



MONTGOMERY METROPOLITAN
PLANNING ORGANIZATION

SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Project Update

Montgomery MPO Policy Board

March 20, 2025

Agenda

- Planning Process – Where are we?
- Round 1 Outreach Summary
- Crash Analysis Results
- Equity Analysis Results
- Review of Existing Plans
- Review of Policies & Procedures
- Draft Vision Statement, Goals, & Objectives
- Next Steps



Planning Process – Where are we?





Round 1 Outreach Summary

ROUND 1: LISTENING AND LEARNING

Introduce the planning process and seek input on the community's goals, needs and priorities.

ROUND 2: REVIEWING THE DRAFT PLAN

Present an updated summary of findings and public input and seek input on the Draft Plan.

Outreach: Communications

Webpage



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HOME / MPO SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Montgomery MPO's Safety Action Plan



Project Introduction

The Montgomery MPO is developing a Safety Action Plan to identify safety challenges and improvements throughout our region's transportation system. The plan's purpose is to improve roadway safety by planning and implementing projects designed to significantly reduce or eliminate roadway fatalities and serious injuries among all users, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit users. The plan will follow the requirements identified in the U.S. Department of Transportation's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program.

Outreach: Communications

Social Media



News Media



Outreach: Online Survey



**SAFETY
ACTION PLAN**

Help plan a safer
transportation system
throughout the
Montgomery area!



**What is the
Montgomery MPO
Safety Action Plan?**

The MPO is developing a plan to help prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries for Montgomery area motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders, and we need to hear from you! Visit <https://metroquestsurvey.com/zq0u0c> or scan the QR code on the back to take a five-minute survey.

**Your input will help
guide plan development!**



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Montgomery MPO Safety Action Plan

Learn about this project before beginning the survey.

WELCOME

The Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) wants to hear from you!

The Montgomery MPO is developing a regional Safety Action Plan. The plan will identify a well-defined strategy to reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries for all users. Your feedback will help the study team understand transportation safety concerns and priorities throughout the region.

We appreciate your time to provide feedback!

→ Next

Primary risk factors that contribute to traffic injuries include:

- Speeding
- Impaired driving
- Distracted driving
- Unsafe road infrastructure
- Unused motorcycle helmets, seat belts, & child restraints
- Inadequate law enforcement presence



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BEHAVIORAL SAFETY CONCERNS

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INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY CONCERNS

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MAP MARKERS

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FINAL QUESTIONS

Open: December 9, 2024 to February 12, 2025

Outreach: Events

- Montgomery Christmas Parade
 - December 13, 2024
 - Distributed 246 business cards
- Wetumpka Christmas on the Coosa
 - December 14, 2024
 - Distributed 100 business cards
- Public Open House
 - February 5, 2025
 - Montgomery City Hall
 - Conducted interactive survey activity
 - Covered by news media



Outreach: Interactive Survey Activity



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Considering behavioral roadway safety issues in the Montgomery area, what categories are of greatest concern or importance to you?

Category	Sticker
 Impaired Driving	
 Improper Pedestrian Crossings	
 Walking/Biking on the Wrong Side	
 Red Light Running	
 Speeding	
 Distracted Driving	
 Improper Use of Crossovers	
 Improper Seat Belt Usage	

<https://montgomerympo.org/safetyactionplan/>



SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Considering transportation infrastructure within the Montgomery area, what categories are of greatest concern or importance to you?

Category	Sticker
 Emergency Response Time	
 Insufficient Law Enforcement	
 Lack of Roadway Lighting	
 Lack of System Connectivity	
 Lack of Public Transportation	
 Unsafe Intersections	
 Lack of Bicycle Infrastructure	
 Lack of Pedestrian Infrastructure	
 Poor Roadway Design	

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During your daily commute or activities, what transportation safety challenges do you encounter when traveling around the Montgomery area?

What improvements would you suggest?



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Outreach: Summary & Feedback

Survey Participation:

- 262 survey respondents (online + in-person)

Top Behavioral Risk Factors:

- Distracted Driving
- Speeding
- Red Light Running

Top Infrastructure Risk Factors:

