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SECTION 1

SUMMARY

The objective of improved occupant protection is to save lives and mitigate injuries in automobile accidents. Rules mandating such improvement must be written so as to minimize their deleterious side effects (such as automobile price increases, public inconvenience, industry disruption, etc.). Such considerations were the focus of the effort reported in Volume I of this report. By themselves, they would tend to encourage the slowest possible implementation of any rule changes and corresponding changes in automotive design. Therefore, due consideration must also be given to the other side of the coin -- the benefits that rule changes produce in terms of lives saved and injuries mitigated. These benefits are the subject of Volume II.

The very brief time period of this study precluded making significant advances in the methodology for benefit calculation. Consequently, this work is based largely on previous efforts by Minicars and its subcontractor Kinetic Research to calculate benefits. 1-6 However, this study had several new features -- most notably the simultaneous time-phasing of a variety of restraint systems having different performance and usage characteristics, throughout a range of vehicle classes and seating positions. The "bookkeeping" in this study was, as a result, of unprecedented complexity.

This is not to say that this study is the definitive and last word on the subject. We do feel that the methodology is quite complete and is the best available at the present time. However, there are serious shortcomings in some of the data that have been used. The biases of the Multi-Disciplinary Accident Investigation (MDAI) file are well-known, and while the best available adjustments have been applied to it, the adjusted file is not as satisfactory a data base as will be available with the completion of the National Accident Severity Study. Another serious problem

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exsits with the lack of biomechanical information -- data that permit dummy injury measures (as obtained in tests with dummy or in computer simulations) to be related to human injury severity resulting from actual collisions. Minicars and its subcontractor Kinetic Research have constructed relationships between dummy injury measures and human injury severity, based on available laboratory and accident data, but the results are hardly definitive. [They do not consider, for example, the effects of crash victim age.]

One may say, then, that the results of this study have some use in comparing the effects of one restraint system implementation scheme to another. However, we would be lucky, indeed, if the absolute numbers of injuries and fatalities were within 20 to 30 percent of what would be seen in the real world. The data simply will not permit a more accurate evaluation. With time, the data situation will improve, but until such time it is still incumbent on policymakers to use the best available data with the best available methodology to arrive at the most rational decisions possible, recognizing the error bands that exist. It is also necessary to improve the data whenever possible, and to use the improved data to continuously update the trade-off studies that affect rulemaking decisions.

1.1 TRAFFIC ENVIRONMENT PROJECTIONS

Traffic environment projections used in this study were provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, based on its study of the feasibility of fuel economy standards, 8 or were derived as necessary from References 2 and 3 and other sources. 9-12 Between 1977 and 1990, total auto sales rise by 27 percent (a compounded rate of 1.86 percent per year). The number of autos on the road rises by 22.8 percent, and the exposure of these vehicles to accidents rises 23.5 percent. Market shares of sales show a slight shift toward small cars (minis, subcompacts, and compacts) and away from large cars (intermediate and full-size cars): the small/large sales mix changes from .497/.503 in 1977 to .514/.486 in 1990. However, the weights of vehicles in all classes show a remarkable decline by 1990, due primarily to fuel economy pressures. The percent changes in vehicle weights and accident exposures, by vehicle class, are shown in Table 1-1.

TABLE 1-1

RELATIVE CHANGES BETWEEN 1977 AND 1990 BY CAR CLASS (PERCENT)

Auto Class	Weight of Vehicles Sold in One Model Year	Exposure- Weighted Mean Weight for Car Population	Accident Exposure Rate
Minicar	- 3.30	- 4.67	+350.00
Subcom.	-17.40	- 6.56	+ 24.36
Compact	-17.38	- 9.90	- 10.50
Interm.	-22.27	-17.44	+ 24.60
Full	-14.09	-16.60	- 48.41

For full-size cars, the change in weight of vehicles sold is less than the change in exposure-weighted mean weight because of the introduction of downsized GM models in 1977.

1.2 BENEFIT PROJECTIONS

Benefits are defined as the reductions of injuries and fatalities that would occur as the result of incorporating a set of safety systems in a specified manner, compared to a baseline of injuries and fatalities that would occur if no action were taken. As described in Volume I, the incorporation of restraint systems would occur as a result of a formulation of FMVSS 208 that would cause manufacturers to equip their cars in accordance with their capabilities and philosophies. Each alternate formulation of FMVSS 208, or alternate scenario, would lead to a unique implementation scheme to be adopted by the various manufacturers in the various car classes. The baseline for benefit calculations was an implementation scheme in which the current three-point harnesses were retained in all vehicle classes indefinitely. Clearly, the baseline does not correspond to current

injuries and fatalities, because these will continue to change as a function of total sales, market shares, vehicle weights, and vehicle usage.

For the purpose of benefit calculations, implementation scheme no. 14 was compared to the baseline. Scheme no. 14 is the likely industry response to a hypothetical rule formulated as follows:

- a. Passive driver restraints installed in all fullsize cars in 1981;
- b. Passive full-front (driver and passenger) protection in all minis in 1981;
- c. Passive driver restraints in all cars in 1982;
- d. Passive full-front (driver and passenger) protection in all cars in 1983.

A second set of benefit calculations was based on implementation scheme no. 14A, which in the early years is similar to scheme no. 14, but which involves notifying industry well in advance of an intention to upgrade the passive restraint requirement to higher levels of performance. It has the advantage of increasing restraint system benefits without further aggravating industry's lead time problems. Driver and Passenger restraint implementation schedules, by manufacturer and vehicle class between 1977 and 1990, are shown in Tables 1-2 and 1-3 for schemes 14 and 14A, respectively.

Finally, a third set of benefit calculations was based on implementation scheme no. 0, in which all of the various passive restraint types used in scheme no. 14 are replaced by Type (1) -- the 1972 GM ACRS or equivalent. This was done to facilitate benefit comparisons with various estimates that have been made.

The results of these calculations are shown in Figures 1-1 through 1-3, in which the reductions of fatalities, severe injuries, and moderate injuries are shown as a function of time, for schemes 0, 14, and 14A. The shaded and cross-hatched bands represent uncertainties in relating dummy injury measures to human injury severity. [The uncertainties are due to differences in torso load distribution between unrestrained occupants, belted occupants, and airbag protected occupants.]

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2 = Modified 1972 GM ACRS

3 = Advanced ACRS

0 = Active three-point harness

4 = Current passive belt system

5 = Advanced passive belt system

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Table 1-3. Driver and Passenger Restraint Implementation Scheme 14A.

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It is important to note that none of the benefits -- fatality, severe injury, or minor injury reductions -- has reached a steady-state condition. Even if vehicle sales, market shares, and weights were static after 1985, the benefits would not reach a steady-state condition until the year 2000 at least, because of the time required to scrap out old vehicles. [Scrappage of any given model year actually extends over a 25 year period.] Obviously, steady-state benefits (as estimated in other studies) would exceed the transient benefits calculated in this study.

It is also important to note that no benefits were calculated for side or rear impacts or rollovers.

