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16. Abstract Ninety-nine single-vehicle and 41 two-vehicle accidents occurring in part of Oakland County and Washtenaw County, Michigan from September 1, 1976 to March 31, 1976 were investigated. Data relevant to determination of the potential role of vehicle handling in accident causation, particularly tire data, were collected, together with injury-causation information on 180 vehicles. Tire pressure data were also obtained from Michigan State Police checklane inspections in the summer of 1975 on randomly selected vehicles. The checklane and accident-population tire pressures were compared and additional comparisons were made between accident-population subsets on carcass-type and tread-depth data. The data reveal generally poor tire maintenance practices in both populations, but there is no evidence to implicate poorly maintained tires as causative factors in accident occurrence. This conclusion is highly tentative because there are too few vehicles in the accident population and because vehicle-handling accidents are not well defined and accurately classified. Larger sample sizes, more definitive control-group data, and development of techniques for classifying vehicle-handling accidents are recommended.			
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SUMMARY

Methodology

The data collection forms and procedures of the ongoing collision investigation programs in Oakland and Washtenaw Counties were modified on September 1, 1975, to include elements relevant to determining the potential role of vehicle handling in causing accidents. Emphasis was placed on the collection of data pertaining to tires because of their clear and leading role in influencing handling characteristics. Data on 180 of the 181 vehicles involved in 99 single-vehicle and 41 two-vehicle accidents--in which all involved vehicles were towed from the scene--were collected and built into digital files.

Tire pressure data were also obtained from the Michigan State Police checklane inspections operated in the summer of 1975. Vehicles were selected randomly, and thus the data obtained are representative of a control population drawn from an exposed, at-risk population.

The analytical approach consisted of comparing the checklane tire pressure data with similar data from the accident population and with the following subsets of the accident population: single-vehicle accidents; two-vehicle, intersection-type accidents; and two-vehicle, nonintersection-type accidents. Additional data about the carcass type and about tire tread depth were available for the accident population, and further comparisons were made on these variables for the accident subsets.

Conclusions

Several conclusions emerge strongly from the study to date. Large tire pressure deviations from those recommended by the manufacturer exist for both the control and accident populations. The two populations differ from each other on the tire pressure variable, but the differences almost certainly occur because of differences in the temperatures at which the tires in the two populations were measured. The data do not indicate that significantly larger pressure deviations exist in the accident population.

Various comparisons between the accident subsets show that vehicles with mixes of generic carcass types are not overrepresented in any particular subset of the accident data. Similar comparisons with the tread depth variable also fail to demonstrate that vehicles having bald tires are overrepresented in any of the accident subsets.

Together these specific conclusions lead to the general conclusion that there is no evidence in the present data set to identify poor tires--improperly inflated, improperly matched, or with insufficient tread--as causative factors in accident occurrence, with degraded vehicle-handling performance as the intervening agent. This conclusion must be tempered by two observations. There are only 180 vehicles in the digital file on which the analysis was performed, and this is too few to engender confidence that the results will not change with larger samples. Also highly significant is the fact that we are as yet unable to partition the accident data into sharply delineated subsets, one of which clearly contains accidents and vehicles in which vehicle handling is involved. It is possible that the phenomenon is real but that we have failed to identify it because of insufficiently sharp comparisons with an insufficiently large data base.

Recommendations

The accident data base should be expanded to include several hundred cases, with case-selection criteria and sampling procedures remaining generally as currently defined. Vehicle-handling accidents should be defined and concurrence obtained on the definition by government, industry, and private and university research organizations. Data collection should be expanded to include those pre-crash data elements about the driver, vehicle, and environment that are needed to determine whether an accident involves vehicle-handling characteristics. Dynamic modeling approaches should be undertaken both for their inherent worth in furthering the understanding of the role that vehicle handling may have in accident causation, and to identify present weaknesses in the data elements or data collection procedures. Resources should be made available so that adequate samples of the exposed, at-risk population of vehicles in use can be obtained with data elements of comparable detail and quality to those in the accident sample.

1. INTRODUCTION

The general topic of vehicle handling and its relationship to safety has been of interest to the automotive industry for many years (1). The federal government's interest in this topic is, of course, more recent and is exemplified by NHTSA's Advanced Notices of Proposed Rulemaking on Automatic Braking Systems (2); Rollover Resistance (3); and Directional Control (4). The safety agency also supported research related to vehicle handling and accident avoidance capability as part of its Experimental Safety Vehicle program (5).

Despite these interests in vehicle handling and safety, the literature does not report any accident investigation programs focussed specifically on this topic. Thus far the role of handling characteristics in accidents has been analyzed using existing data bases. The NHTSA-supported study by Dunlap et al. (6) is an effort on the government's part to establish a sound technical approach to the topic. This report contains a review of some of the pertinent literature on this subject.

The Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association, because of the dearth of prior research using accident investigations directed specifically to vehicle-handling issues, requested that HSRI undertake work on this topic as part of the ongoing Oakland and Washtenaw Counties collision investigation programs. Accordingly, the data collection forms and procedures in the two counties were modified in the fall of 1975 to include, along with data pertinent to injury causation, data elements designed to assess the potential role of vehicle handling in the occurrence of accidents.

The purposes of this report are to identify the data elements that have been collected, to provide descriptive statistics about the currently computerized accident population in terms of these data elements, and to indicate some of the more important modifications in the data collection process which we are recommending for future field investigations. In addition, comparisons between accident-population tire pressures and those of an exposed, at-risk population are included. The scope of the analytical work is necessarily limited at this time because of the inadequate sample size to date and because of certain methodological issues to be discussed subsequently.

2. METHODOLOGICAL CONSIDERATIONS

The term "vehicle handling" does not have a precise, generally understood, and accepted meaning among all parties employing the term. Industry generally applies the term to the directional control and stability properties of the driver/vehicle combination, but rigorous definitions such as those pertaining to vehicle dynamics terminology (7) are missing. Braking characteristics are not generally included among vehicle-handling properties except possibly for the influence they may exert on the vehicle behavior during combined braking-turning maneuvers.

The government, on the other hand, apparently has used a broader meaning of the term than has industry, although no formal definitions have yet appeared. Its usage of the term in the proposed rules cited earlier suggests, however, that "vehicle handling" encompasses a wide range of vehicle behaviors and design characteristics related to pre-crash safety. All steering, braking, and other design characteristics of the vehicle related to controlling the path or the speed of the vehicle during the pre-crash phase of the accident sequence would likely be included under the term.

It is not surprising, then, that there is no generally accepted definition of a "vehicle-handling accident." Further, an initial review of the literature does not record any attempts in this direction with the exception of the work by Dunlap et. al. (6) cited earlier. As noted subsequently, this lack of understanding and agreement as to what a vehicle-handling accident is-- or isn't--influenced the approach that was undertaken to the investigation of these kinds of accidents.

More important is the fact that there can be little progress in determining the scope of the "vehicle-handling problem"--or even determination that there exists such a thing--unless there is general agreement about the meaning of a vehicle-handling accident. Resolution of the definitional issue also has implications for the formulation and administration of appropriate countermeasure programs.

This definitional problem is not addressed in this report. This is partly because the work to date has not required the adoption of a formal definition of a vehicle-handling accident, and partly because our own thinking on the subject is still in the formative stage. Nonetheless, this issue will have to be faced sooner or later, and all parties with an interest in braking, steering, maneuvering, and road-holding capabilities of vehicles relative to accident causation or prevention should seek a common understanding of a vehicle-handling accident.

2.1 Modeling Approach to Investigating Vehicle-Handling Accidents

One approach to conducting a field investigation of vehicle-handling accidents would be to define a vehicle-handling accident, develop criteria for identifying the subset of vehicle-handling accidents among all accidents occurring, screen the population of all accidents for those meeting the criteria, and then investigate only the appropriate accidents. Analysis would proceed by attempting to explain the observed accident experience in terms of a model relating vehicle dynamics, roadway design parameters, and the attempted or required maneuvers pertinent to the particular accident geometrics.

This is an appealing approach, and it is probably the kind of investigation that the safety community should

strive for in the future, particularly if standards or design changes are contemplated. It places a heavy burden, however, on an a priori knowledge of exactly what accidents are to be investigated. The problem of not having an accepted definition of a vehicle-handling accident has been discussed and applies here.

Several practical issues are of concern as well. If such a modeling approach is to be executed successfully, then collection of the complete set of data believed to be relevant to the problem is implied for each accident investigated. Extensive driver and environmental data would presumably be required, as well as data elements related to the vehicle dynamics. Clearly the collection of such a data set is a time-consuming and costly operation.

Screening of all accidents to select those identified as vehicle-handling accidents may not be straightforward, either. Ordinarily it is desirable, for purposes of operating efficiency, to perform any selection procedures on the basis of data and information on the police accident report prior to undertaking any investigation activities. In the case of vehicle-handling accidents, the required selection variables do not appear on the accident report, unless one employs a relatively coarse criterion, such as "all single-vehicle accidents."

One final point is appropriate with respect to the above approach. If an a priori selection procedure is employed and only vehicle-handling accidents are investigated, then it becomes much more difficult, if not altogether impossible, to estimate the total number of vehicle-handling accidents in some larger population. Whether this is important or not depends on the particular interests of the persons posing the research questions.

A result is, however, that use of such an approach would preclude the formulation of estimates about the proportion or number of vehicle-handling accidents on a nationwide basis. These sorts of numbers are invariably needed for cost effectiveness studies.

2.2 Representative Sample Approach

Another approach to investigating vehicle-handling properties as related to accident occurrence is the following. A target population of accidents of interest is first specified, and the data to be collected for the population in question--including, of course, the data elements pertinent to vehicle-handling questions--are defined. In principle, the accident investigation process can then be undertaken on all accidents within the population of interest. As a practical matter, however, the number of such accidents is usually so large as to preclude investigation of all of them, so an appropriate sample is drawn. Various sampling techniques are available, but the general objective of each of them is to be able to estimate, with acceptable accuracy and precision, the characteristics of the target population with respect to the variables of interest. A representative sample of known characteristics is required.

Having selected the cases for investigation in the above manner, two avenues for subsequent analysis of the data are available. They are not mutually exclusive, of course, and both techniques can be followed. First, a dynamic modeling approach, such as suggested earlier, can be followed for all of the accidents in the sample or for some particular subset of interest. For example, it might be postulated that single-vehicle accidents in which rollover occurred involved vehicle-handling characteristics to at least some degree, and an investigator might wish to focus on this class of accidents.

A second analytical approach is available if data on a representative sample of accidents have been obtained. A representative sample of the exposed, at-risk population is also selected, and data elements comparable to those for the accident sample are collected for the at-risk sample. The analysis consists of identifying those data elements in the accident population that are over-represented with respect to their proportion in the control population. The presumption is that, barring interactive effects with other variables, the over-represented variables identify factors that contribute causally to accidents.

This use of a representative sample together with a control group, followed thus far in the study and planned for the future, has two particularly attractive features in terms of the present collision investigation programs. It enables a complex problem of the kind under consideration to be attacked in pieces of manageable size and scope with limited resources. Thus it is possible to gain considerable insight into the role that one component may have in accident causation without attempting to gather a complete set of data elements believed to be relevant to the subject and attempting concurrently to understand their relationship to each other and to the overall problem.

A second advantage is that very different research interests can be served within the same collision investigation program. In particular an interest in injury causation and injury patterns continues, and the representative sample approach lends itself to these interests as well. The selection criteria adopted for the study-- accidents in which all involved vehicles were towed from

the scene because of damage--are not necessarily independent (in a statistical sense) of either vehicle-handling considerations or injury patterns, but they define a class of accidents of general interest to the traffic safety community. Research findings about a sample drawn from the defined population are therefore of more general interest and utility than would be findings obtained from a sample containing unknown biases.

3.0 DATA SET

The methodological considerations discussed in the preceding section gave rise to a well defined set of data collection procedures and data elements. These are reviewed in the present section, and the accident population resulting from application of these procedures is compared to that obtained in the predecessor "Restraint System Effectiveness Study" in terms of general accident configuration.

3.1 Data Collection Procedures

The data collection procedures employed in the present study follow closely those employed in earlier studies in Oakland and Washtenaw Counties. Police agencies in the six participating Oakland County jurisdictions (Pontiac, Royal Oak, Southfield, and Troy and Bloomfield and Waterford Townships) and all of those operating in Washtenaw County routinely investigate traffic accidents and compile the results on the standard State of Michigan police report (UD-10). Either police personnel or HSRI accident investigators subsequently screen these police reports for accident cases meeting the current case-selection criteria and sampling procedures.

At the beginning of the current project, on September 1, 1975, the case-selection criteria called for the investigation of all accidents involving one or two vehicles in which all vehicles were towed from the scene because of damage and which met the model year criteria. Passenger cars and light trucks (those with four wheels) were required to be among the 1972-1976

model years, whereas "heavy" trucks (those with more than four wheels) and buses could be up to ten model years old.

The projected case load expected to be realized from these criteria was larger than could be handled by the field investigation staff. Therefore simple random sampling was employed, with the sampling fraction initially set at 0.2 in both counties. Specific accidents were selected for field investigation if, for single-vehicle accidents, the sum of the last two digits of the license plate ended in a four or a nine; for two-vehicle accidents, the sum of the last digit of the license plate of each involved vehicle must have ended in a four or nine for the accident to have been selected.

These procedures were followed through March, 1976. It was noted, however, that fewer passenger cars than anticipated were being investigated in Oakland County and fewer trucks and buses than desired were being investigated in both counties. Accordingly, the sampling fraction was increased from 0.2 to 0.3 in Oakland County for passenger cars and from 0.2 to 1.0 in both counties for "heavy" trucks and buses; the effective date of the changes was April 1, 1976. The revised sampling fractions resulted in more desirable case loads.

Following application of the case-selection criteria and the sampling procedure,* HSRI field investigators examine the involved vehicles and the accident scene and also interview the drivers. Injury data are obtained by procedures employed in earlier programs and

*Occasionally a few accident reports are not available for screening purposes until several days after the accident. Cases are not investigated if the accident report is received more than five days following the accident.

described by Scott (8). The data elements given in the next section were recorded on appropriate forms, and the forms were returned to the central HSRI office for editing and keypunching of those data elements to be entered into a digital computer file.

3.2 Data Elements

The data elements collected by the field investigators for each vehicle meeting the case-selection and sampling procedures are shown fully in Appendix 1 (Annotated Collision Performance and Injury Report, Revision 3, Edition 1/76, VH/IC Study, 4/76). It will be recalled that two diverse research interests are being served by the collision investigation programs--the continuing interests in determining the cause of injuries, given that a crash has occurred, and the new interest in determining whether vehicle-handling characteristics contributed to occurrence of the collision. The data elements now being collected clearly reflect both of these interests.

The data elements to be collected that are pertinent to injury causation were determined wholly by MVMA through its subcommittee and staff structure. It was recognized by MVMA that the time and effort devoted to collection of injury-causation data elements would have to be scaled down to accommodate the new data elements pertinent to vehicle handling. Therefore the CPIR form was re-examined with this in mind, and the data elements judged worthy of inclusion are shown in the Appendix.

A somewhat similar procedure was followed in determining which vehicle-handling data elements to include. However, there existed no established data collection form to serve as a point of departure, so MVMA staff and subcommittee members prepared the initial list of desired data elements. These were subsequently reviewed

and modified somewhat by members of HSRI's Systems Analysis Division in order to match data collection practices in the field, and new data elements have been added occasionally as their need has become clear.

The data collection form demonstrates a major emphasis on the collection of tire data. This practice was adopted for both theoretical and practical reasons. From the first perspective, it is known (9) that the equation for the characteristic speed of a typical understeer vehicle includes several terms involving tires--cornering stiffness, aligning torque, camber stiffness, and deflection steer coefficients. It is further known that carcass type, tire pressure, tread depth, and the like exert a strong influence on these parameters. These considerations were coupled with the fact that in-use tires are known to have serious departures from OE conditions (10). Together they led to the reasoning that, if vehicle-handling properties are involved in accident causation, then tires that are inappropriately used or maintained would be easily identified in the accident population.

Examination of the current data collection form will show that there is not a great deal of emphasis on determining the roadway and scene factors that may be related to vehicle-handling accidents. From the outset extensive data collection on these factors was omitted, not because they were considered unimportant, but because of the increased workload that would be required. Further, it was recognized that collection of the scene data in a form that would be appropriate for subsequent coding into digital files would entail considerable development work.

