

Breakout Session 1:

One Size Doesn't Fit All: The Challenge Of Combating Impairment Across Age Groups

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3	Maternal Pregnancy Comp. 1,432	Malignant Neoplasms 325	Congenital Anomalies 188	Malignant Neoplasms 437	Homicide 4,905	Homicide 5,488	Heart Disease 10,401	Unintentional Injury 24,461	Unintentional Injury 23,408	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 136,139	Unintentional Injury 169,936
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9	Respiratory Distress 440	Benign Neoplasms 44	Septicemia 33	Influenza & Pneumonia 51	Chronic Low. Respiratory Disease 188	HIV 513	Septicemia 854	Septicemia 2,441	Septicemia 5,838	Nephritis 41,670	Nephritis 50,633
10	Neonatal Hemorrhage 379	Perinatal Period 42	Benign Neoplasms 31	Benign Neoplasms 31	Complicated Pregnancy 168	Complicated Pregnancy 512	HIV 831	Homicide 2,275	Nephritis 5,671	Parkinson's Disease 31,177	Suicide 47,173

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2	Homicide Unspecified 139	Unintentional MV Traffic 362	Unintentional Drowning 125	Suicide Suffocation 280	Unintentional Poisoning 5,030	Unintentional MV Traffic 6,871	Unintentional MV Traffic 5,162	Unintentional MV Traffic 5,471	Unintentional MV Traffic 5,584	Unintentional MV Traffic 7,667	Unintentional MV Traffic 38,659
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THE FULL IMPACT OF MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES

For every 1 person killed in a motor vehicle crash



8 people were hospitalized



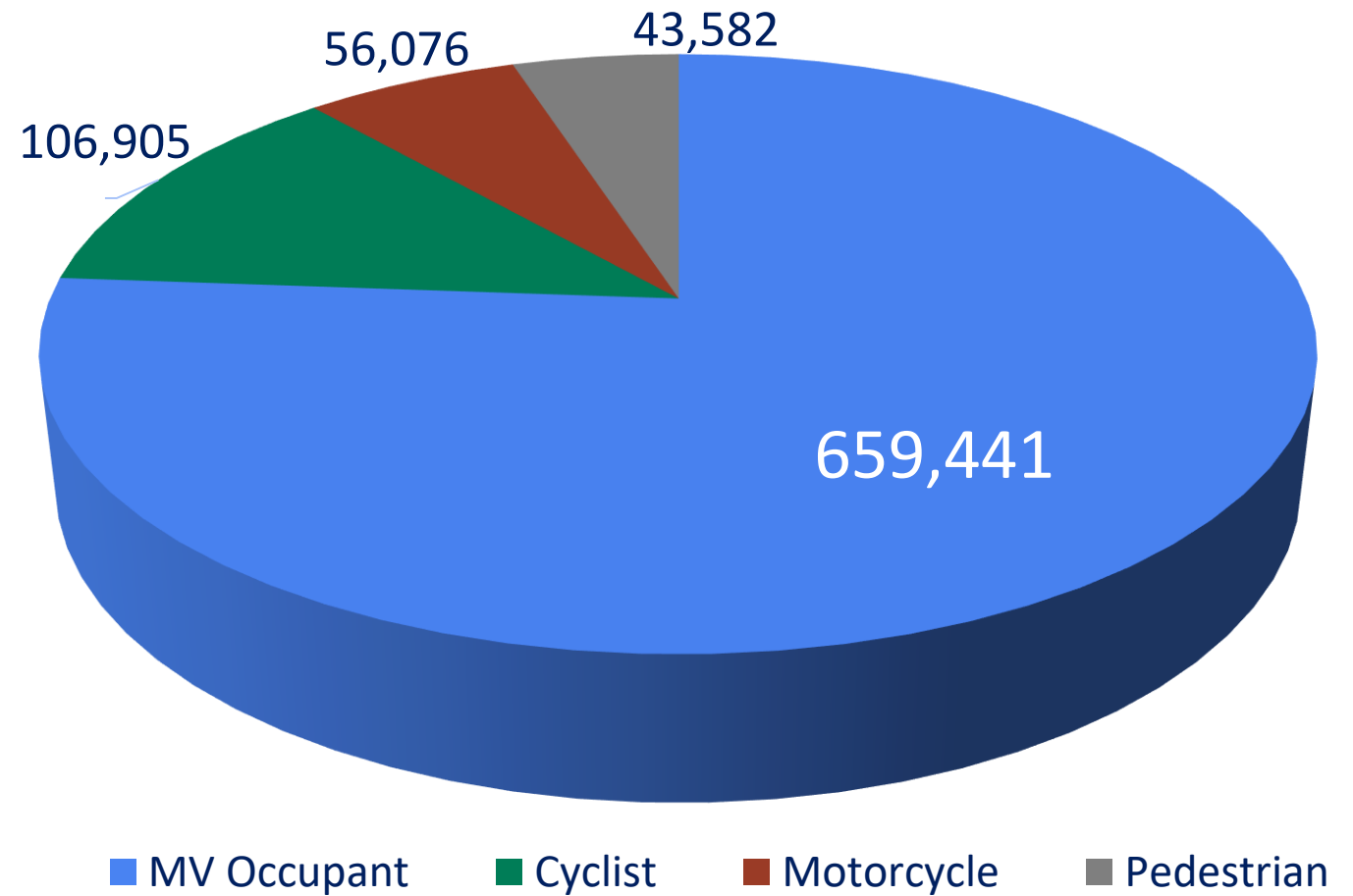
99 people were treated
and released from
emergency departments



Non-Fatal Injuries in 2017; Ages 10-24

Total: 982,855

- 67% MV Occupant
- 11% Cyclist
- 6% Motorcyclist
- 4% Pedestrian
- 12% Unknown



Risk Factors: Crash, Injury and Death

- Driver Inexperience
- Not Using Seat Belts
- Impaired Driving
- Distracted Driving
- Drowsy Driving
- Reckless Driving; Speed
- Nighttime Driving



CDC's Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS); 2017

Among high school students, during the past 30 days

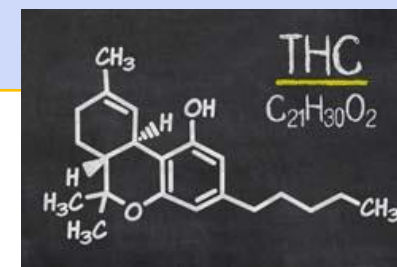
- **30% drank some amount of alcohol**
- **14% binge drank**
- **17% rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol**
- **6% drove after drinking alcohol (among drivers)**