Benefits are summarized in Tables 1-4 and 1-5. By 1990 yearly reductions in moderate injuries will reach 33 to 41 percent; yearly reductions in severe injuries will reach 36 to 52 percent; and yearly fatality reductions will reach 25 to 55 percent. Cumulative life savings by that time will range from 31,000 to 51,000.

TABLE 1-4

RANGE OF YEARLY PERCENTAGE SAVINGS IN 1990

Implementation Scheme	Moderate Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatal Injuries
14	33 - 35	39 - 45	38 - 45
14A	40 - 41	51 - 52	53 - 55
0	37 - 41	36 - 38	25 - 30

TABLE 1-5

RANGE OF CUMULATIVE SAVINGS IN THOUSANDS BY 1990

Implementation Scheme	Moderate Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatal Injuries
14	1210 - 1280	121 - 140	38 - 45
14A	1370 - 1390	146 - 153	49 - 51
0	1380 - 1510	114 - 120	29 - 31

### SECTION 2

### PROJECTED VEHICLE SALES AND POPULATIONS

Projections of vehicle sales and weights have been made by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the purpose of examining the feasibility of fuel economy standards. As shown in Table 2-1, total yearly sales were estimated to grow at the modest rate of 1.86 percent per year. Market shares by vehicle class and manufacturer were also estimated for 1976 and 1980, using the assumption that total market shares by manufacturer would remain constant, and that the distribution of sales by vehicle class would change only modestly. Accordingly, for each model year from 1977 through 1990, market shares were obtained for this study by linear interpolation and extrapolation. This procedure caused a slight redistribution in 1980 compact car sales to keep Chrysler's share of compact sales from becoming negative by 1990.

Also contained in Table 2-1 are the survival factors for automobiles as a function of their age. These data were obtained from the Allstate/Delorean study of restraint system benefits, and compare well with data compiled by R. L. Polk⁹ for the current automobile population. Table 2-1 also contains the relationship between vehicle usage (thousands of miles driven) and vehicle age. In this study, vehicle usage was taken as the measure of accident exposure, and it was used with the survival factors in a computerized car population model to calculate the time-varying characteristics of the car and injury populations, such as the exposure-weighted mean vehicle weight in each car class, and injury exposure probabilities by restraint type, seating position, vehicle class, and fiscal year. [Statistical data are generally presented as of July 1 of each year, so in this study a fiscal year is the year ending July 1.]

Table 2-2 presents the automobile weights by class and model year. Data for the model years 1958 through 1973 were obtained from an Aerospace Corporation study, 10 while recent statistical data 11 were used for model years 1974, 1975, and 1976. Weights prior to 1958 were simply estimated. [The low survival rates of these old vehicles, coupled with their low usage, combine to produce very little effect on the present and future vehicle populations.] These data are plotted in Figure 2-1. Unfortunately, minicars

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Table 2-1. Inputs Regarding Sales, Scrappage, and Vehicle Usage (Accident Exposure)

TOTAL	YEARLY	SALES	IN	THOUSANDS -	MODEL	YEARS	1977-1990
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### FRACTION OF VEHICLES REMAINING IN A FISCAL YEAR, AS A FUNCTION OF MODEL YEAR (SCRAPPAGE)

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0.484	0.337	0.232	0.160	0.107	0.091	0.074	0.050	0.039	0.032
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### VEHICLE MILEAGE (EXPOSURE) AS A FUNCTION OF AGE

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### MARKET SHARES BY VEHICLE CLASS AND MANUFACTURER - 1976

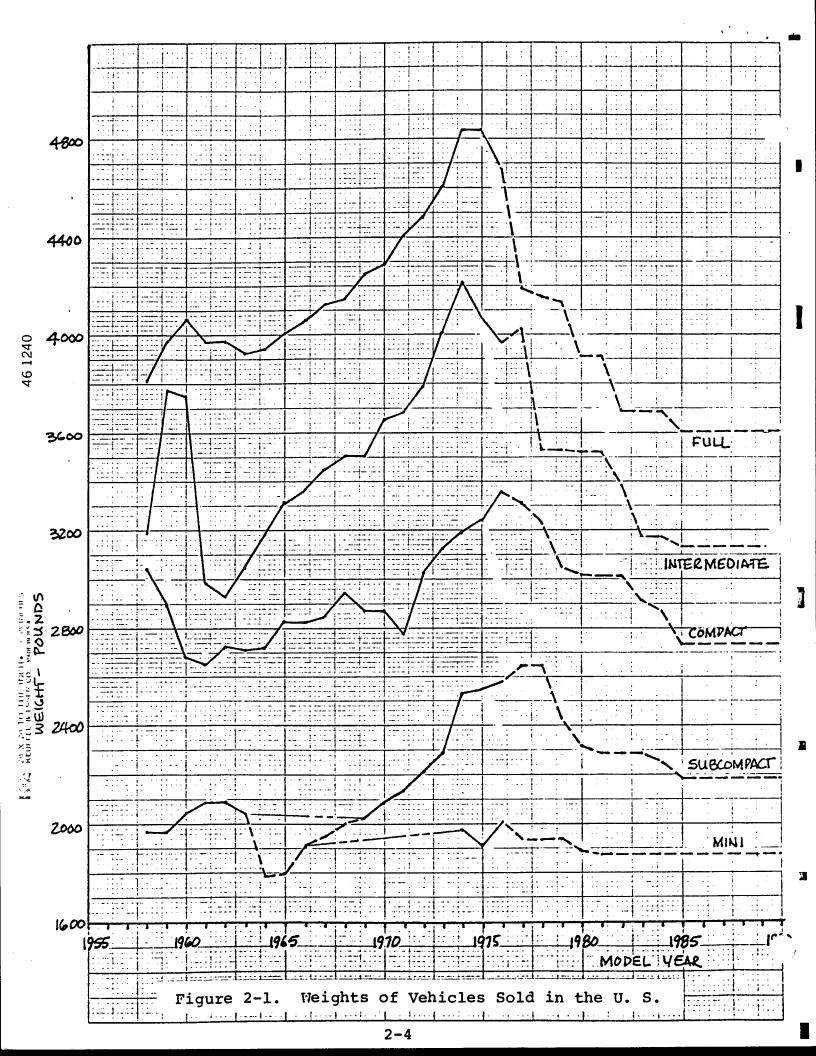
CLASS	GENL MOT	FORD	CHRYSLER	AMER MOT	FOREIGN
MINI SUBCOM COMPACT INTER	0.019 0.048 0.091 0.193	0. 0.051 0.073 0.044	0. 0. 0.059 0.035	0. 0.005 0.020 0.004	0.060 0.053 0.017 0
FULL	0.148	0.065	0.015	0.	0.

### MARKET SHARES BY VEHICLE CLASS AND MANUFACTURER - 1980

CLASS	GENL MOT	FORD	CHRYSLER	AMER MOT	FOREIGN
MINI	0.019	0.013	0.	0.002	0.061
SUBCOM	0.048	0.038	. 0.028	0.004	0.054
COMPACT	0.087	0.069	0.043	0.019	0.016
INTER	0.206	0.055	0.027	0.004	0.
FULL	0.137	0.055	0.015	0.	0.