Much of the required developmental work has been completed so that a more detailed examination of accidents on a case-by-case basis may be undertaken. The

additional precrash data elements which we believe should be obtained about the roadway, the general environment, and driver control actions have been specified in preliminary form. Work is currently focussed on attempting to define and record the situations in which maneuvering was called for in the pre-crash phase to avoid the crash which in fact resulted, and to try to assess whether the system breakdown involved the driver, the vehicle, the environment, or some combination of the three in a manner that could properly be identified as a vehicle-handling accident.

This developmental work is now taking place in field investigations on a trial basis of limited scope. When a full package of materials and procedures has been assembled they will be submitted to the sponsor for review and approval with the expectation that they will be considered for inclusion in the data collection activities.

3.3 Comparison of Accident Samples

The sample frame for this project is all reported accidents of one or two vehicles which necessitate the towing of all vehicles because of damage they sustained.* This population clearly differs from the population of all reported accidents, even from the population of all towaway crashes (i.e., those requiring the towing of at least one vehicle). Data were collected in the same geographic areas from March, 1974 to August, 1975 for an evaluation of restraint systems (11,12). These earlier data provided an unbiased sample of late-model passenger cars involved in towaway accidents.

*The sampling frame is further limited to accidents in Washtenaw County and the six project communities of Oakland County, and excludes accidents involving motorcycles or vehicles with more than four wheels.

A comparison of the types of collisions in which the vehicles were involved is shown in Table 1. The vehicle-handling study includes both vehicles in two-vehicle accidents, but only if both vehicles were towed for damage. This is considerably more restrictive than requiring that the case vehicle must be towed, and not necessarily the other vehicle. Therefore, the vehicle-handling study includes a smaller proportion of vehicles which were in multi-vehicle collisions--45 percent compared to 80 percent for the restraint study. Correspondingly, proportionately more of the vehicles in the vehicle-handling study are in single-vehicle crashes.

The differences are even greater when the two data sets are compared on the basis of accidents rather than vehicles. Since only a small portion of the vehicles in the restraint study are multiple cases, i.e., two or more vehicles of an accident included as case vehicles, the distribution of vehicles shown in Table 1 for the restraint study is nearly the same as the distribution of accidents by type. On the other hand, the number of two-vehicle accidents in the vehicle-handling study is one-half the number of vehicles involved in two-vehicle crashes. Thus 71 percent of the accidents sampled in the present study are single-vehicle crashes, compared to about 20 percent in the restraint study. This is an overrepresentation of 3.6.

There are also substantial differences in collision type among the vehicles in multi-vehicle collisions. Many vehicles struck in the rear in rear-end collisions are not towed, so this group is low in the present study. Vehicles in head-on collisions are more likely to be included in the present study.

The overrepresentation of head-on and single-vehicle collisions might lead one to conjecture that the present

Table 1

COMPARISON OF TYPES OF COLLISIONS
IN VEHICLE-HANDLING STUDY AND
RESTRAINT STUDY

Data weighted on inverse of sampling
fraction.

<u>Collision Type</u>	<u>Distribution in Percent of Vehicles</u>			
	<u>Vehicle-Handling</u>		<u>Restraint Study</u>	
	<u>Study</u>			
Single Vehicle	55		19.7	
Multi Vehicle	45		80.3	
Head-On		27.2		11.4
Rearend		9.9		27.1
Sideswipe		2.5		4.1
Intersection		58.0		56.6
Other		2.5		0.8
TOTAL	100.0	100.1	100.0	100.0

study would include a greater incidence of more severe injury. The distributions of the overall AIS of outboard-front-seat occupants are given in Table 2 for both the vehicle-handling and restraint study data sets. There are fewer uninjured people in the present study, and 9.1 percent received injuries of AIS ≥ 2 compared with only 7.6 percent in the restraint study. However, this increase is not statistically significant because of the relatively small number of occupants currently in the vehicle-handling file. The lack of any occupants with an AIS of 4 or greater is not surprising, for the same reason. If the proportion in the vehicle-handling population were actually the same as in the restraint study (0.72), the probability of observing none in a sample of 232 would be 0.19. Thus, while there are some indications that injury is more severe in the population currently sampled, the differences are not yet statistically significant.

Table 2

COMPARISON OF INJURY SEVERITY
 OF OUTBOARD-FRONT-SEAT OCCUPANTS
 (weighted on inverse of sampling fraction)

<u>Overall AIS</u>	<u>Distribution in Percent</u>	
	<u>Vehicle- Handling Study</u>	<u>Restraint Study</u>
0	34.9	44.3
1	56.0	48.2
2	6.5	4.7
3	2.6	2.1
4	0	0.19
5	0	0.12
6	0	0.22
7	0	0.12
8	0	0.0
9	0	0.02
10	0	0.05
2-10	9.1	7.6
3-10	2.6	2.8
N	232	4153

4.0 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

This section presents preliminary results from the 180 cases now in the digital file. The results are restricted to data elements (variables) that have been collected for the vehicle-handling study, and concentrates on those relating to tires.

A number of variables related to handling have been collected on both the vehicle and wheels as well as the tires. Univariate percentages of a number of these variables are presented for descriptive purposes. The distributions indicate that abnormal conditions on components other than tires are too infrequent to allow analysis with the quantity of data currently available.

The inferential analyses are restricted to tires for reasons stated earlier. The tire characteristics examined are (1) inflation pressure, (2) mixes of generic carcass types, and (3) remaining tread depth. The basic analysis technique used is to compare the distribution of these characteristics in the accident population and a control population, and between subsets of the accident population. The purpose of both types of comparisons is to measure overrepresentation (or underrepresentation) of tire misuse as an accident factor. Both methods compare an accident population with an "at-risk" group. The first uses a control group external to the accident population. The second uses the technique of "induced exposure" in the absence of an external measure of exposure.

Since May, 1975, HSRI has participated in an evaluation of the Michigan checklane vehicle inspection program. During the summer of 1975, tire pressures were measured on a random sample of all vehicles stopped at State Police random checklane sites in Monroe and Jackson Counties (13). This provides a measure of the non-accident involved population at risk. Unfortunately, the only tire parameter measured in the program was inflation pressure. Thus, while pressures in the accident population can be compared with those in the exposed checklane population, overrepresentation of generic mix and tread depth can only be investigated by induced exposure.

Ideally, the method of induced exposure is to identify a set of cases in a target population, such as vehicle-handling cases, and an "innocent" set of victims who can provide an unbiased representation of the exposed, at-risk population. Since we are not yet prepared to define and identify vehicle-handling cases on a case-by-case basis, we have selected a set of accident-involved vehicles (a subset of all vehicles involved) that might contain a higher than average proportion of handling cases.

It has been suggested (and seems plausible) that single-vehicle accidents might contain a substantial proportion of vehicle-handling cases. On the basis of this a priori assumption, single-vehicle cases have been selected for comparison with the non-single vehicle cases.

Single-vehicle and non-intersection-type involvements are also compared with intersection-type involvements. These comparisons are included under the unproven assumption that this last group may contain few vehicle-handling cases, and thus sharpen the contrasts.

Measurement of overrepresentation by comparing two populations is a common and appropriate analytical technique. There are cautions that should be observed in its use, however. Determination of real differences between the populations--rather than observed differences resulting from chance--is based on methods of statistical inference. If statistical significance is achieved, two questions must be addressed. One is whether the differences, even if real, are operationally significant, i.e., are important or relevant. The second is whether there is truly a deterministic relationship--a causal effect--as opposed to correlation with an unidentified causal factor.

4.1 Univariate Distributions of Selected Variables

The distributions of the principal variables--other than inflation pressures and tread depth measurements--which have been added to the field data collection specifically for the vehicle-handling study are given in Table 3. The total number of cases in each tabulation is 180. Thus entries of 0.6 and 1.1 percent represent one and two cases, respectively.

Most of the variables show little variation, with 85 percent or more of the cases with a common response, and very few cases with other responses. The few exceptions are not surprising. For example, about 16 percent of the front wheels were damaged--nearly all as a result of the accident--but a much smaller proportion for the rear wheels. A substantial incidence of snow tires on rear wheels was encountered because the data collection period included the winter months. Capping was detected on only eight tires, two on each position. Pressure loss prior to impact--which could have contributed to the crash--was encountered on only one vehicle. No modifications of the suspension systems

Table 3

DISTRIBUTIONS OF SELECTED VARIABLES
IN PERCENT OF CASES

I - Variables on Tires and Wheels

Variable:	<u>Tire Position</u>			
	<u>LF</u>	<u>RF</u>	<u>LR</u>	<u>RR</u>
Wheel O.E.?				
(1) Yes	98.9	98.3	97.8	96.7
(2) No	0.6	0.6	1.1	1.1
(9) Unknown	0.6	1.1	1.1	1.2
Wheel Damaged?				
(1) Yes	18.3	14.4	7.2	3.9
(2) No	81.1	85.0	92.2	94.0
(9) Unknown	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.7
Tire Tread Type				
(1) Regular	97.8	96.7	77.2	77.2
(2) Non-studded snow	2.2	2.8	21.7	21.1
(9) Unknown	0.0	0.6	1.1	1.7
Tire Intended Use				
(1) Passenger Car	93.9	92.2	93.3	92.8
(2) Light Truck	5.6	6.1	5.6	5.6
(9) Unknown	0.6	1.7	1.1	1.7
Tire Load Range				
(2) B	87.2	86.1	85.6	83.9
(3) C	4.4	4.4	3.9	3.9
(4) D	1.7	2.2	2.2	2.2
(5) E	1.7	1.1	1.1	1.1
(9) Unknown	5.0	6.1	7.2	8.9
Tire Retread?				
(1) Yes	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
(2) No	97.2	96.1	96.7	95.6
(9) Unknown	2.2	3.3	2.8	3.9
Tire Tube?				
(1) Yes	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.2
(2) No	95.0	94.4	93.9	93.3
(9) Unknown	3.3	3.9	3.9	4.4

Table 3 continued

	<u>LF</u>	<u>RF</u>	<u>LR</u>	<u>RR</u>
Tire Carcass Type				
(1) Bias Ply	19.4	20.6	20.0	18.9
(2) Belted-Bias Ply	32.8	31.1	31.7	31.1
(3) Radial Ply	47.2	46.7	47.2	46.7
(9) Unknown	0.6	1.7	1.1	3.3
Cupping?				
(1) Yes	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
(2) No	94.4	93.3	94.4	94.4
(9) Unknown	4.4	5.6	4.4	4.4
Pressure Loss Suspected				
(1) None	77.8	76.1	89.4	91.7
(2) Pre-Crash	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0
(3) At Crash	18.3	22.8	6.1	6.1
(4) Post-Crash	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
(8) Loss, Unknown Time	2.8	0.6	3.3	1.1
(9) Unknown if Loss	0.0	0.6	0.6	1.1
Tire Damaged:				
(1) Yes	6.7	6.1	3.9	1.1
(2) No	90.6	89.4	95.0	95.6
(9) Unknown	2.8	4.4	1.1	3.3
Damage Contributory to Accident				
(1) Yes	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
(2) No	7.2	8.3	3.3	1.1
(3) Not Applicable, No Damage	90.0	89.4	95.0	95.6
(9) Unknown	2.2	2.2	1.7	3.3

Table 3 continued

II - Vehicle Variables

Steering Wheel

Original Equipment?

(1) Original Equipment	97.8%
(2) Non-original Equipment	1.1
(9) Unknown	1.1

Glazing Obstructions?

(1) Glazing Obstructions	1.7
(2) No Glazing Obstructions	84.4
(9) Unknown	13.9

Suspension Alterations?

(1) Suspension Alterations	0.0
(2) No Suspension Alterations	97.2
(9) Unknown	2.8

Fuel Level

(1) Full	12.2
(2) 3/4	22.8
(3) 1/2	24.4
(4) 1/4	20.6
(5) Empty	0.6
(9) Unknown	19.4

Air Conditioning?

(1) Air Conditioning	49.4
(2) No Air Conditioning	44.4
(9) Unknown	6.1

Cargo?

(1) Cargo	13.3
(2) No Cargo	73.9
(9) Unknown	12.8

were observed, and only two cases of replacement of the original steering wheel with non-OEM.

4.2 Tire Inflation Pressures

4.2.1 Tire Pressure--Accident Versus Checklane.

Table 4 presents the comparison of the inflation pressures from the accident population with those of the checklane control population. The number of cases (tires), the mean pressures, and the standard deviation of measured pressures are given for each population and each wheel location. The significance level for the difference in the means is given in the right column, and is based on the F statistic.

The means of the checklane sample are all higher than those of the accident sample by about 3 psi. These differences are almost surely the result of the conditions under which the pressures were measured, namely hot versus cold.

The cold ambient versus equilibrium hot pressures can easily vary by 5 psi (10). Tests conducted by the Traffic Institute of Northwestern University indicate that the exponential pressure drop as a stationary tire cools has a time constant of about 10-15 minutes. The pressure rise while traveling at 60 mph is more rapid, and the total pressure increase (to the equilibrium hot condition) does not vary appreciably with the initial pressure (14).

The pressures in accident data are cold pressures measured hours after the accident. Pressures obtained in the checklane program were measured within five minutes after the vehicles were stopped, and before any appreciable cooling could have occurred. Since the cars stopped in the checklane probably had been traveling at speeds less than 60 mph, the mean pressure

increase could be expected to be less than 5 psi. The observed differences between the control and accident populations probably result from a comparison of hot and cold measurements, and not from a difference in the cold pressures of the two populations.

Comparisons of several other variables, such as the difference between actual and recommended pressures, have been made. They are also subject to the same systematic bias and show similar results.

Pressure differentials between tires on one car will not be measurably effected by differences in the hot/cold measurements. Such differentials can materially effect the directional response of vehicles (15). For these reasons two derived variables were created for both populations which remove the effects of temperature.

The first variable, maximum front-to-rear pressure difference, gives the maximum pressure difference between either of the front two tires and either of the rear two tires. Vehicles with missing data, or zero pressure (primarily in the accident population and due to crash damage) on any one tire were excluded. The second variable derived is the maximum side-to-side pressure difference, representing the maximum pressure difference between either of the two right side tires and either of the two left side tires. Again, vehicles having missing data were excluded. Table 5 shows the results of comparing the accident and control populations on the two variables previously described. Front-to-rear and side-to-side differences are not significantly different between the two populations. It should be noted that for both variables the accident population has a higher mean difference than does the control population.

Table 4
TIRE PRESSURE MEANS FOR ACCIDENT
AND CONTROL POPULATIONS

<u>Tire</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Accident</u>		<u>N</u>	<u>Control</u>		<u>Sig</u>
		<u>Mean</u>	<u>S.D.</u>		<u>Mean</u>	<u>S.D.</u>	
LF	127	24.9	5.8	2680	28.4	5.5	0.0000
RF	123	25.6	5.7	2669	28.1	5.5	0.0000
LR	147	25.0	7.6	2677	27.9	5.8	0.0000
RR	145	24.9	6.6	2675	27.8	5.9	0.0000

Table 5
COMPARISON OF THE ACCIDENT AND CONTROL
POPULATIONS ON FRONT-TO-REAR AND SIDE-TO-SIDE
TIRE PRESSURE IMBALANCES

	<u>N</u>	<u>Accident</u>		<u>N</u>	<u>Control</u>		<u>Sig</u>
		<u>Mean</u>	<u>S.D.</u>		<u>Mean</u>	<u>S.D.</u>	
Maximum Front- to-Rear Difference	91	5.4	5.25	1179	4.6	4.68	0.09
Maximum Side- to-Side Difference	91	5.4	5.38	1179	4.5	4.64	0.10

4.2.2 Accident Population Subsets. Tables 6 and 7 present results of comparing subsets of the accident population. Table 6 compares the difference between the actual tire pressure and the manufacturer's recommended pressure (at maximum loading) for each tire position. It can be seen that none of the accident subsets compared is statistically different, and that the mean values of each subset are quite similar. These findings could be due to statistical factors, such as small cell sizes within the table. They might also arise because no differences in fact exist between vehicle-handling and non-vehicle-handling accidents on these variables, or because the accident subsets are poor surrogates for vehicle-handling accidents.