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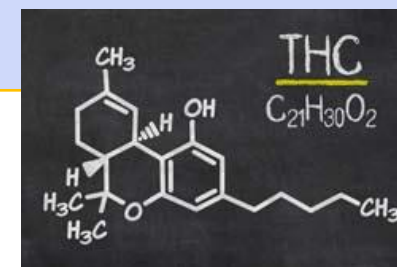
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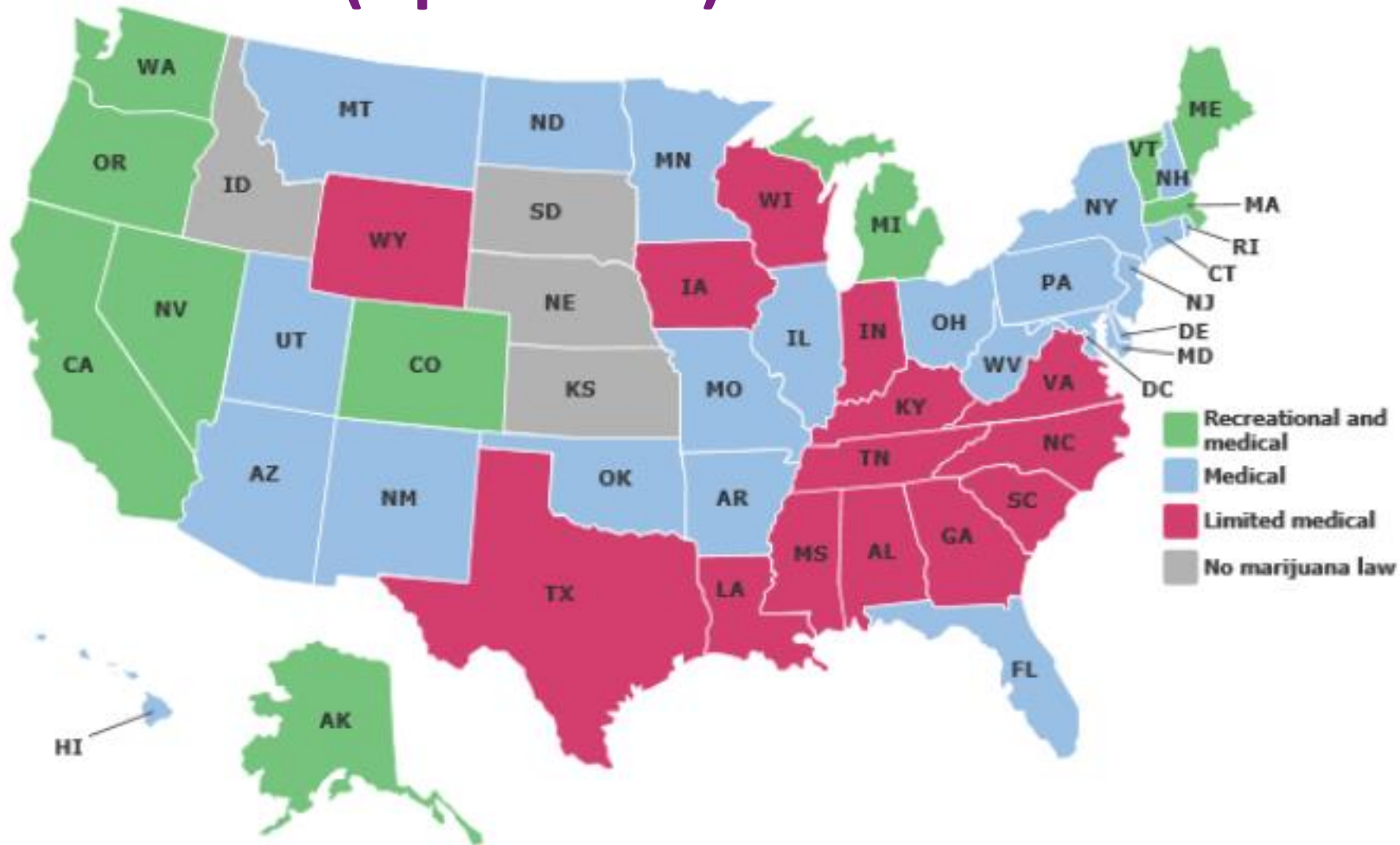
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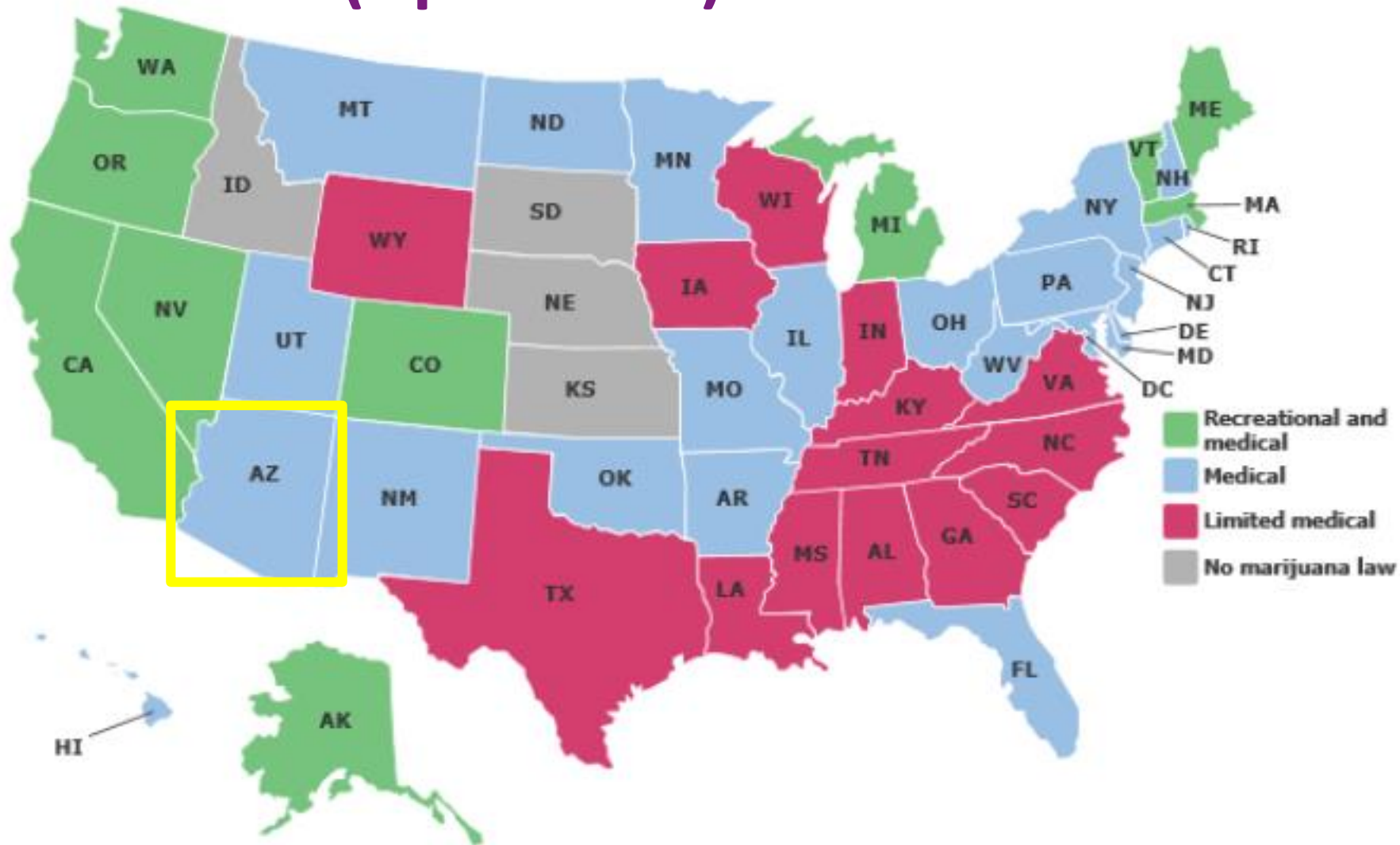
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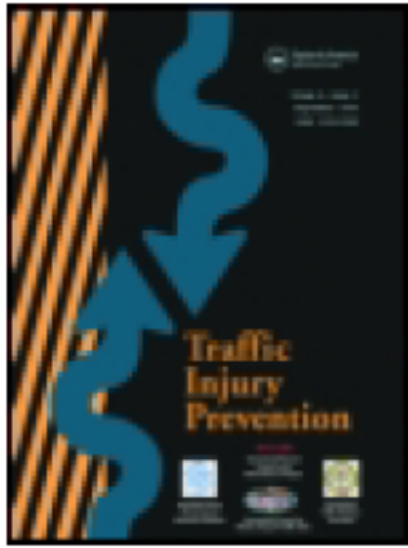


