3287	428	1585	3910	565	1889	4210	620	1962			
HBD	480	49	280	520	58	331	477	56	288			
3f	142	16	73	169	26	94	203	34	114			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4018	558	1933	3909	602	1832	3924	529	1845			
HBD	519	56	309	543	80	313	464	50	281			
3f	173	38	89	179	36	95	179	33	96			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4840	631	2348	4618	599	2318	5406	747	2633			
HBD	639	65	384	517	58	312	801	79	496			
3f	207	45	106	181	36	78	219	39	125			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	5523	819	2786	4910	678	2445	4922	722	2397			
HBD	628	88	357	619	74	377	658	90	377			
3f	264	60	114	217	48	105	243	46	122			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3882	583	1884	4907	811	2285	4909	789	2299			
HBD	535	90	311	662	108	374	603	98	338			
3f	216	43	97	215	44	102	244	55	120			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4455	704	2131	4865	784	2292	4659	661	2259			
HBD	569	95	311	547	89	298	667	108	367			
3f	258	54	109	249	56	101	217	47	86			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	4993	713	2419	5397	794	2611	7478	1107	3850			
HBD	670	96	397	727	108	413	999	168	591			
3f	240	46	115	245	51	109	332	66	151			

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1971				1972				1973			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3005	409	1453	5113	728	2508	3056	488	1511		
HBD	442	43	271	762	112	442	467	73	265		
3f	181	32	97	299	58	141	200	51	89		

1973											
AGE GROUPS											
	ALL	18-20	21-45								
T	5239	837	2590								
HBD	801	125	454								
3f	343	87	153								

				TOTAL							
				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T				11174	1625	5472					
HBD				1671	228	978					
3f				680	151	327					

BEFORE								AFTER			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3005	409	1453				8169	1216	4019		
HBD	442	43	271				1229	185	707		
3f	181	32	97				499	119	230		



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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	302	35	146	294	45	137	248	34	120			
HBD	34	1	24	31	2	22	55	5	33			
3f	11	1	5	14	1	7	20	2	15			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	221	26	114	209	29	108	224	28	109			
HBD	44	3	31	39	7	26	25	2	14			
3f	12	2	7	17	2	11	14	4	6			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	241	28	118	236	27	124	225	39	96			
HBD	41	3	23	48	4	30	43	5	24			
3f	16	2	10	12	4	5	10	2	4			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	255	32	110	250	35	125	300	51	146			
HBD	20	1	13	36	5	18	26	5	13			
3f	17	3	11	15	3	7	23	6	9			

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Driver Involvement by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	464	58	231	428	60	225	384	48	194			
HBD	84	12	50	72	10	47	66	11	39			
3f	26	7	10	35	5	18	28	0	13			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	353	46	188	370	56	177	413	69	199			
HBD	62	8	41	49	8	32	54	7	30			
3f	15	4	7	25	5	13	25	7	11			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	429	67	208	345	46	172	407	53	206			
HBD	46	8	25	59	6	36	69	8	44			
3f	19	4	10	21	3	15	26	6	12			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	441	88	188	490	56	226	589	81	294			
HBD	54	18	21	55	4	32	42	12	45			
3f	21	9	5	24	13	8	34	5	19			





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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1968				1969				1970			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3057	373	1610	3265	426	1633	2815	360	1648		
HBD	117	18	70	196	24	134	232	21	168		
3f	684	110	408	692	111	391	604	77	366		

1971				1972							
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T	3289	389	1549	3453	482	1556					
HBD	1130	135	646	1252	197	671					
3f	851	120	396	890	150	391					

				TOTAL							
				AGE GROUPS							
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45					
T				18879	2030	7996					
HBD				2927	395	1689					
3f				3721	568	1952					

BEFORE								AFTER			
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	12426	1548	6440				3453	482	1556		
HBD	1675	198	1018				1252	197	671		
3f	2831	418	1561				890	150	391		

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968			1969			1970		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.038	.048	.043	.060	.056	.082	.082	.058	.102
3f		.224	.295	.253	.212	.261	.239	.215	.214	.222