Table 2-2. Vehicle Weights by Weight Class and Model Year

YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	COMPACT	INTER	FULL
YEAR 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1963	MINI  1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1915. 1920. 1926.	1968. 1968. 1968. 1968. 1968. 1968. 1968. 1969. 2044. 2089. 2088. 2041. 1787. 1798. 1909. 1943. 2002.	3000. 3000. 3000. 3000. 3000. 3000. 3041. 2897. 2679. 2655. 2723. 2713. 2721. 2828. 2823. 2854. 2941.	3500. 3500. 3500. 3500. 3500. 3500. 3500. 3776. 3756. 2987. 2934. 3045. 3180. 3318. 3363. 3450.	FULL  3800. 3800. 3800. 3800. 3800. 3807. 3973. 4067. 3975. 3978. 3923. 3941. 4005. 4061. 4125. 4152.
1969	1935.	2023.	2574.	3505.	4248.
1970	1942.		2874.	3505.	42{8.
1970 1971 1972	1951. 1950.	2139. 2139. 2214.	2978. 3027.	3682. 3787.	4408. 4481.
1973	1965.	2289.	3124.	4009.	4607.
	1979.	2521.	3199.	4209.	4839.
1975	1914.	2542.	3249.	4070.	4835.
1976	2008.	2580.	3359.	3964.	4679.
19.77	1938.	2644.	3315.	4023.	4193.
1978	1938.	2644.	3234.	3531.	4159.
1979	1940.	2432.	3048.	3531 <b>.</b>	4135.
1980	1890.	2318.	3020.	3522 <b>.</b>	3913.
1981	1874.	2286.	3014.	3522.	3913.
1982	1874.	2286.	3014.	3382.	3687.
1983	1874.	2286.	2918.	3176.	3687.
1984	1874.	2252.	2871.	3173.	3687.
1985	1874.	2184.	2739.	3127.	3602.
1986	- 1874.	2184.	2739.	3127.	3602.
1987	1874.	2184.	2739.	3127.	3602.
1988 1989	1874. 1874.	2184. 2184.	2739. 2739. 2739.	3127. 3127. 3127.	3602. 3602.
1990	1874.	2184.	2739.	3127.	3602.



were lumped with subcompacts, so some estimation was again required. This was facilitated by the fact that there were no domestic subcompacts between 1963 and 1970; the bulk of these (Volkswagen Beetles) would today be classified as minicars, and this undoubtedly accounts for the anomalous dip in the subcompact weights (shown in Figure 2-1 by a dotted line) during those years.

Weight projections for 1977 through 1990 were obtained from Document 2 of Reference 8, by way of assuming that the weight reductions shown therein would occur at, and only at, a major model change as indicated in Volume I. Sales-weighted mean weights were calculated for all the body styles within each vehicle class and manufacturer, and are shown in Table 2-3. While the results in Reference 8 indicate a lumping together of minis and subcompacts, the detail in Document 2 allows both weights and sales projections to be broken out separately. After suitable accounting for major model changes, weights were averaged (again sales-weighted) over the manufacturers in each vehicle class and model year. The results, also shown in Table 2-3, were used as the projected weights for 1977 through 1990.

Table 2-4 presents the original sales of vehicles currently on the road. Sales data back to 1963 were obtained from the Allstate/DeLorean study, but unfortunately minicars were again lumped with subcompacts. However, sales of minis prior to 1963 was extremely limited, and sales figures were assumed accordingly. Sales data are also available from Wharton EFA, Inc., and go clear back to 1947, but it is clear that there are major discrepancies between references 3, 10, and 12 regarding the classification of vehicles. Therefore the sales of intermediate and full-size cars of Reference 12 were re-allocated among those two classes for this study; similar comments hold for subcompacts and compacts. Again, the accuracy of the data for older cars is not particularly critical for present and future vehicle mixes.

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Table 2-5 presents the vehicle sales by manufacturer and vehicle class between 1977 and 1990. These data are derived directly from the total sales and market shares of Table 2-1. Table 2-6 presents a summation of the sales figures over the five manufacturers, and Table 2-7 presents the number of vehicles (in thousands) in the automobile population between now and 1990. Table 2-8 shows the growth in automobile (case vehicle) usage

Table 2-3. Sales-Weighted Mean Weights.

		% Sales	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986-90
Mini	General Motors Ford American Motors Foreign	20.0 13.7 2.1 64.2	2060 1900	2060 1900	2060 2000 1900	1900 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900	1820 1810 2000 1900
	Sales-WTD Mean		1938	1938	1940	1890	1874	1874	1874	1874	1874	1874
Subcompact	General Motors Ford Chrysler American Motors Foreign	27.9 22.1 16.3 2.3 31.4	2801 2739 3140 2400	2801 2739 3140 2400	2801 2323 2200 2300	2403 2323 2200 2300	2403 2323 2200 2200	2403 2323 2200 2200	2403 2323 2200 2200	2403 2173 2200 2200	2253 2173 2050 2200	2253 2173 2050 2200
S	Sales-WTD Mean		2644	2644	2432	2318	2286	2286	2286	2252	2184	2184
Compact	General Motors Ford Chrysler American Motors Foreign	38.9 24.5 16.1 8.2 7.3	3384 3150 3556 3298 3100	3384 2859 3556 3298 3100	2900 2859 3556 3298 3000	2827 2859 3556 3298 3000	2827 2859 3556 3298 2900	2827 2859 3556 3298 2900	2827 2659 3556 2936 2800	2700 2659 3556 2936 2800	2627 2659 2956 2450 2700	2627 2659 2956 2450 2700
	Sales-WTD Mean		3315	3234	3048	3020	3014	3014	2918	2871	2739	2739
Intermediate	General Motors Ford Chrysler American Motors	70.4 18.8 9.2 1.5	3971 4249 3942 4134	3274 4249 3942 4134	3274 4249 3942 4134	3274 4249 3942 3445	3274 4249 3942 3445	3274 3507 3942 3445	3076 3507 3227 3445	3076 3507 3227 3245	3076 3261 3227 3245	3076 3261 3227 3245
ă	Sales-WTD Mean		4023	3531	3531	3522	3522	3382	3176	3173	3127	3127
Full	General Motors Ford Chrysler Sales-WTD Mean	66.4 26.5 7.1	3964 4632 4673 4193	3964 4632 4200 4159	3964 4632 3877 4135	3964 3796 3877 3913	3964 3796 3877 3913	3622 3796 3877 3687	3622 3796 3877 3687	3622 3796 3877 3687	3622 3544 3627	3622 3544 3627 3602
тот	TAL FLEET AVERAGE		3457	3288	3203	3123	3115	3027	2945.	2927	2853	2853

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Table 2-4. Original Sales (in Thousands) of Vehicles in the Current Vehicle Mix.

YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	COMPACT	INTER	FULL	TOTAL
1952	20	180	228	500	3249	4177
1953	20	200	237	- 1000	4300	- · · 5757 · ·
1954	20	180	197	1000	4159	5556
1955	20	180	290	1500	5199	7189
1956	20	200	355	.1100	4300	5975
1957	20	400	1002	1 000	4270	6692
1958	20	200	691	500	3264	4675
1959	20	500	.1134	800	3590	6044
1960	20	500	1832	800	3445	6597
1891	30	400	1825	600	3029	5884
1962	40	5.00	2006	800	3631	6977
1963	50	335	1499	1238	.4239	7361
1964	60	399	1483	1572	4548	8062
1965	60	460	16.11	1930	4697	8758
1966	.65	553	1479	2196	4759	9052
1967	65	553	1468	2000	4378	8464
1968	65	682	1404	2313	4315	8.7.79
1969	70	800	1544	23.79	4518	.9311
1970	70	.941	1854	2217	3953	9035
1971	70	1 6 6 3	1635	18.71	34.74	8713
1972	75	1749	.1762	2280	3982	9848
1973	80	2144	2281	2763	4.110	.11378
1974	88	1670	2241	2303	2488	8790
1975	103	1.772	2210	2313	2202	8600
1976	762	1514	2498	2670	2194	9638

Table 2-5. Vehicle Sales by Manufacturer, Vehicle Class, and Model Year

M-R	CLASS	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	[988	1989	1990
GM	Mini	187	190	194	197	201	205	208	212	216	220	224	229	233	237
	Sub	471	480	489	498	507	517	526	536	546	556	567	5.77	588	599
	Com	884	890	897	903	909	915	921	927	933	939	944	950	955	961
	Int	1927	1995	2066	2138	2212	2288	2366	2446	2529	2613	2700	2791	2881	2975
	Full	1426	1425	J424	1422	1419	1416	1412	1407	1402	1396	1390	.1383	1375	1366
FORD	MINI	32	65	99	135	. 172	210	249	290	333	3.77	422	46.9	517	568
	SUB	469	445	420	394	367	339	310	279	247	214	180	144	107	69
	COM	707	710	713	71.6	719	.721	724	726	728	730	732	734	735	736
	INT	459	495	532	571	610	651	694	737	782	829	876	926	977	1029
	FULL	614	600	586	571	555	538	521	503	484	464	443	421	398	374
CHRYSLER	Mini	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sub	69	140	214	291	370	452	537	625	717	811	909	1010	1115	1223
	Com	540	510	479	446	412	377	340	302	262	220	177	132	86	37
	Int	324	310	295	280	264	248	230	212	193	174	153	132	110	87
	Full	147	150	153	156	159	161	164	.168	171	174	177	180	184	187
AMC	MINI SUB COM INT FULL	5 47 194 39 0.	10 45 195 40 0	15 - 43 196 41 0	21 42 197 42 0	26 40 .198 42 0	32 38 199 43 0	38 36 200 44 0	45 34 201 45 0	51 - 31 202 - 46 - 0	58 - 29 203 46 0	65 27 204 47 0	72 24 205 48 0	80 21 205 49 0	87 19 206 50
FOREIGN	MINI SUB COM INT FULL	592 523 164 0	.605 535 165 0	619 · 548 166 0	633 560 166 0	647 573 166 0	662 587 167 0	677 600 167 0	693 614 168 0	708 629 168 0	724 643 168 0	741 658 168 0	758 674 168 0	775 689 168 0	792 705 168 0

Table 2-6. Vehicle Sales by Vehicle Class and Model Year.

VEHICLE						МС	DDEL YE	AR						
CLASS	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	.1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1 989	1990
MINI SUBCOM COMPACT INTER FULL	816 1579 2489 2749 2187	870 1645 2470 2840 2175	927 1714 2451 2934 2163	986 1785 2428 3031 2149	.1046 1857 2404 3128 2133	1109 1933 2379 3230 2115	1172 2009 2352 3334 2097	1240 2088 2324 3440 2078	1308 2170 2293 3550 2057	1379 2253 2260 3662 2034	1452 2341 2225 3776 2010	1528 2429 2189 3897 1984	1605 2520 2149 4017 1957	1684 2615 2108 4141 1927

Table 2-7. Distribution of Vehicles by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year.

FISCAL	/		VEHICLE CL			
YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	COMPACT	INTER	FULL	TOTAL
19.77	1950	13.734	19898	23403	35733	94718
1978	2731	14550	20794	24189	33720	95984
1979	3554	15306	21614	24991	31810	97275
1880	4424	15988	22342	25836	30019	98609
1981	5324	16566	22955	26740	28397	99982
1982	6254	17062	23451	27677	26944	101388
1983	7197	17522	23812	28635	25666	102832
1984	8140	1.7992	24036	29626	24640	104434
1985	9057	.18514	24149	30659	23862	106241
1986	9921	19117	24158	31702	23251	108149
1987	10726	1.9788	24074	32766	22,7,74	110128
1988	11498	20522	23932	33854	22383	112189
1989	12251	21290	23736	34954	22007	114238
1.990	12999	.22098	23492	36065	21648	116302

Table 2-8. Total Accident Exposure Relative to 1977 and Average Vehicle Weights by Class.

FISCAL YEAR	CASE VEHICLE	OTHER VEHICLE	MIMI	SUBCON	COMPACT	INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	1.000 1.012 1.026 1.040 1.055 1.071 1.083 1.107 1.128 1.148 1.169 1.191	1.000 1.015 1.030 1.046 1.061 1.075 1.091 1.109 1.129 1.147 1.165 1.185	1969. 1959. 1953. 1941. 1926. 1915. 1906. 1398. 1887. 1883. 1880. 1378.	2378. 2429. 2451. 2448. 2433. 2415. 2396. 2371. 2339. 2306. 2277. 2254.	3140. 3171. 3171. 3158. 3142. 3125. 3099. 3065. 3018. 2969. 2926. 2888. 2856.	3876. 3862. 3820. 3776. 3734. 3677. 3595. 3512. 3434. 3366. 3310. 3265. 3229.	4441. 4433. 4415. 4372. 4315. 4234. 4143. 4057. 3895. 3895. 3832. 3730. 3737.
1990	1.235	1.225	1877.	2222.	2829.	3200.	3704.

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and "other" vehicle (including trucks) usage between now and 1990, as well as the exposure-weighted mean vehicle weights. Finally, Tables 2-9 and 2-10 show the exposure probabilities for the "case" vehicle and "other" vehicle, subdivided by vehicle class. Table 2-9 may be interpreted as follows: given an accident in 1979, the probability that the "case" vehicle is a subcompact is 0.164. In any given year, these probabilities sum to unity. Similarly, Table 2-10 gives the probability that the "other" vehicle is in a specified class, given that a vehicle-to-vehicle accident has occurred. The growth in the number of accidents between now and 1990 is given by the "case" vehicle probabilities of Table 2-8.

Table 2-9. Accident Exposure for Automobiles (Case Vehicle) by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year.

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLAS	SS INTER	FULL	
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	0.026 0.036 0.045 0.055 0.064 0.072 0.080 0.087 0.093 0.098 0.103 0.108 0.112	0.156 0.161 0.164 0.166 0.168 0.170 0.172 0.174 0.177 0.180 0.183 0.186 0.190 0.194	0.219 0.225 0.230 0.233 0.234 0.234 0.232 0.229 0.224 0.219 0.214 0.208 0.202 0.196	0.252 0.257 0.263 0.268 0.274 0.279 0.284 0.289 0.294 0.298 0.302 0.306 0.310 0.314	0.347 0.321 0.298 0.277 0.260 0.244 0.232 0.221 0.212 0.205 0.198 0.191 0.185 0.179	

Table 2-10. Other Vehicle Exposure by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year.

