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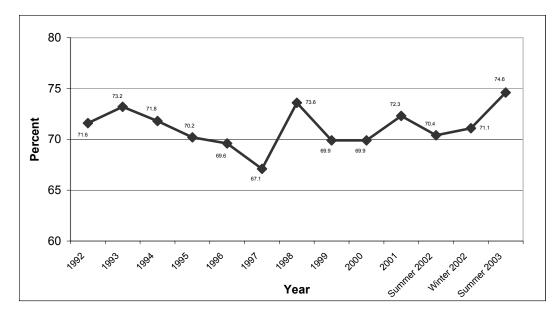
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Virginia Transportation Research Council has been collecting safety belt use data in Virginia since 1974. The initial surveys (1974-77 and 1983-86) covered only the four major metropolitan areas of the state (Northern Virginia, Tidewater, Richmond, and Roanoke), with various additions between 1987 and 1992. In 1992, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) published the final guidelines for conducting surveys of belt and helmet use in the states.¹ The guidelines required that the selection of survey samples be based on a single probability-based survey design and that only direct observational data be used to demonstrate compliance. The sample design had to include predetermined protocols for (1) determining sample size; (2) selecting sites; (3) selecting alternate sites when necessary; (4) determining which route, lane, and direction of traffic flow were to be observed; (5) collecting the observational data; and (6) beginning and concluding an observation period. As of the 1992 survey, Virginia adopted the NHTSA protocol for its statewide survey.

In the last several years, the dates for the safety belt surveys changed, although the day of week and time of day remained the same. From 1992 to 2001, surveys began the last Thursday in May and generally ended the second week in July, depending on the number of sites "rained out" and rescheduled. In 2002, at the request of NHTSA, the survey was begun the fourth week of April so that the results would be available before the end of June. This year, the survey began June 1 and ended June 23. By compressing the survey period to less than 1 month, the authors felt that a better "snapshot" of safety belt use would be produced. The authors intend to use the same survey period in future years, barring unforeseen circumstances.



The survey showed that Virginia's 2003 safety belt use rate was 74.6% and its motorcycle helmet use rate was 98.7% (see Figure ES-1). In the 11 previous surveys, virtually

Figure ES-1. Trends in Safety Belt Use

all motorcycle drivers and passengers were using a helmet. For passenger car drivers and rightfront passengers in the 11 previous surveys, use rates varied from 67.1% in 1997 to 73.6% in 1998. The summer 2003 use rate of 74.6% is the highest rate since Virginia began using the NHTSA methodology in 1992). However, because of changes in survey dates, differences between rates in the 2002 and 2003 surveys and those in previous years may be attributable to seasonal differences in travel patterns and restraint/helmet use, rather than solely to changes in driver and passenger behavior.

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INTRODUCTION

On January 23, 1997, President Clinton directed the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to develop a plan to increase safety belt use in the United States. On April 16, 1997, a plan was presented to the president that established a goal of 85% use by the year 2000 and 90% use by 2005. As part of the Transportation Efficiency Act for the 21st Century, Section 157 of Title 23 was added, which established a new grant program for allocating funds to the states. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) published new guidelines for conducting safety belt use surveys, to become effective September 1, 1998.¹

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this study was to determine the level of compliance with Virginia's mandatory safety belt use and mandatory motorcycle helmet use laws through a survey of safety belt and motorcycle helmet use in accordance with NHTSA guidelines.

METHODS

This survey required five tasks: (1) defining the population from which the sample was drawn, (2) determining the number of survey sites, (3) selecting random sites, (4) collecting data, and (5) determining how estimates would be weighted to approximate statewide figures.

Population

According to federal guidelines, local jurisdictions that made up less than 15% of the state's total population could be removed from the study population. In Virginia, determining which localities made up 15% of the population was difficult. In most states, a city is a part of the surrounding county. In Virginia, although towns are considered to be a part of the surrounding county, the 41 independent cities are not. To accommodate this arrangement of

political jurisdictions, both counties and independent cities were considered in establishing the sampling population.