Comparing these same collision configurations on the maximum front-to-rear and side-to-side pressure differences, Table 7, we find that only the comparison between two-vehicle intersection and non-intersection accidents yields statistical significance. The non-intersection type accidents (head-on, rearend, and sideswipe accident configurations) have the highest mean tire pressure imbalance of all the accident subsets, both front-to-rear and side-to-side. Even though statistically significant, the number of cases (20) for this group is very small. The only inference warranted at this time is that further comparisons of these groups should await the availability of more data.

4.2.3 Accident Subsets Versus Control Population. The accident subsets compared in the previous section were also compared individually with the State Police checklane population. Table 8 shows the statistical significance of the subsets versus checklane comparisons

Table 6

ACTUAL TIRE PRESSURE MINUS MANUFACTURER'S
RECOMMENDED TIRE PRESSURE (AT MAXIMUM
LOADING) FOR ACCIDENT POPULATION SUBSETS

Tire	N	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.
		Sing*	Multi*		Sing*	Int*		Sing*	Nonint*		Int*	Nonint*	
LF	34	30	.79	34	17	.43	34	13	.64	17	13	.17	
	Mean	-.35	-.80	-.35	-2.00		-.35	.77		-2.00	.77		
	SD	7.75	5.48	7.75	4.76		7.75	6.13		4.76	6.13		
RF	36	34	.91	36	20	.96	36	14	.75	20	14	.77	
	Mean	-.14	0.59	-.14	-.25		-.14	.50		-.25	.50		
	SD	7.12	7.21	7.12	9.18		7.12	2.93		9.18	2.93		
LR	40	33	.78	40	19	.73	40	14	.36	19	14	.27	
	Mean	-2.68	-3.18	-2.68	-1.95		-2.68	-4.86		-1.95	-4.86		
	SD	7.61	7.43	7.61	6.88		7.61	8.06		6.88	8.06		
RR	38	33	.52	38	19	.81	38	14	.15	19	14	.17	
	Mean	-1.68	-2.67	-1.68	-1.26		-1.68	-4.57		-1.26	-4.57		
	SD	6.09	6.84	6.09	6.54		6.09	7.01		6.54	7.01		

*Sing = single-vehicle accident; Multi = multiple (2) vehicle; Int = intersection type T or L; Nonint = non-intersection, i.e., head-on, sideswipe, rear-end, etc.

Table 7

COMPARISON OF ACCIDENT SUBSETS ON SIDE-TO-SIDE
AND FRONT-TO-REAR TIRE PRESSURE IMBALANCES

	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.	Subset		Sig.
	Sing*	Multi*		Sing*	Int*		Sing*	Nonint*		Int*	Nonint*	
Maximum Front- to-Rear Difference												
N	38	53	.60	38	33	.19	38	20	.47	33	20	.04
Mean	5.76	5.17		5.76	4.12		5.76	6.90		4.12	6.90	
S.D.	5.82	4.85		5.82	4.41		5.82	5.14		4.41	5.14	
Maximum Side-to Side Difference												
N	38	53	.46	38	33	.13	38	20	.56	33	20	.03
Mean	5.89	5.04		5.89	3.94		5.89	6.85		3.94	6.85	
S.D.	6.17	4.77		6.17	4.15		6.17	5.25		4.15	5.25	

*Sing = single-vehicle accident; Multi = multiple (2) vehicle; Int = intersection type T
or L; Nonint = non-intersection, i.e., head-on, sideswipe, rear-end, etc.

Table 8
 COMPARISON OF ACCIDENT SUBSETS WITH THE CONTROL POPULATION
 (MODEL YEARS 1972-1975) ON MAXIMUM FRONT-TO-REAR AND
 SIDE-TO-SIDE TIRE PRESSURE IMBALANCES

Variable		Subset			Subset			Subset			Subset		
		Sing	Check	Sig.	Inters	Check	Sig.	Nonint	Check	Sig.	Multi	Check	Sig.
Maximum Front-to-Rear Difference	N	38	1179	.12	33	1179	.60	20	1179	.03	53	1179	.35
	Mean	5.76	4.55		4.12	4.55		6.96	4.55		5.17	4.55	
	S.D.	5.82	4.68		4.41	4.68		5.14	4.68		4.85	4.68	
Maximum Side-to-Side Difference	N	38	1179	.08	33	1179	.46	20	1179	.03	53	1179	.45
	Mean	5.89	4.55		3.94	4.55		6.85	4.55		5.04	4.55	
	S.D.	6.17	4.64		4.15	4.64		5.25	4.64		4.77	4.64	

for the two derived variables previously described. Single-vehicle accidents were marginally different from the control group on the side-to-side comparison, but not on the front-to-rear comparison. Non-intersection, two-vehicle accident involved vehicles were significantly different from the control group for both side-to-side and front-to-rear comparisons. Again the significance is based on very small sample sizes and bears further investigation.

4.3 Mixing of Generic Carcass Types

Mixes of generic carcass types exist on only 20 of the 180 vehicles. This number is too small for meaningful analysis. Chi-square contingency table comparisons of vehicles having mixed tires with those not having mixed tires, by collision type and road surface condition, are not significant at the 0.1 level. Even 2x2 tables for single-vehicle versus multi-vehicle, and for dry versus all other conditions, are not significant.

Because the number of cases is small, a summary of each is given in Table 9. Only two of the cases involved mixing radial-ply tires with non-radials. Six of the vehicles had bias-ply tires on the front and belted-bias tires on the rear. Another six had the reverse: belted-bias on the front and bias on the rear. The other six cases include various mixes of bias and belted-bias tires.

4.4 Tread Depth

Data are collected on the depth of each groove of each tire. One measurement is made in each groove at a point that is not over a treadwear indicator. Of the 180 cases now in the computer file, one tire has nine grooves. The others have from two to eight grooves. The data presented here are based on 700 tires with non-missing data on tread depth and with two to eight grooves.

Table 9

SUMMARY LIST OF CASES WITH
MIX OF GENERIC CARCASS TYPES

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Collision</u>	<u>Left Front*</u>	<u>Right Front*</u>	<u>Left Rear*</u>	<u>Right Rear*</u>
HS-2003-1	72 Maverick	Rollover	B 18	B 0	BB 0	BB 18
HS-2028-1	72 Chevrolet Pickup	Fixed Object-Rollover	B 35	B 33	BB 25	BB 16
HS-2034-1	74 Mustang	Fixed Object	B 20	B 20	BB 19	B 17
HS-2044-1	72 Maverick	Fixed Object	B 27	B 27	BB 25	BB 25
HS-2066-1	72 Maverick	Fixed Object	BB 10	BB 23	B 23	BB 21
HS-2067-1	73 GMC Pickup	Fixed Object	B 24	B 0	BB 37	BB 41
HS-2068-1	72 Cutlass	Intersection-T	BB 16	BB 23	B 23	B 25
HS-2069-2	72 Gremlin	Intersection-T	BB 15	BB 26	B 30	B 25
HS-2080-1	74 Colt Wagon	Fixed Object-Rollover	BB 19	BB 0	B 21	B 0
HS-2081-1	72 Cadillac	Head-On	BB 25	BB 22	B 23	B 21
HS-2087-1	72 Ranchero	Head-On	B 22	B 23	BB 15	BB 28
HS-2090-1	72 Vega Wagon	Head-On	BB 26	BB 24	B 18	B 16
HS-2093-1	72 Cutlass	Fixed Object	BB 28	BB 28	B 28	B 28
HS-2098-1	72 Galaxie	Fixed Object	B 22	B 21	BB 21	BB 20
HS-2102-1	73 El Camino	Intersection-T	BB 29	B 29	BB 29	BB 28
HS-2114-1	72 Pinto	Rollover	B 23	BB 24	B 27	BB 27
OK-2415-1	74 Chevrolet Van	Rollover	BB 0	BB 28	R 26	BB 33
OK-2424-1	74 Continental	Fixed Object	R 0	BB 0	R M.D.	R 0
OK-2485-1	72 Catalina	Intersection-T	BB 16	B 21	B 14	BB 14
OK-2538-1	73 Fury	Intersection-T	BB 28	B 28	B 26	B 26

*The letter indicates the generic carcass type, the number gives the cold inflation pressure after the accident. B=Bias ply, BB=Belted Bias ply, R=Radial ply

The tread depth examined here is the mean depth of each tire. All grooves--from two to eight--are used in calculating the mean. The distribution of the mean tread depth for each of the four tire positions is given in Table 10. Since the data set includes a number of light truck tires, the means exceed the value that would be expected on new passenger cars in a number of cases. The mode for both front tires is 9/32 in., and 11/32 in. for rear tires. Both are close to the depth of new tires (11/32-13/32).

The last column of Table 10 gives the distribution of the minimum mean tread depth on the car, i.e., the minimum of all four tires.

The number of tires with a mean tread depth of 2/32 in. or less is given at the bottom of the table. Of the 700 tires in the table, 32 (4.6 percent) have a mean depth of 2/32 in. or less. The minimum mean on the car was 2/32 in. or less on 21 (11.9 percent) of the cars.

The minimum mean tread depths for the cars have been compared for subsets of the accident sample, and tests of significance have been computed.* The comparison of vehicles in single-vehicle crashes with those in multi-vehicle crashes is not significant ($p = 0.98$). Although the results are not statistically significant, the single-vehicle cases had less tread than the other group in both comparisons.

*The RIDITS technique of Flora was used for the tests (16). This technique was used because it is a distribution-free method of determining if the numbers (scores) of one population are greater than those of a second population. The significance levels given by Flora's technique are the same as those obtained by the Mann-Whitney (U) test, although U is not obtained explicitly by Flora.

Table 10

DISTRIBUTION OF MEAN TREAD DEPTH

Depth in 32's	Left Front		Right Front		Left Rear		Right Rear		Minimum Mean on Car	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
0	0	0	3	1.7	1	0.6	1	0.6	4	2.3
1	2	1.1	2	1.1	3	1.7	3	1.7	8	4.5
2	3	1.7	6	3.4	5	2.9	3	1.7	9	5.1
3	10	5.7	8	4.6	7	4.0	4	2.3	15	8.5
4	13	7.4	6	3.4	7	4.0	6	3.4	12	6.8
5	11	6.3	12	6.9	9	5.1	9	5.2	16	9.0
6	15	8.5	11	6.3	13	7.4	15	8.6	18	10.2
7	21	11.9	20	11.4	14	8.0	19	10.9	21	11.9
8	20	11.4	15	8.6	22	12.6	21	12.1	16	9.0
9	25	14.2	30	17.1	25	14.3	20	11.5	21	11.9
10	18	10.2	22	12.6	15	8.6	17	9.8	8	4.5
11	16	9.1	20	11.4	28	16.0	27	15.5	20	11.3
12	12	6.8	10	5.7	9	5.1	11	6.3	4	2.3
13	7	4.0	5	2.9	7	4.0	9	5.2	3	1.7
14	1	0.6	3	1.7	3	1.7	2	1.1	0	0
15	0	0	0	0	3	1.7	3	1.7	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	0	0	0	2	1.1	1	0.6	0	0
18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.6	0	0
19	1	0.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.6
20	0	0	2	1.1	1	0.6	0	0	1	0.6
21	1	0.6	0	0	1	0.6	2	1.1	0	0
Total	176	100.0	175	100.0	175	100.0	174	100.0	177	100.0
Less than 3/32	5	2.8	11	6.3	9	5.1	7	4.0	21	11.9

Similarly, the comparison of tread depth of vehicles involved on dry pavement with those on other surface conditions is not significant ($p = 0.21$). This is true even when the other conditions are wet, i.e., dry versus wet ($p = 0.10$).

The tests listed above were computed using the first 15 levels of Table 10 and a sixteenth level obtained by grouping cases with depths of 15/32 - 21/32 in. The lack of significance in the wet-dry comparison could be a result of using a large number of levels, especially if differences in wet-versus-dry performance occur only at the lower tread depths. Consequently a 2x2 contingency table test was conducted comparing the number of cars with a minimum tread of 2/32 in. or less with the number with tread of over 2/32 in. The result is not significant, with a maximum-likelihood χ^2 probability of 0.29.

A method of deriving a simple characterization of the tread wear pattern from tread depth measurements that is meaningful to vehicle handling has not yet been developed. A simple measure of the pattern is the range of tread depths on each tire, i.e., the maximum minus minimum groove depth. The distributions of the range for front and rear tires are shown in Table 11 for descriptive rather than inferential purposes. The differences in these two distributions are not significant.* The range for front tires was 2/32 in. or less on 71.5 percent of the tires, and on 69.1 percent of the rear tires. The difference in these proportions is not statistically significant.

*The RIDIT technique of Flora gives a significance level of 0.57.

Table 11
TREAD DEPTH RANGE ON EACH TIRE
(Maximum - Minimum Groove Depth)

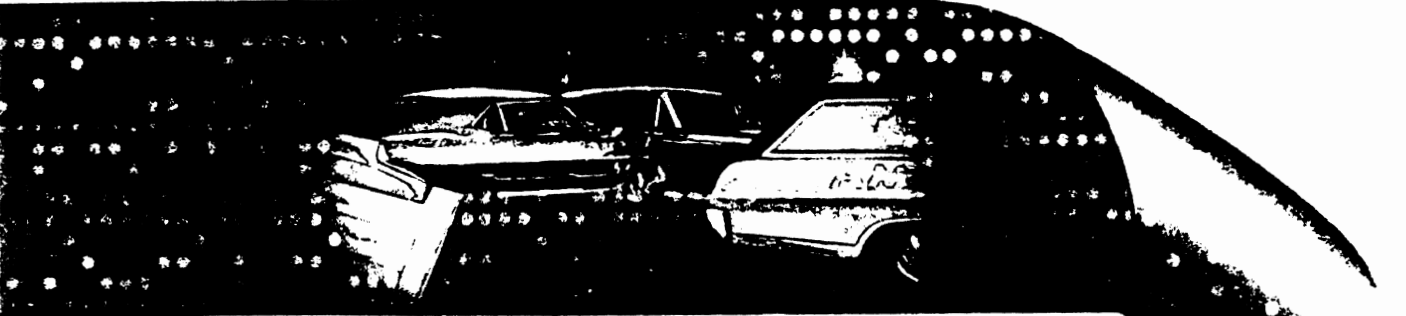
Range in 32's	Front Tires		Rear Tires	
	N	%	N	%
0	71	20.2	96	27.5
1	97	27.6	79	22.6
2	83	23.6	66	18.9
3	47	13.3	45	12.9
4	26	7.4	23	6.6
5	10	2.8	17	4.9
6	10	2.8	7	2.0
7	5	1.4	9	2.6
8	0	0.0	4	1.1
9	1	0.3	2	0.6
10	1	0.3	0	0.0
11	0	0.0	1	0.3
Total	351		349	
$\leq 2/32$	251	71.5	241	69.1

- (a) The differences between front and rear, using Flora's RIDITS and 12 levels, is not significant ($p = 0.57$), although the front tires have greater ranges.
- (b) The 2x2 chi-square for $\leq 2/32$'s is 0.5, d.f. = 1 or not significant.