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	NSS INTER	FULL	.SM TRUCK	MED TRUCK	LG TRUCK
19.77 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987	0.021 0.029 0.036 0.044 0.051 0.058 0.064 0.070 0.075 0.079 0.083 0.087	0.126 0.129 0.131 0.133 0.134 0.136 0.138 0.140 0.142 0.142 0.144 0.147	0.176 0.181 0.184 0.186 0.187 0.187 0.186 0.183 0.180 0.176 0.172 0.168 0.163	0.202 0.206 0.210 0.214 0.219 0.223 0.228 0.236 0.236 0.240 0.244 0.247	0.279 0.257 0.238 0.222 0.207 0.196 0.186 0.177 0.170 0.165 0.159 0.154	0.109 0.111 0.111 0.112 0.111 0.110 0.110 0.110 0.108 0.108 0.107 0.106	0.055 0.055 0.056 0.056 0.055 0.055 0.055 0.055 0.055 0.053	0.033 0.033 0.034 0.034 0.033 0.035 0.035 0.035 0.035 0.035
1 989 1 990	0.095	0.157	0.159	0.255	0.145	0.105	0.053	0.037

The following is a series of four tables (each of which covers three pages). Each of the four tables is a probability distribution by vehicle class, fiscal year, and restraint type, for schemes 14 and 14a as follows:

- a. Scheme 14; driver (Table 2-11)
- b. Scheme 14; passenger (Table 2-12)
- c. Scheme 14a; driver (Table 2-13)
- d. Scheme 14a; passenger (Table 2-14)

In a given fiscal year, a number in the tables is the probability of an accident involving a specified vehicle class and restraint type, given the involvement in an accident of a "case" vehicle. For example, given an accident, the probability that the accident involves an intermediate car with a modified GM 1972 ACRS in the driver position in 1983 is 0.037 with scheme 14 (see Table 2-11). In any given year, the probabilities sum to unity in a given seating position, since the restraint types and vehicle classes are all-inclusive. Once having these probabilities, occupancy by seat position is used to calculate injury probabilities (AIS 0-6). Restraint system usage rates are then used to redistribute the injury involvements among the six restraint types and a seventh classification—unrestrained.

Table 2-11. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14.

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE COMPACT	CLASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984	0.026 0.036 0.045 0.055 0.054 0.048 0.042 0.035 0.029	0.156 0.161 0.164 0.166 0.168 0.152 0.128 0.106 0.086	0.219 0.225 0.230 0.233 0.234 0.211 0.179 0.148 0.121	0.252 0.257 0.263 0.268 0.274 0.249 0.211 0.176	0.347 0.321 0.298 0.277 0.239 0.196 0.158 0.126
1985 1986 1987 1988 1989	0.029 0.023 0.018 0.013 0.009 0.006	0.069 0.053 0.040 0.029 0.021	0.096 0.074 0.056 0.040 0.028	0.115 0.090 0.068 0.049 0.034	0.076 0.057 0.041 0.029 0.020

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
1.977	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1979	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1.980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
.1981	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.021
1.982	0.	0.	0.017	0.025	0.030
1983	0.	0.	0.033	0.036	0.030
1984	0.	0.	0.034	0.037	0.029
1.985	. 0.	0.	0.031	0.036	0.028
1986	0.	0.	0.027	0.034	0.026
1.987	0.	0.	0.024	0.030	0.022
1.988	0.	0.	0.021	0.026	0.019
1989	0.	0.	0.018	0.022	0.015
1 990	0.	0.	0.014	0.018	0.012

Table 2-11. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14 (Continued)

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.003 0.009	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.005 0.012 0.020 0.029	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.002 0.012 0.035 0.059	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.006 0.037 0.077 0.113 0.149	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.019 0.044 0.066 0.085
1.987 1.988 1.989 1.990	0.022 0.029 0.035 0.041	0.043 0.048 0.052 0.054	0.099 0.115 0.128 0.139	0.183 0.213 0.239 0.262	0.118 0.131 0.140 0.147

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLAS	SS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.
1987 1988 1989 1990	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0.

Table 2-11. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14 (Continued).

### CURRENT PASSIVE BELTS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLAS COMPACT	SS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.010 0.025 0.038 0.049 0.055	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.013 0.032 0.048 0.061	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.004 0.008 0.012	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
1986 1987 1988 1989 1990	0.059 0.063 0.066 0.068 0.070	0.074 0.086 0.098 0.109 0.119	0.016 0.017 0.017 0.016 0.014	0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0.

# ADVANCED PASSIVE BELTS

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL COMPACT	ASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.

Table 2-12. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14.

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FISCAL .YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE COMPACT	CLASS INTER	FULL
. I EAR	HINI	30 DCOM	COMPACI	INIER	, OLL
1.9.7.7	0.026	0.156	0.219	0.252	0.347
1978	0.036	0.161	0.225	0.257	0.321
197.9	0.045	0.164	0.230	0.263	0.298
1980	0.055	0.166	0.233	0.268	0.277
1.981	0.054	0.168	0.234	0.274	0.260
1982	0.048	0.170	0.232	0.279	0.244
1983	0.042	0.153	0.208	0.253	0.212
1.984	0.035	0.129	0.175	0.214	0.175
1985	0.029	0.107	0.145	0.179	0.143
1986	0.023	0.087	0.117	0.146	0.115
1987	0.018	0.070	0.093	0.117	0.091
1988	0.013	0.054	0.072	0.091	0.070
1989	0.009	0.041	0.054	0.069	0.052
1.990	0.006	0.030	0.039	0.050	0.038

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL.	ASS INTER	FULL
1.9.77	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1979	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1.980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1.981	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1982	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1983	0.	0.	0.002	0.003	0.002
1.984	0.	0.	0.004	0.006	0.004
1985	0.	0.	0.005	0.009	0.006
1986	0.	∙0.	0.004	0.009	0.006
1.987	0.	0.	0.004	0.008	0.005
1988	0.	0.	0:004	0.007	0.005
1989	0.	0.	0.003	0.006	0.004
- 1990	· O•	0.	0.003	0.005	0.004

Table 2-12. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14 (Continued).

# MODIFIED GM 1972 ACRS

1977       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1978       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1979       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1980       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1981       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1982       0.       0.       0.002       0.       0.         1983       0.       0.005       0.019       0.029       0.018         1984       0.       0.014       0.042       0.069       0.043         1985       0.002       0.024       0.067       0.106       0.064         1986       0.008       0.032       0.090       0.143       0.084         1987       0.015       0.039       0.111       0.177       0.102         1988       0.023       0.045       0.127       0.208       0.117         1989       0.030       0.049       0.140       0.236       0.129	FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA COMPACT	ASS INTER	FULL
1990 0.036 0.052 0.151 0.259 0.138	1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.002 0.008 0.015 0.023 0.030	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.005 0.014 0.024 0.032 0.039 0.045 0.049	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.002 0.019 0.042 0.067 0.090 0.111 0.127 0.140	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.029 0.069 0.106 0.143 0.177 0.208 0.236	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.018 0.043 0.064 0.084 0.102 0.117 0.129

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Table 2-12. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14 (Continued).