For the 2003 summer survey, population figures were reexamined based on new population data. Table 1 shows the 136 counties and independent cities in Virginia ranked by population. According to 2000 census figures, Virginia's total population was about 7.1 million. However, most of the population is located in the four population centers: Northern Virginia, Tidewater, Richmond, and Roanoke. Thus, there is a great disparity between the populations of rural and urban areas. For instance, the least populated county, Highland, had fewer than 2,600 residents, and the least populated city, Norton, had fewer than 4,000. Twenty-two of the 136 political jurisdictions had a population less than 10,000, and another 39 had a population between 10,000 and 20,000. About 45% of the jurisdictions had fewer than 20,000 residents and accounted for 10.2% of the state's total population. On the other hand, 14 jurisdictions had a population of more than 100,000 and accounted for more than 53% of the total population of the state. Because of this disparity in population, the 75 least populated jurisdictions (the shaded portion of Table 1) made up just under 15% of the state's populated jurisdictions in the sample.

Number of Survey Sites

Starting in 1992, NHTSA required Virginia to use 120 sites to be allocated to urban and rural areas based on population. I doubt if we have anything in writing. In 2003, 20 new sites were added to enhance statistical power. This gave Virginia a total of 140 sites to be surveyed.

Random Selection of Sites

Sites to be surveyed were selected using the standard map of Virginia issued by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) drawn to a scale of 1 inch equals 13 miles. The researchers removed counties that accounted for less than 15% of the total population of the state based on the 2000 census data.² They then placed a transparent grid with sections 1/4 by 1/4 inch (sixteen 1/4-inch grids per square inch) over the prepared state map. Each 1/4-inch grid box contained an area of approximately 10.5 square miles. This procedure produced a system of 160 sections across the horizontal axis and 72 sections down the vertical axis. However, because Virginia is not perfectly rectangular, some sections fell outside the geographical area or were wholly within excluded areas.