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APPENDIX

ANNOTATED

COLLISION

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LEFT-FRONT WHEEL AND TIRE

WHEEL

WHEEL

INSPECTED ₁₂ (₁) Yes (₂) No, why _____ (₉) Unk

ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT ₁₃ (₁) Yes (₂) No, describe _____ (₉) Unk

DAMAGED ₁₇ (₂) No (₁) Yes, describe _____ (₉) Unk

TIRE

IDENTIFICATION

POSITION ₅ (₁) This Position (₉) Unknown Position

INSPECTED ₆ (₁) Yes (₂) No, why _____ (₉) Unk

TREAD TYPE _____ INTENDED USE _____

(1) Regular (3) Studded Snow (5) Reg/Chains (8) Other (1) Pass. Car (3) Off Road (8) Other
 (2) N/S Snow (4) Snow/Chains (6) Slick (9) Unknown (2) Light Truck (4) Trailer (9) Unknown

SIZE: _____ ₁₉ _____ ₂₈

BRAND _____ ₂₉

MODEL _____ ₃₂

DOT CODE * _____ ₃₅

LOAD RANGE * _____ ₄₇ MAXIMUM LOAD * _____ ₄₈ MAXIMUM PSI * _____ ₅₂

RETREAD ₅₄ (₂) No (₁) Yes (₉) Unk TUBE ₅₃ (₂) No (₁) Yes (₉) Unk

CONSTRUCTION

CARCASS TYPE ₅₆ (₁) Bias (₂) Belted-Bias (₃) Radial (₉) Other (₉) Unk

NO. TREAD PLYS * _____ ₅₇ BELT MATERIAL _____ ₅₈ _____ ₅₉ ₆₀

NO. SIDEWALL PLYS * _____ ₆₁ SIDEWALL MATERIAL _____ ₆₂

UNKNOWN = 9

(0) None (2) Rayon (4) Polyester (8) Other
 (1) Nylon (3) Fiberglass (5) Steel (9) Unk

Dup 1-9 Card 5 2

CONDITION

OUTER GROOVE _____ TREAD DEPTH * _____ NO. GROOVES * _____ ₇₃

₇₄ _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ ₇₅

UNKNOWN = 9's

CUPPING ₃₄ (₂) No (₁) Yes (₉) Unk PRESSURE LOSS SUSPECTED ₃₅

PSI * _____ ₃₆ (₁) None (₂) Pre-crash (₃) Crash

NUMBER OF SLIDES * _____ ₃₈ (₄) Post-crash (₈) Unknown time

DAMAGED ₃₇ (₂) No (₁) Yes, describe _____ (₉) Unk

DAMAGE CONTRIBUTORY TO ACCIDENT ₄₀ (₃) Not Damaged (₂) No (₁) Yes (₉) Unk

* UNKNOWN = 9's

LEFT-REAR WHEEL AND TIRE

WHEEL

WHEEL	INSPECTED ₁₂ () Yes () No, why _____ () Unk
	ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT ₁₃ () Yes () No, describe _____ () Unk
	DAMAGED ₁₇ () No () Yes, describe _____ () Unk

TIRE

IDENTIFICATION	POSITION ₅ () This Position () Unknown Position
	INSPECTED ₆ () Yes () No, why _____ () Unk
	TREAD TYPE _____ INTENDED USE _____
	(1) Regular (3) Studded Snow (5) Reg/Chains (8) Other (1) Pass. Car (3) Off Road (8) Other
	(2) M/S Snow (4) Snow/Chains (6) Stick (9) Unknown (2) Light Truck (4) Trailer (9) Unknown
	SIZE: _____
	BRAND _____
	MODEL _____
	DOT CODE * _____
	LOAD RANGE * _____ MAXIMUM LOAD * _____ MAXIMUM PSI * _____
RETREAD ₅₄ () No () Yes () Unk TUBE ₅₅ () No () Yes () Unk	

CONSTRUCTION	CARCASS TYPE ₅₆ () Bias () Belted-Bias () Radial () Other () Unk
	NO. TREAD PLYS * _____ BELT MATERIAL _____
	NO. SIDEWALL PLYS * _____ SIDEWALL MATERIAL _____
	UNKNOWN = 9 (0) None (2) Rayon (4) Polyester (8) Other (1) Nylon (3) Fiberglass (5) Steel (9) Unk

CONDITION	OUTER GROOVE _____ TREAD DEPTH * _____ NO. GROOVES * _____
	_____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____
	CUPPING ₃₄ () No () Yes () Unk PRESSURE LOSS SUSPECTED ₃₅
	PSI * _____ () None () Pre-crash () Crash
	NUMBER OF SLIDES * _____ () Post-crash () Unknown time
	DAMAGED ₃₇ () No () Yes, describe _____ () Unk
	DAMAGE CONTRIBUTORY TO ACCIDENT ₃₈ () Not Damaged () No () Yes () Unk

* UNKNOWN = 9's

RIGHT-REAR WHEEL AND TIRE

WHEEL

WHEEL	INSPECTED ₁₂ () Yes () No, why _____ () Unk
	ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT ₁₃ () Yes () No, describe _____ () Unk
	DAMAGED ₁₇ () No () Yes, describe _____ () Unk

TIRE

IDENTIFICATION	POSITION ₅ () This Position () Unknown Position
	INSPECTED ₆ () Yes () No, why _____ () Unk
	TREAD TYPE _____ INTENDED USE _____
	(1) Regular (3) Studded Snow (5) Reg/Chains (8) Other (1) Pass. Car (3) Off Road (8) Other
	(2) N/S Snow (4) Snow/Chains (6) Slick (9) Unknown (2) Light Truck (4) Trailer (9) Unknown
	SIZE: _____
	BRAND _____
	MODEL _____
	DOT CODE* _____
	LOAD RANGE* _____ MAXIMUM LOAD* _____ MAXIMUM PSI* _____
RETREAD ₅₄ () No () Yes () Unk TUBE ₅₅ () No () Yes () Unk	

CONSTRUCTION	CARCASS TYPE ₅₆ () Bias () Belted-Bias () Radial () Other () Unk
	NO. TREAD PLYS* _____ BELT MATERIAL _____
	NO. SIDEWALL PLYS* _____ SIDEWALL MATERIAL _____
	UNKNOWN = 9 (0) None (2) Rayon (4) Polyester (8) Other (1) Nylon (3) Fiberglass (5) Steel (9) Unk

CONDITION	OUTER GROOVE _____ TREAD DEPTH* _____ NO. GROOVES* _____
	_____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____ : _____
	CUPPING ₃₄ () No () Yes () Unk PRESSURE LOSS SUSPECTED ₃₅
	PSI* _____ () None () Pre-crash () Crash
	NUMBER OF SLIDES* _____ () Post-crash () Unknown time
	DAMAGED ₃₇ () No () Yes, describe _____ () Unk
	DAMAGE CONTRIBUTORY TO ACCIDENT ₄₀ () Not Damaged () No () Yes () Unk

* UNKNOWN = 9's

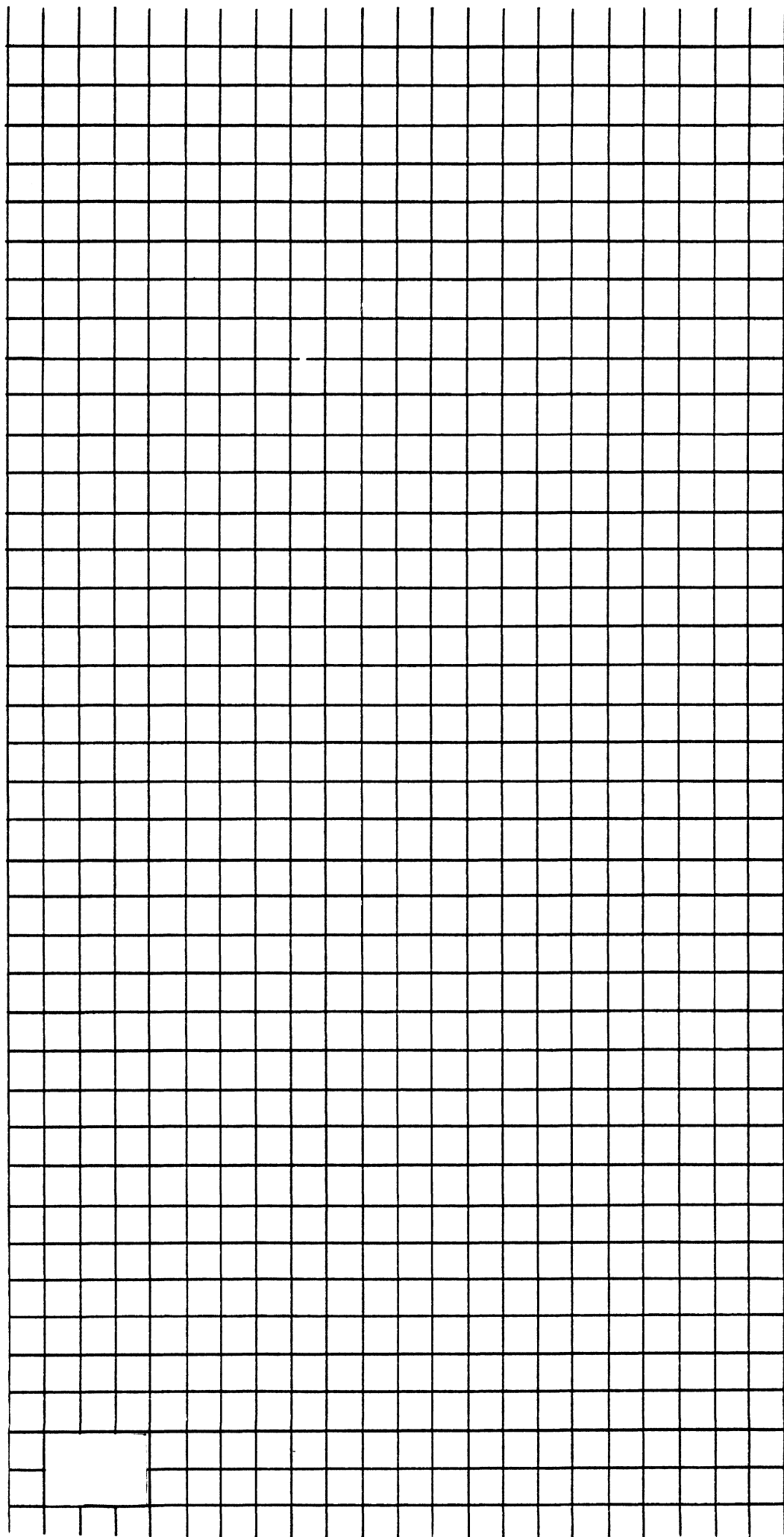
ACCIDENT SCHEMATIC

CASE VEHICLE (A): _____

OTHER VEHICLE (B): _____

ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: _____





RIGHT-FRONT SEATING SYSTEM

DAMAGE TO ADJUSTERS (0,1,2,3)	<u>34</u>
TYPE OF DAMAGE (2) None (4) Chucking (5) Deformed and Released (6) Separated (8) Swivel Damage (0) Unknown	<u>35</u>
LOCATION OF SEPARATION (3) Not Applicable (4) At Floor (5) At Adjuster (6) At Seat (0) Unknown	<u>36</u>
HEAD RESTRAINTS (Right Front) Equipped (1,2,0) <u>37</u> Removed Prior to Collision (1,2,3,0) <u>38</u> Retained During Collision (1,2,3,0) <u>39</u> Damaged (1,2,3,0) <u>40</u> Occupant Contact (1,2,3,0) <u>41</u>	
HEAD RESTRAINT ADJUSTMENT AT TIME OF COLLISION (3) Not Applicable, None <u>42</u> (4) UP From Seat Top (5) Down on Seat Top (6) Integral (0) Unknown	
WAS THIS SEATING POSITION OCCUPIED? (1,2,0)	<u>43</u>

CASE VEHICLE MALFUNCTION	
(0) Unknown (1) Malfunction definite (2) No Malfunction (4) Malfunction probable (5) Malfunction possible (6) Driver claimed malfunction- No investigation	
	Code
(01) Brake System	<u>44</u>
(02) Exhaust System	<u> </u>
(03) Steering System	<u> </u>
(04) Suspension System	<u> </u>
(05) Tires	<u> </u>
(06) Electrical System	<u> </u>
(07) Throttle System	<u> </u>
(08) Driver Controls	<u> </u>
(09) Power Train	<u> </u>
(10) Fuel System	<u> </u>
(11) Visibility Items	<u> </u>
(12) Other: <u> </u>	<u> </u>
(13) Applicable, but Unknown <u> </u>	<u> </u>
Primary Item Noted Above (01 to 13) from above <u>57</u> <u>58</u> (00) None (99) Unknown	
HAD ROUTINE MAINTENANCE BEEN PERFORMED (0,1,2)	<u>57</u>

FORM VERSION NUMBER <u>3</u> 1 REPORT NUMBER 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 CARD NUMBER <u>01</u> 10 11 DATE OF COLLISION MO. / DAY / YR. 12 13 / 14 15 / 16 17 (99/99/99) Unknown	TIME OF COLLISION _____ AM PM DATE OF FIELD INVESTIGATION _____ INVESTIGATOR _____ CIRCLE PHOTO RECORDS MADE: SLIDES NEGATIVES POLAROIDs LOCATION WHERE VEHICLE WAS EVALUATED: _____ REPORT PREPARED BY _____	KEYPUNCH ONLY: DATE REC'D. PUNCHED VERIFIED
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	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.	Case Vehicle ONLY	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
LOCATION STATE: (FIPS Code) CITY, TOWNSHIP, ETC.: AREA (1) URBAN (2) RURAL (0) UNKNOWN LOCALITY (1) MANUFACTURING OR INDUSTRIAL (2) SHOPPING OR BUSINESS (3) APARTMENTS (4) SCHOOL OR PLAYGROUND (5) RESIDENTIAL (6) FARM (7) UNDEVELOPED (0) UNKNOWN	--	18-19	ROAD ALIGNMENT VERTICAL PLANE (1) LEVEL (2) CREST OF HILL (3) SLOPE- 2% grade (4) BOTTOM OF HILL (0) UNKNOWN HORIZONTAL PLANE (1) STRAIGHT (2) CURVE (0) UNKNOWN	---	26
ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAY (1) YES (2) NO (0) UNKNOWN ROAD TOTAL TRAFFIC LANES (1) 1-Lane (2) 2-Lane Case Vehicle (3) 3-Lane (4) 4 or More Lanes (5) 4 or More Lanes Divided (6) Parking Lot, Driveway (7) Other, e.g. RR Tracks, Ramps (0) Unknown	---	20	SURFACE COVERING (01) DRY WATER (02) DAMP (03) WET (04) PUDDLED (05) UNKNOWN AMOUNT SNOW (06) LOOSE (07) PACKED (08) CONDITION UNKNOWN (09) ICE (10) SLUSH (11) SPILLED GRAVEL (12) OTHER: _____ (00) UNKNOWN	---	27
OTHER ROAD TOTAL TRAFFIC LANES (IF AT INTERSECTION) CHOOSE FROM ABOVE LIST OR (9) NOT APPLICABLE TYPE OF ROAD SURFACE (1) Asphalt, Bituminous Concrete (2) CONCRETE (3) GRAVEL (4) MORE THAN ONE TYPE (5) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN	---	21	PRECIPITATION (1) NONE (2) RAIN (3) SNOW (4) HAIL (5) SLEET (6) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN RATE OF PRECIPITATION (3) NOT APPLICABLE (4) LIGHT, MIST (5) MODERATE (6) HEAVY (0) UNKNOWN	--	28-29
ROAD TOTAL TRAFFIC LANES (IF AT INTERSECTION) CHOOSE FROM ABOVE LIST OR (9) NOT APPLICABLE	---	22	SURFACE SLIPPERY (1) YES (2) NO (0) UNKNOWN	---	30
TYPE OF ROAD SURFACE (1) Asphalt, Bituminous Concrete (2) CONCRETE (3) GRAVEL (4) MORE THAN ONE TYPE (5) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN	---	23	RATE OF PRECIPITATION (3) NOT APPLICABLE (4) LIGHT, MIST (5) MODERATE (6) HEAVY (0) UNKNOWN	---	31
OTHER ROAD TOTAL TRAFFIC LANES (IF AT INTERSECTION) CHOOSE FROM ABOVE LIST OR (9) NOT APPLICABLE	---	24	SURFACE SLIPPERY (1) YES (2) NO (0) UNKNOWN	---	32

