

Alachua/Dixie/Gilchrist/Levy/ Madison/Taylor Traffic Safety Team

Meeting #8 • August 20, 2026 • 10:00 am

Call In 1-850-739-5589 – Conference ID 355 155 508#



AGENDA

- Meeting Call to Order / Attendees' Introductions
 - **OFFICERS: Dr. Morya Willis, Chairperson**
Andrea Atran, Community Traffic Safety Team Program Manager
- CTST Engineering Roadway Concerns
- Public Information and Construction Updates
- CTST Program Resources and Crash Data Reports
- Upcoming Events and Traffic Safety Campaigns
 - **August**
 - Back to School Safety Month
 - Child Safety Awareness Month
 - 2 - 8 – National Stop on Red Week
 - 19 – 9/7 – Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Mobilization
 - **September**
 - National Preparedness Month (Disasters/Emergencies)
 - 1 – 7 – Florida Drowsy Driving Prevention Week
 - 20 - 26 – Child Passenger Safety Week
 - 21 – 27 – See Tracks? Think Train Week
 - 26 – National Seat Check Saturday
 - **October**
 - Pedestrian Safety Month
 - 7 – National Walk and Roll to School Day
 - 15 – White Cane Safety Day
 - 18 - 24 – National Teen Driver Safety Week
 - 19 – 23 – National School Bus Safety Week
 - 31 – Halloween – Enforcement Impaired Driving Campaign
- Agency Reports and Open Forum
- Adjournment

First Day of School

Alachua – 08/10/2026

Dixie – 08/10/2026

Gilchrist – 08/11/2026

Levy – 08/10/2026

Madison – 08/11/2026

Taylor – 08/11/2026

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Upcoming Meetings:

- **September 17**
- **October 15**

<https://trafficsafetyteam.org/roadway-concerns/>



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Meeting #7 • July 16, 2026 • 10:00 am

Previous Meeting Summary



- Meeting Call to Order
- Attendees

• Alexander Moore	• Andrea Atran	• Christine Aronow
• George Gadiel	• Hannah Evans	• Holly Walker
• Jason Berger	• Jayson Levy	• Jim Hannigan
• Karla Rodrigues-Silva	• Maria Rodriguez	• Morya Willis
• Shanghong Ding	• Thomas Idoyaga	• Tia Lubbers

- Engineering Roadway Concerns

Issue	New	Open	Closed
2986: NW US Hwy 441 & NW CR 235A: Requesting crosswalks.			X
3003: NW 39th Avenue (SR 222) & NW 51st Street: Requesting Ped signal review.		X	
3005: SR 26 & SE 75 th Ave: Speeding issues.		X	
3018: SW 24 th Ave & Schoolhouse Rd: Requesting review of school zone.		X	

- Public Information and Construction Updates
 - See [NFLRoads.com](https://www.nflroads.com)
- CTST Coordinator's Report
 - Teen Driving Data Fact Sheets
 - Safe Streets for All and Grant Recipients
- Meeting Adjourned

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3018	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Thursday, May 28, 2026	District 2 County	Alachua
Your Name	Jayson Levy	Road Name	SW 24th Avenue
Agency / Organization	Alachua County Sheriff's Office	Intersecting Roadway	Schoolhouse Road
E-Category	Education Enforcement	Location Description	School Zone at the Rock Church / School
Primary Concern Type	School Traffic / School Zones		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Ongoing		

Issue Description

Community member asked about the Rock School Zone and can it be longer to slow traffic quicker as this zone makes it hard for people to exit the neighborhood near this zone.

D2 Admin Notes

05/29/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Shanghong Ding with Alachua County Public Works.

06/02/2026 - Shanghong Ding responded to Jayson Levy - Per our conversation, we'd like to know which neighborhoods are experiencing the exit difficulties. The current school zone in front of Rock School is approximately 600 FT long (school light to school light), exceeding the 500 FT frontage of Rock School Property. It already creates a near continuous slow-speed corridor when combined with the Chiles Elementary School zone.

07/07/2026 - Requested an update from Shanghong Ding and Jayson Levy.

07/07/2026 - Response from Jayson Levy - Windward Meadows.

07/08/2026 - Response from Shanghong Ding - Thank you for the reply. We are aware of the issue and will schedule the study.

07/16/2026 - Comments from the meeting - The study will need to wait for school to resume. Citizens have complained about not being able to exit their neighborhoods.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3005	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Monday, April 27, 2026	District 2 County	Gilchrist
Your Name	Kelly Fox	Road Name	SR 26
Agency / Organization	Tri County Veterinary Hospital	Intersecting Roadway	SE 75th Ave.
E-Category	Enforcement	Location Description	Tri County Vet ER Clinic on SR 26
Primary Concern Type	Speeding / Speed Zones		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Ongoing		

Issue Description

Lots of speeding in the area and crashes with patrons.

