

# **Driver Licenses Workshop Highway Statistics Seminar 2013**

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# Organizational Chart

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# State Reporting

Required by the *Code of Federal Regulations*:

- Title 23
- Subchapter E – Planning and Research
- Part 420.105 – Planning and Research Program Administration
- OMB approval under control numbers 2125-0028 and 2125-0032

Data required for evaluating the Nation's transportation systems:

- Extent
- Performance
- Condition
- Use

# Driver Licenses Form Location

## State Specific Driver License Form:

- Form FHWA-562 (Rev 12-2007)

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/eforms/mv-dl.htm>

# Driver Licenses Smart System

- Prior procedures outmoded years ago
- Developed to meet E-GOV requirements
- Performs automated data checks to reduce human intervention
- Improves:
  - Accuracy
  - Consistency
- Eliminate redundant data
- Paperwork reduction

# Benefits Provided

- Provides one procedure for State reporting:
  - Consistent
  - Coherent
- Reduces labor costs:
  - FHWA
  - State

# Benefits Provided – cont'd

- Performs checks on the reported data:
  - Tests internal consistency
  - Helps catch errors early
- Specific tests:
  - Mathematical errors
  - Non-matching totals
  - Blank cells with only grand totals entered
  - Large changes in the data from one year to the next
  - Avoids States creating their own forms

# How the Data are Used

- Input to other agencies:
  - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
  - National Transportation Safety Board
  - Energy Information Agency
  - Environment Protection Agency
  - Bureau of Labor Statistics
  - Federal Bureau of Investigations
  - Bureau of Transportation Statistics
  - Government Accountability Office

# Data Users

Congress

Government Agencies:

- Federal
- State
- County
- Municipal

Private sector/business

Educational institutions

Libraries

Students

Citizens

Other countries

# Typical Procedures

States report annually

Data is:

- Reviewed
- Analyzed
  - Adjusted for specific State limitations
  - Refined into more detailed categories
  - Readied for publication
- Published
  - Series of Tables in *Highway Statistics*
  - Provided to other agencies for further uses

# Data Reporting Issues

## Late Reports

- Many states file reports after established due dates
- Two States did not file reports for 2012.
- Due dates are:
  - January 1<sup>st</sup> if reporting on a State Fiscal year
  - April 1<sup>st</sup> if you report on calendar year

## Use of Old Forms

- Many states continue to use FHWA Form 562 (revised 2001)
- States should use the smart FHWA Form 562 (revised 2007)

# Data Reporting Issues – cont'd

## Teen Drivers

- Graduated licenses for teenage drivers should be included on Page 1 of FHWA-562
- Many states incorrectly include those under 16 with learner's permits

## Questionable Data (2011)

- Three states reported licensed driver counts that were greater than the driver population
- One state reported licensed driver counts that were greater than the state's population

# Data Reporting Issues – cont'd

## Incomplete Age Groups

- 23 Years and 24 Years – 1 State
- 75 years and over – 2 States
- 80 years and over – 1 State
- Therefore, FHWA must estimate by redistributing State's reported data based on the Census population.

# Questions and Comments

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