COLLISION DESCRIPTION

GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLISION CONFIGURATION (of case vehicle)	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.	CASE VEHICLE DRIVER'S ABILITY TO DRIVE IMPAIRED BY	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
VEHICLE TO OBJECT (1,2,0)*	—	42	(CHOOSE NO MORE THAN TWO)		
ROLLOVER (1,2,0)* (90° or more)	—	43	(00) UNKNOWN		
RAN OFF THE ROADWAY (1,2,0)* (Before first impact)	—	44	(02) NONE		
VEHICLE TO VEHICLE (1) Yes, Configuration unknown (2) No (3) Head-on (F to F) (4) Intersection type L (5) Side-swipe (6) Rear-impact (F and B) (7) Other: _____ (8) Intersection type T (9) Unknown	—	45	(03) DRINKING INVOLVED (Broad)		
VEHICLE TO STOPPED VEHICLE (1,2,0)* (Either vehicle)	—	46	(04) Drunk By Local Legal Standards (05) ASLEEP (BAC given)		
VEHICLE TO MOVING VEHICLE (1,2,0)*	—	47	(06) FATIGUE		
OTHER CONFIGURATION (1,2,0)* () (5) Non-Collision only (6) Vehicle-part to Vehicle (7) Vehicle to O.V. Trailer (8) Self-induced (9) Veh to Object to Veh	—	48	(07) RECKLESSNESS		
VEHICLES INVOLVED TOTAL NUMBER (INCLUDING CASE VEHICLE) In Accident (0) Unknown	—	49	(08) INATTENTION		
OBJECTS CONTACTED (02) None (00) Unknown Object (03) Other Automobile (04) Ground (rollover only) (05) Guardrail (06) Bridge (rail) (07) Sign (08) Ditch (09) Embankment (snowbank) (10) Culvert (11) Fence (12) Pole or Tree (13) Pedestrian (14) Large Animal (15) Motorcycle (16) Large Truck--Type Unknown (see 20-25) (17) Train (18) Pedalcycle (bicycle+) (19) Building (20) Light/Pickup Truck, Small Van, Carryall (22) Tractor without trailer (23) Van delivery (walk-in/step van) (24) Straight truck, motor home (25) Tractor-trailer combination (26) Multi-purpose vehicle (jeep) (28) Bus (29) Trailer (40) Object disengaging from other vehicle (50) Hydrants, short posts, stumps (51) Mailbox (rural), small posts/trees (52) Pier, Pillar (e.g., bridge support) (53) Retaining wall, abutment, Hiway fixtures (54) Impact attenuator (55) Breakaway Fixtures (99) Other			(09) LACK OF TRAINING		
			(10) EMOTIONAL STATE		
			(11) MEDICATION		
			(12) Drugs (narcotic)		58-59
			(13) ILLNESS (or otherwise)		
			(14) INFIRMITIES		
			(15) PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED		60-61
			(16) OTHER: _____		
			SOURCE OF INFORMATION:		
			TRAFFIC VIOLATION (EITHER DRIVER)		
			(1) YES		
			(2) NO	0	62
			(0) UNKNOWN		
			DESCRIBE VIOLATION: _____		
			Citation need not be issued, but only indicated.		
			LEGAL ACTION		
			WAS TRAFFIC VIOLATION CITATION ISSUED TO ANYONE? (1,2,0)*	0	63
			IF "YES", CIRCLE VIOLATOR:		
			DRIVER OF CASE VEHICLE		
			DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE		
			PEDESTRIAN		
			OTHER: _____		
			(Accident Point of View)		
			TYPE OF LOSS		
			PERSONAL INJURY (1,2,0)*	0	64
			PROPERTY DAMAGE (1,2,0)*	0	65

*WHERE (1,2,0) IS INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES
2 FOR NO
0 FOR UNKNOWN

OTHER VEHICLE

NOTE: A complete analysis of this accident requires that a minimum amount of information be obtained on the other vehicle(s) involved. Therefore, the information on this page should be completed even though a separate long form may be filled out on these other vehicles.

DUPLICATE COLUMNS 1-9 FROM PRECEDING CARD		0 2 10 11	
OTHER VEHICLE DESCRIPTION			
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER			
12	13	14	
15	16	17	
18	19	20	
21	22	23	
24			
MAKE _____			
MODEL _____			
CODE TO BE INSERTED			
	25	26	
	27	28	
	29		
MODEL YEAR			
	19	20	
	30	31	
Shipping Weight (pounds)			
	32	33	
	34	35	
ODOMETER READING			
(IF OVER 100,000: USE 99 999)			
	36	37	
	38	39	
	40		
BODY STYLE (Code Sun Roof as 1 to 3, not 6) (1) 2-Door Hardtop (no upper B pillar) (2) 2-Door Sedan or Coupe (any upper B) (3) 4-Door Hardtop (4) 4-Door Sedan (5) Station Wagon or Pickup Car (6) Convertible - soft or hard shell (7) Van (not walk-in) (8) Truck (inc. pickups+carryalls) (9) Other (e.g. bus, jeep, train) (0) Unknown	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.	
		—	41
	NUMBER OF CYLINDERS OR ROTORS (Enter "0" if Unknown)	—	42
	HIGH PERFORMANCE/AIR BAG EQUIPPED (0) No A/B: Unk if High Perf. (1) No A/B: High Performance (2) No A/B: Not High Perf. Air Bag Equipped (any engine) and: (4) Any Deployments (5) No Deployments (6) Deployment Unknown (9) Both High Performance and A/B Equipped Unknown	—	43
	NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS	— —	44-45
VEHICLE LOADING (4) BELOW FULL RATED LOAD (5) NEAR FULL RATED LOAD (6) ABOVE FULL RATED LOAD (0) UNKNOWN	—	46	

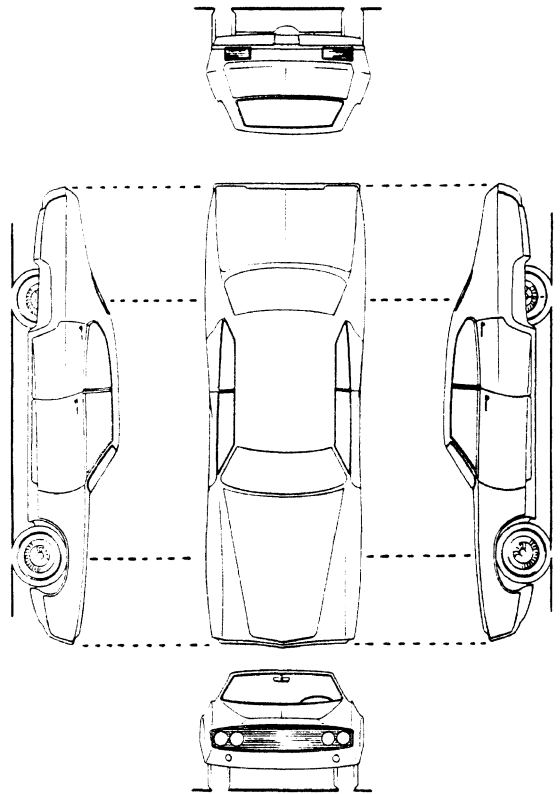
OTHER VEHICLE

DAMAGE INDEX (OTHER VEHICLE)

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VEHICLE DAMAGE

(This space may be used to enter details and notes about the other vehicle. See page 9 for instructions.)



COMMENTS: _____

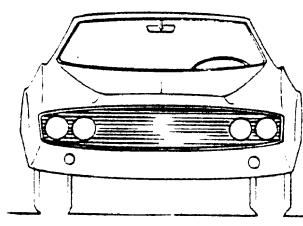
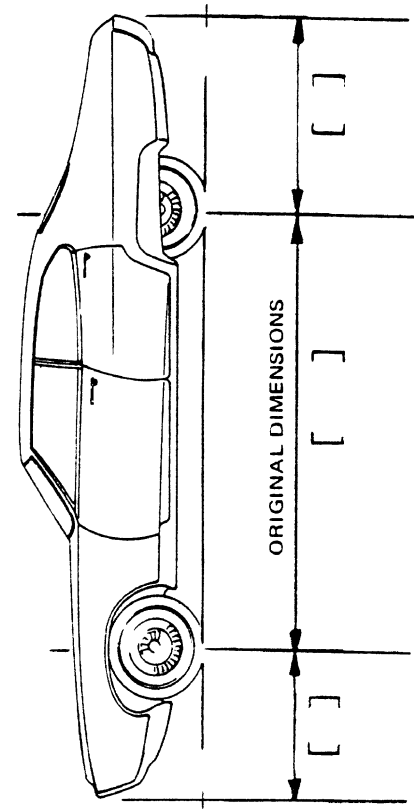
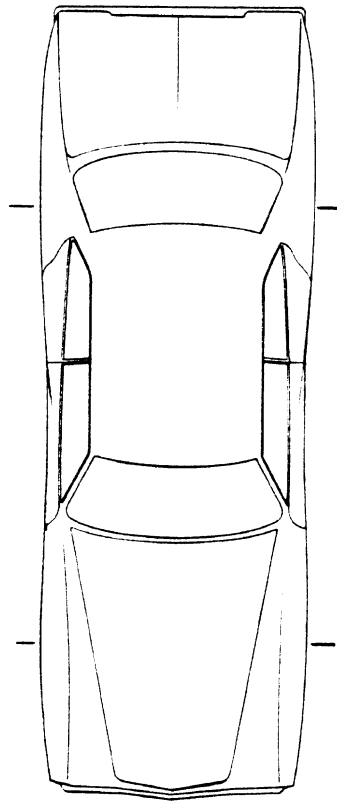
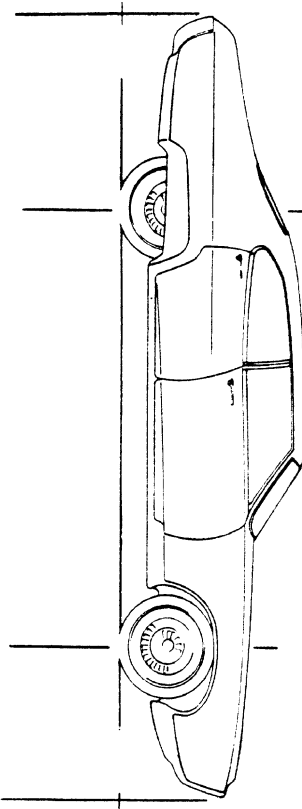
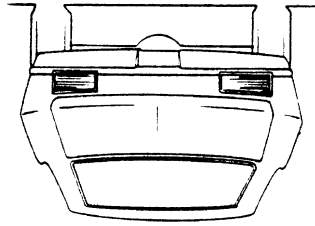
IF SEPARATE REPORT WAS MADE, GIVE REPORT NUMBER _____

*WHERE (1,2,0) IS INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES
2 FOR NO

EXTERIOR DAMAGE

FIELD INVESTIGATOR INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Indicate crushed areas by outlining new perimeter of vehicle and shading the damaged areas on the large sketch below. Use as many sketches as necessary to completely describe the damage.
2. Enter the dimensions on the sketch(es) measured to the point of maximum penetration by the object(s) contacted. Use the examples on the facing page as a guide.
3. Enter the three dimensions to the center of the wheels (wheelbase, front and rear overhangs) on both sides of the car.
4. Add other dimensions as necessary to completely describe the damage.



VEHICLE SKETCH

WHEELS AND TIRES

WHEELS	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT TYPE		
FRONT (1,2,0)*	---	30
REAR (1,2,0)*	---	31
DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	---	32
DESCRIBE DAMAGE AND NON O.E. WHEELS		
TIRES		
TREAD TYPE		
(4) REGULAR	} FRONT	---
(5) NON-STUDED SNOW		
(6) STUDED SNOW		
(7) 'SLICK'		
(8) LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES DIFFERENT		
(9) OTHER: _____	} REAR	---
(0) UNKNOWN		
TREAD WEAR		
(4) LIGHT	} FRONT	---
(5) MEDIUM		
(6) HEAVY		
(7) BALD		
(8) LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES DIFFERENT		
(9) OTHER: _____	} REAR	---
(0) UNKNOWN		
PROFILE		
(4) REGULAR 80,78	} FRONT	---
(5) WIDE OVAL 70,60,50		
(6) LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES DIFFERENT		
(7) OTHER: _____	} REAR	---
(0) UNKNOWN		
CARCASS TYPE		
(4) BIAS PLY	} FRONT	---
(5) BELTED-BIAS PLY		
(6) RADIAL PLY		
(7) LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES DIFFERENT		
(8) OTHER: _____		
(0) UNKNOWN		

TIRES (CONT'D.)		SIZE
FRONT	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
REAR	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
MANUFACTURER		
FRONT	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
REAR	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
MODEL		
FRONT	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
REAR	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
CODE		
FRONT	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
REAR	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
LOAD RANGE		
FRONT	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____
REAR	LEFT	_____
	RIGHT	_____

*WHERE (1,2,0) IS INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES
2 FOR NO
0 FOR UNKNOWN

FRONT EXTERIOR

HOOD PERFORMANCE (FRONT OF VEHICLE)	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
HOOD LATCH(ES)		
RELEASED (1,2,3,0)*	—	41
DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	42
JAMMED (1,2,3,0)*	—	43
HOOD HINGES		
LEFT { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)	—	44
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	45
RIGHT { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)	—	46
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	47
HOOD REMAINED ON VEHICLE (1,2,3,0)	—	48
REAR EDGE OF HOOD		
ELEVATED (1,2,3,0)	—	49
CONTACTED WINDSHIELD (1,2,3,0)	—	50
PENETRATED WINDSHIELD (1,2,3,0)*	—	51
OPTIONAL HOOD INSTALLED (1,2,3,0)	—	52
ENGINE OR TRANSMISSION MOUNT SEPARATION (1,2,3,4,5,0)	—	53
STEERING COLUMN FLEXIBLE COUPLING		
EQUIPPED (2) No →	—	54
Yes		
(1) Type Unknown	—	55
(6) Rag	—	55
(7) Pot	—	55
(8) Universal	—	55
(9) Other	—	55
(0) Unknown	—	56
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	56
OTHER DAMAGE (1,2,3,0)*	—	56
DESCRIBE: _____		

ENGINE COMPARTMENT TELESCOPING UNIT
(SEE DRAWING ON PAGE 18 FOR LOCATION)

FRONT OF VEHICLES

LOWER TELESCOPING SHAFT

TYPE OF UNIT	PUNCH
(5) None Installed	57
(1-6) See Sketch Above	
(8) Double U-Joint or Flexible Cable Joint	
(9) Others _____	
(0) Unknown	
(777) Device Extended	
(888) Not Equipped, (999) Unknown	58 59 60
(998) Compressed, Unknown Amount	
END OF CARD 04	

*USE: 1=YES 2=NO 3=NOT APPLICABLE 0=UNKNOWN

**USE: 1=YES, TYPE UNKNOWN 2=NO 3=NOT APPLICABLE

4-PARTIAL SEPARATION 5-COMPLETE SEPARATION 0=UNKNOWN

FIRE

DUPLICATE COLUMNS 1-9 FROM PRECEDING CARD 0 5
 10 11

FIRE (Accident Viewpoint)	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
(1) Fire - time unknown (2) No Fire (4) Pre-Crash Fire Start (5) At-Crash Fire Start (6) Post-Crash Fire Start (0) Unknown	—	12
EXTENT OF FIRE (to Case Vehicle) (3) No Fire, Not Applicable (4) Minor - easily extinguished (5) Major (e.g., entire interior or engine) (0) Unknown	—	13
FIRE ORIGIN (in Case Vehicle) (3) No Fire, Not Applicable (4) Engine Compartment (5) Passenger Compartment (6) Luggage Compartment (7) Fuel Tank, lines, filler (8) Other: _____ (0) Unknown	—	14

NOTES ABOUT FIRE: _____

LEFT PILLARS

LEFT EXTERIOR

LEFT PILLARS	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
If left pillars were not damaged or separated or left roof side rail was not damaged or buckled, place a "1" in code column. Code remainder of column	0	15
A-PILLAR		
UPPER { DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	16
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	17
LOWER { DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	18
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	19
B-PILLAR (Also Rear Pillar on Pick-Up Truck, Corvette, Camaro, Firebird)		
UPPER { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	20
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	21
LOWER { DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	22
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	23
C-PILLAR		
UPPER { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	24
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	25
LOWER { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	26
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	27
D-PILLAR (Station Wagon & Limousine)		
UPPER { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	28
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	29
LOWER { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	30
SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	31
LEFT ROOF SIDE RAIL		
DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	32
BUCKLED (1,2,3,0)*	—	33

*USE: 1-YES 2-NO 3-NOT APPLICABLE 0-UNKNOWN
 **USE: 1-YES, TYPE UNKNOWN 2-NO 3-NOT APPLICABLE

4-PARTIAL SEPARATION 5-COMPLETE SEPARATION 0-UNKNOWN

LEFT EXTERIOR

REAR EXTERIOR

SIDE STRUCTURE - LEFT SIDE		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
LEFT BODY MOUNT SEPARATION (1,2,3,0)*		---	34
<p style="margin-left: 40px;">└─ Damaged</p> <p>If door hinges and latches were not damaged and doors did not jam or open during collision, and continuity of the side structure was maintained, place a "1" in code column. Code remainder of column</p>		---	35
DOOR LATCHES			
LEFT FRONT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	---	36
	RELEASED (1,2,3,0)*	---	37
LEFT REAR	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	---	38
	RELEASED (1,2,3,0)*	---	39
DOOR HINGES			
LEFT FRONT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	---	40
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	---	41
LEFT REAR	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	---	42
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	---	43
CONTINUITY OF SIDE STRUCTURE MAINTAINED (1,2,3,0)*		---	44
<p>i.e., Is Side Boundary Broken Not restricted to vehicles with reinforced side structure.</p>			
DOORS OPENED DURING COLLISION			
LEFT	FRONT (1,2,0)*	---	45
	REAR (1,2,3,0)*	---	46
DOORS JAMMED CLOSED			
LEFT	FRONT (1,2,0)*	---	47
	REAR (1,2,3,0)*	---	48