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.344	.347	.417	.363	.409	.431			
3f		.259	.308	.256	.258	.311	.251			

					TOTAL					
					AGE GROUPS					
					ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD					.155	.195	.211			
3f					.197	.280	.244			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.135	.128	.158				.363	.409	.431
3f		.228	.270	.242				.258	.311	.251

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	174	20	96	208	21	119	187	28	92		
HBD	3	2	0	5	0	3	5	1	3		
3f	37	7	24	42	7	24	55	12	29		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	183	34	91	282	36	150	289	41	142		
HBD	10	3	5	15	1	11	11	1	7		
3f	38	6	25	78	11	46	54	7	27		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	270	31	149	284	35	145	286	33	170		
HBD	6	1	5	13	3	4	15	0	11		
3f	68	15	38	63	9	40	74	9	54		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	320	32	163	352	40	191	222	22	102		
HBD	10	3	5	9	0	6	15	3	10		
3f	65	9	33	58	8	39	52	10	29		

MICHIGAN FATAL CRASHES 1969

Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	179	16	92	202	21	115	208	33	99		
HBD	8	0	7	12	0	9	17	0	13		
3f	36	5	20	44	6	25	58	10	31		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	223	29	123	290	42	166	304	43	143		
HBD	17	3	12	15	2	13	18	5	8		
3f	58	11	35	50	6	33	59	10	30		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	298	41	155	320	40	163	299	38	153		
HBD	18	2	12	11	3	7	19	2	13		
3f	65	11	34	61	9	36	66	10	33		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	313	40	111	317	42	151	312	41	162		
HBD	20	2	13	22	4	12	19	1	15		
3f	82	13	44	54	10	36	59	10	34		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	239	38	120	184	22	102	183	21	111			
HBD	11	1	9	14	1	12	16	1	9			
3f	44	10	24	43	3	27	44	3	33			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	187	25	101	266	34	152	268	34	147			
HBD	18	1	13	11	2	7	27	2	18			
3f	40	4	25	72	10	50	63	7	33			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	248	31	145	268	38	147	290	37	157			
HBD	28	2	26	19	2	14	28	2	21			
3f	52	7	35	50	7	26	50	6	26			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	274	36	130	217	26	110	191	18	226			
HBD	18	2	10	23	4	14	19	1	15			
3f	61	9	33	47	7	29	38	4	25			

## MICHIGAN FATAL CRASHES 1971

### Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	233	24	97	208	15	105	247	37	112		
HBD	59	5	38	59	7	35	95	12	50		
3f	64	6	28	49	5	25	65	11	25		
APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	216	22	104	286	33	141	295	44	138		
HBD	88	10	52	110	13	58	85	14	49		
3f	42	4	22	80	10	40	82	16	29		
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	319	40	160	339	44	160	228	28	87		
HBD	90	18	54	134	15	76	73	1	37		
3f	85	9	44	103	18	50	64	13	23		
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	326	40	157	311	33	150	281	29	138		
HBD	116	16	71	109	11	64	112	13	62		
3f	83	12	44	66	7	31	68	9	35		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	238	32	105	247	27	127	231	33	103		
HBD	104	16	53	91	15	49	105	15	52		
3f	68	7	34	67	4	37	65	11	33		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	227	31	106	315	44	148	311	59	129		
HBD	97	14	58	94	13	57	107	21	55		
3f	71	12	36	63	14	28	80	18	24		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	332	48	157	317	55	132	334	47	139		
HBD	115	19	70	88	15	44	137	23	69		
3f	83	15	36	74	17	27	103	16	49		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	339	39	155	276	26	122	286	41	133		
HBD	118	17	64	89	10	46	107	19	54		
3f	74	17	28	63	7	24	79	12	35		



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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

		1970			1971			1972		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T		45299	4045	24243	45216	3870	24629	41201	4089	18603
HBD		3213	237	2145	3050	259	2130	3179	376	2138
3f		2725	356	1878	2491	366	1689	2494	435	1602
					TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T					131716	12004	67475			
HBD					9442	872	6413			
3f					7710	1157	5169			
		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T		106926	9404	55846				24790	2600	11629
HBD		7323	573	5042				2119	299	1371
3f		6050	843	4148				1660	314	1021