D2 Admin Notes

- 04/28/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jonathan Young and William Berger with FHP.
- 04/29/2026 - Response from Capt. Berger - This area is in his district. He will look into this issue.
- 05/19/2026 - Requested an update from Capt. Berger. Response from Capt. Berger - We have patrolled the area at different times and stopped a few violations in the area. During peak travel times when the violations seem more prevalent, because it is only two lanes there and the volume of traffic when we do see a violation we create more of safety concern trying to stop the violation than the violation is creating. We will continue to patrol the area and stop what we can and be a presence in the area.
- 05/20/2026 - Emailed Capt. Berger to see if a speed feedback sign could be used in this area. His response - We don't have any signs. I don't know if the county may have one.
- 05/21/2026 - We have emailed Bobby Crosby and David Aderholt with Gilchrist County Sheriff's office to see if they have a speed feedback sign that could be utilized in this area.
- 05/21/2026 - We have also emailed Colin Hale with Gilchrist County Roads to see if he can be of assistance.

05/29/2026 - Email from Holly Walker - I spoke with Kelly yesterday and explained the process. After further discussion and referring to the crash information I provided earlier, recommend that Safety/Studies investigate ways to improve visibility for the intersection. I have confirmed that the ER does not qualify for the blue "Motorist Service" signs; however, does it qualify for tourist or any other sign to identify the Vet ER or do they have to permit their own sign?

06/03/2026 - This issue has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with all of the comments from FHP and Holly. Jeff asked Nathan Lee to review this issue.

06/03/2026 - Response from Nathan - I have spoken with Ms. Doe on several occasions regarding her concerns at this location. Based on a review of the site and applicable standards, there are no additional traffic control devices or signing enhancements that the business qualifies for at this time. I understand that FHP has indicated that issuing citations at this location may create additional safety concerns than the violation itself. However, I find that position somewhat difficult to reconcile with the purpose of traffic enforcement. Enforcement is routinely performed on high-speed facilities throughout the state. Targeted enforcement is the only tool we have to curtail speeding related safety concerns.

06/08/2026 - Sent comments to Holly. She spoke to Nathan. Traffic Ops Studies initiated a review for the need for intersection warning signs to increase visibility.

07/07/2026 - Requested an update from Holly Walker and Nathan Lee.

07/16/2026 - Comments from the meeting - No signal planned at this time. There are visibility issues. Nathan has forwarded this to Lake City to do a Study. Capt. Berger stated that FHP is still monitoring.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3003	CTST TEAM	Alachua - Dixie - Gilchrist - Levy
Notified Date	Friday, April 24, 2026	District 2 County	Alachua
Your Name	Michael Woodard	Road Name	NW 39th Avenue (SR 222)
Agency / Organization	N/A	Intersecting Roadway	NW 51st Street
E-Category	Engineering	Location Description	
Primary Concern Type	Traffic Signal Issues	Here's the location of the signalized intersection at NW 39th Ave and NW 51st Street: https://maps.app.goo.gl/fifhdVRPbzHWiaWp9 .	
Statuses (check all that apply)	Review Complete		

Issue Description

Recent work was done at this intersection that included underground conduit, reconstructed curb ramps, and perhaps the signal timing. Yesterday I almost was run over by left and right-turning vehicles before and after entering the crosswalk to cross NW 39th Avenue – in both the northbound and southbound directions! When the northbound and southbound left-turn signal is flashing yellow, it conflicts with the pedestrian movement in the crosswalk. Potential solutions include:

1. Adding an exclusive pedestrian phase (only when the pedestrian signal push-button is pressed), which will prevent the left-turn signal changing from red to flashing yellow while the pedestrian signal timer is counting down.
2. Adding or extending the leading pedestrian interval to provide more time for pedestrians to cross the road before the red left-turn signal begins flashing yellow.
3. R10-15(a) signs could also be installed to reinforce pedestrian R/W.

D2 Admin Notes

04/24/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with FDOT Studies.
04/24/2026 - Jeff has assigned this issue to Nathan Lee for review.
05/19/2026 - Requested an update from Nathan Lee. Response from Nathan - There is an ongoing study to review Mr. Woodard's request. It was commissioned on 5/7.
05/21/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for the Study.
06/04/2026 - AR has been created and assigned to Austin Chapman. The report is due 09/04/2026.
07/07/2026 - No updates in the AR system.