FUEL TANK AND LINES		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
APPROXIMATE FUEL LEVEL AT TIME OF IMPACT		---	49
<p>(4) LESS THAN 1/2</p> <p>(5) 1/2 OR MORE</p> <p>(0) UNKNOWN</p>		---	49
TANK RETENTION		---	50
<p>(4) COMPLETE RETENTION</p> <p>(5) PARTIAL DISENGAGEMENT</p> <p>(6) COMPLETE DISENGAGEMENT</p> <p>(0) UNKNOWN</p>		---	50
TANK DEFORMED (1,2,0)*		---	51
<p>includes neck</p>		---	51
FUEL LEAKAGE PRESENT (1,2,0)*		---	52
LOCATION OF LEAKS		---	53
<p>FROM THE TANK (1,2,3,0)*</p> <p>FROM THE NECK (1,2,3,0)*</p> <p>FROM THE LINES (1,2,3,0)*</p>		---	53
		---	54
		---	55
TRAILER AND HITCH		---	56
<p>(1) Yes, Type Unknown</p> <p>(2) No hitch</p> <p>(3) Ball and Socket, Temporary Bumper (e.g., rental clamp-on)</p> <p>(4) Ball and Socket, Bumper only (e.g., light truck)</p> <p>(5) Ball and Socket - Frame Hitch (e.g., frame and bumper)</p> <p>(6) Equalizing, load distributing</p> <p>(7) Ring and Pintle (e.g., double tractor)</p> <p>(8) Fifth Wheel (e.g., semi)</p> <p>(9) Other (e.g., clevis and pin)</p> <p>(0) Unknown</p>		---	56
TRAILER BEING TOWED (AT TIME OF COLLISION)		---	57
<p>(1) Yes, Type Unknown</p> <p>(2) No (hitch, no trailer)</p> <p>(3) Not Applicable (no hitch)</p> <p>(4) Travel Trailer/Camper</p> <p>(5) Mobile Home</p> <p>(6) Boat/Snowmobile/ATV Trailer</p> <p>(7) Rental/Cargo Trailer</p> <p>(8) Car</p> <p>(9) Other: _____</p> <p>(0) Unknown</p>		---	57

TRAILER

FUEL TANK

LEFT SIDE STRUCTURE

*USE: 1=YES 3-NOT APPLICABLE
2=NO 0=UNKNOWN

**USE: 1=YES, TYPE UNKNOWN
2=NO
3=NOT APPLICABLE

4=PARTIAL SEPARATION
5=COMPLETE SEPARATION
0=UNKNOWN

REAR EXTERIOR

		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.	DUPLICATE COLUMNS 1-9 FROM PRECEDING CARD <u>0</u> <u>6</u> 10 11	
TAILGATE (HATCHBACK) PERFORMANCE Includes back doors of Vans					
LATCHES					
RELEASED	(1,2,3,0)*	—	58		
DAMAGED	(1,2,3,0)*	—	59		
LATCH OR TAILGATE JAMMED	(1,2,3,0)*	—	60		
HINGES OR TRACKS (CLAM SHELL)					
BOTTOM LEFT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	61		
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	62		
BOTTOM RIGHT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	63		
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	64		
TOP LEFT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	65		
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	66		
TOP RIGHT	DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	67		
	SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	68		
EQUIPPED WITH TWO-WAY TAILGATE (1,2,3,0)* (6) Disappearing Tailgate		—	69		
TAILGATE ELECTRIC WINDOW OPERABLE (1,2,3,0)*		—	70		
END OF CARD 05					
				TRUNK LID PERFORMANCE (REAR OF VEHICLE)	
				LATCHES	
				RELEASED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 12	
				DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 13	
				LATCH OR LID JAMMED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 14	
				HINGES	
				LEFT { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 15	
				SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)** <u>0</u> 16	
				RIGHT { DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 17	
				SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)** <u>0</u> 18	
				TRUNK or PARTITIONED LUGGAGE AREA	
				DAMAGED (1,2,3,0) — 19	
				SPARE TIRE SEPARATION (1,2,3,4,0) (4) for spare tire not initially attached — 20	
				TRUNK - PASSENGER COMPARTMENT PARTITION DAMAGE (1,2,3,0)* — 21	
				BACKLIGHT HEADER (REAR WINDOW TOP FRAME)	
				BACKLIGHT HEADER DAMAGED OR BUCKLED (1,2,3,0)* <u>0</u> 22 <small>convertible</small>	
				RIGHT PILLARS	

*USE: 1=YES 3-NOT APPLICABLE
2-NO 0-UNKNOWN

**USE: 1=YES, TYPE UNKNOWN
2-NO
3-NOT APPLICABLE

4-PARTIAL SEPARATION
5-COMplete SEPARATION
0-UNKNOWN

RIGHT EXTERIOR

RIGHT PILLARS		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
If right pillars were not damaged or separated or right roof side rail was not damaged or buckled, place a "1" in code column. Code remainder of column		0	23
A-PILLARS			
UPPER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	24
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	25
LOWER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	26
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	27
B-PILLAR (ALSO REAR PILLAR ON PICK-UP TRUCK, CORVETTE, CAMARO, FIREBIRD)			
UPPER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	28
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	29
LOWER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	0	30
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	31
C-PILLAR			
UPPER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	32
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	33
LOWER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	34
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	35
D-PILLAR (STATION WAGON & LIMOUSINE)			
UPPER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	36
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	37
LOWER	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	0	38
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	0	39
RIGHT ROOF SIDE RAIL			
DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*		—	40
BUCKLED (1,2,3,0)*		—	41
WINDSHIELD HEADER			
DAMAGED OR BUCKLED (1,2,0)*		—	42

SIDE STRUCTURE – RIGHT SIDE		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
RIGHT BODY MOUNT SEPARATION (1,2,3,0)*		—	43
Utilized			
If door hinges and latches were not damaged and doors did not jam or open during collision, and continuity of the side structure was maintained, place a "1" in code column. Code remainder of column		—	44
DOOR LATCHES			
RIGHT FRONT	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	45
	{ RELEASED (1,2,3,0)*	—	46
RIGHT REAR	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	47
	{ RELEASED (1,2,3,0)*	—	48
DOOR HINGES			
RIGHT FRONT	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	49
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	50
RIGHT REAR (Hinge or track)	{ DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*	—	51
	{ SEPARATED (1,2,3,4,5,0)**	—	52
CONTINUITY OF SIDE STRUCTURE MAINTAINED (1,2,3,0)*		—	53
i.e., Is Side Boundary Broken Not restricted to vehicles with reinforced side structure.			
DOORS OPENED DURING COLLISION			
RIGHT	{ FRONT (1,2,0)*	—	54
	{ REAR (1,2,3,0)*	—	55
DOORS JAMMED CLOSED			
RIGHT	{ FRONT (1,2,0)*	—	56
	{ REAR (1,2,3,0)*	—	57

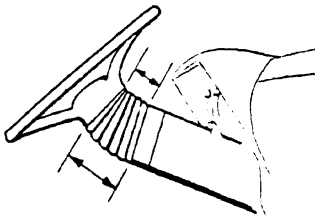
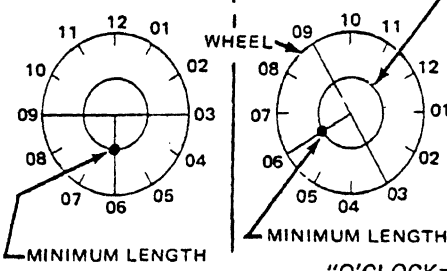
RIGHT SIDE STRUCTURE

RIGHT PILLARS

*USE: 1-YES 3-NOT APPLICABLE **USE: 1-YES,TYPE UNKNOWN 4-PARTIAL SEPARATION
 2-NO 0-UNKNOWN 2-NO 5-COMLETE SEPARATION
 3-NOT APPLICABLE 0-UNKNOWN

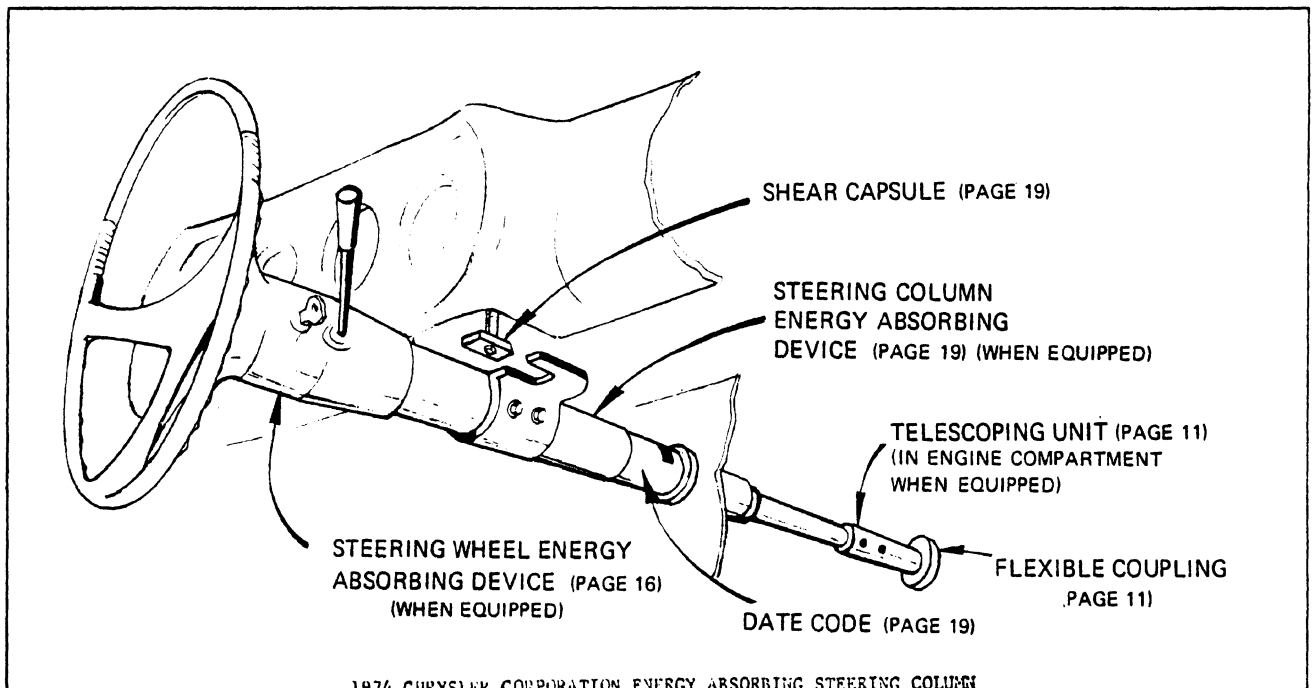
STEERING WHEEL

STEERING WHEEL	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
TYPE GM only, others and unknown use (99).	<u>99</u>	58-59
NOTES ON NON-ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT STEERING WHEEL:		
STEERING WHEEL RIM		
DAMAGE		
(2) NONE (4) SLIGHTLY DEFORMED (5) SEVERELY BENT (6) BROKEN (0) UNKNOWN		60
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)		61
STEERING WHEEL SPOKES		
NUMBER OF SPOKES (ENTER "0" IF UNKNOWN)		62
DAMAGE		
(2) NONE (4) SLIGHTLY DEFORMED (5) SEVERELY BENT (6) BROKEN (0) UNKNOWN		63
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)		64
HORN RING, HORN BUTTON(S), OR SPOKE SHROUD OR DRIVER AIR BAG COVER DAMAGED (1,2,0)*	<u>0</u>	65
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)	<u>0</u>	66

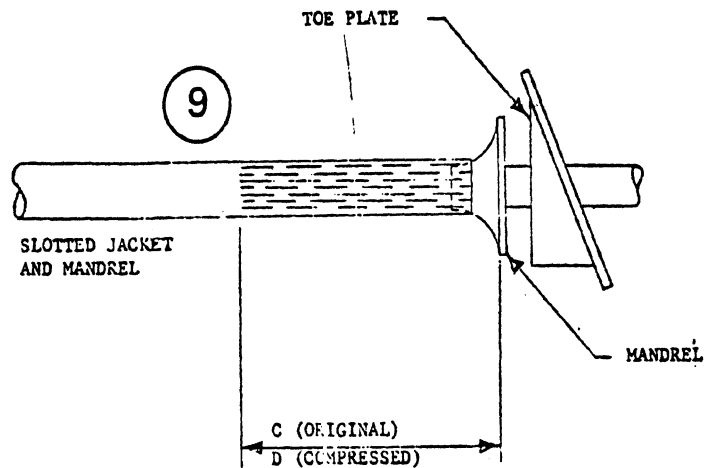
STEERING WHEEL ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE (SEE DRAWING ON PAGE 18 FOR LOCATION) EQUIPPED (1,2,0)*	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
		67
ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE FINAL POSITION MEASURE THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM OVERALL LENGTH OF THE ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE (BETWEEN THE STEERING WHEEL AND STEERING COLUMN). ENTER THESE LENGTHS BELOW		
		
MAX. = _____ in.; MIN. = _____ in.		
THE E.A. DEVICE ROTATES WITH THE STEERING WHEEL. WE WANT TO KNOW WHERE THIS MINIMUM LENGTH OCCURRED (AROUND THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF THE E.A. DEVICE) WITH RESPECT TO THE SPOKES. RECORD BELOW THE O'CLOCK POSITION AT WHICH THIS MINIMUM LENGTH WAS MEASURED.		
EXAMPLES		
O'CLOCK = <u>06</u> O'CLOCK = <u>06</u> E.A. DEVICE		
		
MINIMUM LENGTH MINIMUM LENGTH		
"O'CLOCK" = _____		
(ENTER 00 IF UNKNOWN)		68 69
ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE COMPRESSION FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED IN BY ANALYSIS GROUP (ENTER 99,9 IF UNKNOWN)		
ORIGINAL LENGTH (H) _____ IN.		
DAMAGED MAX. LENGTH (X) _____ IN.		
DIFFERENCE (H-X) _____ IN.		
ORIGINAL LENGTH (H) _____ IN.		70 71 72
DAMAGED MIN. LENGTH (Y) _____ IN.		
DIFFERENCE (H-Y) _____ IN.		
DEVICE EXTENDED		73 74 75
(4) X GREATER THAN H (5) X AND Y GREATER THAN H (6) NEITHER (0) UNKNOWN (8) NOT APPLICABLE		76

*WHERE (1,2,0) OR (1,2,3,0) ARE INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES 3 FOR NOT APPLICABLE
2 FOR NO 0 FOR UNKNOWN

STEERING COLUMN (CONT'D.)