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1970			1971			1972		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
HBD		.071	.059	.088	.067	.067	.086	.077	.092	.115
3f		.060	.088	.077	.055	.095	.069	.061	.106	.086
					TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
HBD					.072	.073	.095			
3f					.059	.096	.077			
		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
HBD		.068	.061	.090				.085	.115	.118
3f		.057	.090	.074				.067	.121	.088

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3740	313	2024	3435	279	1901	3466	297	1865			
HBD	259	9	176	261	17	175	256	19	160			
3f	209	16	160	207	23	141	213	28	143			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	2727	226	1460	2763	265	1492	3150	318	1529			
HBD	234	19	180	258	24	160		21	145			
3f	185	21	134	210	30	139	238	30	162			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3615	336	1819	3781	232	1973	3204	329	1658			
HBD	259	21	153	323	25	220	265	17	186			
3f	263	44	164	257	40	178	218	34	147			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3641	323	1963	3303	302	1794	8474	704	4765			
HBD	327	29	233	263	18	176	281	18	181			
3f	266	37	187	266	32	184	193	21	139			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44		
T	6393	469	3770	5018	345	2788	4382	305	2459		
HBD	230	19	133	181	10	119	210	8	160		
3f	129	18	84	116	11	83	136	11	112		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44		
T	2740	225	1482	2938	259	1627	3018	313	1576		
HBD	226	15	162	290	24	215	271	28	193		
3f	160	19	112	230	30	160	279	52	172		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44		
T	3507	318	1862	3695	377	1880	2961	273	1542		
HBD	279	22	207	274	28	183	238	25	170		
3f	242	37	164	265	47	174	218	33	143		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44		
T	2983	277	1573	3142	286	1703	4439	423	2367		
HBD	311	22	224	233	24	165	307	34	199		
3f	247	33	174	240	37	160	229	38	151		

MAINE 1972

Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3289	329	1789	4212	356	2307	3677	312	2021			
HBD	191	16	146	193	11	128	178	13	132			
3f	158	25	117	139	19	93	155	24	106			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	2553	236	1286	2680	256	1395	3017	378	1488			
HBD	221	15	154	277	22	207	301	41	203			
3f	175	20	120	207	33	145	256	50	154			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3398	400	1683	3491	385	1752	2921	307	1470			
HBD	341	58	218	297	50	185	298	46	193			
3f	295	66	167	251	56	143	212	35	139			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44	ALL	18-19	20-44
T	3084	277	1559	3535	353	1853	5344	500	1824			
HBD	315	44	110	268	33	179	299	27	203			
3f	230	34	143	223	40	150	193	33	125			

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
T		27650	3771	13959	27951	4069	14184			
HBD		1626	241	962	1849	301	1061			
3f		2199	393	1012	2230	448	1079			
					TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
T		55601	7840	28143						
HBD		3475	542	2023						
3f		4429	841	2091						
		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
T		27650	3771	13959				27951	4069	14184
HBD		1626	241	962				1849	301	1061
3f		2199	393	1012				2230	448	1079

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.059	.064	.069	.066	.074	.075			
3f		.080	.104	.072	.080	.110	.076			
					TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.062	.069	.072						
3f		.080	.107	.074						
		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.059	.064	.069				.066	.074	.075
3f		.080	.104	.072				.080	.110	.076

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3239	442	1735	2915	327	1588	2792	289	1530		
HBD	107	14	53	85	8	51	88	10	54		
3f	128	19	73	130	15	64	160	12	73		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1585	195	797	1721	245	838	1797	296	847		
HBD	89	8	55	146	20	92	141	24	88		
3f	154	21	68	171	31	76	198	43	92		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2219	311	1023	2324	326	1098	1784	283	841		
HBD	168	22	92	150	17	91	157	30	93		
3f	222	44	90	219	38	102	206	49	88		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2039	293	984	2280	339	1131	2955	425	1547		
HBD	161	29	94	156	23	94	178	36	105		
3f	204	36	92	196	45	86	211	40	108		



