

REPORTED RESTRAINT USAGE - CHILDREN

On July 1, 2008, Michigan law was amended. (<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-257-710e>)

Any child under four years of age must be in an approved Child Safety Seat (CSS)/Child Restraint Device (CRD), and riding in the rear seat. All children less than 8 years of age AND who are less than 4'9" in height, must be properly restrained in a child restraint system. All children ages 8 through 15 must wear a properly adjusted and fastened seat belt when riding in either the front or back seat of a vehicle.

RESTRAINT USAGE	CHILDREN		FATAL	INJURY		
	Number	% of Total		A	B	C
AGE 0						
Belts Used	25	11.1	0	0	5	20
No Belts Used	7	3.1	0	0	3	4
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	23	10.2	0	0	5	18
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	147	65.3	2	2	9	134
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	6	2.7	0	0	1	5
Child Restraint Not Used	7	3.1	1	0	2	4
Restraint Failed	1	0.4	0	0	0	1
Unknown	9	4.0	0	0	0	9
Total	225	100.0	3	2	25	195
AGE 1						
Belts Used	4	2.4	0	0	0	4
No Belts Used	3	1.8	0	0	0	3
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	69	41.3	2	2	7	58
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	74	44.3	0	1	8	65
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	3	1.8	0	0	0	3
Child Restraint Not Used	8	4.8	0	2	2	4
Restraint Failed	1	0.6	0	0	0	1
Unknown	5	3.0	0	0	0	5
Total	167	100.0	2	5	17	143
AGE 2						
Belts Used	5	2.1	0	0	1	4
No Belts Used	9	3.8	0	1	1	7
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	168	71.8	0	3	43	122
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	25	10.7	0	0	2	23
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	17	7.3	0	0	1	16
Child Restraint Not Used	5	2.1	0	2	1	2
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	5	2.1	0	0	2	3
Total	234	100.0	0	6	51	177

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RESTRAINT USAGE	CHILDREN		FATAL	INJURY		
	Number	% of Total		A	B	C
AGE 3						
Belts Used	27	12.1	0	3	5	19
No Belts Used	5	2.2	1	0	0	4
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	132	59.2	1	4	22	105
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	11	4.9	0	0	2	9
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	33	14.8	1	2	5	25
Child Restraint Not Used	7	3.1	1	1	2	3
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	8	3.6	0	2	3	3
Total	223	100.0	4	12	39	168
AGE 4-7						
Belts Used	359	34.2	2	9	73	275
No Belts Used	40	3.8	0	3	12	25
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	309	29.5	0	7	52	250
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	6	0.6	0	0	0	6
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	260	24.8	1	12	56	191
Child Restraint Not Used	29	2.8	1	0	11	17
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	46	4.4	1	4	14	27
Total	1,049	100.0	5	35	218	791
AGE 8-15						
Belts Used	2,227	82.3	5	76	436	1,710
No Belts Used	201	7.4	5	27	50	119
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	38	1.4	0	1	8	29
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	1	0.0	0	0	0	1
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	76	2.8	0	1	13	62
Child Restraint Not Used	2	0.1	0	0	0	2
Restraint Failed	1	0.0	0	0	1	0
Unknown	161	5.9	5	15	31	110
Total	2,707	100.0	15	120	539	2,033

Information about uninjured passengers is not required to be reported by the officer on the crash report, thus these tables relate the experience of only those children with injuries in crashes.

Note: Safety equipment usage is often self-reported and may not reflect actual usage.