1974 CHRYSLER CORPORATION ENERGY ABSORBING STEERING COLUMN



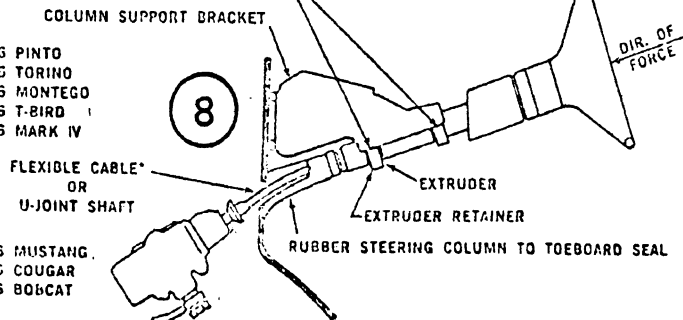
FORD ENERGY ABSORBING "MINI" COLUMN

(1971-76 PINTO; 1972-76 TORINO, MONTEGO, T-BIRD, MARK IV) AND
1975-76 BOBCAT; 1974-76 MUSTANG & COUGAR, AND 1975-76 GRANADA & MONARCH

EXTRUDER AND UPPER COLUMN ATTACHMENTS
DO NOT BREAK AWAY (NO SHEAR CAPSULES)

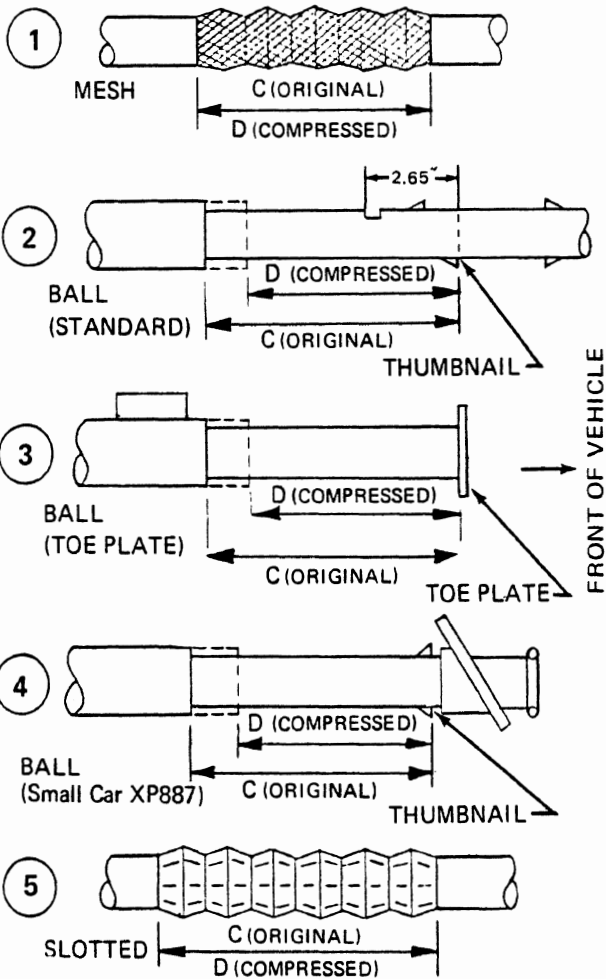
USED IN:
'71 THRU '76 PINTO
'72 THRU '76 TORINO
'72 THRU '76 MONTEGO
'72 THRU '76 T-BIRD
'72 THRU '76 MARK IV

'74 THRU '76 MUSTANG
'74 THRU '76 COUGAR
'74 THRU '76 BOBCAT



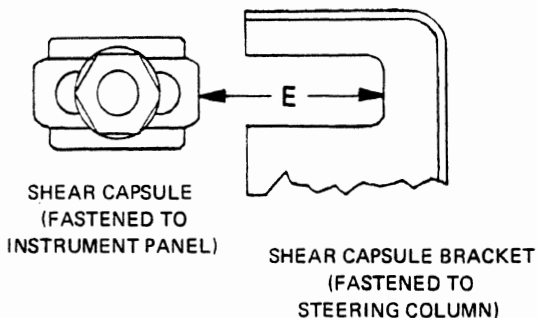
STEERING COLUMN (CONT'D.)

STEERING COLUMN ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE SEE ALSO: page 18



SHEAR CAPSULE SEPARATION

(SEE DRAWING ON PAGE 18 FOR LOCATION)



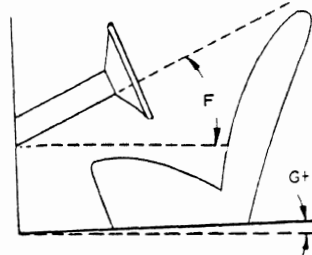
NOTE: WHEN CAPSULES HAVE SEPARATED IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO LIFT COLUMN ASSEMBLY INTO POSITION AGAINST INSTRUMENT PANEL BEFORE MEASURING.

SHEAR CAPSULE SEPARATION (E)

(888) Not Equipped, (999) Unknown
(998) Separated, Unknown Amount

PUNCH		
30	31	32

STEERING COLUMN VERTICAL ANGLE



MEASURE THE ANGLE THE STEERING COLUMN MAKES WITH THE HORIZONTAL ('F' IN DIAGRAM ABOVE), AND THE ANGLE THE DOOR SILL MAKES WITH THE HORIZONTAL ('G' IN DIAGRAM) AND ENTER THEM BELOW. ANGLES WHICH TILT DOWN TOWARD THE FRONT OF THE CAR ARE POSITIVE.

(NOTE: LIFT COLUMN INTO POSITION FOR MEASUREMENT)

F: _____ DEGREES; G: _____ DEGREES

COLUMN VERTICAL ROTATION

FINAL COLUMN POSITION

COLUMN ANGLE (F) _____
(Relative to Ground)

VEHICLE ANGLE (G) _____

COLUMN ANGLE (F-G=H) _____
(Relative to Vehicle)

FROM A CORRESPONDING UNDAMAGED VEHICLE, MAKE A MEASUREMENT SIMILAR TO "H" ABOVE AND RECORD IT IN BLANK "J"

ORIGINAL DIMENSION (J) _____

DAMAGED VEHICLE DIMENSION (H) _____

COLUMN ROTATION (H-J) _____

(ENTER 99 IF UNKNOWN) tolerance $\pm 1^\circ$

98 Rotated - Unknown amount

PUNCH	
33	34

STEERING COLUMN ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE

TYPE OF DEVICE

- (7) Not Equipped
- (1) Mesh
- (2) Ball (Standard)
- (3) Ball (with Toe Plate)
- (4) Ball (Vega)
- (5) Slotted
- (6) Other: _____ (e.g. Colt)
- (8) Ford Mini-Column
- (9) Chrysler Slotted Jacket and Mandrel (1974+)
- (0) Unknown

(SEE DRAWING ON PAGE 18 FOR LOCATION)

ORIGINAL LENGTH, (C) _____

COMPRESSED LENGTH, (D) _____

COMPRESSION, (C-D) _____

(777) Device Extended
(888) Not Equipped, (999) Unknown
(998) Compressed, Unknown Amount

PUNCH		
27	28	29

STEERING COLUMN

PASSENGER COMPARTMENT

GENERAL INFORMATION	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
PASSENGER COMPARTMENT REDUCED IN SIZE (1,2,0)*	_____	35
EXTERNAL OBJECT INTRUSION (1,2,0)* DESCRIBE ON FOLD-OUT FLY-LEAF	_____	36
INTERNAL LOOSE OBJECT (1,2,0)*	_____	37
VERTICAL ROTATION OF INSTRUMENT PANEL (1,2,0)*	_____	38
FIREWALL (COWL) DEFORMATION (1,2,0)*	_____	39
FLOORPAN DEFORMATION (1,2,0)* (INCLUDING TOEPAN)	_____	40
WINDSHIELD		
CRACKED (1,2,3,0)*	_____	41
BROKEN (1,2,3,0)* (Plastic Interlayer Torn)	_____	42
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)*	_____	43
CRACKED OR BROKEN BY OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)*	_____	44
BOND SEPARATED (1,2,0)* (IF "YES", ESTIMATE PERCENT _____)	_____	45
WINDSHIELD CODE (YY) Unknown	Y Y	46-47

WINDSHIELD MARK

DRAW GLASS MANUFACTURER'S WINDSHIELD MARK WHICH IS LOCATED ALONG THE BOTTOM OF THE WINDSHIELD AT CENTER OR AT ONE CORNER.

EXAMPLE OF TYPICAL MARK:

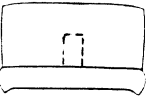
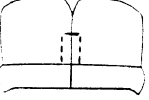
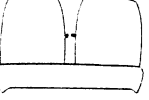
MARK ON CASE VEHICLE:

LOCATE AREA OF WINDSHIELD INTEREST OR DAMAGE WITH DIMENSIONS (VERTICAL & HORIZONTAL) ON THIS DIAGRAM OF THE WINDSHIELD AS VIEWED FROM INSIDE.

KEYPUNCH:
Col. 48-75=0
End of Card 07
Dup. 1-9 0 8
10 11
Col. 12-34=0

*WHERE (1,2,3,0) IS INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES 3 FOR NOT APPLICABLE
2 FOR NO 0 FOR UNKNOWN

PASSENGER COMPARTMENT (CONT'D.)

SEATS		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
TYPE OF FRONT SEAT (4)  (7) (5)  (8) (6)  (9) (0) UNKNOWN 3) Drivers Seat Only FOLDING BACKS (1,2,0)* DELUXE ACCESSORIES (1) Deluxe Accessories (2) None (4) Reclining Seatbacks (0) Unknown		—	35
		—	36
		—	37
TYPE OF SEAT ADJUSTERS (4) MANUAL Driver's Side (5) POWER (6) RIGID (7) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN		—	38
TYPE OF SEAT ADJUSTMENT (3) NONE (NOT APPLICABLE) (4) 2-WAY (5) 4-WAY Driver's Side (6) 6-WAY (7) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN (8) Swivel Seats		—	39
DAMAGE TO ADJUSTERS (1,2,0)* Include Rigid		—	40
TYPE OF DAMAGE TO ADJUSTERS (CHOOSE TWO:rank in order of severity) (2) None (4) Chucking (some free play) (5) Deformed (e.g. Released or Jarred) (6) Separated (0) Unknown (8) Swivel Damaged		—	41
		—	42
LOCATION OF SEPARATION (3) NOT APPLICABLE (4) AT FLOOR (5) AT ADJUSTER (6) AT SEAT (0) UNKNOWN		—	43

POSITION OF SEAT PRIOR TO CRASH		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
DRIVERS SEAT (4) FORWARD (5) MIDDLE (6) REARWARD (0) UNKNOWN		—	44
RIGHT FRONT PASSENGER'S SEAT (3) NOT APPLICABLE (No Seat) (4) FORWARD (5) MIDDLE (6) REARWARD (0) UNKNOWN		code the same if bench seat	45
DAMAGE TO FRONT SEAT BACKREST DAMAGE (1,2,0)* CUSHION DAMAGE (1,2,0)* CONTACTED BY REAR OCCUPANT (1,2,3,0)* If no rear occupant		—	46
		—	47
		—	48
SEAT CENTER ARMRESTS (FRONT) EQUIPPED (1,2,0)* DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*		—	49
		—	50
HEAD RESTRAINTS Driver's Side (FRONT) EQUIPPED (1,2,0)* REMOVED PRIOR TO COLLISION (1,2,3,0)* RETAINED DURING COLLISION (1,2,3,0)* DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)* OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)* Integral		—	51
		—	52
		—	53
		—	54
		—	55
HEAD RESTRAINT Driver's Side ADJUSTMENT AT TIME OF COLLISION (3) Not Applicable, None (4) UP from seat top (5) DOWN on seat top (0) Unknown (6) Integral		—	56

SEATS

PASSENGER COMPARTMENT (CONT'D.)

SEATS (CONT'D)		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
FRONT SEAT BACK LOCKS			
LEFT Or center	EQUIPPED (1,2,3,0)*	---	57
	HELD (1,2,3,0)*	---	58
RIGHT	EQUIPPED (1,2,3,0)*	---	59
	HELD (1,2,3,0)*	---	60

FRONT SEAT BACK ANGLE

MEASURE THE FRONT SEAT BACK ANGLE AT THE LEFT AND RIGHT SEAT BACK FRAMES. (IF SEAT BACK ANGLE IS NORMALLY ADJUSTABLE, MOVE TO FORWARD POSITION)

MEASURE THE ANGLE THE SEAT BACK MAKES WITH HORIZONTAL (L IN DIAGRAM), AND THE ANGLE THE DOOR SILL MAKES WITH HORIZONTAL (M IN DIAGRAM) AND ENTER BELOW.

LEFT SIDE	RIGHT SIDE
L ____ DEG. M ____ DEG.	L ____ DEG. M ____ DEG.

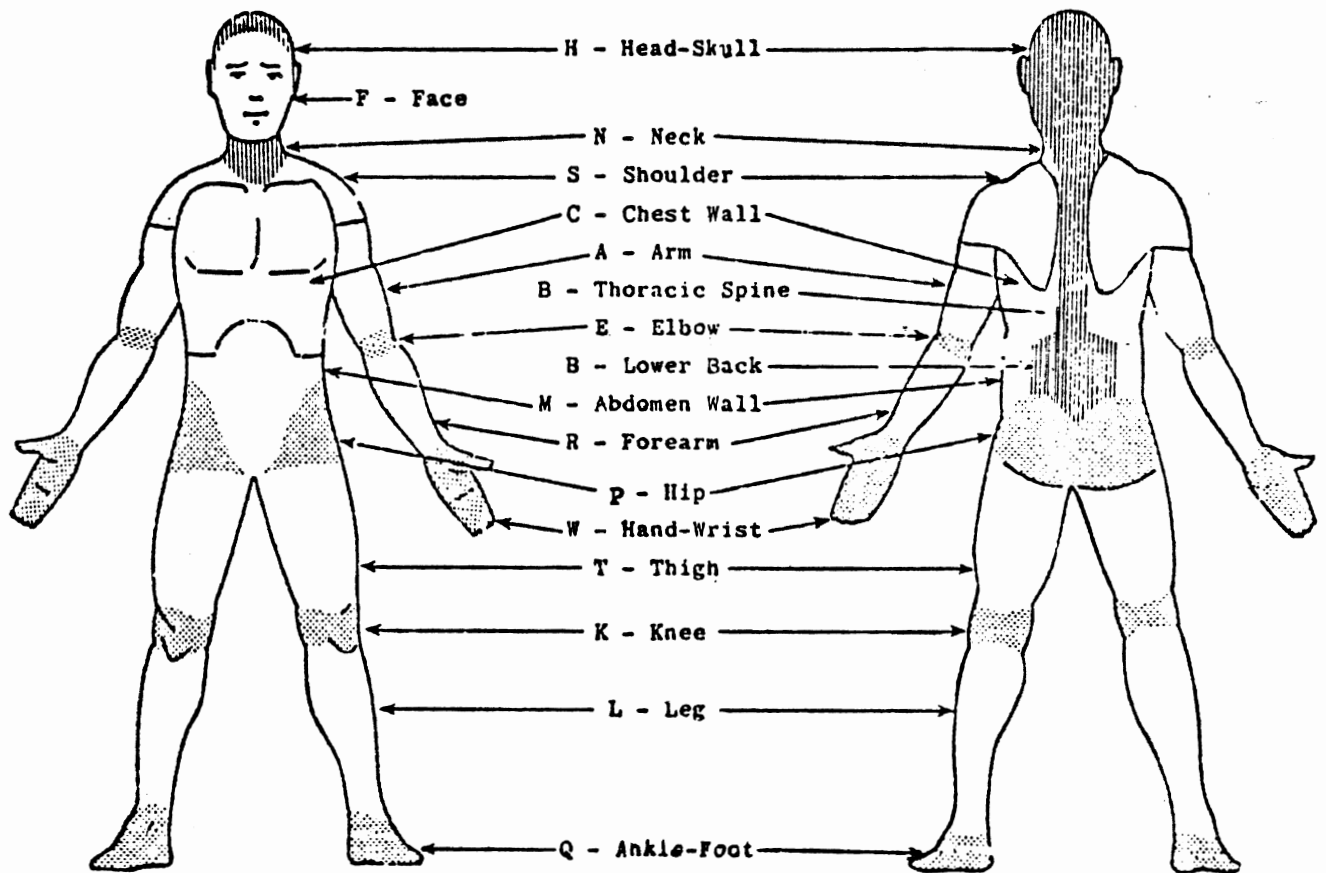
SEAT BACK ROTATION		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
FINAL SEAT ANGLE (ENTER 99 IF UNKNOWN)			
	DEGREES LEFT RIGHT		
SEAT ANGLE (L) (Relative to Ground)	---		
VEHICLE ANGLE (M)	---		
SEAT ANGLE (L-M=P) (Relative to Vehicle)	---		
FROM A CORRESPONDING UNDAMAGED VEHICLE, MAKE A MEASUREMENT SIMILAR TO "P" ABOVE AND RECORD IT IN BLANK "R" BELOW.			
ORIGINAL ANGLE (R)	---	(99) Rotated - Unknown amount	
DAMAGED SEAT ANGLE (P)	---		
DIFFERENCE R-P	tolerance ±2°		
LEFT SEAT ANGLE DIFFERENCE			61-62
RIGHT SEAT ANGLE DIFFERENCE			63-64