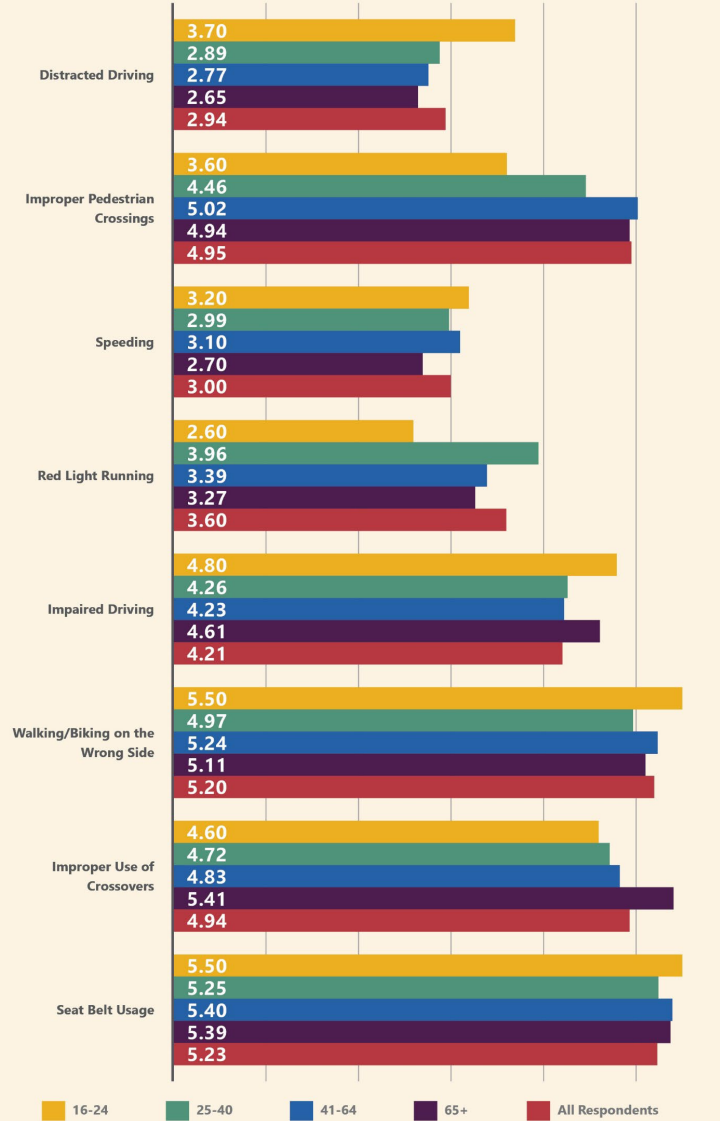
- Unsafe Intersections
- Poor Roadway Design
- Insufficient Law Enforcement
- Lack of Roadway Lighting

Most Frequently Mentioned Locations

Taylor Rd
Atlanta Highway
Wares Ferry Rd
McQueen Smith Rd
Hwy 31
Fairview Ave
Railroad St
Narrow Lane
Carter Hill Rd
Court Square
Decatur St & Mulberry St
Vaughn Rd
Cobbs Ford Rd
Pine Level
College St
CR 40
I-85
Norman Bridge Rd