Resolution

07/21/2026 - Approved AR results -

Conclusions and Recommendations

- ☒ A field review was conducted on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, from 8:00 AM until 9:00 AM and Thursday, May 28, 2026, from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Visibility of all crosswalks was adequate for vehicles approaching from all directions.
- ☒ Crash data from 1/1/2021 through May 31, 2026, was reviewed and two crashes were found involving nonmotorized individuals and one crash occurred due to a driver stopping to stop for a pedestrian in the crosswalk.
- ☒ Based on the crash history and field observations, this study does not recommend implementing a Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) at the intersection.
- ☒ It is recommended to install post-mounted Right Turning Vehicle Stop for Pedestrian signs (R10-15a) on all approaches to the NW 39th Avenue and NW 51st Street intersection to improve driver awareness and encourage yielding to pedestrians.
- ☒ All left-turn movements currently operate under flashing yellow arrow (FYA), requiring drivers to yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians. Based on observed pedestrian activity and crash history, FYA Omit by Ped is recommended. When no pedestrian call is active, the FYA would resume normal permissive operation.
- ☒ The FYA Omit by Ped is only activated when a pedestrian is detected. While this activation can cause some vehicle delay, the impact on vehicle operations is expected to be limited, occurring only when a pedestrian is detected.

District Two Public Information

<https://nflroads.com>



Alachua Roadway Construction Updates

Northwest Sixth Street from Northwest 16th Avenue to Northwest 14th Avenue - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for utility work.

Southwest 13th Street from Southwest 25th Place to Southwest 21st Avenue - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

State Road 26 at Hatchet Creek (Bridge #260033) - Continuous daytime lane closures from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. for bridge construction.

State Road 26 from Southeast Third Street to Southeast Second Street - Daytime eastbound lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for utility work.

U.S. 27 from County Road 340 to Northwest 188th Avenue - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. for road work.

U.S. 441 from Northwest 34th Street to County Road 2054 - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for road work.

West Newberry Road at Northwest 76th Boulevard - Daytime westbound lane closures Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for concrete work.

Dixie Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Gilchrist Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Levy Roadway Construction Updates

State Road 121 from State Road 55 to State Road 45 - Daytime lane closures from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. for roadside and concrete work.

U.S. 19 (State Road 55) at State Road 121 and Southeast County Road 336 - Continuous lane closures for road work.

Madison Roadway Construction Updates

No expected lane closures.

Taylor Roadway Construction Updates

State Road 51 from Pine Tree Road to Sugar Hill Lane - Daytime lane closures Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for roadside work.

U.S. 221 at Econfinia River (Bridge #380096) - Daytime lane closures with flaggers Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for routine bridge maintenance.



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Occupant Protection Safety Reminders

"Always Buckle Up... For Your Family, For Yourself, for LIFE."

No Regrets When You BUCKLE UP

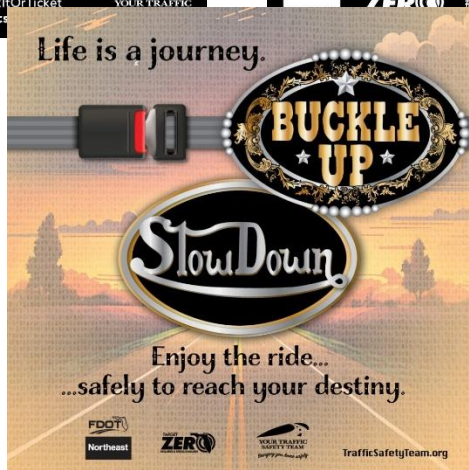
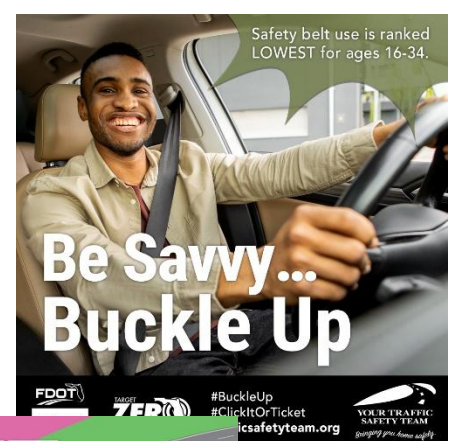
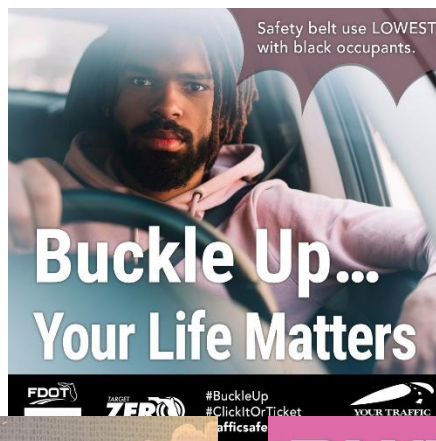
As part of our "No Regrets When You Drive With Care" traffic safety campaign, these seat belt safety tip cards are easy handouts as quick reminders to always wear your seat belt.

- **Wear your seat belt for every ride.**
- Buckling up is the single most effective thing you can do to protect yourself in a crash.
- Secure children in the proper child safety seat.
- Safety belt use isn't just a good idea, IT'S THE LAW.