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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2705	402	1435	2813	349	1555	2253	316	1194		
HBD	135	15	85	132	14	71	131	18	73		
3f	205	32	115	171	27	97	168	38	76		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1777	235	902	1673	248	798	1839	302	869		
HBD	181	25	107	162	29	90	128	25	72		
3f	166	35	74	164	33	77	199	52	83		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2248	351	1086	2232	309	1101	2098	335	939		
HBD	173	37	94	177	27	104	170	25	109		
3f	189	32	95	201	41	94	191	41	86		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2290	334	1089	2627	366	1396	3396	522	1820		
HBD	191	40	96	131	24	80	138	22	80		
3f	189	38	86	189	39	100	198	40	96		

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1971				1972				1973				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	21954	2401	10830	24399	2752	11767	14698	1750	7483			
HBD	1057	107	650	1159	127	692	643	62	406			
3f	589	127	357	533	123	299	373	70	224			
1973												
AGE GROUPS												
	ALL	18-20	21-45									
T	25197	3000	12828									
HBD	1102	106	696									
3f	639	120	384									
				TOTAL								
				AGE GROUPS								
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45						
T				61051	6903	30080						
HBD				2139	296	1748						
3f				1495	320	880						
BEFORE								AFTER				
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45			
T	21954	2401	10830				39097	4502	19250			
HBD	1057	107	650				1802	189	1098			
3f	589	127	357				906	193	523			

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1971			1972			1973		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.048	.045	.060	.048	.046	.059	.044	.035	.054
3f		.027	.053	.033	.022	.045	.025	.025	.040	.030
					TOTAL					
					AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.035	.043	.058						
3f		.024	.046	.029						
		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.048	.045	.060				.046	.042	.057
3f		.027	.053	.033				.023	.043	.027

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1582	182	778	1678	175	837	1691	180	837			
HBD	85	11	60	92	10	55	85	6	48			
3f	46	10	28	45	13	24	45	8	28			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1661	195	857	1789	202	857	1807	220	851			
HBD	88	6	63	83	8	57	69	8	35			
3f	53	11	32	62	12	40	38	9	18			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1934	203	945	1939	227	977	1901	208	939			
HBD	85	10	45	85	6	56	74	10	47			
3f	35	8	23	50	9	31	41	14	23			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1834	171	930	1930	209	930	2208	229	1092			
HBD	105	11	61	93	14	53	113	7	70			
3f	62	12	42	43	10	22	69	11	46			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1941	186	991	1845	209	892	1974	229	953		
HBD	101	4	73	102	14	64	98	13	55		
3f	49	5	29	47	15	27	41	5	26		
APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1932	209	941	2063	217	779	1960	227	1018		
HBD	91	9	57	96	12	51	89	13	54		
3f	51	12	28	42	8	21	34	11	16		
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2071	240	996	2034	277	985	2062	244	998		
HBD	101	10	63	89	12	52	100	10	58		
3f	45	5	29	41	17	14	49	10	31		
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2046	213	1014	2103	240	1042	2368	261	1158		
HBD	89	12	52	95	11	55	108	7	58		
3f	52	17	33	38	12	17	44	6	28		



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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

		1968-1969			1970			1971		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		73241	6951	36166	36146	3602	18279	32689	3273	17253
HBD		1275	185	753	567	64	361	573	71	345
3f		2109	443	1261	849	167	528	829	179	496

		1972								
		AGE GROUPS								
		ALL	18-20	21-45						
T		34068	3611	17880						
HBD		622	74	396						
3f		861	168	532						

					TOTAL					
					AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
T					176144	17437	89578			
HBD					3037	394	1855			
3f					4648	957	2817			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
T		142076	13826	71698				34068	3611	17880
HBD		2415	320	1459				622	74	396
3f		3787	789	2285				861	168	532

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968-1969			1970			1971		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.0174	.0266	.0208	.0157	.0178	.0197	.0175	.0217	.0200
3f		.0288	.0637	.0349	.0235	.0464	.0289	.0254	.0547	.0287