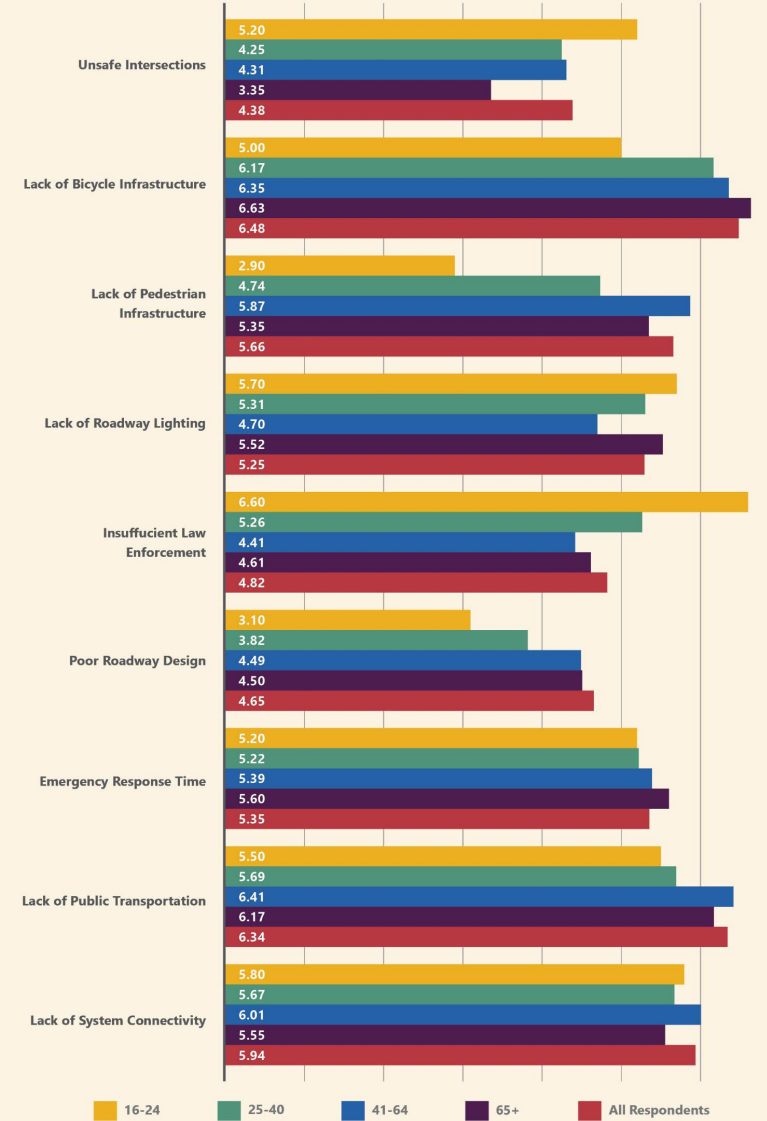
Behavior Concerns by Age Group

(Lower Value is Higher Concern)



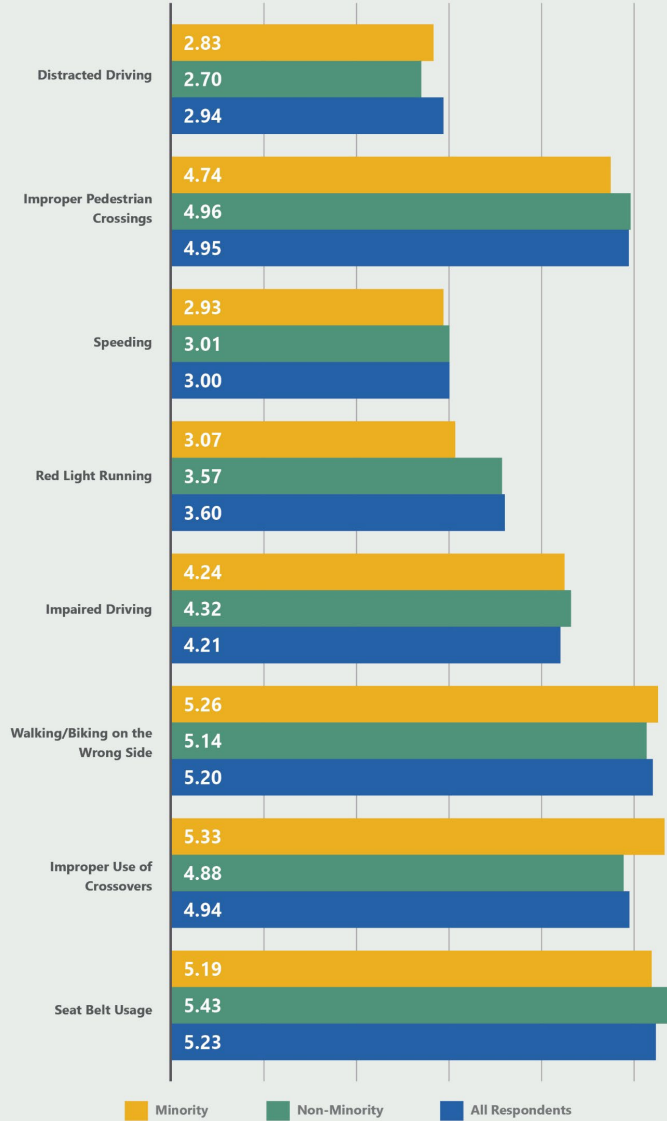