# CURRENT PASSIVE BELTS

1977       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1978       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1979       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1980       0.       0.       0.       0.       0.         1081       0.010       0.       0.       0.       0.	FISCAL YEAR		BCOM COMPAC	E CLASS T INT	ER FUL	.L
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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLAS	INTER	FULL
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1989 1990	0. 0.	0.	0. 0.	0. 0.	0. 0.

Table 2-13. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a.

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE COMPACT	CLASS INTER	FULL
19.77 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	0.026 0.036 0.045 0.055 0.054 0.048 0.042 0.035 0.029 0.023 0.018 0.013	0.156 0.161 0.164 0.166 0.168 0.152 0.128 0.106 0.086 0.069 0.053 0.040	0.219 0.225 0.230 0.233 0.234 0.211 0.179 0.148 0.121 0.096 0.074 0.056 0.040	0.252 0.257 0.263 0.268 0.274 0.249 0.211 0.176 0.144 0.115 0.090 0.068 0.049	0.347 0.321 0.298 0.277 0.239 0.196 0.158 0.126 0.099 0.076 0.057 0.041
1990	0.006	0.02.1	0.028	0.034	0.020

# GM 1972 AIR BAG

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
1977	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1979	0.	0.	.Q.	0.	0.
1980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1981	0.	0.	0.	.0 •	0.021
1982	0.	0.	0.017	0.025	0.035
1983	0.	0.	0.035	0.036	0.042
1984	0.	0.	0.038	0.037	0.047
1985	0.	0.	0.035	0.036	0.047
1986	0.	0.	0.032	0.034	0.042
1987	0.	0.	0.028	0.030	0.037
1988	0.	0.	0.024	0.026	0.032
1989	0.	0.	0.021	0.022	0.026
1990	0.	0.	0.017	0.018	0.021
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Table 2-13. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a (Continued).

# MODIFIED GM 1972 ACRS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL	ASS INTER	FULL
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1977	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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1979	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1980	0.	. O.	0.	0.	0.
1981	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1982	0.	0.005	0.	0.006	0.013
1983	0.	0.012	0.007	0.015	0.032
1984	0.	0.018	0.016	0.024	0.048
1985	0.	0.019	0.024	0.032	0.062
1986	0.	0.017	0.025	0.032	0.062
1987	0.	0.015	0.023	0.029	0.056
1988	0.	0.013	0.020	0.025	0.049
1989	0.	0.011	0.018	0.022	0.043
1990	0.	0.009	0.015	0.019	0.036

# ADVANCED AIR BAG

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
19.77	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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1980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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1982	0.	0.	0.002	٠٥.	0.
1983	0.	0.	0.004	0.022	0.
1984	0.	0.003	0.014	0.053	0.
1985	- 0.002	0.011	0.032	0.082	0.004
1986	0.008	0.020	0.056	0.117	0.024
1987	0.015	0.028	0.079	0.154	0.048
1988	0.023	0.034	0.099	0.188	0.069
1989	0.030	0.040	0.116	0.217	0.087
1990	0.036	0.044	0.130	0.244	0.102

Table 2-13. Driver Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a (Continued).

### CURRENT PASSIVE BELTS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.010 0.025 0.038 0.051 0.062 0.060 0.053 0.047	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.013 0.032 0.048 0.061 0.061 0.055 0.048 0.042	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.004 0.008 0.012 0.012 0.011 0.010 0.008 0.008	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.
1990	0.033	0.035	0.006	0.	.0.

# ADVANCED PASSIVE BELTS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL COMPACT	ASS INTER	FULL
1977	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	.0 •	0.
1979	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1981	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1982	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1983	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1984	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1985	0.	.0.	0.	0.	0.
1986	0.007	0.013	0.	0.	0.
1987	0'.017	0.032	0.	0.	0.
1988	0.025	0.050	0.	0.	0.
1989	0.034	0.068	0.	0.	0.
1990	0.041	0.085	0.	0.	0.

Table 2-14. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a.

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE COMPACT	CLASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	0.026 0.036 0.045 0.055 0.054 0.048 0.042 0.035 0.029 0.023 0.018 0.013	0.156 0.161 0.164 0.166 0.168 0.170 0.153 0.129 0.107 0.087 0.070 0.054	0.219 0.225 0.230 0.233 0.234 0.234 0.210 0.177 0.147 0.119 0.094 0.073 0.055	0.252 0.257 0.263 0.268 0.274 0.279 0.253 0.214 0.179 0.146 0.117 0.091	0.347 0.321 0.298 0.277 0.260 0.244 0.212 0.175 0.143 0.115 0.091 0.070
1990	0.006	0.030	0.040	0.050	0.038

# GM 1972 AIR BAG

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CLA	ASS INTER	FULL
19.77	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1979	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1980	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1981	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
1982	0.	0.	.0 •	0.	0.
1983	0.	0.	0.002	0.003	0.002
1984	0.	0.	0.004	0.006	0.004
1985	0.	0.	0.005	0.009	0.006
1986	0.	0.	0.004	0.009	0.006
1987	0.	0.	0.004	0.008	0.005
1988	0.	0.	0.004	0.007	0.005
1939	0.	0.	0.003	0.006	0.004
1990	0.	0.	0.003	0.005	0.004

MODIFIED GM 1972 ACRS

Table 2-14. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a (Continued).

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FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL COMPACT	ASS INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.005 0.014 0.019 0.018	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.015 0.028 0.035 0.035	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.007 0.016 0.025 0.026 0.023	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
1989 1989	0. 0. 0.	0.014 0.013 0.011	0.028 0.024 0.021	0.021 0.018 0.016	0.048 0.042 0.036

### ADVANCED AIR BAG

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL	ASS	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.002 0.012 0.030 0.054 0.078	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.022 0.053 0.082 0.117 0.154 0.188	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0
1	0.030 0.036	0.035 0.040	0.115 0.129	0.217 0.244	0.087 0.102

CURRENT PASSIVE BELTS

Table 2-14. Passenger Restraint Probabilities by Vehicle Class and Fiscal Year, Scheme 14a (Continued).

### CURRENT PASSIVE BELTS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SURCOM	VEHICLE CLAS	S INTER	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.010 0.025 0.038 0.051	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.014 0.031 0.046	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.003 0.007 0.008	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
1986 1987 1988 1989 1990	0.060 0.053 0.047 0.040 0.033	0.048 0.043 0.038 0.033 0.029	0.003 0.007 0.006 0.006 0.005	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.

### ADVANCED PASSIVE BELTS

FISCAL YEAR	MINI	SUBCOM	VEHICLE CL.	ASS INTĖR	FULL
1977 1978 1979 1930 1981 1982 1983 1984	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
1985 1986 1987 1988 1989	0. 0.007 0.017 0.025 0.034 0.041	0. 0.013 0.032 0.050 0.068 0.085	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0.