		1972								
		AGE GROUPS								
		ALL	18-20	21-45						
HBD		.0183	.0205	.0221						
3f		.0253	.0465	.0298						

					TOTAL					
					AGE GROUPS					
					ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD					.0172	.0226	.0207			
3f					.0264	.0549	.0314			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.0170	.0231	.0203				.0183	.0205	.0221
3f		.0267	.0571	.0319				.0253	.0465	.0298



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## Driver Involvements by Months, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	6630	543	3285	5540	482	2727	5586	483	2749		
HBD	65	9	41	94	14	60	123	14	61		
3f	135	20	95	147	38	85	181	31	115		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	5040	492	2440	5921	559	2811	5795	556	2778		
HBD	112	18	67	95	16	58	120	13	70		
3f	173	46	90	195	38	125	173	28	109		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	5522	592	2790	5788	632	2813	5580	517	2835		
HBD	93	8	58	115	24	67	97	17	54		
3f	159	35	95	192	50	101	174	35	101		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	6424	583	3086	7180	672	3644	8235	840	4208		
HBD	109	15	62	129	19	83	123	18	72		
3f	179	35	103	222	52	129	179	35	113		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	4687	453	2402	3382	291	1752	2950	248	1565		
HBD	61	4	37	46	7	31	57	4	41		
3f	45	6	30	54	6	41	77	14	53		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2714	266	1383	2899	313	1425	2853	310	1401		
HBD	53	5	38	68	10	40	50	7	34		
3f	83	15	44	95	20	63	81	16	46		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2544	279	1277	2527	282	1273	2439	227	1187		
HBD	48	7	26	31	3	20	37	3	25		
3f	83	25	41	73	15	43	55	9	41		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2811	292	1361	2865	273	1466	3475	368	1787		
HBD	46	5	26	28	3	19	42	6	24		
3f	65	13	39	68	16	37	70	12	50		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3169	300	1705	2749	267	1488	2842	263	1526		
HBD	36	7	20	30	4	18	33	5	18		
3f	48	7	34	58	6	41	57	11	36		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2394	230	1230	2646	286	1396	2628	278	1383		
HBD	46	2	31	58	8	35	41	10	22		
3f	69	16	42	85	15	54	90	24	49		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2656	274	1375	2584	284	1328	2382	249	1247		
HBD	46	4	25	43	8	27	36	1	24		
3f	72	17	37	74	22	37	55	16	33		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2776	276	1464	2941	271	1546	2922	295	1565		
HBD	61	11	36	70	5	43	73	6	46		
3f	72	15	45	75	16	48	74	14	40		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2835	318	1469	3074	292	1704	2711	288	1456		
HBD	30	5	17	45	3	33	37	4	30		
3f	74	16	47	81	13	54	82	17	49		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2488	247	1342	2884	307	1514	2834	331	1484		
HBD	47	4	29	54	12	24	59	6	38		
3f	52	11	31	66	14	42	65	12	40		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2735	334	1350	2613	293	1333	2696	256	1406		
HBD	54	8	33	57	5	41	62	11	38		
3f	67	13	34	79	19	47	76	17	44		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2980	303	1540	2880	304	1495	3338	338	1787		
HBD	64	7	37	32	3	18	81	6	58		
3f	65	12	41	73	13	49	81	11	54		

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

		1969			1970			1971		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T		32224	4035	16256	33204	4157	16724	33140	4174	16490
HBD		2251	193	1453	2274	242	1437	NA	NA	NA
3f		1598	282	983	1643	333	960	1590	306	984

		1972								
		AGE GROUPS								
		ALL	18-20	21-45						
T		36505	4758	18114						
HBD		NA	NA	NA						
3f		1716	352	976						

		TOTAL								
		AGE GROUPS								
		ALL	18-20	21-45						
T		135073	17124	67584						
HBD		4525	435	2890						
3f		6547	1273	3903						

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
T		98568	12366	49470				36505	4758	18114
HBD		4525	435	2890				NA	NA	NA
3f		4831	921	2927				1716	352	976

Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1969			1970			1971		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.070	.048	.089	.068	.058	.086	NA	NA	NA
3f		.050	.070	.060	.049	.080	.057	.048	.073	.060