Table 1POPULATION BY POLITICAL JURISDICTIONSummer 2003

Jurisdiction	Jurisdiction Population	Cumulative Population	Cumulative Percent	Jurisdiction	Jurisdiction Population	Cumulative Population	Cumulative Percent
Highland County	2,536	2,536	0.04	Winchester	23,585	924,370	13.06
Norton City	3,904	6,440	0.09	Lee County	23,589	947,959	13.39
Clifton Forge	4,289	10,729	0.15	Staunton	23,853	971,812	13.73
Bath County	5,048	15,777	0.22	Dinwiddie County	24,533	996,345	14.08
Craig County	5,091	20,868	0.29	Salem	24,747	1,021,092	14.43
Emporia	5,665	26,533	0.37	Louisa County	25,627	1,046,719	14.79
Bedford	6,299	32,832	0.46	Orange County	25,881	1,072,600	15.15
Covington	6,303	39,135	0.55	Buchanan County	26,978	1,099,578	15.53
Buena Vista King and Queen County	6,349 6,630	45,484 52,114	0.64 0.74	Wythe County Carroll County	27,599 29,245	1,127,177 1,156,422	15.92 16.34
Surry County	6,829	58,943	0.83	Isle of Wight County	29,245	1,186,150	16.76
Galax	6,837	65,780	0.93	Russell County	30,308	1,216,458	17.19
Lexington	6,867	72,647	1.03	Botetourt County	30,496	1,246,955	17.62
Bland	6,871	79,518	1.12	Warren County	31,584	1,278,538	18.06
Charles City County	6,926	86,444	1.22	Amherst County	31,894	1,310,432	18.51
Rappahannock County	6,983	93,427	1.32	Mecklenburg County	32,280	1,342,812	18.97
Franklin	8,346	101,773	1.44	Prince George County	33,047	1,375,859	19.44
Richmond County	8,809	110,582	1.56	Smyth County	33,081	1,408,940	19.90
Cumberland County	9,017	119,599	1.69	Petersburg	33,740	1,442,680	20.38
Mathews County	9,207	128,806	1.82	Culpeper County Gloucester	34,262	1,476,942	20.87
Middlesex County Essex County	9,932 9,989	138,738 148,727	1.96 2.10	Shenandoah County	34,780 35,075	1,511,722 1,546,797	21.36 21.85
Manassas Park	10,290	148,727	2.10	Pulaski County	35,127	1,540,797	21.85
Falls Church	10,290	169,394	2.39	Manassas	35,135	1,617,059	22.83
Amelia County	11,400	180,794	2.55	Halifax County	37,355	1,654,414	23.37
Greenville County	11,560	192,354	2.72	Accomack County	38,305	1,692,719	23.91
Poquoson	11,566	203,920	2.88	Wise County	40,123	1,732,842	24.48
Lancaster County	11,567	215,487	3.04	Harrisonburg	40,468	1,773,310	25.05
Williamsburg	11,998	227,485	3.21	Tazewell County	44,598	1,817,908	25.68
Northumberland County	12,259	239,744	3.39	Charlottesville	45,049	1,862,957	26.32
Charlotte County	12,472	252,216	3.56	Franklin County	47,286	1,910,243	26.99
Sussex County Madison County	12,504	264,720	3.74 3.92	James City County Danville	48,102	1,948,345	27.67 28.35
Clark County	12,520	277,240 289,892	4.10	Campbell County	48,411 51,078	2,006,756 2,057,834	28.33
Allegany County	12,032	302,818	4.10	Washington County	51,103	2,108,937	29.79
Northampton County	13,093	315,911	4.46	Fauquier County	55,139	2,164,076	30.57
King William County	13,146	329,057	4.65	York County	56,297	2,220,373	31.37
Lunenburg County	13,146	329,057	4.83	Henry County	57.930	2,278,303	32.19
New Kent County	13,462	355,655	5.02	Frederick County	59,209	2,337,512	33.02
Appomattox County	13,705	369,370	5.22	Bedford County	60,371	2,397,883	33.88
Floyd County	13,874	383,244	5.41	Pittsylvania County	61,745	2,459,628	34.75
Nelson County	14,445	397,689	5.62	Suffolk	63,677	2,523,305	35.65
Greene County	15,244	412,933 428,349	5.83 6.05	Lynchburg	65,269	2,588,574	36.57 37.50
Martinsville Buckingham County	15,416 15,623	428,349	6.27	Augusta County Rockingham County	65,615 67,725	2,654,189 2,721,914	37.50
Nottoway County	15,725	459,697	6.49	Albemarle County	79,236	2,801,150	39.57
Radford	15,859	475,556	6.72	Montgomery County	83,629	2,884,779	40.75
Dickenson County	16,395	491,951	6.95	Roanoke	85,778	2,970,557	41.97
Giles County	16,657	508,608	7.19	Hanover	86,320	3,056,877	43.19
Westmoreland County	16,718	525,326	7.42	Spotsylvania County	90,395	3,147,272	44.46
King George County	16,803	542,129	7.66	Stafford County	92,446	3,239,718	45.77
Goochland County	16,863	558,992	7.90	Roanoke	94,911	3,334,629	47.11
Colonial Heights	16,897	575,889	8.14	Portsmouth	100,565	3,435,194	48.53
Bristol	17,367	593,256	8.38	Alexandria	128,283	3,563,477	50.34
Southampton County Grayson County	17,482 17,917	610,738 628,655	8.63 8.88	Hampton Loudoun County	146,437 169,599	3,709,914 3,879,513	52.41 54.81
Brunswick County	17,917	647,074	9.14	Newport News	189,399	3,879,513 4,059,663	57.35
Fredericksburg	19,279	666,353	9.14	Arlington County	189,453	4,249,116	60.03
Patrick County	19,407	685,760	9.69	Richmond	197,790	4,446,906	62.82
Waynesboro	19,520	705,280	9.96	Chesapeake	199,184	4,646,090	65.64
Prince Edward County	19,720	725,000	10.24	Norfolk	234,403	4,880,493	68.95
Fluvanna County	20,047	745,047	10.53	Chesterfield County	259,903	5,140,396	72.62
Rockbridge County	20,808	765,855	10.82	Henrico County	262,300	5,402,696	76.33
Fairfax	21,498	787,353	11.12	Prince William County	280,813	5,683,509	80.29
Caroline County	22,121	809,474	11.44	Virginia Beach	425,257	6,108,766	86.30
Hopewell	22,354	831,828	11.75	Fairfax County	969,749	7,078,515	100.00
Powhatan County Page County	22,377	854,205	12.07 12.40				
Scott County	23,177 23,403	877,382 900,785	12.40	Total Population	7,078,515		
Scott County	25,405	700,705	14.15	rotari ropulation	1,010,010		

Each valid grid box containing at least one intersection in an included part of Virginia was numbered. Random numbers had been generated to select the original 120 sites and were also generated to select the additional 20 sites from the 2,780 grid boxes, without replacement, from which specific intersections were selected.

To respond to a concern expressed by NHTSA that a pure statewide random sample of 140 sites would over-represent the non-urban areas of Virginia, the originally proposed procedures were changed. The selection of sites was based on the proportion of the population in the urban and rural areas of the state. Excluding the lowest 15% of the population, the urban areas had about 68% of the remaining population and the rural areas had about 32%. Of the 140 total sites, 85 were randomly selected from the four metropolitan areas and 55 were randomly selected from the remainder of the state.