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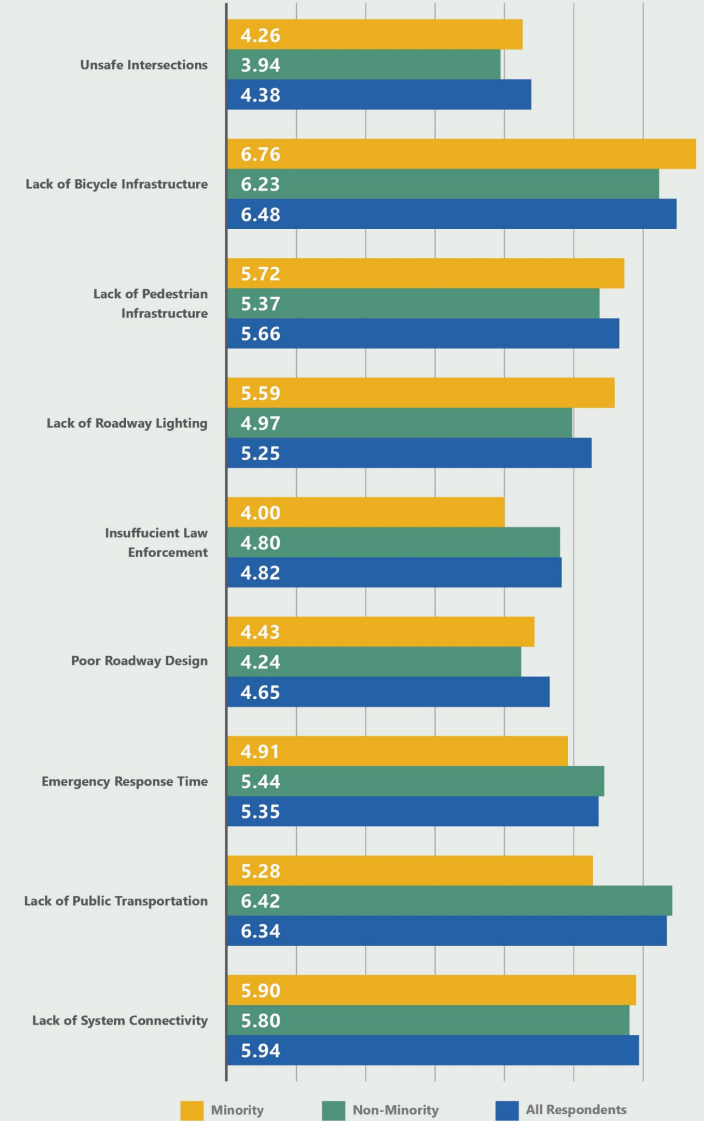
Behavior Concerns by Minority Status