		1972								
		AGE GROUPS								
		ALL	18-20	21-45						
HBD		NA	NA	NA						
3f		.047	.074	.054						

					TOTAL					
					AGE GROUPS					
					ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD					NA	NA	NA			
3f					.048	.074	.058			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		NA	NA	NA				NA	NA	NA
3f		.049	.074	.059				.047	.074	.054

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2454	316	1265	2414	293	1228	2702	315	1411		
HBD	178	20	117	185	10	116	222	19	145		
3f	135	30	90	115	12	78	133	23	85		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2510	301	1276	2759	370	1380	2518	330	1252		
HBD	174	7	125	185	20	115	164	19	98		
3f	125	22	87	137	26	83	129	28	65		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2548	310	1280	2812	343	1409	2621	356	1319		
HBD	166	10	112	177	19	104	176	18	113		
3f	129	21	77	152	23	86	106	22	66		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2952	353	1480	2797	349	1391	3137	399	1565		
HBD	204	20	134	195	10	127	225	21	147		
3f	139	26	82	124	21	78	174	28	106		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2623	324	1372	2654	323	1388	2962	401	1506		
HBD	199	14	127	214	27	148	219	22	132		
3f	153	31	92	158	23	109	152	33	86		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2575	304	1311	2939	363	1510	2563	331	1275		
HBD	138	16	89	212	21	136	167	14	99		
3f	106	22	64	137	26	86	152	20	63		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2683	337	1314	2809	354	1420	2771	335	1363		
HBD	167	11	114	164	16	108	166	22	105		
3f	138	25	74	146	22	98	123	24	67		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3022	357	1510	2667	329	1324	2936	399	1431		
HBD	205	31	124	196	16	118	227	32	137		
3f	134	38	68	121	27	72	166	42	81		



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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2426	308	1229	2441	295	1267	2620	323	1324		
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
3f	137	25	85	121	23	82	112	18	75		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2661	338	1361	2680	340	1363	2581	324	1254		
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
3f	121	31	73	160	26	102	110	17	71		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2719	319	1392	2871	361	1382	2917	391	1414		
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
3f	145	25	87	140	30	82	98	15	64		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	3074	399	1498	2876	376	1393	3274	400	1613		
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
3f	141	36	80	120	26	71	185	34	112		

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JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	2891	357	1447	2616	317	1347	2887	351	1456			
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
3f	147	27	90	109	25	69	125	22	79			

APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	2908	396	1441	2887	394	1413	2984	385	1524			
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
3f	150	31	75	137	27	81	142	39	75			

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	2954	385	1448	3215	461	1596	3155	397	1563			
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
3f	147	29	82	138	28	70	138	21	83			

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	3157	390	1545	3227	430	1564	3624	495	1770			
HBD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
3f	154	34	86	141	31	78	188	38	108			

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Annual Driver Involvements by Age Group and Type

1968				1969				1970				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	19428	2111	8989	21148	2450	9967	20868	2358	9457			
HBD	60	4	33	87	4	49	175	12	98			
3f	626	130	365	718	137	441	736	162	453			

1971				1972								
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS								
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45						
T	20911	2526	10030	24198	2756	11674						
HBD	245	18	141	324	25	197						
3f	760	146	478	952	189	574						

				TOTAL								
				AGE GROUPS								
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45						
T				106553	12201	50117						
HBD					63	518						
3f					764	2311						

BEFORE								AFTER				
AGE GROUPS								AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45			
T	82355	9445	38443				24198	2756	11674			
HBD	567	38	321				324	25	197			
3f	2840	575	1737				952	189	574			

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Annual Age-Specific Driver Involvement Rates by Type

		1968			1969			1970		
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.00309	.00189	.00367	.00411	.00163	.00492	.00839	.00509	.01036
3f		.032	.062	.041	.034	.056	.044	.035	.069	.048

		1971			1972					
		AGE GROUPS			AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.01172	.00713	.01406	.01339	.00907	.01688			
3f		.036	.058	.048	.039	.069	.049			