After grid boxes were randomly selected, the box location was transferred to a more detailed map (VDOT county maps or ADC map books³⁻⁷ for more urban areas). One 1/4-inch grid section on the state map represented a section approximately 2 by 2 inches on the VDOT county map (see Figure 1).

Each intersection in a selected grid box was numbered, left to right and bottom to top. A random number was generated to select the specific intersection to be used. Two alternate sites were also selected randomly. For each primary and alternate site, random numbers were used to select the route and direction of travel to be sampled, as well as whether traffic entering or exiting the selected intersection would be observed. Examples of urban and rural site selection maps appear in Figures 2 and 3.

Staff of the Virginia Transportation Research Council visited and evaluated each site to determine whether data could be safely and adequately collected. The safety of the observer was the primary criterion for evaluating each site, followed by the ability to observe traffic. If an intersection was found to be inadequate, attempts were made to find an adequate observation point downstream if traffic exiting the intersection was to be observed and upstream if entering traffic was to be observed. Choosing a point before the next intersection ensured the same traffic characteristics would be present at the upstream or downstream sites as would have been present at the original intersection. In either case, if an adequate site could not be found before the next intersection was reached, one of the two alternate sites was investigated. Very few original sites were discarded in favor of alternates. Those that were discarded had no safe area for the observer to stand or park or necessitated that the observer be below the level of the roadway, making observation impossible. The data collectors were given a site map indicating layout of the site and the location from which data would be collected, as well as photographs of site and the observation point.

After selection, the sites were sorted geographically into seven groups. The days of the week were randomly assigned, without replacement, to each geographic group. Data were collected for 1 hour at each site. From 1992 to 2001, surveys began the last Thursday in May and ended the second week in July. In 2002, at the request of NHTSA, the survey was begun the fourth week of April. In 2003, the survey was conducted starting Monday, June 1 and concluding on Sunday, June 21. For each day, the sites in a geographic group were assigned a

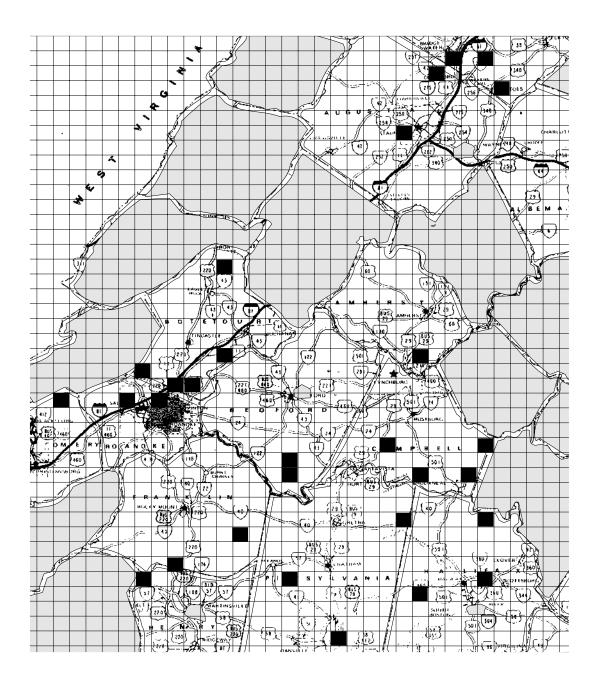


Figure 1. Sample Section of State Map Showing Grid Boxes

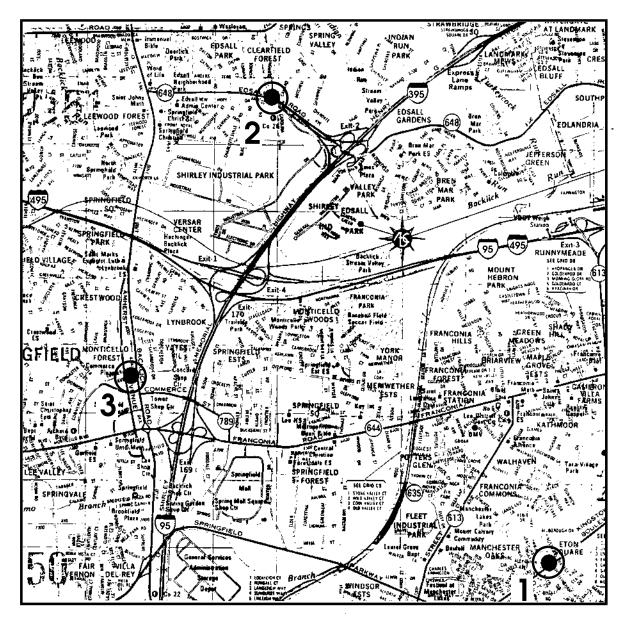


Figure 2. Detail of Urban Grid Showing Intersection Choices. Copyright ADC The Map People. USED WITH PERMISSION.