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Number (%) with BAC test results	674 (74)	541 (70)	565 (74)	544 (75)	554 (78)	544 (84)	427 (79)	3,849 (76)
Number (%) ^a with positive BAC	163 (18)	123 (16)	107 (14)	112 (16)	100 (14)	88 (14)	55 (10)	748 (15)
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Number (%) ^a with positive THC	139 (15)	105 (14)	109 (14)	95 (13)	100 (14)	91 (14)	77 (14)	716 (14)
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20	1,310	26	1,015	77	661	50	633	48	255	25	213	32	74	12
Sex														
Female	1,972	39	1,411	72	899	46	853	43	179	13	169	19	43	5
Male	3,097	61	2,438	79	1,577	51	1,527	49	569	23	547	35	194	13
Race ^b														
White	3,657	72	2,687	73	1,678	46	1,616	44	458	17	476	28	140	9
Other	885	17	734	83	498	56	479	54	135	19	131	26	39	9
American Indian	274	5	230	84	164	60	157	57	124	54	62	38	44	28
Black	195	4	158	81	110	56	103	53	24	15	42	38	11	11
Asian	35	1	21	60	13	37	12	34	1	5	1	8	0	0
Hispanic ^c	1,534	30	1,177	77	781	51	755	49	257	22	221	28	70	9
Vehicle type driven														
Motorcycle	918	18	715	78	402	44	388	42	63	9	119	30	23	6
Car, truck, van	4,151	82	3,134	75	2,074	50	1,992	48	685	22	597	29	214	11
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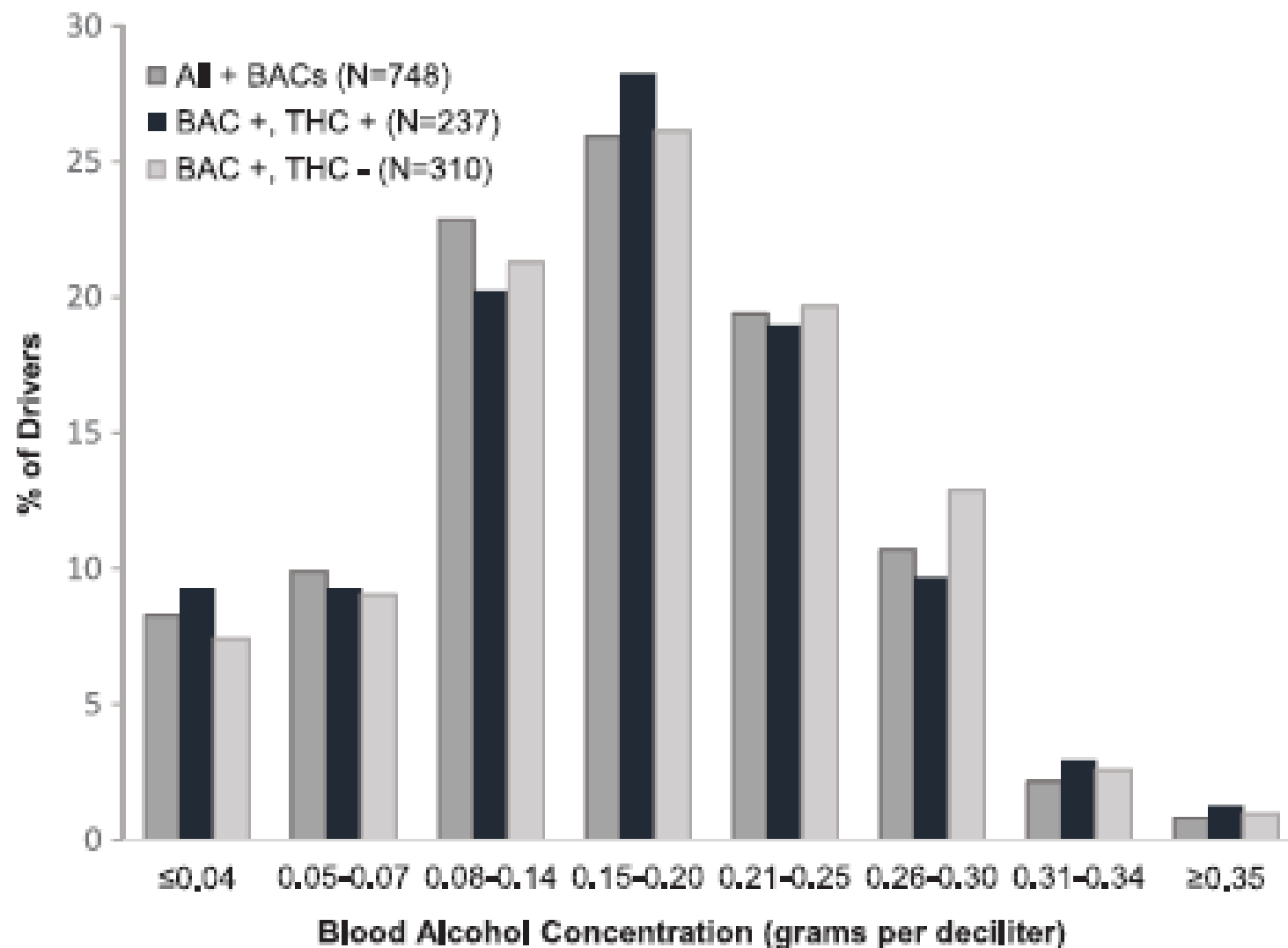


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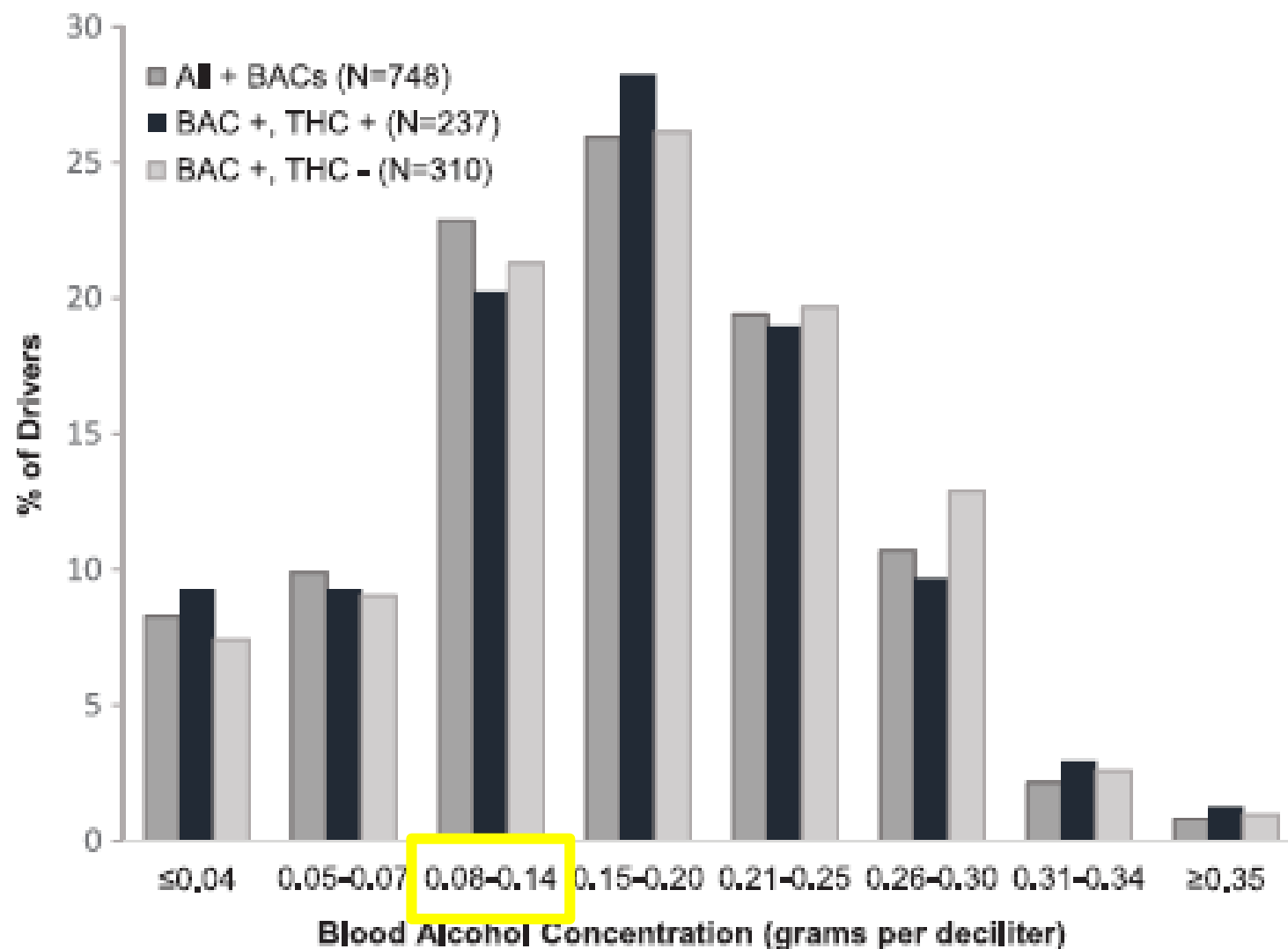


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What Works?