TYPE OF REAR SEAT	PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
(2) NO SEAT		
(4) NON-FOLDING		
(5) FOLDING		
(0) UNKNOWN		65

DUPLICATE COLUMNS 1-9 FROM PRECEDING CARD			0	9
			10	11
DAMAGE TO REAR SEAT			PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
BACKREST DAMAGED OR LOOSENED (1,2,3,0)*			---	12
CUSHION DAMAGED OR LOOSENED (1,2,3,0)*			---	13
SEAT CENTER ARMRESTS (REAR)				
EQUIPPED (1,2,3,0)*			---	14
DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*			---	15
REAR SEAT BACK LOCKS				
LEFT OR CENTER	EQUIPPED (1,2,3,0)*	---	16	
	HELD (1,2,3,0)*	---	17	
RIGHT	EQUIPPED (1,2,3,0)*	---	18	
	HELD (1,2,3,0)*	---	19	
THIRD SEAT				
EQUIPPED (1,2,0)*			---	20
BACKREST DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*			---	21
CUSHION DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*			---	22
BACKLIGHT (REAR WINDOW) DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*			<u>0</u>	23
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)*			<u>0</u>	24
BACKLIGHT HEADER DAMAGED (1,2,3,0)*			<u>0</u>	25
OCCUPANT CONTACT (1,2,3,0)*			<u>0</u>	26
WINDOWS CLOSED AT TIME OF COLLISION (3=no window)				
LEFT FRONT (1,2,3,0)*			---	27
LEFT REAR (1,2,3,0)*			---	28
RIGHT FRONT (1,2,3,0)*			---	29
RIGHT REAR (1,2,3,0)*			---	30
BACKLIGHT (1,2,3,0)*			---	31
ALL SIDE WINDOWS OPERABLE AFTER COLLISION (1,2,3,0)*			---	32
POWER SIDE WINDOWS EQUIPPED (1,2,0)*			---	33
(PUT NOTES ON FOLD-OUT FLY-LEAF)				

Case No. _ _ - _ _ _ _ _ - _ _

Occupant Position _____



OCCUPANT INFORMATION

OCCUPANT

DUPLICATE COLUMNS 1-9 FROM PRECEDING CARD		10	11	RESTRAINT SYSTEM		PUNCH CODE	CARD COL.
OCCUPANT NUMBER		___	___	LAP BELT			
SEAT LOCATION (3) EXTERNAL TO PASS. COMP. (e.g., bed of pickup) (4) FRONT (5) REAR (6) THIRD (7) OTHER: _____ (0) UNKNOWN		___	___	EQUIPPED FOR THIS POSITION (1,2,0)*		___	27
POSITION ON SEAT (3) EXTERNAL TO PASS. COMP. (4) LEFT (5) LEFT CENTER (6) CENTER (7) RIGHT CENTER (8) RIGHT (9) ALL (Lying on seat) (0) UNKNOWN		___	___	WORN BY OCCUPANT (1,2,3,0)*		___	28
POSTURE (1) SITTING ON SEAT (2) ON LAP OR IN ARMS (3) STANDING ON SEAT (4) STANDING ON FLOOR (5) IN BASSINET (6) IN CHILD SEAT (7) LYING ON SEAT (8) LYING OR SITTING ON FLOOR OR OTHER OBJECT (0) UNKNOWN		___	___	WORN CORRECTLY (1,2,3,0)*		___	29
AGE YEARS, OR MONTHS (INFANTS) to 24 months (ENTER "0" S IF UNKNOWN)		___	___	LOCKING RETRACTOR (1,2,3,0)*		___	30
WEIGHT, LBS. (ENTER "0" S, IF UNKNOWN)		___	___	UPPER TORSO RESTRAINT Upper Torso Belt and/or Air Bag Equipped			
HEIGHT, INCHES (ENTER "0" S, IF UNKNOWN)		___	___	(1) No A/s & Upper Belt Equipped (2) No A/B & Upper Belt Not Equipped (0) No A/B & Upper Belt Unk if Equipped (4) A/B Equipped & Upper Belt Equipped (5) A/B Equipped & Upper Belt Not Equipped (6) A/B Equipped & Upper Belt Unk if Equipped (9) Both A/B & Upper Belt Unk if Equipped		___	31
SEX (4) Male (5) Female (6) Large Animal (0) Unknown		___	___	Upper Torso Belt and/or Air Bag Used			
		___	16	(1) No Deployment or No Bag; Upper Belt Worn (2) No Deployment or No Bag; Upper Belt Not Worn (3) No Deployment or No Bag; No Upper Belt (0) No Deployment or No Bag; Unknown if Worn (4) Deployment; Upper Belt Worn (5) Deployment; Upper Belt Not Worn (6) Deployment; No Upper Belt (7) Deployment; Upper Belt Unknown if Worn (9) Both Upper Torso Worn or Air Bag Deployed Unknown		___	32
		___	17-18	WORN CORRECTLY (1,2,3,0)*		___	33
		___	19-20	INERTIA REEL (1,2,3,0)*		___	34
		___	21-23	LAP AND/OR UPPER TORSO RESTRAINT USAGE CODE			
		___	24-25	TYPE OF UPPER TORSO PESTRRAINT USED (3) No Torso Restraint Used (4) 3-point (5) 4-point (6) Other (e.g. VW passive restraint system) (7) Air Bag Deployed & No Belts Used (8) Air Bag Deployed & Any Belts Used (9) Air Bag Deployed & Unknown Belt Use (0) Unknown		___	37
		___	26	CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM: NOTE MAKE AND MODEL NUMBER _____ _____			
		___		CHILD RESTRAINT CODE (99 none)		___	38-39
		___				___	40
		___				___	41

*WHERE (1,2,0) OR (1,2,3,0) ARE INDICATED, USE 1 FOR YES 3 FOR NOT APPLICABLE
2 FOR NO 0 FOR UNKNOWN

SEAT BELT BUZZER/INTERLOCKEQUIPPED23

- (0) Unknown if Equipped
- (1) Equipped, Type Unknown
- (2) Not Equipped
- (4) Non-Cycled Buzzer
- (5) Ignition Interlock
- (6) 4-second buzzer (post-interlock)
- (9) Other: _____

SEAT BELT BUZZER OPERATIONAL24

- (0) Unknown if Operational
- (1) Yes, Operational
- (2) Not Operational, Reason Unknown
- (3) Not Applicable, Not Equipped

System inhibited by:

- (4) Fastening Belts Together (Behind Occupant, Behind Seat, Under Seat, in Front of Seat, etc.)
- (5) Disconnection, Removal, Intentional Destruction)
- (6) Fixing in Pulled-Out Position (Knotted, Taped, Twisted, Folded Back, Tucked into Seat, Hooked To Upper Belt, etc.)
- (7) Temporarily Fixing (Sitting on Belt, Holding onto Belt, Hook on Floor, etc.)
- (8) Letting it Buzz
- (9) Other: (Defective) _____

IGNITION INTERLOCK OPERATIONAL

(1,2,3,0)

25PASSIVE RESTRAINT SYSTEM EQUIPPED

- (2) No
- YES: _____ 26
- (1) Type Unknown
- (4) Air Bag (5) Knee and Torso Restraint
- (9) Other: _____ (e.g., VW)
- (0) Unknown

PASSIVE RESTRAINT SYSTEM ACTIVATED27

- (3) Not Applicable, None
- (2) No
- (1) Yes
- (0) Unknown

INVESTIGATOR'S JUDGEMENT OFRESTRAINT SYSTEM EFFECTIVENESS29

- (0) Unknown
- (1) Reduced Injury Severity
- (2) Could Have Reduced Severity If Worn
- (3) No Opinion
- (4) Could Not Have Reduced Severity if Worn
- (5) Did Not Reduce Severity
- (6) Increased Severity
- (7) Would Have Increased Severity if Worn
- (8) More Restraints Would Have Reduced Severity

TREATMENT/MORTALITY30

- (00) None
- (01) First Aid At Scene
- (02) Treated at Hospital/Clinic but not Admitted
- (03) Hospitalized (observation less than 24 hours)
- (04) Hospitalized over 24 Hours or Significant Treatment
- (05) Fatal--Dead at Scene
- (06) Fatal--DOA
- (07) Fatal--Dead within 24 Hours
- (08) Fatal--Dead 24 hrs to 1 yr
- (09) Fatal--Period Unknown
- (99) Unknown

EMS CONTRIBUTORY TO SEVERITY

Due to delays and/or insufficient treatment on-scene or in transport? _____

32

- (2) No
- (1) Yes
- (0) Unknown
- (4) Exemplary Service

AUTOPSY PERFORMED33

- (3) Not Applicable/ Non-fatal
- (1) Yes
- (2) No
- (0) Unknown

OVERALL POLICE INJURY SEVERITY
(KABC)

- (0) 0,0 No Injury
- (1) C Possible Injury
- (2) B Non-incapacitating Injury 34
- (3) A Incapacitating Injury
- (4) K Fatal
- (9) Unknown
- (5) Reported as Injured (severity not reported)

RESTRAINT SYSTEM CONDITION

Belts Operable (0,1,2,3)	Lap <u>35</u>	Shoulder <u>36</u>
Belts or Fittings Damaged (0,1,2,3)	Lap <u>37</u>	Shoulder <u>38</u>
Belts or Fittings Damaged by Occupant Loading (0,1,2,3)	Lap <u>39</u>	Shoulder <u>40</u>

RESTRAINT USAGE

SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

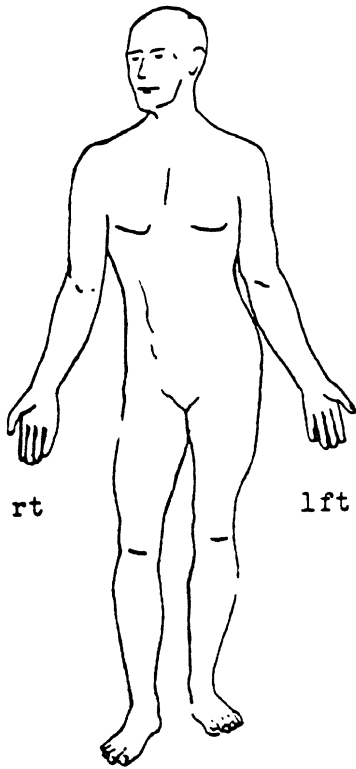
Vehicle (0,1,2,3)	<u>41</u>
Injury Data (0,1,2,3)	<u>42</u>
Occupant (0,1,2,3)	<u>43</u>
Other: _____ (0,1,2,3)	<u>44</u>

Restraint Usage Conclusion	Lap <u>45</u>	Shoulder <u>48</u>
Yes	No	
+3 Definite	-3	
+2 Probable	-2	
+1 Possible	-1	
00 Unknown	00	
99 Not Applicable	99	

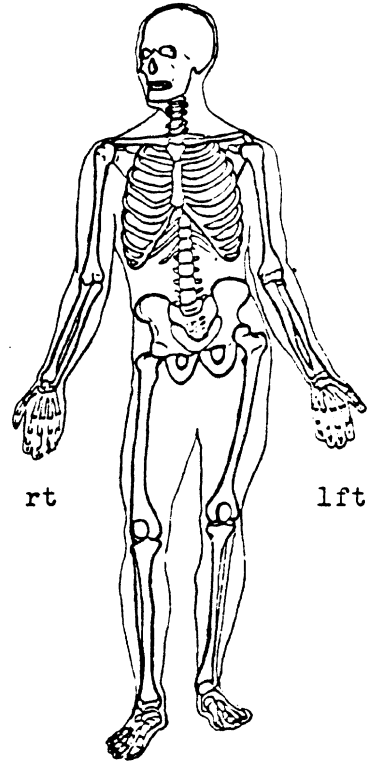
INDICATE LOCATION OF INJURIES, INCLUDING MAJOR BRUISES

() NO INJURIES

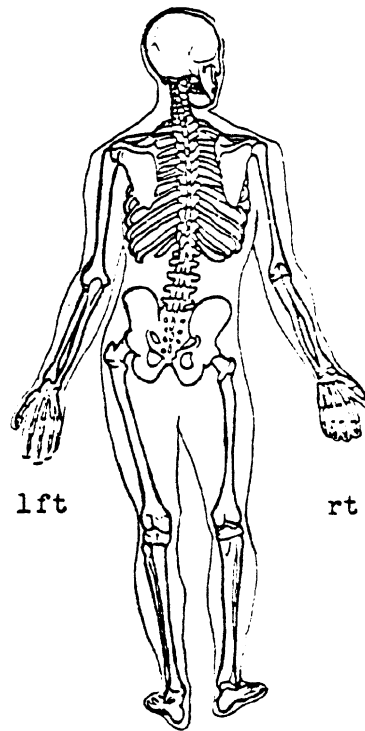
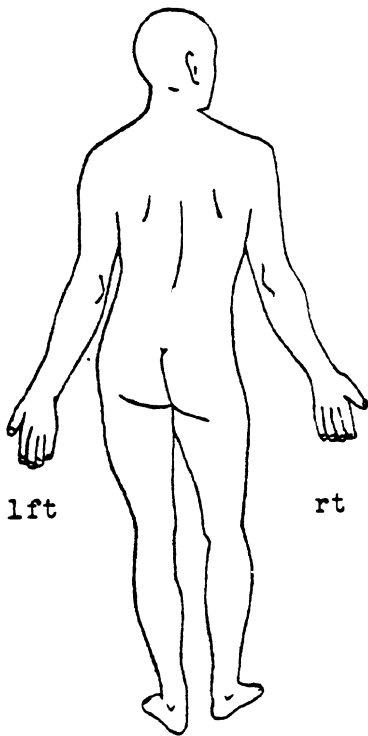
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SOFT TISSUE INJURIES



SKELETAL INJURIES



X Rays: _____

Other Tests: _____

RESTRAINT DEVICE & USAGE

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DEVICE STATUS

	SOURCE USED	LAP BELT		SHOULDER BELT		OTHER DEVICE ^①		CHILD SEAT	
		11 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Original Equipment 12 1() Y 2() N 9() U	13 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Original Equipment 14 1() Y 2() N 9() U	15 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Original Equipment 16 1() Y 2() N 9() U	17 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Mfg: _____ Model: _____
AT TIME OF COLLISION EQUIPPED for this POSITION	//	18 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 19 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	20 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 21 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	22 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 23 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	24 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 25 1() ② Defeat 2() ③
		26 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 27 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	28 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 29 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	30 1() Y 2() N 9() U	Malfunction 31 1() ② Defeat 2() ③	//	//
INTERLOCK BUZZER FUNCTIONAL	//					If ACRS --④			

DEVICE USAGE

	Response	Judgement	Response	Judgement	Response	Source Devlov.	Judge	Response	Judgement	
VEHICLE	11 (1)Y (2)N (7)UA	//	12,13	//	14,15	//	16 1() Y 2() N 9() U	17,18	//	19,20
INJURY DATA	21 (1)Y (2)N (7)UA	//	22,23	//	24,25	//	26 1() Y 2() N 9() U	27,28	//	29,30
INTERVIEW OCCUPANT	31 (1)Y (2)N (7)UA	32 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	33,34	35 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	36,37	38 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	39 1() Y 2() N 9() U	40,41	42 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	43,44
INTERVIEW:	45 (1)Y (2)N (7)UA	46 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	47,48	49 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	50,51	52 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	53 1() Y 2() N 9() U	54,55	56 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	57,58
INTERVIEW:	59 (1)Y (2)N (7)UA	60 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	61,62	63 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	64,65	66 1() Y 2() N 6() NR	67 1() Y 2() N 9() U	68,69	//	//
CONCLUSION	//	//	70,71	//	72,73	//	74 1() Y 2() N 9() U	75,76	//	77,78

YES NO
+3 DEFINITE -3
+2 PROBABLE -2
+1 POSSIBLE -1
00 UNKNOWN
99 NOT APPLICABLE

Y = YES
N = NO
U = UNKNOWN
NR = NO RESPONSE
UA = UNAVAILABLE

Response = Literal response of interviewee.
Judgement = Interviewer's best judgement of and confidence in interviewees response to question of restraint usage.

- ① Specify & describe device: _____
Describe irrespective of source. Source of Information
- ② Malfunction: _____
- ③ Defeat: _____
- ④ Summarize status of ACRS: _____