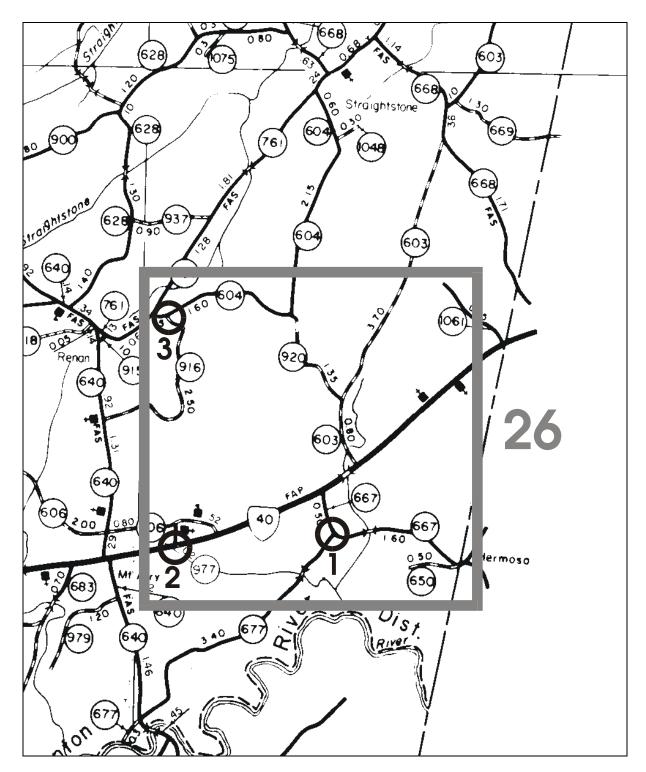


Figure 3. Detail of Rural Grid Showing Intersection Choices

random hour to begin, without replacement, from 7 A.M. to 6 P.M. When inclement weather precluded the collection of data at a site, data were collected at that site at a later date but at the originally specified time and on the same day of the week.

It should be noted that because of the change in survey dates, differences between use rates in 2002 and 2003 and use rates in other years might be attributable to seasonal differences in travel patterns and restraint/helmet use, rather than solely to changes in driver and occupant behavior.

Data Collection Procedures

The specified drivers and passengers traveling in all passenger cars in the curb lane were observed for shoulder belt use. The designation "passenger car" included vans, minivans, sport utility vehicles, and pickup trucks. Observations began precisely on the hour and ended on the hour. If a momentary interruption occurred, the observer was instructed to resume observing vehicles, but to ensure that the beginning observation was not a nonrandom selection by the observer, data collection resumed with the third vehicle to pass the site after the observer was ready.

Observations were recorded using eight counters mounted on a hand-held board. A "yes" or "no" count was made for shoulder belt use for drivers and outboard front-seat passengers for each passenger car in the curb travel lane and for motorcycle driver and passenger helmet use in any lane at the intersection. The data collectors were required to complete a training program on the use of the counter board and how the data were to be collected and recorded. The data collectors were checked for inter-rater reliability in training sessions before they began the survey. Since observation points were preselected at each site, the data collectors were instructed to use intersection diagrams and photographs to locate the point at which observations were to be made.

Calculation of Use and Error Rates

Because safety belt use was observed only in the curb lane, NHTSA's guidelines required that the observations on multilane highways be weighted by the number of lanes of travel. However, no such weighting was necessary for motorcycles, which were observed in all lanes of travel. For passenger cars at each site, the number of driver and passenger observations was multiplied by the number of lanes in the observed direction of travel. Thus, at a site with two lanes in the travel direction, the number of observations was doubled to estimate the total number of drivers and passengers crossing through the site.

As previously discussed, the selection of sites was stratified to represent urban and rural areas in proportion to their populations. Thus, more than two-thirds of the sites were in urban areas.