# SECTION 3 CHARACTERIZING AIR CUSHION PERFORMANCE IN FRONTAL IMPACTS

Estimates of the performance of three different driver air cushion systems were obtained for three different groupings of vehicle classes at barrier equivalent velocities (BEVs) between threshold-of-deployment levels (~ll mph) and 50 mph.

The passenger vehicle classes were collapsed into three groupings as follows:

- Minivehicle This class is unchanged over that defined previously.
- 2. Compact/ As the designation would indicate, this Subcompact class is made up of the compact and subcompact vehicle classes as defined previously.
- 3. Full-Size This class combines the full-size and intermediate classes that have been used previously.

The three restraint systems chosen were:

- 1. The 1974-1976 GM ACRS -- This system has been defined in Section 3.1 of Volume I.
- 2. A Modified GM ACRS -- This system has similarly been defined in Volume I. It is the above system, modified as necessary for small car application. It has been assumed that the improvements might be incorporated eventually in full-size vehicles and hence this system's performance in large cars was estimated.
- 3. A "Current Technology" air cushion system -- This system is described in the latter portion of Section 3.1, Volume I. Its performance was estimated in each of the three vehicle class groupings.

Performance is quantized as the expected peak resultant chest g level (-3ms) averaged over the different possible frontal accident modes and occupant sizes. In a subsequent section, these g levels will be associated with a distribution of expected injury levels (AIS levels).

Figure 3-1 is the result of this section, Figure 3-la being for the "Prior Technology" air cushion systems (items 1 and 2 above) and Figure 3-lb being applicable to "Current Technology" systems.

The curves of Figure 3-1 were constructed using a combination of experimental (car crash) data, computer simulation, and engineering judgment. The later two were needed because crash data for existing systems did not cover the required velocity range and certain systems have yet to be applied to all necessary vehicle classes.

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### "Prior Technology" Air Cushion Performance

The following laboratory data were available to us for estimating the performance of the 1974-1976 GM ACRS driver restraint.

- A series of barrier impacts of 1975 GM ACRS-equipped Oldsmobile 98s-- Tests were conducted at nominally 35 mph and 40 mph with a 50th percentile dummy driver. These data were used to estimate performance of this system in full-size vehicles.
- 2. A head-on impact of a 1973 GM ACRS-equipped Chevrolet Impala with an identical vehicle at a closing velocity of 60 mph-- The data from this test was used to represent performance of the system in full-size vehicles at 30 mph.
- 3. Two SAE barrier impacts of 1974 Vegas-- The two vehicles, impacted at nominally 30 mph, were equipped with a modified GM ACRS driver restraint system. That is, the GM ACRS originally designed for use in large cars was modified by Minicars to perform satisfactorily in the Vega. These data were used to characterize the performance of the modified GM ACRS system at its design impact condition in the subcompact vehicle.

Performance under conditions other than those for which we had data was estimated using a simple one-dimensional driver airbag model, DBAG 2. First, the test data above was used to adjust the restraint descriptors in DBAG 2 to yield driver whole body decelerations matching those observed in the crashes. Secondly, crash motions simulating those impact velocities for which data was lacking were input to the program to predict driver deceleration levels under these conditions.

The results to this point where compiled in an internal Minicars' report entitled "Engineering Report, Estimate of ACRS Performance"* prepared by Lonney Pauls, a consultant to Minicars.

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^{*}This report is on file at Minicars, Inc.

The DBAG 2 simulations did not take into account vehicle intrusion and pitching which would certainly degrade air cushion performance at the higher impact severities. Only the minivehicle was "restraint limited" rather than "vehicle limited" (i.e., considering intrusion effects would not significantly change the results for this vehicle class grouping.) For the other two vehicle class groupings, the DBAG 2 simulation data above 30-35 mph was modified by engineering judgment. The exception to this was the full-size vehicle equipped with the 1974-1976 GM ACRS where test data existed to 40 mph. An extrapolation beyond this point, based on the experimental data trend, was done in this case.

### "Current Technology" Air Cushion Performance

The following laboratory crash data were available to us for estimating the performance of the current-technology driver air cushion.

- 1. A series of barrier impacts of 1974 Ford LTDs equipped with a "current technology" driver ACRS -- These tests were used to represent the performance of this system in full-size vehicles at BEVs from 30 to 45 mph.
- 2. A series of barrier and car-to-car frontal impacts of 1975 Volvo 244s equipped with advanced air cushions --These tests have been conducted under a variety of realworld frontal impact conditions at BEVs ranging from 30 mph to 50 mph. These data were used to represent the performance of "current technology" air cushions when installed in cars of the compact/subcompact vehicle grouping.

Again, DBAG 2 simulations were used to extrapolate the data to lower velocities and to model the "current technology" system in a minivehicle*. Full-size and compact/subcompact vehicle data above 45-50 mph were provided by exercising engineering judgment.

^{*}Honda Civic crash performance was used to represent minivehicle crash characteristics.

#### SECTION 4

### SUMMARY OF BENEFIT METHODOLOGY

This Section briefly describes the methodology used to generate the "A" and "B" tables contained in the Appendix. The following are descriptions of the important arrays, distributions, and transformations used in the methodology.

RESTRAINED F-ARRAY (F^{res}) gives the probability that a particular injury level (AIS) is incurred for a particular  $\Delta$ V collision for a given restraint system, vehicle class, and seat position.

UNRESTRAINED F-ARRAY (F^{un\$}) gives the probability that a particular injury level (AIS) is incurred for a particular  $\Delta V$  collision. F^{un\$} is derived from the adjusted MDAI file.

G vs  $\Delta$ V CURVES are curves of accelerations, in g's, encountered as a function of  $\Delta$ V for the various restraint systems considered and for the unrestrained case (corresponding to  $F^{un}$ ). Data for these curves were obtained as described in Section 3.

AV DISTRIBUTIONS [N(AV)] are the numbers of occupant injuries/fatalities in the frontal mode per AV increment (5 mph) by year and seat position. These are derived from relative velocity distributions, obtained in turn from adjusted MDAI files and vehicle weight distributions and injury exposures relative to 1977.

RPROB DISTRIBUTIONS are driver/passenger restraint probabilities by vehicle class and year, obtained as indicated in Section 2, multiplied by the appropriate restraint usage rate.

The restrained F-array, F^{res}, for a given vehicle class (VEH), seat position (SP), and restraint type (RST), is determined from the G vs &V curves and the unrestrained F-array, F^{unst}, as follows: The velocity bounds of the kth-&V row in Fres are used in the G vs &V curves to determine the corresponding G-values from the restrained curve; these G-values are then used to obtain the associated lower and upper velocities

uns and  $V_u$  from the unrestrained curve. [The "B" tables were produced by dividing the G-values for the airbags bags by 1.5 before determining  $V_1^{uns}$  and  $V_u^{uns}$ .] The probabilities for each injury level bounded by  $V_1^{uns}$  and  $V_u^{uns}$  in the unrestrained F-array are obtained by weighting and summing across  $\Delta V$  within that velocity range determined by  $V_1^{uns}$  and  $V_u^{uns}$ , and the probabilities stransferred to the corresponding injury levels in the Fres array.

