

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	13.5	0	0	2	23
No Belts Used	6	3.2	0	0	1	5
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	22	11.9	1	0	3	18
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	110	59.5	0	4	7	99
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	1	0.5	0	0	0	1
Child Restraint Not Used	7	3.8	0	1	4	2
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	14	7.6	0	2	2	10
Total	185	100.0	1	7	19	158
AGE 1						
Belts Used	10	6.1	0	3	0	7
No Belts Used	3	1.8	0	1	1	1
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	64	39.0	0	0	11	53
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	67	40.9	0	0	11	56
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	5	3.0	0	0	0	5
Child Restraint Not Used	5	3.0	0	1	3	1
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	10	6.1	0	0	2	8
Total	164	100.0	0	5	28	131
AGE 2						
Belts Used	19	11.0	0	1	2	16
No Belts Used	2	1.2	0	0	1	1
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	107	62.2	0	2	21	84
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	19	11.0	0	1	1	17
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	8	4.7	0	0	1	7
Child Restraint Not Used	7	4.1	0	1	3	3
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	10	5.8	0	0	2	8
Total	172	100.0	0	5	31	136

REPORTED RESTRAINT USE - CHILDREN (CONTINUED)

RESTRAINT USAGE	CHILDREN		FATAL	INJURY		
	Number	% of Total		A	B	C
AGE 3						
Belts Used	25	11.4	0	0	5	20
No Belts Used	3	1.4	0	0	1	2
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	137	62.3	1	6	30	100
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	10	4.5	0	1	4	5
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	19	8.6	2	1	5	11
Child Restraint Not Used	8	3.6	0	2	5	1
Restraint Failed	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	18	8.2	0	2	5	11
Total	220	100.0	3	12	55	150
AGE 4-7						
Belts Used	361	35.9	1	8	75	277
No Belts Used	52	5.2	2	3	19	28
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	275	27.4	1	7	61	206
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	9	0.9	0	0	3	6
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	188	18.7	1	5	47	135
Child Restraint Not Used	38	3.8	2	4	12	20
Restraint Failed	1	0.1	0	0	1	0
Unknown	81	8.1	1	7	18	55
Total	1,005	100.0	8	34	236	727
AGE 8-15						
Belts Used	1,873	79.2	4	71	392	1,406
No Belts Used	199	8.4	5	38	72	84
Child Restraint Used - Forward Facing	35	1.5	0	0	7	28
Child Restraint Used - Rear Facing	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Child Restraint Used - Booster Seat	45	1.9	0	0	12	33
Child Restraint Not Used	8	0.3	0	0	3	5
Restraint Failed	3	0.1	0	0	1	2
Unknown	201	8.5	1	21	40	139
Total	2,364	100.0	10	130	527	1,697

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.