In December 1992 correspondence, NHTSA's Washington Headquarters staff recommended that Virginia use the following formulae to compute the state's safety belt use rate.⁸ The use rate, P_B , is the estimated proportion of drivers and passengers using safety belts and is calculated by the formula:

$$P_{B} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{2} \frac{N_{t}}{n_{t}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{t}} N_{ti}B_{ti}}{\sum_{t=1}^{2} \frac{N_{t}}{n_{t}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{t}} N_{ti}O_{ti}}$$

where t = stratum (1 = urban, 2 = rural) ti = each site within a stratum $N_t = \text{total number of grid boxes within stratum } t$ $n_t = \text{number of grid boxes selected from each stratum } t$ $N_{ti} = \text{total number of intersections within each sampled grid box}$ $B_{ti} = \text{number of belted occupants observed at site } ti$ (weighted by lanes) $O_{ti} = \text{total number of occupants observed at site } ti$ (weighted by lanes).

The variance of the estimated belt use, $V(P_B)$, was approximated by the formula:

$$V(P_{B}) = \frac{1}{\overline{O}^{2}} [V(B) + P_{B}^{2}V(O) - 2P_{B}COV(B, O)]$$

where \overline{O} is the weighted average number of occupants observed per site and is computed by the formula:

$$\overline{O} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_i} N_{ii}O_{ii}}{n_i}$$

and where V(B) is the variance of the number of belted occupants and is computed by the formula:

$$V(B) = \frac{1}{(N_1 + N_2)^2} \sum_{t=1}^{2} \frac{N_t^2}{n_t(n_t - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_t} (N_{ti}B_{ti} - \overline{B}_t)^2$$

where $\overline{B}_t = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_t} N_{ti}B_{ti}}{n_t}$

and where V(O) is the variance of the number of observed occupants and is computed by the formula:

$$V(O) = \frac{1}{(N_1 + N_2)^2} \sum_{t=1}^2 \frac{N_t^2}{n_t(n_t - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_t} (N_{ii}O_{ii} - \overline{O}_i)^2$$

where
$$\overline{O}_{t} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_{t}} N_{ti} O_{ti}}{n_{t}}$$

and where COV(B, O) is the covariance of the number of belted and observed occupants and is computed by the formula:

$$COV(B,O) = \frac{1}{(N_1 + N_2)^2} \sum_{t=1}^2 \frac{N_t^2}{n_t(n_t - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_t} (N_{ii}B_{ii} - \bar{B}_t) (N_{ii}O_{ii} - \bar{O}_t)$$

The standard error of the estimate was calculated by the formula⁸

$$SE = \frac{SD}{\sqrt{n-1}}$$

where SE = standard error of the estimate n = total number of sites sampled

SD = square root of variance.

The relative error of the estimate was calculated by the formula:

$$RE = \frac{SE}{P_B}$$

where RE = relative error of the estimate.

RESULTS

The survey team observed 18,174 drivers and 4,750 right-front passengers for the use of a shoulder belt. Because the survey data were collected from moving traffic, the use of the lap portion of a belt system could not be observed. For computing a statewide use rate, the observations were weighted by the number of traffic lanes in the direction of traffic flow at the site where the data were collected (see Tables A-1 and A-2 in the Appendix for the complete data counts).

There were 22,924 weighted observations of occupants in passenger cars. There were 13,672 drivers and 3,341 right-front passengers who were observed to be using a shoulder belt. Passenger car occupants had a weighted safety belt use rate of 74.6%. The relative error of the estimate was 1.01%.

There were also 263 motorcycle riders observed (241 drivers and 22 passengers). The rate of helmet use was 98.7%, and the relative error of the estimate was 0.38. The helmet use rate for motorcycle drivers was 100%, with all non-use occurring among passengers.

The results of the 1992 to 2003 surveys are summarized in Table 2. In each of the 11 years of the survey, virtually all of the motorcycle drivers and passengers observed were using a helmet. For the passenger car drivers and right-front passengers observed in the 11 years of the study, use rates varied from 67.1% in 1997 to 73.6% in 1998. The summer 2003 rate of 74.6% is the highest since Virginia adopted the NHTSA methodology in 1992. It should be remembered, however, that these differences might be attributable to seasonal differences in travel patterns and restraint use, rather than solely to changes in driver and occupant behavior.