NHTSA's Countermeasures That Work

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6.2 Zero-Tolerance Law Enforcement	★ ★ ★	\$	Unknown	Short
6.3 Alcohol Vendor Compliance Checks [†]	★ ★ ★	\$\$	Unknown	Short
6.4 Other Minimum Legal Drinking Age 21 Law Enforcement	★ ★ ★	\$\$	Varies	Varies
6.5 Youth Programs	☆ ☆	Varies	High	Medium

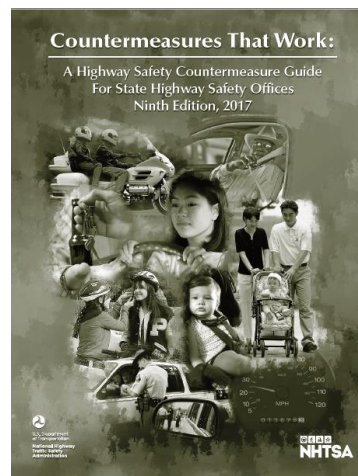
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https://www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.dot.gov/files/documents/812478_countermeasures-that-work-a-highway-safety-countermeasures-guide-.pdf



7. Drug-Impaired Driving

Countermeasure	Effectiveness	Cost	Use	Time
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Reducing Alcohol-Impaired Driving

Intervention	CPSTF Finding
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Ignition Interlocks	 Recommended (strong evidence) April 2006
Lower BAC Laws for Young or Inexperienced Drivers	 Recommended (sufficient evidence) June 2000
Maintaining Current Minimum Legal Drinking Age (MLDA) Laws	 Recommended (strong evidence) August 2000
Mass Media Campaigns	 Recommended (strong evidence) June 2002
Multicomponent Interventions with Community Mobilization	 Recommended (strong evidence) June 2005
Publicized Sobriety Checkpoint Programs	 Recommended (strong evidence) August 2012

MV PICCS

Motor Vehicle Prioritizing Interventions and Cost Calculator for States

- Helps state decision makers prioritize and select from a suite of 14 evidence-based interventions
- Selected interventions based on
 - Type
 - Effectiveness
 - State role in implementation
 - Current use
- To prioritize, states can use information about costs and benefits of each option
- Available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/calculator>



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Polysubstance Use



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Research Grants to Support Etiologic and Effectiveness Research on Driving While Polysubstance Impaired

On December 12, 2018, the CDC released RFA-CE-19-004, [*Etiologic and Effectiveness Research to Address Polysubstance Impaired Driving*](#). CDC intends to commit up to \$1,400,000 in Fiscal Year 2019 to support four awards. The maximum award amount will be \$350,000 per award for the first 12 month budget period. The purpose of this funding is to support etiologic and effectiveness research on driving while polysubstance impaired. Polysubstance impaired driving means driving while impaired by alcohol plus at least one other drug, such as marijuana or opioids. Specifically, the agency is soliciting research to address **one of two priorities**:



- **Priority #1:** Identify risk and protective factors associated with polysubstance impaired driving and its associated deaths and injuries. Projects funded under Research Priority #1 of this notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) will investigate the risk and protective factors and crash characteristics associated with impaired driving involving alcohol plus other drugs that result in deaths and injuries.
- **Priority #2:** Identify effective interventions to prevent polysubstance impaired driving and its associated deaths and injuries. Projects funded under Research Priority #2 of this NOFO will evaluate the effectiveness of intervention programs for reducing deaths and injuries associated with polysubstance impaired driving.

Resources/Learn More

Road to Zero



FHWA
FMCSA



State-Based Fact Sheets

Being updated!

- Restraints <https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/seatbelts/states.html>
- Alcohol-impaired driving
https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/impaired_driving/states.html
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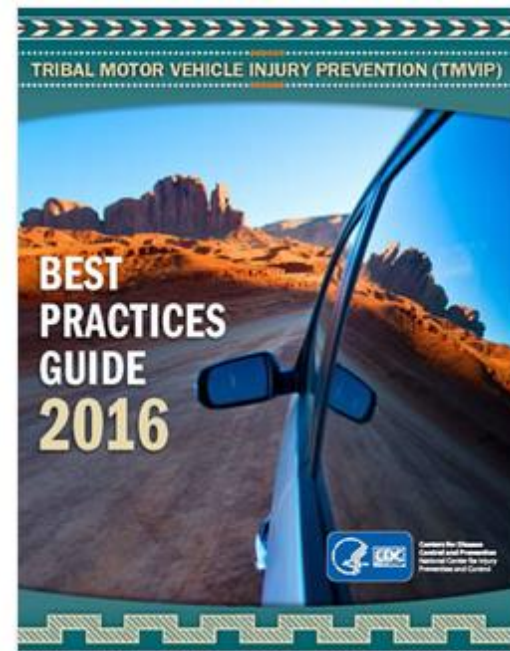
Tribal Road Safety

- Tribal Communities Toolkit

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- Best Practices Guide

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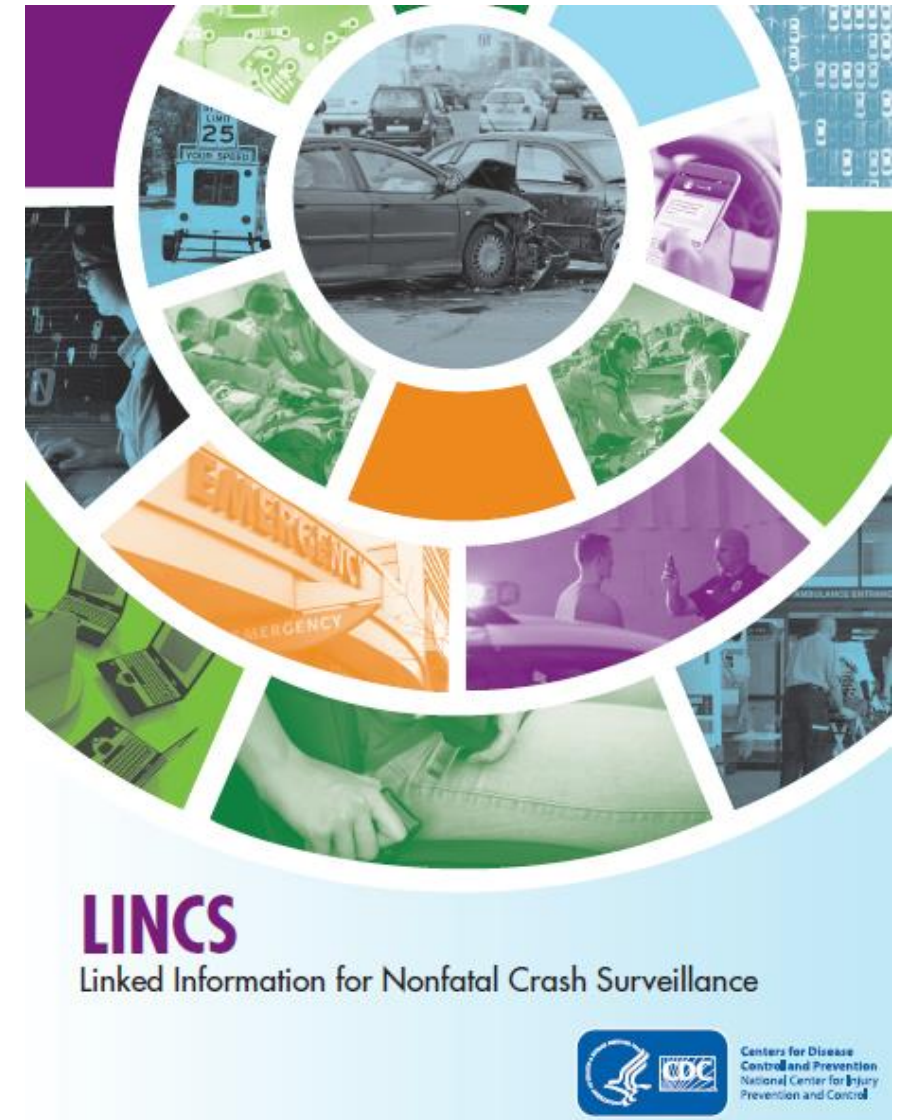
Injury Center Funded Programs