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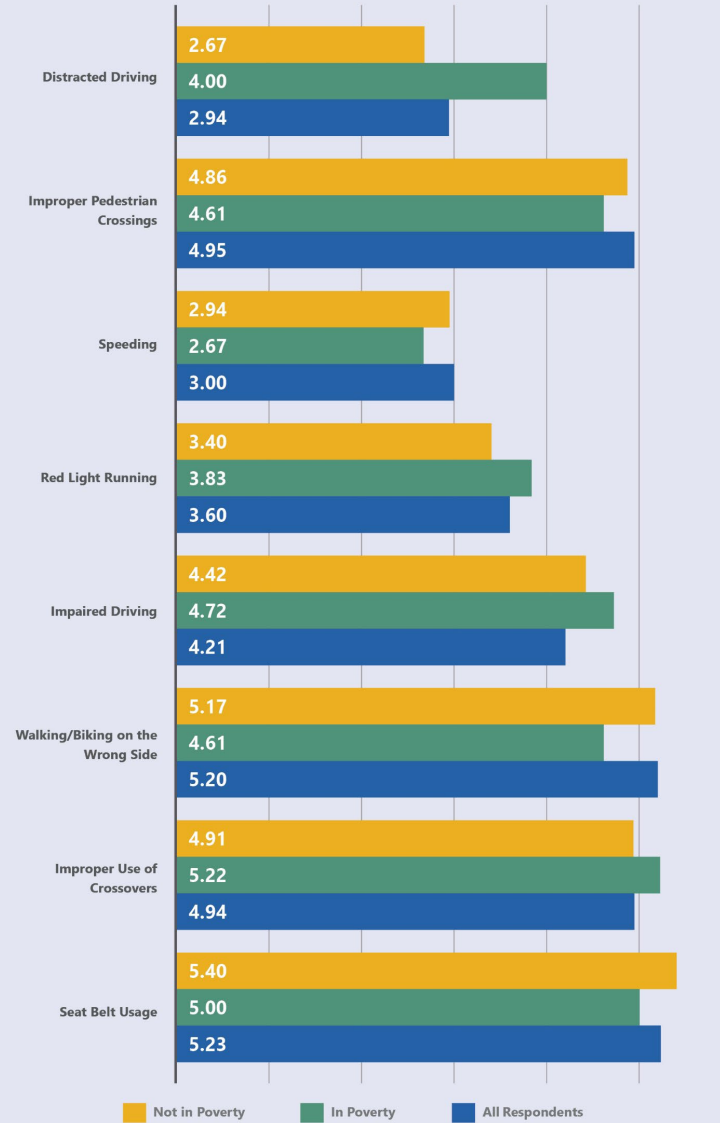
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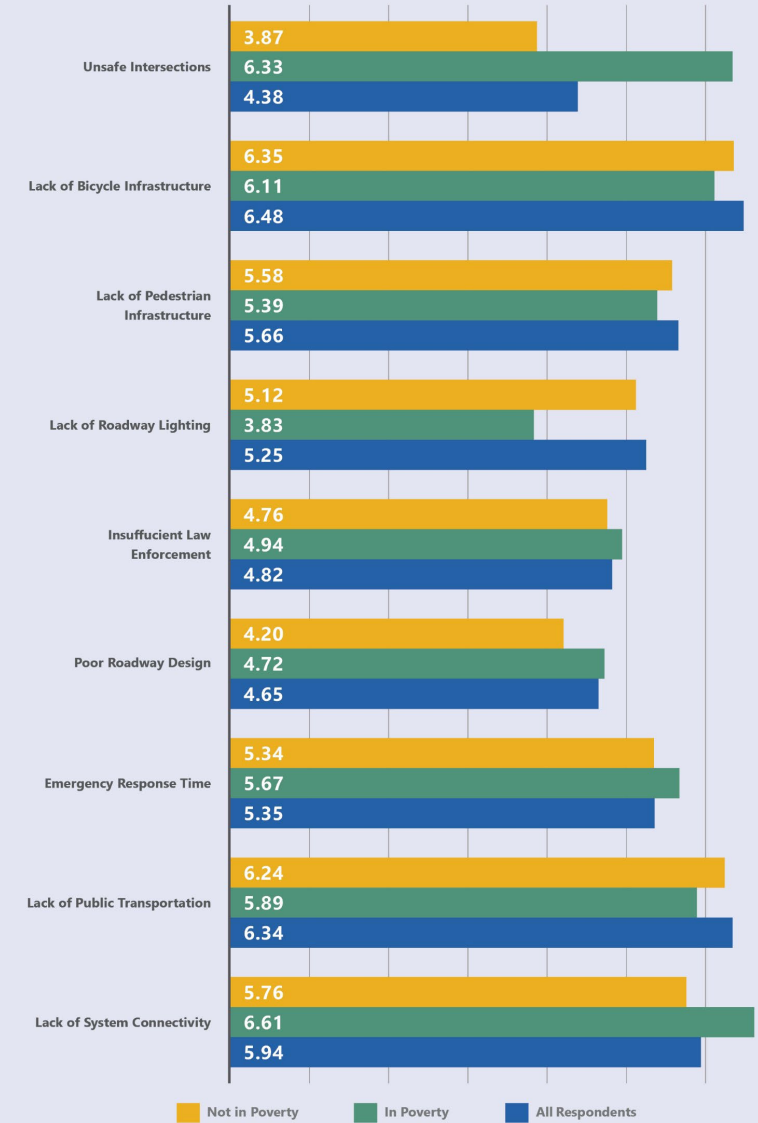
Behavior Concerns by Poverty Status