					Use		Standard	Relative
	Vehicle	Weighted	Drivers	Passengers	Rate	Variance	Error	Error
Year	Туре	Observations	Protected	Protected	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Summer	Cars	22,924	13,672	3,341	74.6	0.61	0.71	1.01
2003	Motorcycles	263	241	20	98.7	0.17	0.38	0.38
December	Cars	18,424	10,543	2,305	71.1	0.24	0.44	0.62
2002	Motorcycles	20	18	1	95.7	1.10	0.30	0.32
Summer	Cars	20,911	11,718	2,577	70.4	0.60	0.71	1.01
2002	Motorcycles	87	77	10	100.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
2001	Cars	37,393	21,056	5,583	72.3	1.10	0.96	1.33
	Motorcycles	387	332	55	100.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000	Cars	38,668	21,014	5,539	69.9	0.47	0.63	0.89
	Motorcycles	222	201	20	99.9	0.00	0.004	0.04
1999	Cars	37,869	20,213	5,445	69.9	0.49	0.64	0.92
	Motorcycles	198	169	28	99.1	0.27	0.47	0.48
1998	Cars	31,877	17,987	4,686	73.6	1.33	1.06	1.44
	Motorcycles	229	205	23	99.6	0.00	0.04	0.04
1997	Cars	35,508	18,544	5,013	67.1	1.88	1.26	1.87
	Motorcycles	134	121	11	98.7	0.04	0.18	0.18
1996	Cars	26,975	14,278	4,577	69.6	1.63	1.17	1.68
	Motorcycles	99	85	14	100.0	0	0	0
1995	Cars	29,584	15,632	4,521	70.2	1.52	1.13	1.61
	Motorcycles	247	208	39	100.0	0	0	0
1994	Cars	25,291	14,146	4,271	71.8	0.74	0.79	1.10
	Motorcycles	105	90	15	100.0	0	0	0
1993	Cars	24,299	13,045	4,396	73.2	0.89	0.86	1.18
	Motorcycles	236	208	28	100.0	0	0	0
1992	Cars	26,320	14,701	4,233	71.6	1.11	0.97	1.35
	Motorcycles	53	47	6	100.0	0	0	0

Table 2. Survey Results for 1992 through 2003

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Table A-1. 2003 Urban Raw Data by Site ^a							
SITEID	LANES	Nti	Bti	Oti	MC Bti	MC Oti	
2	1	10	21	20	1	1	
2	1	10	21	29	1	1	
7	2	408	66	100	1	1	
8	1	7	2	2	0	0	
11	1	82	0	0	0	0	
15	2	6	227	310	6	6	
17	4	115	142	210	0	0	
19	1	10	124	154	8	8	
20	1	7	30	35	0	0	
21	1	148	92	130	0	0	
28	1	3	11	17	0	0	
30	1	3	215	317	0	0	
32	1	244	61	96	1	1	
40	3	254	402	502	8	9	
41	1	211	309	332	6	6	
42	1	36	24	35	0	0	
46	1	5	49	78	0	0	
49	1	6	1	3	5	5	
54	2	504	504	618	0	0	
58	1	15	239	278	0	0	
67	1	5	16	19	0	0	
68	1	24	4	14	0	0	
69	1	721	271	317	0	0	
81	1	6	40	52	0	0	
86	2	7	140	219	0	0	
90	1	17	106	136	0	0	
92	2	142	308	376	6	6	
105	1	24	145	188	0	0	
118	1	7	54	77	4	4	
119	2	32	476	625	5	5	
120	•	546	128	183			
120	2	7	313	393	l 7	1 7	
121	1	21	25	54	0	0	
124	1	21	23 83	144	0	0	
130 140	2	23	688	807		0 4	
140 154	3	3 8	83		4		
	1	8 4		102	4	4	
169 170	4		118	194	0	0	
170	1	19	5	5	0	0	
173	2	331	629	839	19	19	
183	1	8	43	46	0	0	
202	1	59	138	164	0	0	
206	1	17	13	18	0	0	

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	2003 Urban Raw Data by Site ^a								
SITEID	LANES	Nti	Bti	Oti	MC Bti	MC Oti			
210	2	73	442	621	25	25			
211	1	253	197	236	9	9			
213	1	376	309	431	5	5			
234	1	197	2	6	0	0			
236	1	87	106	152	0	0			
250	1	16	7	8	0	0			
259	3	532	128	161	4	4			
275	2	526	378	423	3	3			
280	1	104	18	27	1	1			
290	2	3	241	326	5	5			
300	1	110	11	14	0	0			
306	1	12	5	6	0	0			
313	3	186	673	845	6	6			
315	1	9	264	322	5	5			
317	2	444	100	157	0	0			
322	1	1	45	77	0	0			
324	2	82	144	173	2	2			
330	1	16	21	36	2	2			
332	3	8	222	321	0	0			
353	1	11	110	158	2	2			
359	1	9	86	111	3	3			
371	2	64	25	47	1	1			
372	3	5	300	362	28	28			
374	1	26	29	50	1	1			
375	1	12	223	291	4	4			
385	3	30	203	310	5	5			
388	1	10	10	15	1	1			
400	1	385	5	12	0	0			
403	2	341	93	125	1	1			
406	2	374	394	536	0	0			
411	1	19	113	162	3	3			
420	1	223	107	144	0	0			
425	1	365	68	88	0	0			
426	2	626	345	519	0	0			
434	1	25	18	22	0	0			
450	2	15	148	176	0	0			
458	2	180	101	155	1	1			
464	1	21	18	24	0	0			
471	1	13	6	7	0	0			
476	1	13	575	719	3	3			
477	1	11	29	62	0	0			
483	1	2	142	200	2	2			
508	2	628	381	575	5	5			
512	1	15	190	226	2	2			