		TOTAL					
		AGE GROUPS					
		ALL	18-20	21-45			
HBD		.00836	.00516	.01034			
3f		.036	.063	.046			

		BEFORE						AFTER		
		AGE GROUPS						AGE GROUPS		
		ALL	18-20	21-45				ALL	18-20	21-45
HBD		.00688	.00402	.00835				.01339	.00907	.01688
3f		.034	.061	.045				.039	.069	.049

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## Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1763	170	892	1518	126	757	1483	143	744			
HBD	5	0	3	3	0	2	1	0	1			
3f	51	11	34	45	4	28	37	6	28			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1265	127	582	1727	189	799	1561	192	687			
HBD	4	0	1	5	0	3	4	0	0			
3f	42	13	22	68	10	44	46	11	28			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1436	179	639	1523	177	712	1504	186	696			
HBD	3	0	2	4	0	2	4	0	2			
3f	51	11	29	42	14	27	47	10	23			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1714	189	755	1749	175	752	2185	258	974			
HBD	6	0	5	11	3	4	10	1	8			
3f	58	8	37	72	14	35	67	18	30			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1858	178	888	1591	188	773	1608	184	772			
HBD	10	0	7	10	0	4	7	1	5			
3f	61	7	43	41	4	28	58	11	38			
APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1510	170	697	1724	212	800	1671	208	756			
HBD	8	0	4	6	0	3	4	0	3			
3f	41	8	22	53	11	35	50	11	28			
JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1588	187	736	1645	226	711	1635	175	775			
HBD	4	0	3	2	0	1	10	1	2			
3f	49	9	30	62	18	35	80	16	48			
OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER				
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45
T	1845	195	856	1961	222	976	2512	305	1227			
HBD	10	0	7	9	1	6	7	1	4			
3f	71	12	45	89	18	55	63	12	34			

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1718	193	784	1722	194	785	1725	194	786		
HBD	12	1	7	13	1	7	13	1	7		
3f	59	12	36	60	13	37	60	13	37		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1729	195	786	1733	196	788	1737	196	788		
HBD	14	1	8	14	1	8	14	1	8		
3f	60	13	37	61	13	37	61	13	38		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1741	197	789	1745	197	789	1749	198	790		
HBD	15	1	8	15	1	9	16	1	9		
3f	62	14	38	62	14	38	62	14	38		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1753	199	790	1756	199	791	1760	200	791		
HBD	16	1	9	16	1	9	17	1	9		
3f	63	14	39	63	14	39	63	15	39		

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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2085	238	1081	1839	203	952	1713	187	842		
HBD	16	2	9	27	1	15	19	1	14		
3f	75	18	47	51	7	36	55	6	41		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1536	195	732	1699	194	804	1561	210	711		
HBD	25	4	13	28	1	17	23	3	14		
3f	59	10	37	73	15	49	65	13	37		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1713	238	822	1644	201	765	1547	204	700		
HBD	22	1	12	30	1	12	11	0	6		
3f	41	5	30	70	15	41	52	11	32		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1766	217	833	1873	215	880	1935	224	908		
HBD	13	1	10	9	0	5	22	3	14		
3f	81	16	49	73	15	42	65	15	37		



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Driver Involvements by Month, Age Group and Type

JANUARY				FEBRUARY				MARCH			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1950	213	994	2365	254	1197	1897	173	935		
HBD	21	0	11	14	2	7	27	1	20		
3f	77	13	54	71	21	38	68	14	41		

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1734	186	866	2005	236	984	2047	256	946		
HBD	24	2	17	23	1	14	29	2	15		
3f	80	12	56	88	12	58	81	13	49		

JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	1902	235	910	1808	223	828	1843	225	871		
HBD	32	7	15	22	3	14	26	1	15		
3f	72	17	43	68	13	35	80	13	50		

OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				DECEMBER			
AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS				AGE GROUPS			
	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45	ALL	18-20	21-45		
T	2104	218	982	2136	236	993	2407	301	1168		
HBD	33	2	18	30	1	20	43	3	31		
3f	87	15	53	84	25	42	96	21	55		