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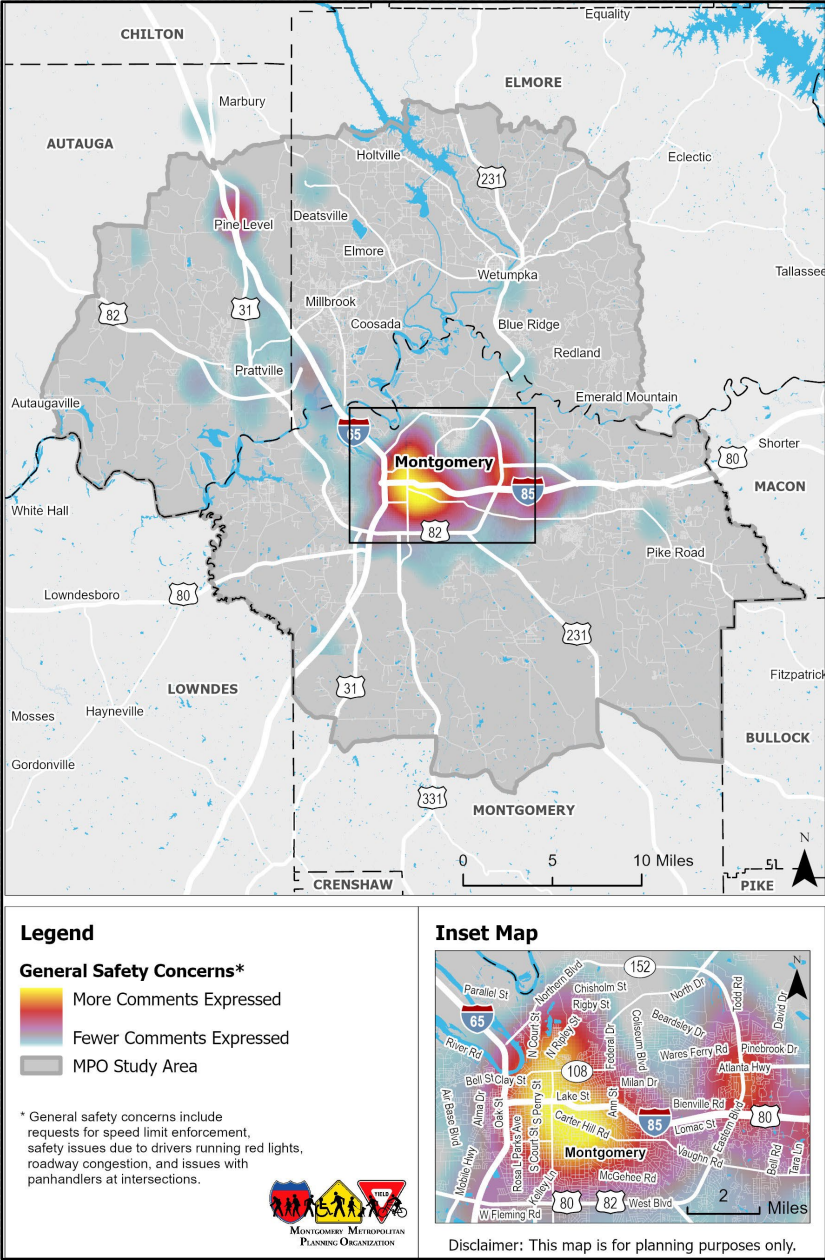
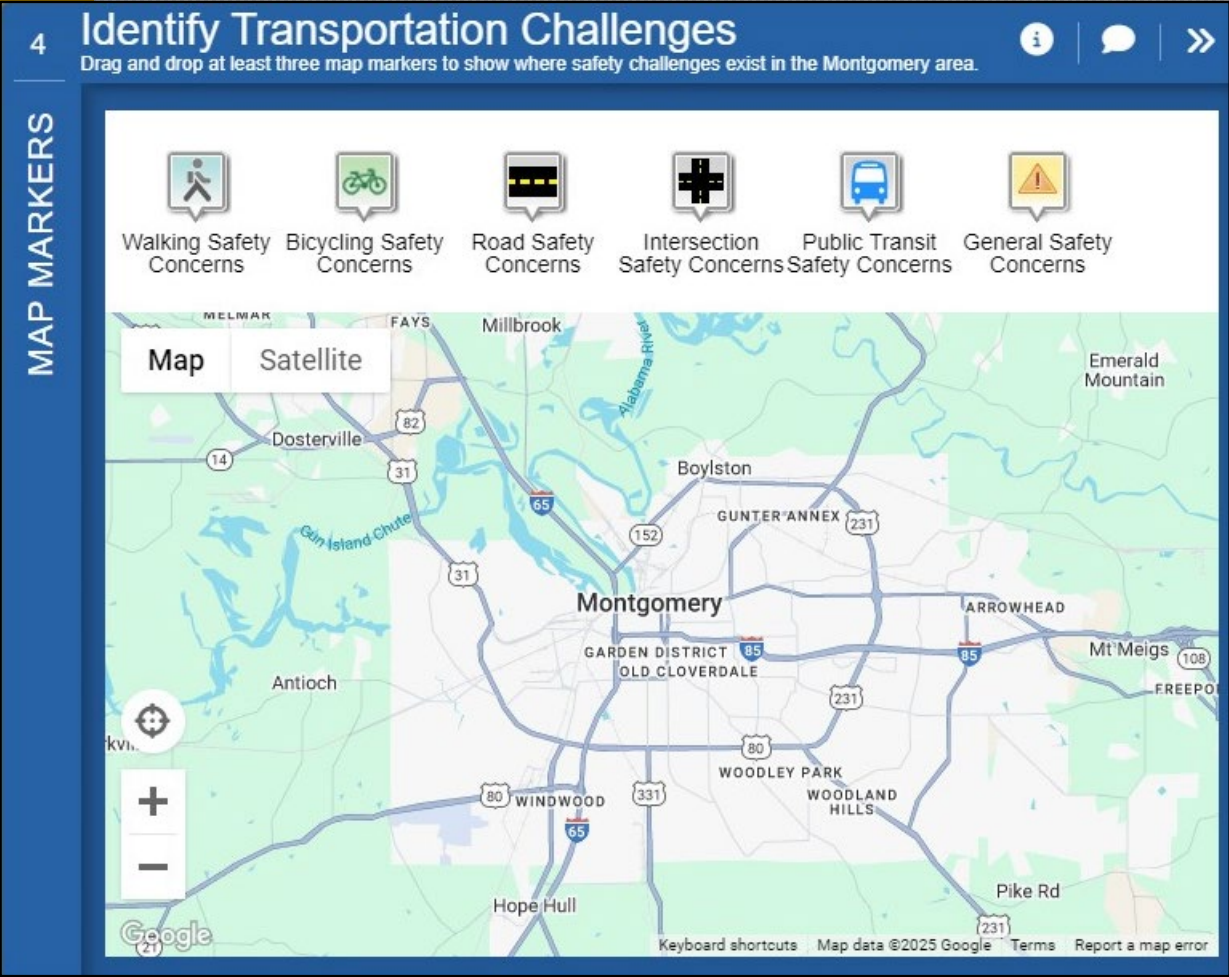