- Core State Violence and Injury Prevention Program (Core SVIPP)
<https://www.cdc.gov/injury/stateprograms/>
- Injury Control Research Centers (ICRC)
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LINCS: Linking Information for Nonfatal Crash Surveillance

- Coming soon!
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The LongROAD Study: Older Drivers and Impaired Driving

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AAA Foundation LongROAD Studies

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 - Longitudinal Research On Aging Drivers
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 - Identifying patterns of medication use in senior drivers and potential risks
- Alcohol
 - Patterns of self-reported use and driving while intoxicated
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 - Use in older drivers in Colorado



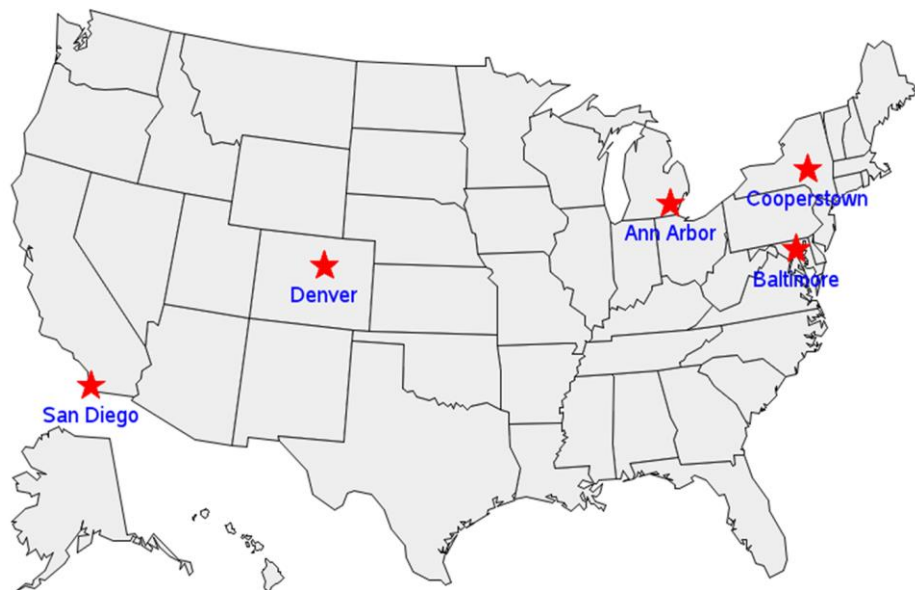
Overview of the LongROAD Study



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University of Michigan
Johns Hopkins University
University of California San Diego
University of Colorado Denver
Bassett Research Center

Study Objective and Design

Study Sites of the LongROAD Project



- To understand and meet the safety and mobility needs of the nation's growing population of older adult drivers.
- Prospective cohort
 - Age 65-79 at baseline
- Multisite
 - CA, CO, MI, NY, and MD
- In-vehicle data recording device
- Longitudinal
 - Baseline assessment
 - Annual follow up (in-person and phone)

Today's three studies are limited to baseline data

Key Components of the Research Protocol

- In-vehicle data recording device
- Vehicle inspection
- Vehicle technology questionnaire
- Driving health and functioning questionnaire
- In-person assessments
- Medical records
- Driving crash records
- Driving cessation
- Mortality data

Results: Baseline Demographics (N = 2,990)

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65-69 years	42%
70-75 years	35%
75-79 years	24%
Sex	
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Women	53%
Race	
White, Non-Hispanic	88%
Black/African American	7%
Asian	3%
Education	
HS deg. or less	11%
Some college	18%
Associates/Bachelor's deg.	30%
Advanced college deg.	41%
Household income	
Less than \$20,000	5%
\$20,000 - \$49,999	21%
\$50,000 - \$79,999	24%
\$80,000 - \$99,999	14%
\$100,000 or greater	32%





Medications: Identifying Patterns of Medication Use in Senior Drivers and Potential Risks

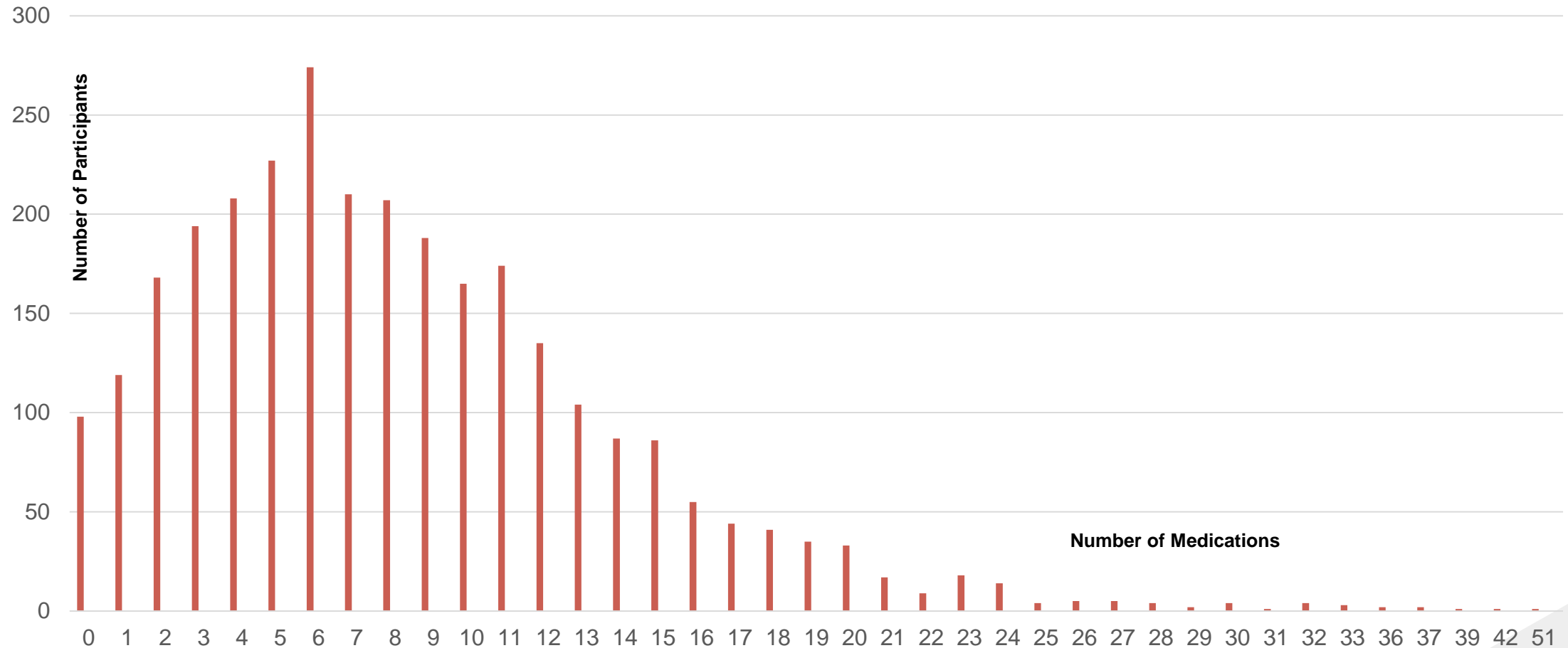
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Background: Why do we care about medication use in older drivers?

