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According to 2018 data provided by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the number one cause of unintentional fatal injuries in Michigan for children under the age of one consists of unspecified accidents, while the number one cause for ages 1-14 is motor vehicle crashes.

The 2018 Direct Observation Survey of Child Restraint/Booster Seat Use in Michigan reported child restraint use rates of 98.2% for children age 0-3 and 54.5% for children age 4-7.

A total of 43 children (0-14 years old) were killed in motor vehicle crashes, including one driver age 11 and another driver age 13. The 0-14 age group accounted for 4.4 percent of all traffic deaths.

In addition, 4,544 children were injured in motor vehicle crashes.

Restraint usage among drivers and injured passengers age 0-14, as reported to police at the scene of a traffic crash, was 92.8%. The age group with the lowest restraint usage was children age 11 to 14 (91.9%).

Children accounted for 9.4 percent (14) of the pedestrians killed in Michigan, and 12.3 percent (235) of all pedestrian injuries.

Children under 15 years of age accounted for one (4.8%) of the 21 bicyclist deaths and 179 (15.9%) of all injured bicyclists.

CRASH INJURY SEVERITY IN CHILDREN AGES 0-14