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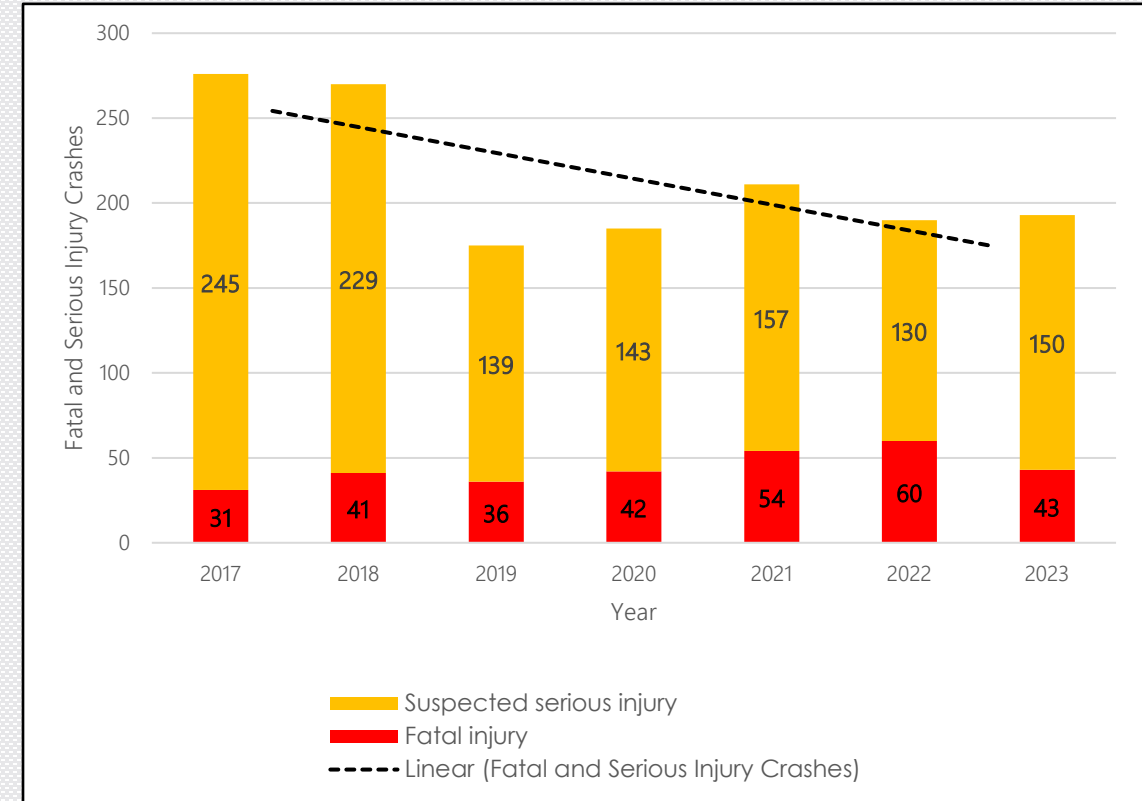
Outreach: Feedback