- Side effects that impair driving skills may include:
 - drowsiness, confusion, hypotension, syncope (fainting), hypoglycemia, weak muscle tone, and poor coordination
- Less common are problems such as:
 - double vision, blurred vision, nausea, and memory impairment
- Increased crash rate reported for a number of drug classes



Number LongROAD Participants by Number of Medications Used (N=2,949)



Cardiovascular Drugs	2167	73%
Central Nervous System Agents	2078	70%
Vitamins	1909	65%
Electrolytic, Caloric, and Water Balance	1548	52%
Hormones and Synthetic Substitutes	1311	44%
Gastrointestinal Drugs	952	32%
Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat (EENT) Preparations	710	24%
Autonomic Drugs	641	22%
Skin and Mucous Membrane Agents	486	16%
Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents	390	13%
Miscellaneous Therapeutic Agents	379	13%
Antihistamine Drugs	392	13%
Anti-infective Agents	291	10%
Respiratory Tract Agents	106	4%
Antineoplastic Agents	112	4%

Study Methods: Medications and Driving Outcomes

(not currently available as AAA Foundation Briefs)

- GPS accelerometer
- One year
- Outcomes included:
 - Miles
 - Decelerations
(surrogate for hard breaking)
 - Speed >80 mph
 - Right-to-left turn ratio
- 97% had both medication data and at least 30 days of driving data
- Mean medications = 8.37
- Average miles = 9,230
- Mean number of sudden deceleration events/1000 = 5.47
- Mean number of speeding events (>80mph) per 1000 miles = 8.26
- Mean ratio of right to left turns = 9.3

Results: Medications and Speeding, Deceleration and Right-to-Left Turn Ratio

- Speeding
 - CNS agents were the only drug class significantly associated with speeding
 - Analgesics, Opiates, Anticonvulsants, Anti-parkinson's drugs, Anti-emetics, Stimulants, Anxiolytics
- Deceleration
 - Hormone classes of drugs were positively associated
 - Insulin, estrogens, corticosteroids, thyroid, etc.
 - Electrolyte/Caloric/Water Balance were significantly associated
 - Diuretics, and uricosuric agents likely being the most common drugs, but it includes sugar and salt substitutes
- Right-to-Left Turn Ratios
 - Positively associate with antihistamine use
 - Negatively associated with vitamin use



Patterns of Self-Reported Alcohol Use and Driving While Intoxicated

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Background

- Drinking and driving continues to be a major public health problem
- Older adults form a significant proportion of the population of drivers who drink and drive
- NSDUH (2016) - 4% of adults age 65 yrs+ reported driving under the influence of alcohol in the past year
- Risks of alcohol use in older drivers are exacerbated by
 - delayed alcohol metabolism, increased use of medications, and declining physical and cognitive functioning.
- Study objective was to examine self-reported alcohol use and alcohol use while driving

Study Methods: Questionnaire Items

- Alcohol Use
 - Frequency
 - days drinking in past 3 months
 - Quantity
 - how many drinks on the days drank
- Alcohol Use and Driving
 - How often do you drive even though you realize that you may be over the legal blood-alcohol limit?
 - never, hardly ever, occasionally, quite often, frequently, and nearly all the time
- Other items
 - Demographics, avoidance of hazardous driving, driving comfort, risky driving



Results: Alcohol Use

- 72% reporting any drinking in the last 3 months
- 15% reported 'high risk' drinking in the last three months
 - High risk drinking = 7 drinks in one week
- Demographics significantly less associated with high-risk drinking.
 - Female
 - Black
 - Not being married or partnered
 - Possessing less than a graduate degree
 - Having an income less than \$100,000

Results: Alcohol Use and Driving

- 3.3% of respondents reported driving while over the legal limit at least occasionally
- High-risk drinking was found to be significantly associated with driving over the limit at least occasionally
- Engaging in risky driving behaviors was associated with self-reported DWI at least occasionally
- Avoidance of hazardous driving conditions and higher level of comfort less associated with self-reported DWI



Marijuana Use in Older Drivers in Colorado

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Background: Cannabis Use Among Older Adults

- Greatest increase in use among 50+ yrs
 - 65 yrs+ greatest increase in use overall
- National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)
 - Prevalence of past year use in 2015 and 2016 was 2.9% ≥65
 - Users had higher AUDs, nicotine use, cocaine use, and misuse of Rx
 - Prevalence of past year use increased from 0.15% in 2003 to 2.04% in 2014
- **Use is becoming more prevalent in this population and users are also at high risk of other drug use**

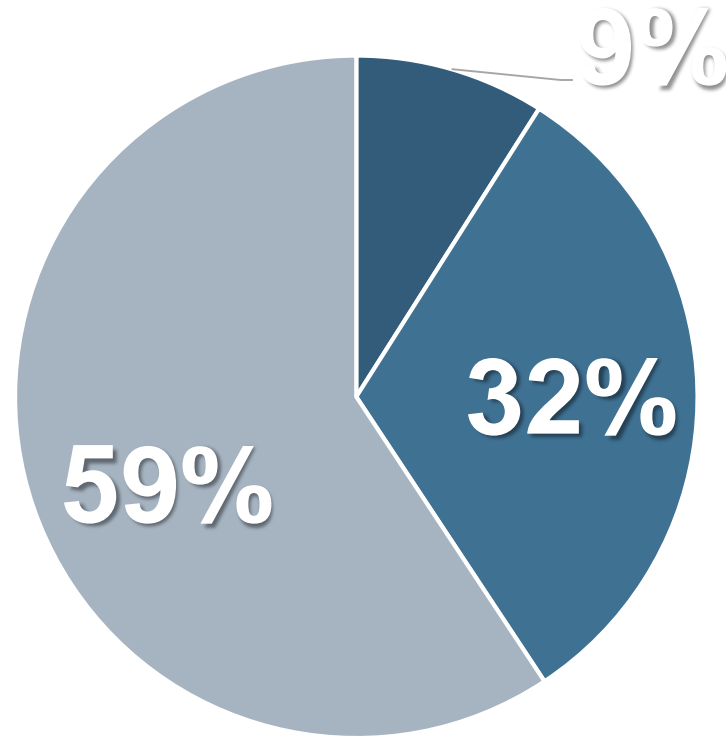
Background: Cannabis Use and Driving Among Older Adults

- Little research on cannabis use in relation to driving behaviors or crashes among older drivers
- Recent study using 2013-2014 NSDUH data found:
 - 1/3 of past-year marijuana users (50 years+) reported past-year DUI
 - Those with marijuana abuse/dependence were 2.6 times to report DUI
- Study Aim to describe the current epidemiology of cannabis use and examine its relationship to driving outcomes
 - LongROAD Colorado participants only