Table A-1 (continued).2003 Urban Raw Data by Site^a

2003 Orban Raw Data by Site								
SITEID	LANES	Nti	Bti	Oti	MC Bti	MC Oti		
621	1	32	173	270	0	0		
674	1	4	14	19	0	0		
712	1	10	15	24	0	0		
746	1	11	19	36	0	0		
781	1	5	122	171	0	0		
932	3	2	490	553	7	7		

Table A-1 (continued) 2003 Urban Raw Data by Site^a

^aSite ID = identifier of site sampled.

Lanes = number of lanes in sampled direction at site.

$$\begin{split} & \text{N}_{ti} = \text{number of rates in sampled direction at site.} \\ & \text{N}_{ti} = \text{number of intersections within sample grid.} \\ & \text{B}_{ti} = \text{number of belted occupants observed at site.} \\ & \text{O}_{ti} = \text{number of occupants observed at site.} \\ & \text{MC B}_{ti} = \text{number of motorcycle occupants with helmets at site.} \\ & \text{MC O}_{ti} = \text{number of motorcycle occupants observed at site.} \end{split}$$

	Table A-2. 2005 Kurai Kaw Data by Site								
SITEID	LANES	Nti	Bti	Oti	MC Bti	MC Oti			
1	1	15	51	65	0	0			
4	1	9	24	28	4	4			
5	2	9	2	3	0	0			
6	1	16	60	77	1	2			
10	1	5	6	9	0	0			
12	2	4	430	614	9	9			
13	1	17	16	25	0	0			
16	1	4	5	11	1	1			
22	1	12	26	57	0	0			
23	1	7	61	110	1	1			
25	1	6	65	83	0	0			
26	1	9	3	5	0	0			
27	1	13	2	6	0	0			
29	1	6	5	10	0	0			
31	1	7	14	22	0	0			
33	1	15	113	138	0	0			
35	1	9	26	36	0	0			
36	1	12	44	78	0	0			
37	1	1	71	85	2	2			
39	1	10	17	31	0	0			
44	1	7	5	12	0	0			
45	1	7	97	182	0	0			
47	2	18	285	357	0	0			
48	1	15	5	8	0	0			
50	1	8	44	95	0	0			
51	1	11	5	6	0	0			
52	1	3	13	23	0	0			
53	1	2	10	33	0	0			
55	1	12	38	49	0	0			
56	1	5	34	71	0	0			
57	1	13	2	3	0	0			
59	1	7	2	7	0	0			
62	1	13	306	442	18	18			
63	1	15	153	213	0	0			
587	1	7	6	7	0	0			
593	1	21	48	61	0	0			
595	2	19	239	418	0	0			
617	1	4	0	7	0	0			
679	1	15	156	203	0	0			
695	1	14	29	53	0	0			
718	1	13	59	76	1	1			

 Table A-2.
 2003 Rural Raw Data by Site^a

SITEID	LANES	NT/*				
SITEID	EI II (EE	Nti	Bti	Oti	MC Bti	MC Oti
725	1	5	120	198	1	1
802	1	3	1	2	0	0
860	1	18	11	28	0	0
899	1	15	37	50	0	0
910	1	8	5	5	0	0
927	1	16	51	89	1	1
935	1	3	0	0	0	0
957	1	10	1	4	0	0

Table A-2 (continued). 2003 Rural Raw Data by Site^a

^aSite ID = identifier of site sampled.

Lanes = number of lanes in sampled direction at site.

Lanes – number of ranes in sampled direction at site. N_{ti} = number of intersections within sample grid. B_{ti} = number of belted occupants observed at site. O_{ti} = number of occupants observed at site. MC B_{ti} = number of motorcycle occupants with helmets at site. MC O_{ti} = number of motorcycle occupants observed at site.