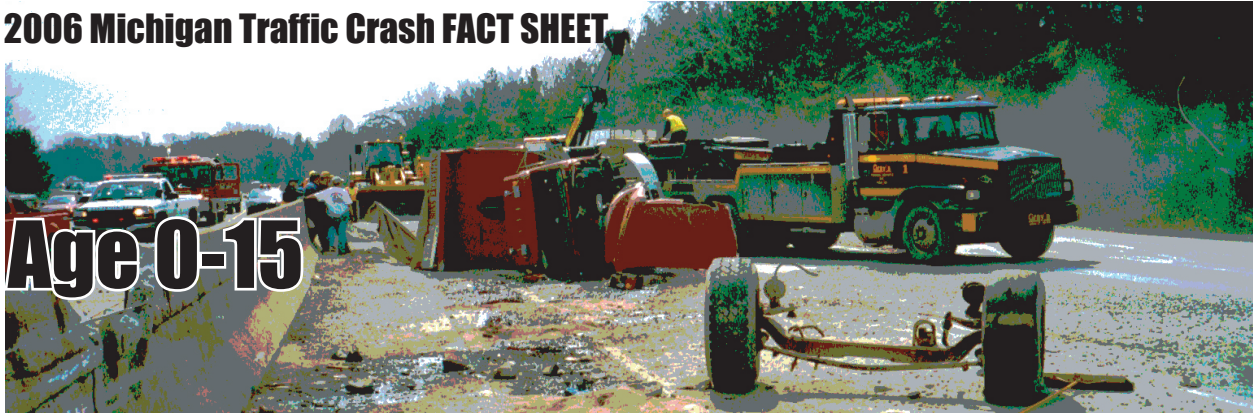


# 2006 Michigan Traffic Crash FACT SHEET

## Age 0-15



### CHILDREN

- 0-15** The number one cause of accidental death for children ages 0-15 in Michigan is motor vehicle crashes.
- 0-15** According to figures provided by the Michigan Department of Community Health, accidental death for children in motor vehicle crashes routinely outpaces the next two most frequent causes: fire and drowning.
- 0-15** 54 children (0-15 years old) died, and 6,239 children were injured in motor vehicle crashes.
- 0-15** Older children age 11 to 15 had the lowest restraint usage (77.1%), as reported to police at the scene of a traffic crash.
- 0-15** Children accounted for 6.6 percent of the pedestrians killed in Michigan in 2006, and 26.2 percent of all pedestrian injuries.
- 0-15** Children under 16 years of age accounted for 4 (14.3%) of the bicyclist deaths in 2006.
- 0-15** There were 64,329 licensed drivers in the 0-15 age group in 2006. 63,964 children (14-15 years old) participated in the graduated driver licensing program. Special licenses within this age group included: 228 moped operators, and 7 minor restricted operators for family emergencies only. 1,394 drivers age 0-15 were involved in crashes (12 in fatal crashes).

**It is recommended that all children age 12 and under  
ride in a rear seat with appropriate restraint.**