Methods: Cannabis Use and Driving

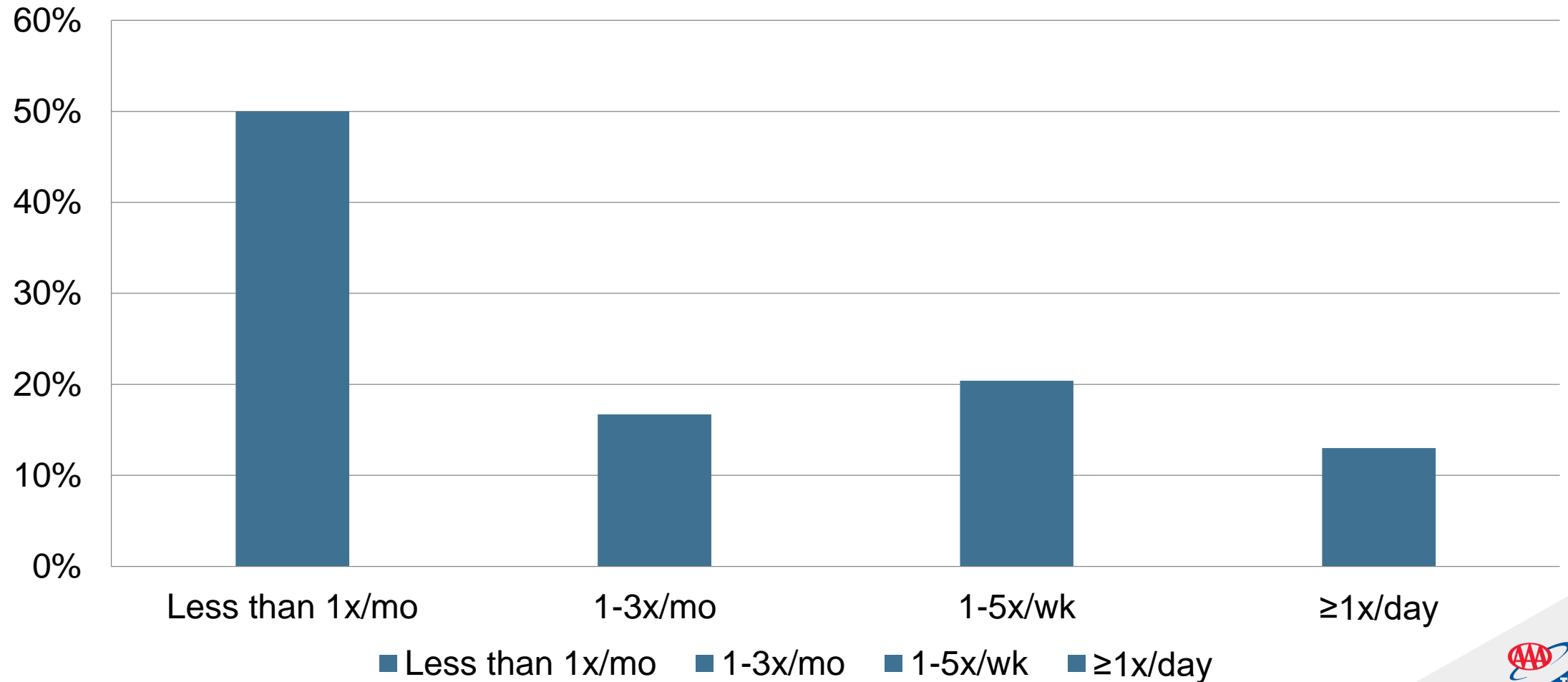
- Cannabis use definitions
 - *Cannabis Users*: Participants who reported using cannabis, marijuana or hash one or more times in the 12 months before the baseline visit
- Cannabis use and driving
 - Have driven a motor vehicle within an hour of using cannabis, marijuana, or hash in the past 30 days
- Driving Outcomes
 - Lapses, errors or violations (forget where left car, miss yield signs, speeding)
 - Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) with alcohol
 - Any crashes or police actions in the past year
- Demographics
- Health-related characteristics
- Mental and social health symptoms and functions

Results: Cannabis Use (Colorado drivers aged 65-79)

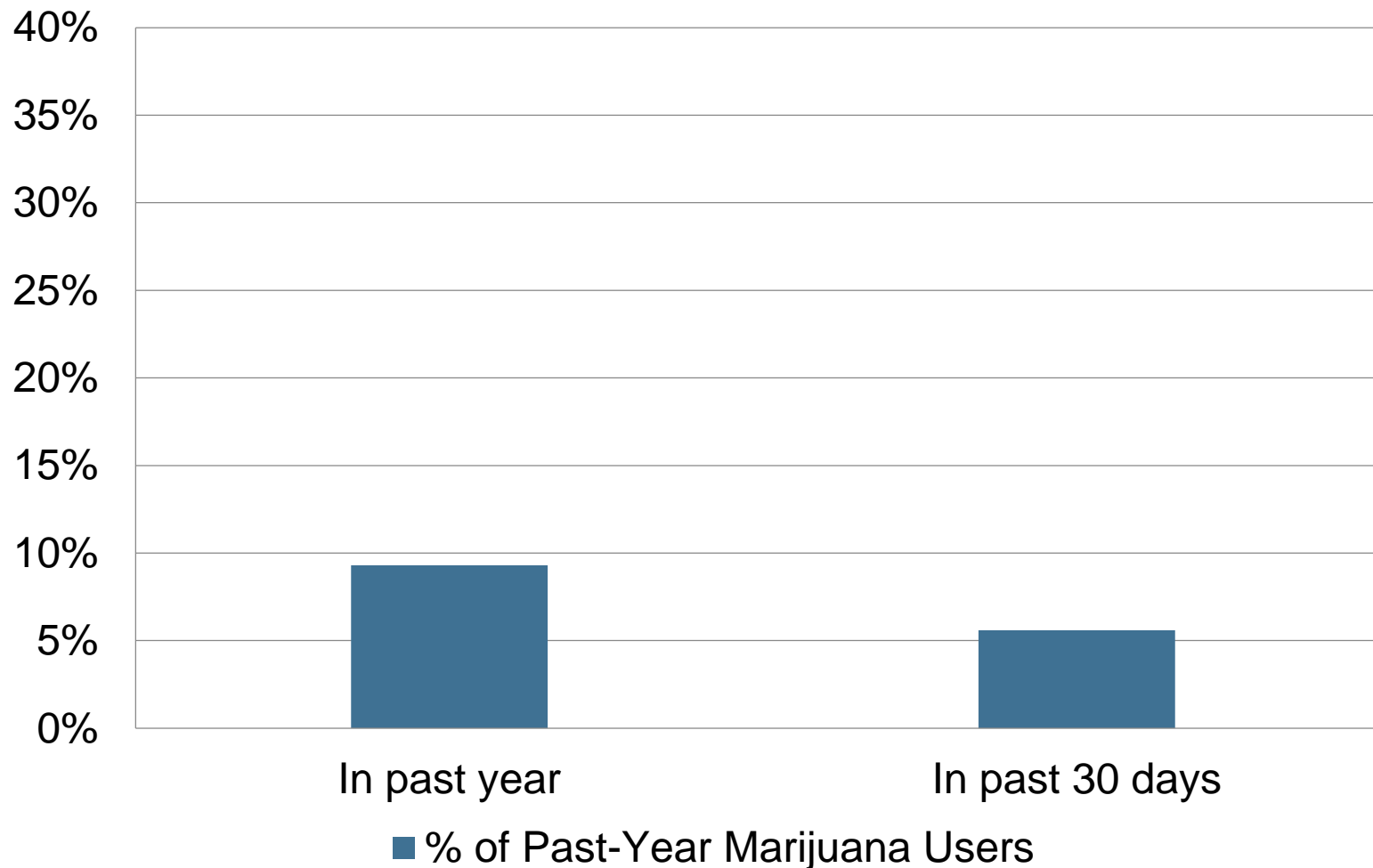


- Past Year Use
- Ever Used, Not Past Year
- Never Used

Results: Frequency of Cannabis Use in Past-Year Users



Results: Driving within an hour of cannabis use in past-year users



Results: Cannabis Use and Driving

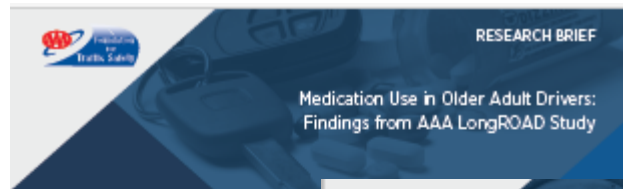
- Cannabis users were statistically more:
 - Younger
 - Less likely to have a Masters degree or higher
 - Poorer (HH income <\$50,000)
 - Mental condition
 - Score worse of measures of mental and social health
 - Moderate to severe depression
 - Moderate to severe anxiety
 - Mild and moderate-severe anger
 - Less emotional support
 - More social isolation

Conclusion

- Older people often take many medications
 - High use of poly drug use is concerning
 - Many older people do not know their medications are potentially impairing
- Older people drink and some report drinking and driving
 - High-risk drinking associated with DUI
- Older people are increasingly using cannabis
 - Fewer cannabis users report DUI
 - Past-year cannabis users 4x as likely to report alcohol DUI

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This research brief will lead data from the AAA Longitudinal Research on Aging Drivers (LongROAD) study, a longitudinal study on aging drivers. LongROAD is a multisite (San Diego, California; Denver, Colorado; Baltimore, Maryland; Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Cooperstown, New York) prospective cohort study designed to collect data on the medical, behavioral, environmental and technological factors influencing older adults' driving safety. Participants were eligible if they were 65-79 years old, possessed a valid driver's license, drove at least once per week on average and had no significant cognitive impairment.