The total number of injuries in the kth velocity range F^{res} times  $N(\Delta V_k)$  is determined from the  $\Delta V$  distribution. N(AVk) times RPROB(VEH, SP, RST) is then the number of injuries in the ith injury level, kth velocity range, for the given vehicle class, seat position, and restraint type for a given year and implementation scheme. Summing this product over all **A**Vs, vehicle classes, seat positions, and restraint types results in NINJ(AIS, YR, IMPLM), the total injuries in the frontal mode by AIS, year [YR], and implementation Summing NINJ appropriately over injury scheme [IMPLM]. levels results in the number of moderate [AIS 1 + AIS 2], severe [AIS 3 + AIS 4 + AIS 5], and fatal [AIS 6] injuries, reported in Tables A-1 through A-13 and B-1 through B-13 of the Appendix.

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#### · APPENDIX

TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

RESULTS OF RESTRAINT IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS

DATE:

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#### COMMENTS:

TABLES A-(1-13) DIFFER FROM TABLES B-(1-13) ONLY IN THE G-FORCE FACTOR APPLIED TO THE 3 AIR-BAG RESTRAINT SYSTEMS (ADVANCED, GM 1972, AND MODIFIED GM 1972 ACRS). A-TABLES ASSUME AIR-BAG G'S = UNRESTRAINED G'S. B-TABLES ASSUME AIR-BAG G'S = 1.5 TIMES UNRESTRAINED G'S.

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEMES 14 AND 14A REFER TO THE PROBABILITY SCHEMES (DRIVER/PASSENGER RESTRAINT PROBABILITIES BY VEHICLE CLASS AND FISCAL YEAR) PROVIDED TO US BY MINICARS.

SCHEME O ASSUMES THE SAME PROBABILITIES FOR "BASE 3-PT HARNESS" AS SCHEMES 14 AND 14A (PROBABILITIES ARE IDENTICAL FOR THIS RESTRAINT TYPE), BUT THEN ASSUMES THAT ALL CARS NOT EQUIPPED WITH A "BASE 3-PT HARNESS" ARE EQUIPPED WITH "GM 1972 AIR BAGS".

SCHEME 4 IS SIMPLY THE PROJECTION OF THE CURRENT VEHICLE POPULATION LOSSES (TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ONLY THE PROJECTED INCREASES OF "INJURY EXPOSURE RELATIVE TO 1977" AND CHANGING "AVERAGE VEHICLE WEIGHT" DISTRIBUTION, AND ASSUMING NO NEW RESTRAINT TYPES ARE INTRODUCED). THIS SCHEME SERVES AS A BASELINE AGAINST WHICH SCHEMES O, 14, AND 14A ARE COMPARED.

TABLE HEADING "MODERATE" COMBINES AIS LEVELS 1 AND 2; "SEVERE" AIS LEVELS 3, 4, AND 5; AND "FATALITY" AIS LEVEL 6.

TABLE A- 1

### G-FACTOR = 1.0

# NUMBER OF INJURY AND FATALITY LOSSES BY YEAR ASSUMING IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME 14

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1977	563392.	47114.	14676.
1978	569989•	4.7762.	14927.
1979	576755.	48453.	.15212.
1980	584670.	49276.	15572.
1981	589095.	49689.	15768.
1982	584754.	48934.	15472.
1983	571741.	47315.	14944.
1.984	555411.	45368.	14275.
1985	542361.	43769.	13745.
1986	529927.	42282.	13267.
1987	520047.	40964.	12788.
1988	512828.	3.9942	12435.
1989	508997.	39249.	12196.
1990	506470.	38717.	12006.

### TABLE A- 2

## G-FACTOR = 1.0

# NUMBER OF INJURY AND FATALITY LOSSES BY YEAR ASSUMING IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME 14A

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1977	5633.92•	47114.	14676.
1978	569989	47762.	14927.
1979	576755.	48453.	15212.
1980	584670•	49276.	15572
1981	588815 <b>.</b>	49644.	15738.
1982	585475.	49104.	15554.
1983	5723.77	47509	15064.
1984	559254 <b>.</b>	45680.	14489.
	531396.	42459.	13318.
1985		39389.	12276.
1986	504704.		
1987	478324.	36413.	.11243.
1988	460684.	34157.	10438.
1989	444788.	32175.	9748.
1990	432296.	30585.	9201.

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TABLE A- 3
G-FACTOR = 1.0

## NUMBER OF INJURY AND FATALITY LOSSES BY YEAR ASSUMING IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME 4

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1977	563392.	47114.	14676.
1.978	569989.	47762.	14927.
1979	576755.	48453.	15212.
1980	584670.	49276.	15572.
1981	5925.77•	50048.	15877.
1982	600874.	50808.	16139.
1983	611717.	51876.	16562.
1984	621798.	52805.	16887.
1985	6338.96.	53946.	17312.
1.986	644464.	54942.	17679.
1937	655706.	55928.	17998.
1988	666765.	56924.	18344.
1989	680069•	58106.	18751.
1990	693539.	59315.	19173.

### TABLE A- 4

### G-FACTOR = 1.0

# NUMBER OF INJURY AND FATALITY LOSSES BY YEAR ASSUMING IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME O

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1977	563392.	47114.	14676.
1973	569989.	47762.	14927.
1979	576755.	48453.	15212.
1980	584670.	49276.	15572.
1981	587525.	49695.	15799.
1.982	579622.	49337.	15833.
1983	562171.	48457.	15828.
1984	542872.	47406.	15721.
1985	527975.	46705.	15734.
1986	513634.	46069.	15774.
.1987	501992.	45520.	15760.
1988	493061.	45212.	15842.
1989	487576.	45169.	16002.
1990	483940.	45189.	16144.
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TABLE A- 5
G-FACTOR = 1.0

# SUMMARY OF BENEFITS FROM IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME 14 (BASELINE PROJECTION LOSSES MINUS SCHEME-14 LOSSES)

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1977	0.	0.	0.
1978	0.	0.	0.
1979	0.	0.	0.
1980	0.	. 0.	0.
1981	3482.	359.	110.
1982	16120.	1874.	666.
1983	39976.	4561.	1618.
1984	66387.	7436.	2612.
1985	91535.	10178.	3566.
1986	114536.	12661.	4412.
1987	135659.	14963.	5210.
1988	153937.	16982.	5909
1989	171072.	18857.	6554.
1990	187069.	20598.	7167.

## TABLE A- 6

### G-FACTOR = 1.0

## SUMMARY OF BENEFITS FROM IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME 14A (BASELINE PROJECTION LOSSES MINUS SCHEME-14A LOSSES)

YEAR	MODERATE	SEVERE	FATALITY
1.9.77	0.	0.	0.
1.978	0.	0.	0.
1.979	0.	0.	0.
1.980	3762.	404.	139.
1.981	15399.	1704.	535.
1.982	39340.	4367.	1498.
1.933	62545.	7124.	2398.
1.984	102500.	11487.	3994.
1.985	139760.	15553.	5403.
1.986	177382.	19514.	6755.
1.987	206081.	22767.	7906.
1989	235281 <b>。</b>	25931 <b>.</b>	9003 <b>.</b>
1990	261243 <b>。</b>	28730.	9972.