A variety of tip cards have been distributed through all of our 18 counties in Northeast Florida District Two. They include our buckled up heart, family buckled up, "Buckle Up Religiously: and a rural "Be Tough Enough to Buckle Up!"

One Click Does The Trick

Safety belts save lives! Wear your safety belt across your shoulder and your waist. By law, front seat drivers and passengers AND backseat passengers under age 18 MUST wear a safety belt in Florida!



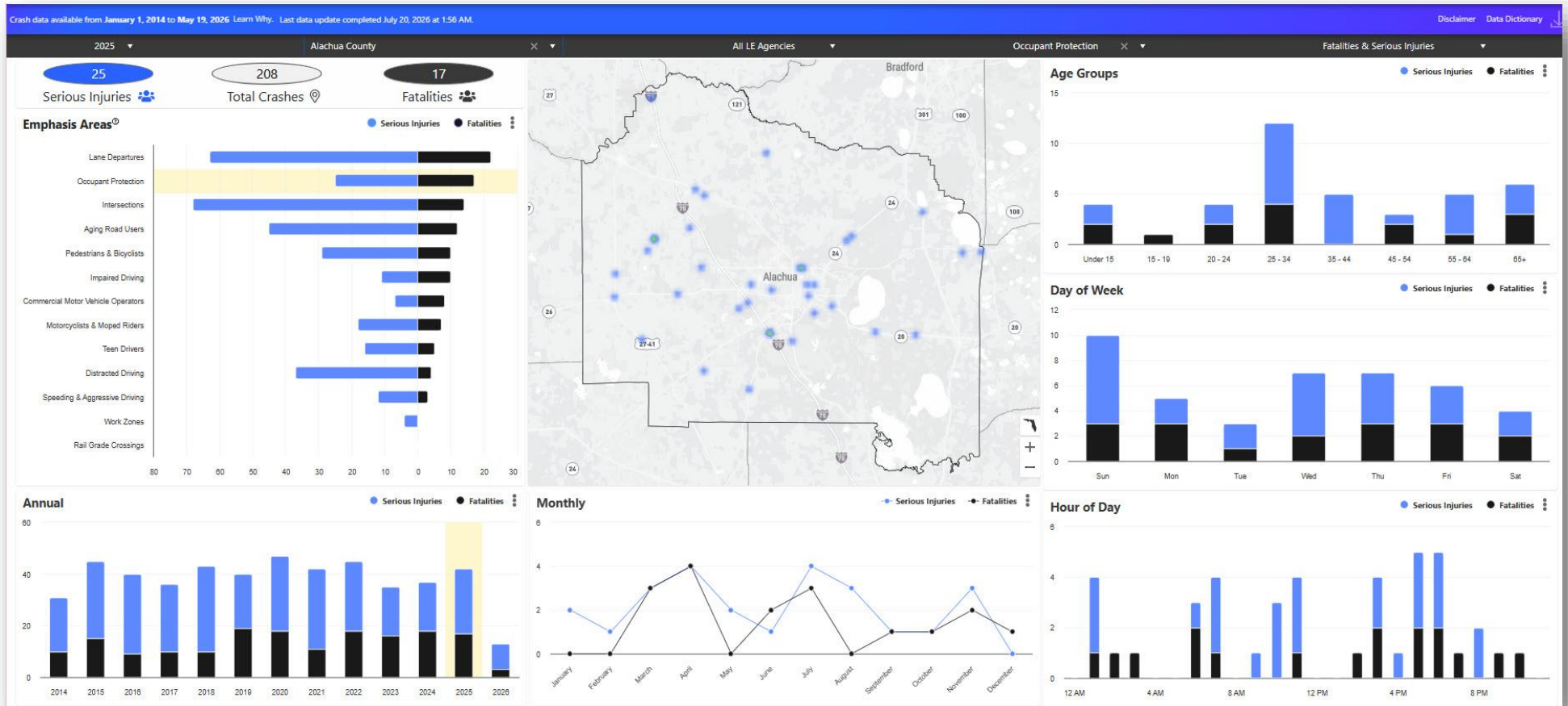
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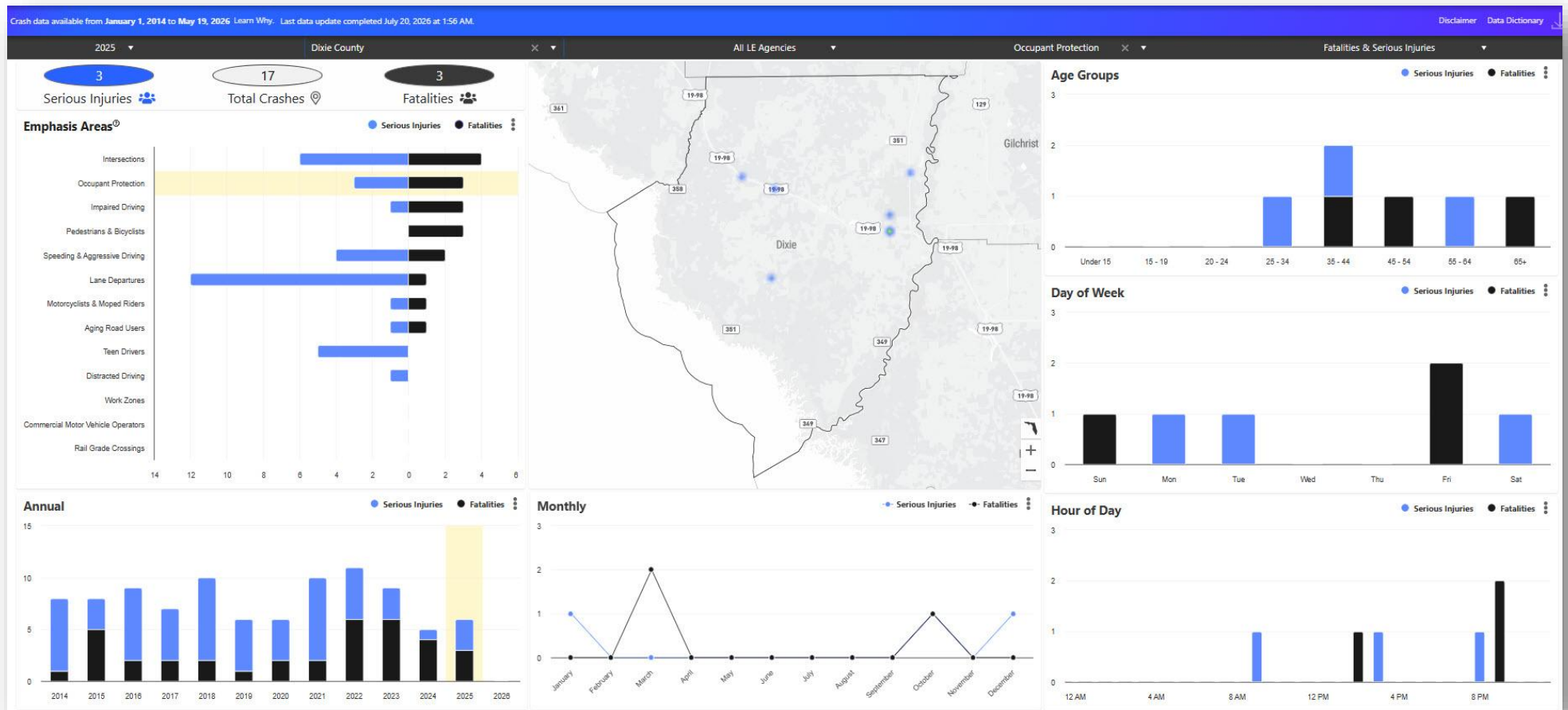
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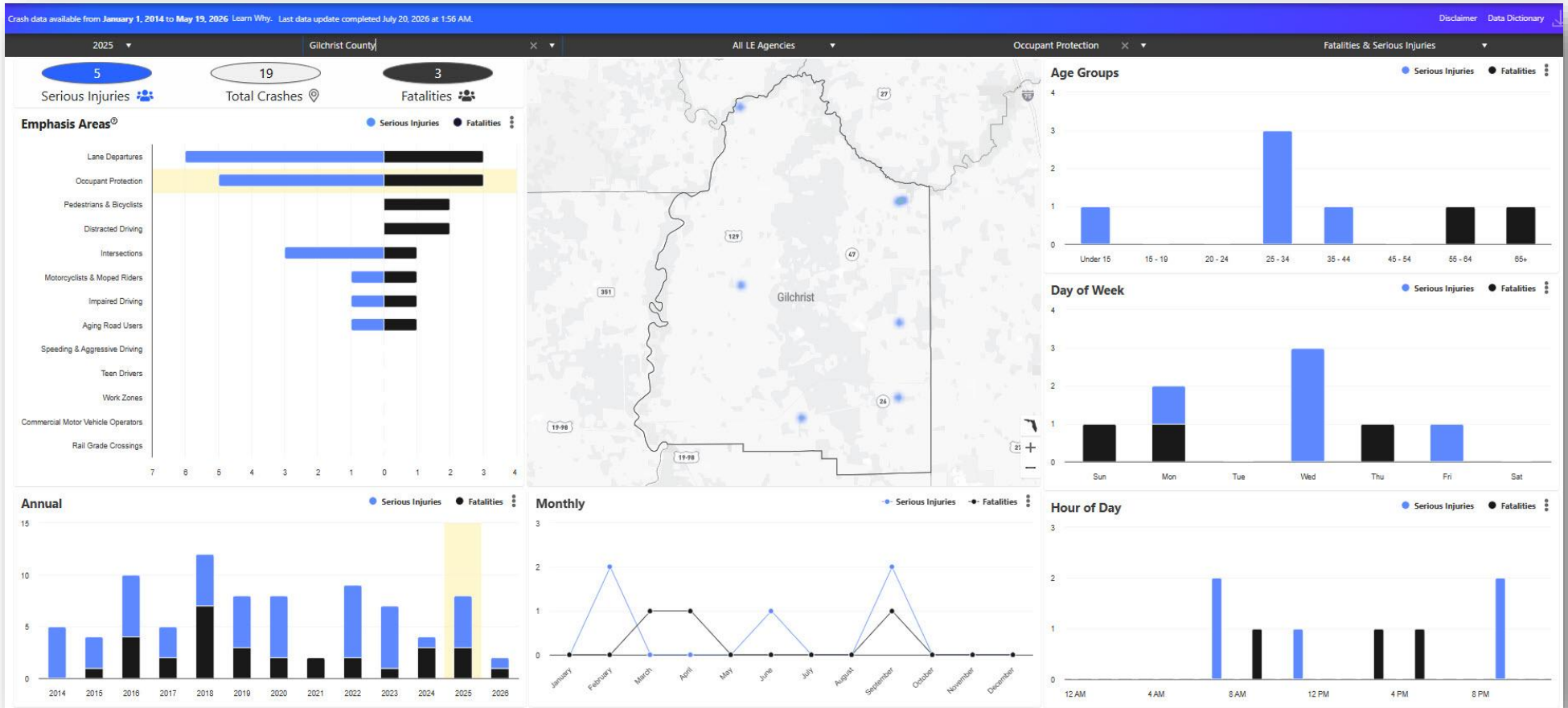
Alachua Crash Data – Occupant Protection