METHODS

This study used cross-sectional baseline data from the AAA LongROAD study, a longitudinal study on aging drivers. LongROAD is a multisite (San Diego, California; Denver, Colorado; Baltimore, Maryland; Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Cooperstown, New York) prospective cohort study designed to collect data on the medical, behavioral, environmental and technological factors influencing older adults' driving safety. Participants were eligible if they were 65-79 years old, possessed a valid driver's license, drove at least once per week on average and had no significant cognitive impairment.

LongROAD collects self-reported and objectively measured information on health status and driving behaviors. The data for this study were based on the medications brought to the study offices for a "brown-bag review" at the baseline in-person assessment. Medication names and dosages were entered into a database and coded based on the American Hospital Foundation Service (AHFS) system. The AHFS classification allows the grouping of drugs with similar pharmacologic, therapeutic and/or chemical characteristics in a four-tier hierarchy. Starting with the most general groupings, each increasing tier provides greater specificity regarding drug class.



Drinking and driving continues to be a major public health problem. The relationship between driving while intoxicated (DWI) and crashes is well-established, with DWI responsible for 26% of today's crash deaths (NHTSA, 2017). Older adults form a significant proportion of the population of drivers who drink and drive. Indeed, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Survey on Drug Use and Health (SAMHSA) found that 41% of adults age 65 years and older reported driving under the influence of alcohol in the past year (Jung, Hughes, & Ross, 2016). The risks of alcohol use in older drivers are exacerbated by delayed alcohol metabolism, increased use of medications, and declining physical and cognitive functioning. Using baseline data from a large national study of drivers ages 65 and older, we document the prevalence of self-reported alcohol use and alcohol use while driving as well as sociodemographic, health and behavioral factors associated with alcohol use while driving.

METHODS

This study uses baseline data from the longitudinal, multisite AAA LongROAD study, described in detail elsewhere (Li et al., 2017). The study aims to explore the role of medical, behavioral, social, technological and environmental factors in safe driving among older adults. It enrolled 2,000 older drivers at five study sites (Ann Arbor, Michigan; Baltimore, Maryland; Cooperstown, New York; Denver, Colorado; and San Diego, California). LongROAD collects self-reported and objectively measured information on health, functional performance and driving behaviors; objective driving data (from a device that collected location data, accelerometer measurements, etc.); medical record information; medication history; and state motor vehicle driving records.

At participant enrollment, participants completed a questionnaire asking about their alcohol use in the last three months and how often they drive when they may be over the legal blood-alcohol limit (i.e., DWI). In addition, they were asked about their average weekly alcohol intake. For the purpose of this study, we defined high-risk drinking as more than seven drinks per week regardless of

gender, according to current NIAAA guidelines for older adults (NIAAA, accessed 2018), and we compared subjects who reported "never" or "rarely ever" drinking under the influence with those reporting DWI "occasionally" or more often.

After a bivariate analysis of the relationship between sociodemographic, health, and driving-related variables and DWI behavior was conducted, a logistic regression model was constructed to identify the factors most strongly associated with DWI among the study population. In addition to high-risk drinking behavior, driving frequency and demographic information, including study site, gender, age, race, marital status, education level and income were used to construct the model. Additional variables were included in the derivation of the final model if they achieved an alpha level of less than 0.25 on bivariate analysis.

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In 2015, 40 million licensed drivers age 65 years and older represented 18% of the total licensed driver population in the United States (FHWA, 2016). The number of older drivers has increased by 50% since 1990 and is projected to continue increasing (FHWA, 2016). Although driving allows older adults to meet their mobility needs and to stay independent, a number of age-related functional impairments, medical conditions and medication side effects can compromise driving abilities (Gray et al., 2008). To understand and meet the safe mobility needs of older adult drivers, the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety (AAAFTS) launched the Longitudinal Research on Aging Drivers study (LongROAD) with the following goals:

- Better understand the major protective and risk factors of safe driving in older adults
- Assess the effects of medical conditions and medications on driving behavior and safety
- Investigate the mechanisms through which older adults self-regulate their driving behaviors to cope with functional declines as they age
- Determine the extent, use and effects of new vehicle technology and aftermarket vehicle adaptations among older drivers
- Identify the determinants and health consequences of driving cessation during the process of aging

METHODS

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Design: What was the study's strategy for addressing the project's aims?
The project was designed for an initial five-year period. Eligible and consented participants were assessed at the baseline interview and then annually thereafter (Figure 1). Starting with the baseline visit and continuing every other

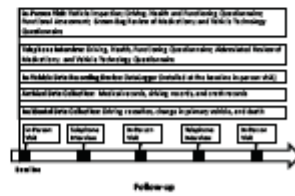


Figure 1. Data collection timeline for LongROAD study

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RESEARCH METHODS

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Longitudinal Research on Aging Drivers (LongROAD): study design and methods



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tant indicator of mobility, driving confers a host of social and health benefits to older adults. However, as the population ages, longitudinal data are lacking about the determinants of driving safety in older adults.

The Longitudinal Research on Aging Drivers (LongROAD) project is a multisite prospective cohort study designed to collect data on the medical, behavioral, environmental and vehicle technological factors influencing older adults' driving safety during the process of aging. Five drivers aged 65-79 years at baseline have been recruited through primary care physicians in five study sites located in California, Colorado, Maryland, Michigan, and New York. Participants were assessed at baseline with standardized research protocols and instruments, including functional performance tests, and "brown-bag review" of medications. The primary vehicle of each participant was equipped with a small data collection device that records detailed driving data whenever the vehicle is driven. Annual follow-up is being conducted for up to three years, with in-person assessments at 12 and 36 months and in-person assessments at 24 months. Medical records (reflecting information on clinical diagnoses and healthcare utilization). Driving records, including collected annually from state motor vehicle departments. Pilot testing was conducted on May 15, 2015. Recruitment and enrollment were completed between July 2015 and March 2017. The LongROAD project will generate much-needed evidence for formulating public policy and programs to maintain safe mobility while ensuring well-being for older adults.

Older adults aged 65 years and older represented 18% of the total licensed driver population in the United States (FHWA, 2016). The number of older drivers has increased by 50% since 1990 and is projected to continue increasing (FHWA, 2016). Although driving allows older adults to meet their mobility needs and to stay independent, a number of age-related functional impairments, medical conditions and medication side effects can compromise driving abilities and lead to heightened crash risk (Dickerson et al. 2007; Eby et al. 2009). Indeed, older adult drivers have higher mileage-based crash rates than all but the youngest drivers; drivers over age 85 have the highest fatal crash rates (Dellinger et al. 2002; Li et al. 2003; IHHS 2014). Older adults are more likely to experience health and functional impairments than their younger counterparts. These age-related declines can interfere with driving ability and lead to driving cessation (Dugan and Lee 2013).

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