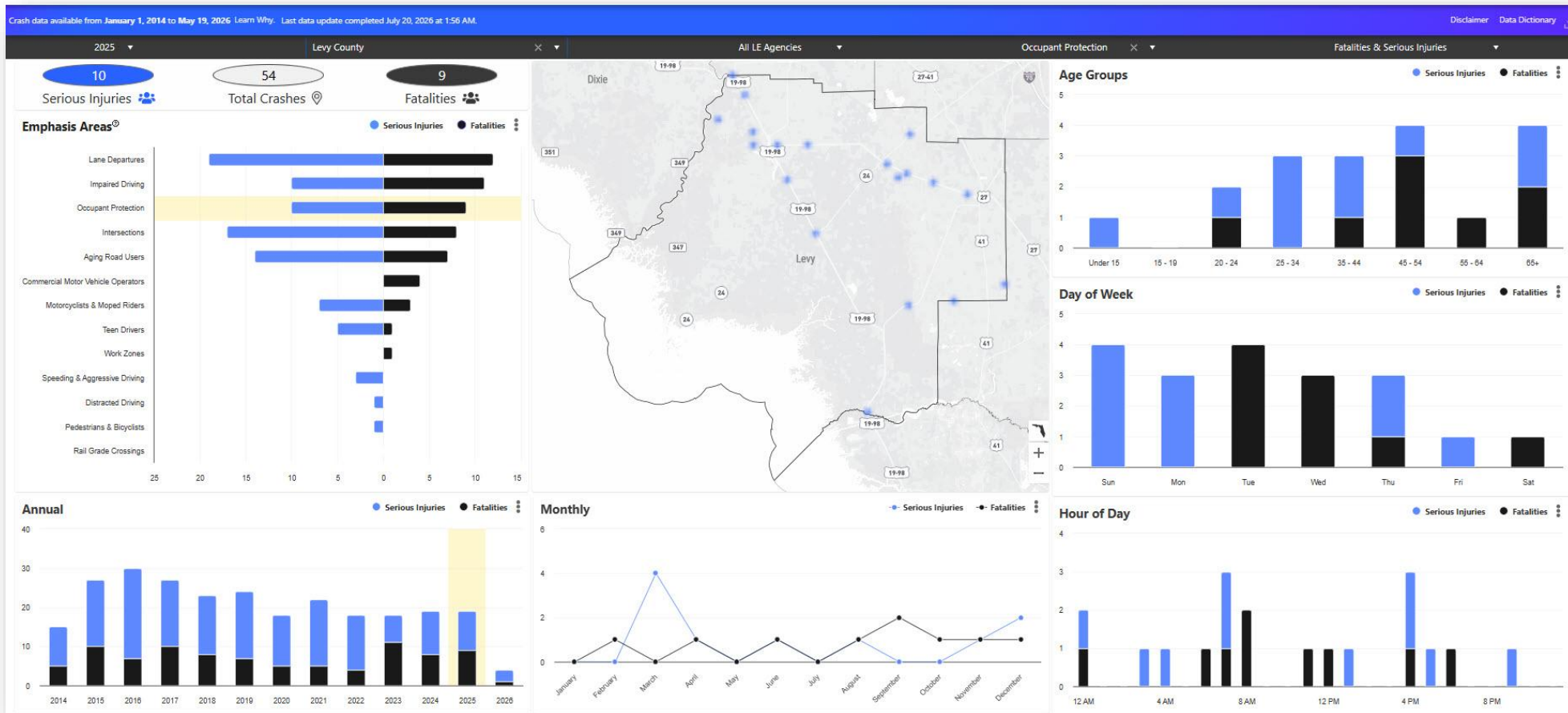
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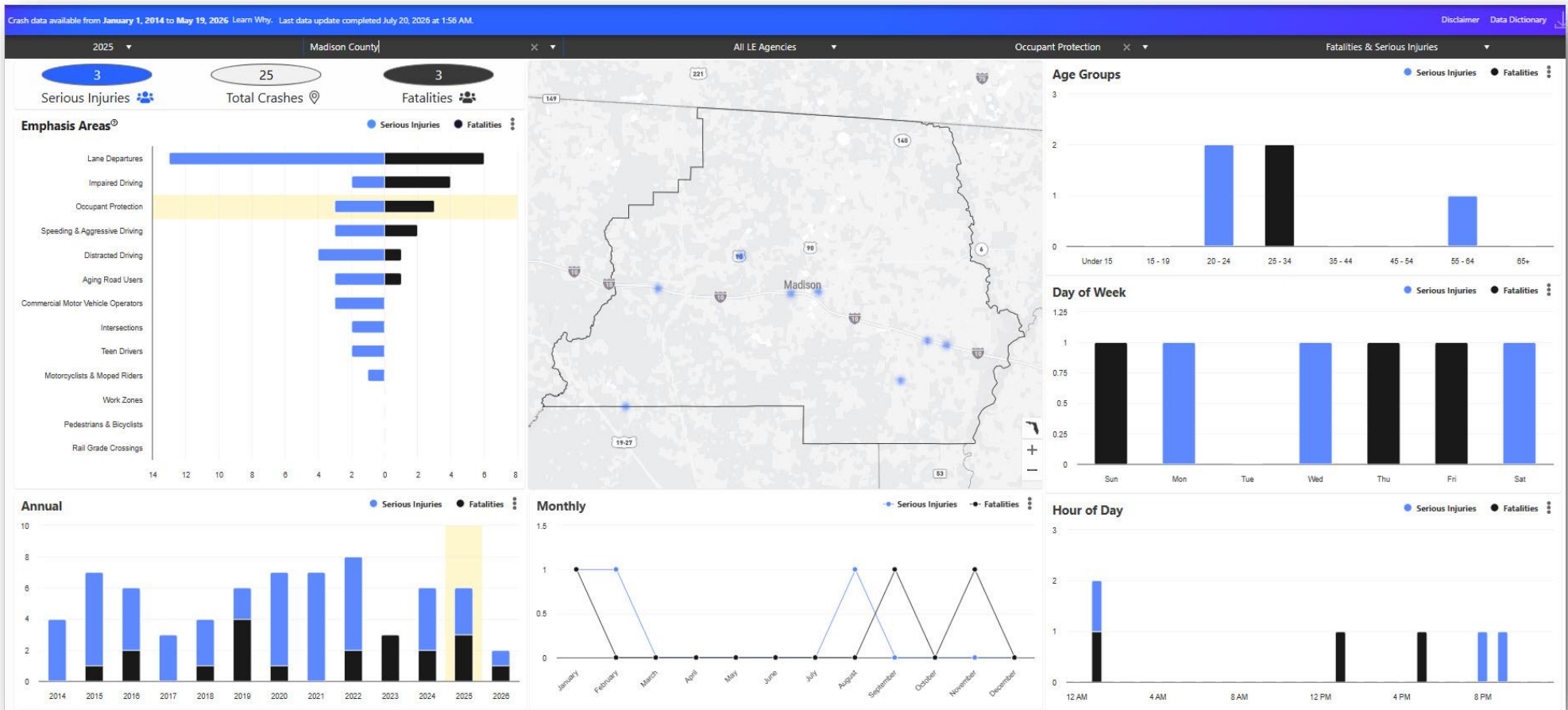
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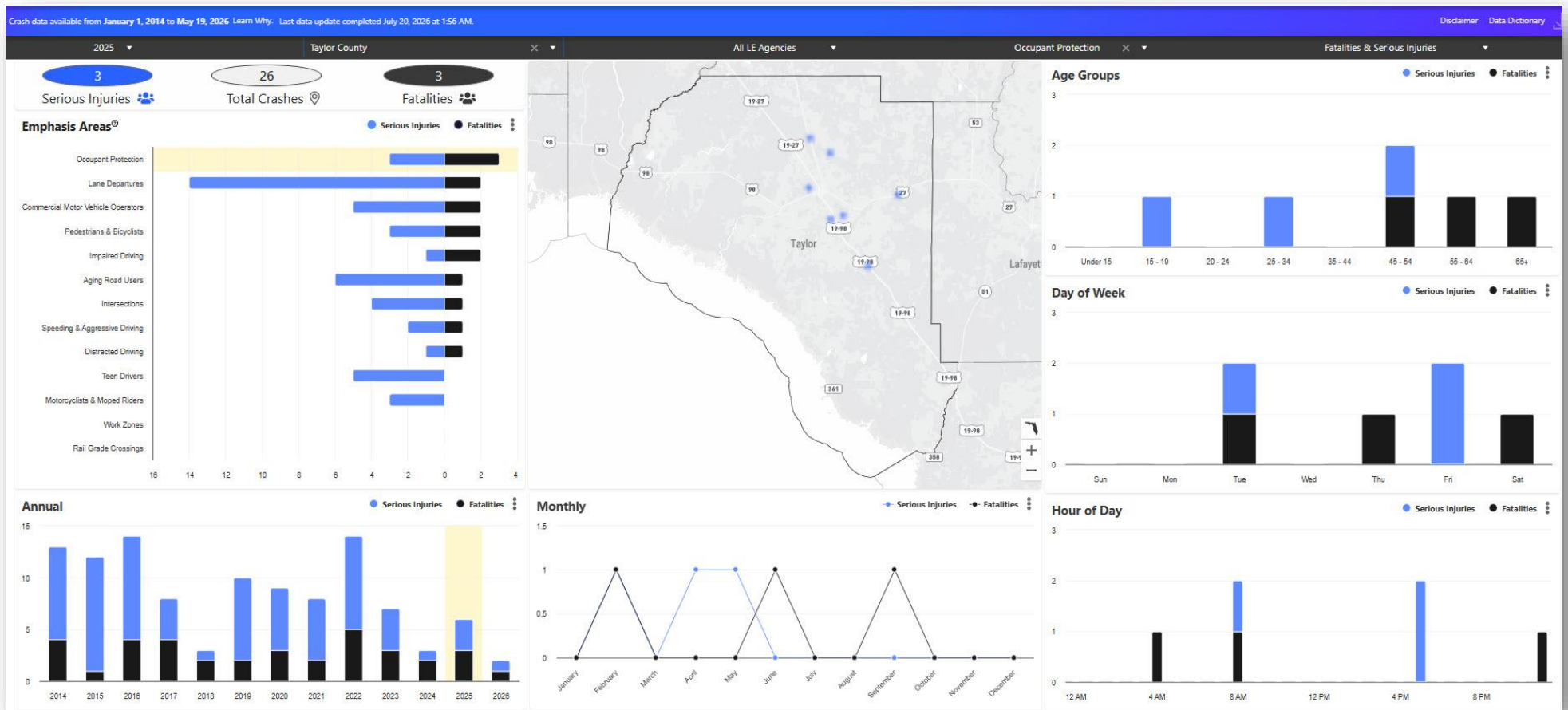
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Taylor Crash Data – Occupant Protection



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SS4A funding supports communities at different stages of safety readiness through four primary grant phases:



• **Action Plan** – Development of a comprehensive Safety Action Plan that identifies high-injury networks, analyzes crash trends, and prioritizes safety strategies.



• **Planning & Demonstration** – Detailed analysis and quick-build or pilot projects to test safety countermeasures before permanent installation.



• **Implementation** – Design and construction of proven safety improvements identified in an adopted Action Plan.



• **Supplemental** – Development or updates of Action Plans to advance readiness for future implementation.



SS4A Awardees in FDOT District Two

Action Plan Grants:

- Alachua County

Planning & Demonstration Grants:

- Alachua County / City of Gainesville
- City of Perry
- City of Williston
- Levy County
- Madison County
- University of Florida Board of Trustees

Implementation Grants:

City of Gainesville

Grant Application Awards

Distracted Driving

- Alachua County Sheriff's Office
- Gainesville Police Department

Impaired Driving

- Gainesville Police Department
- Perry Police Department

Motorcycle Safety

- Gainesville Police Department

Occupant Protection & Child Passenger Safety

- Gainesville Police Department
- Perry Police Department

Speeding & Aggressive Driving

- Alachua County Sheriff's Office
- Gainesville Police Department
- Madison County Sheriff's Office



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