Crash Analysis Results

Crashes from 2017 to 2023:

- 82,968 Total Crashes
- 307 Fatal Crashes
- 1,193 Serious Injury Crashes
- 111 Crashes Involving Bicycles
(10 fatal / 16 serious injury)
- 489 Crashes Involving Pedestrians
(62 fatal / 98 serious injury)



Crash Analysis Results

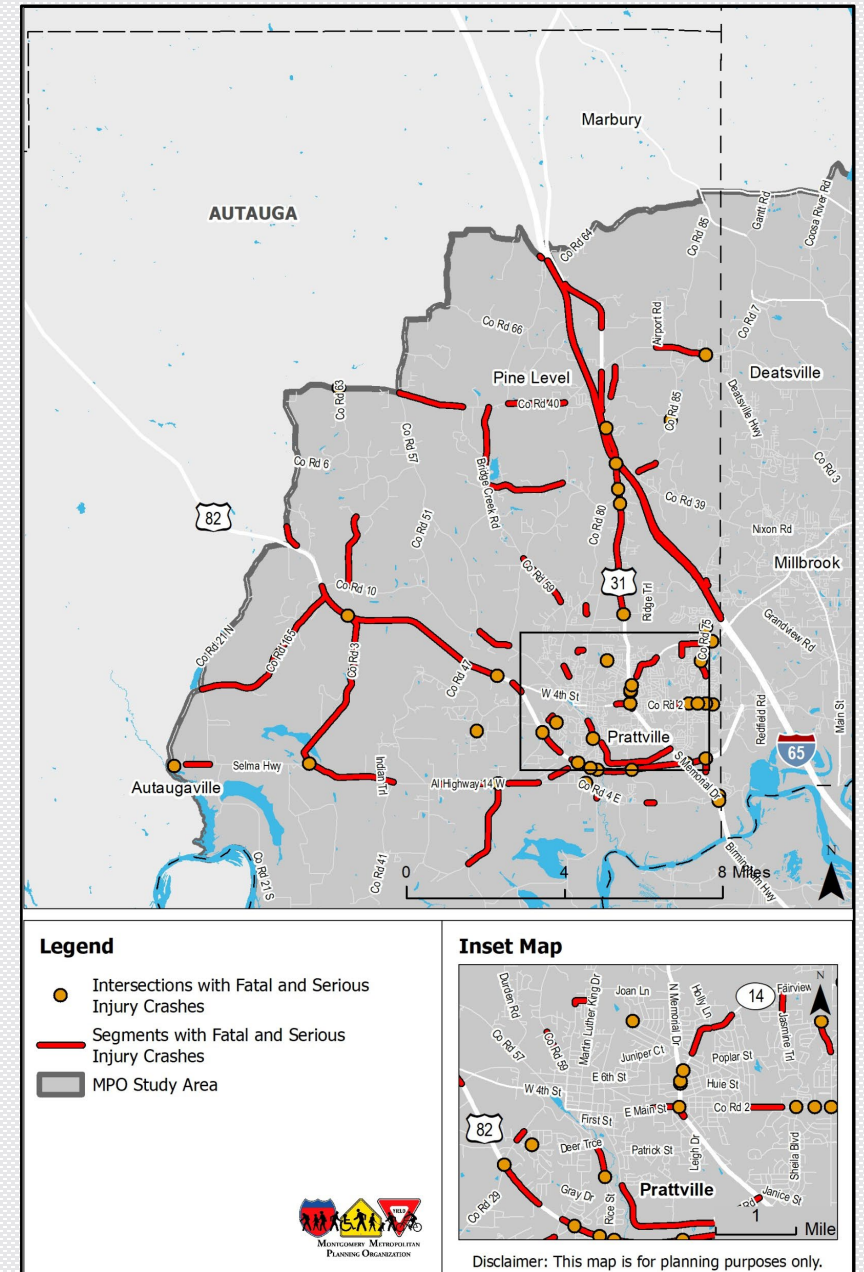
Crash Type	Year							Total	Percent F+SI
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
Single Vehicle Crash (all types)	70	85	72	81	81	82	86	557	37.1%
Rear End (front to rear)	70	47	24	20	27	22	20	230	15.3%
Side Impact (90 degrees)	44	38	23	19	22	17	18	181	12.1%
Side Impact (angled)	41	28	19	23	27	14	19	171	11.4%
Head-On (front to front only)	12	26	14	15	14	18	23	122	8.1%
Other	10	10	8	12	8	19	11	78	5.2%
Angle Oncoming (frontal)	14	15	4	4	17	7	10	71	4.7%
Angle (front to side) Opposite Direction	3	6	4	3	7	4	2	29	1.9%
Sideswipe - Same Direction	7	9	0	1	4	3	1	25	1.7%
Angle (front to side) Same Direction	3	3	2	2	0	3	1	14	0.9%
Unknown	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	9	0.6%
Sideswipe - Opposite Direction	1	2	1	2	1	0	0	7	0.5%
Non-Collision	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	6	0.4%
Total	276	270	175	185	211	190	193	1,500	100.0%

Crash Analysis Results

Autauga County

Analysis identified:

- 20 Top Segments
- 20 Top Intersections
- 9 Top Segments Bicycle/Pedestrian
- 7 Top Intersections Bicycle/Pedestrian

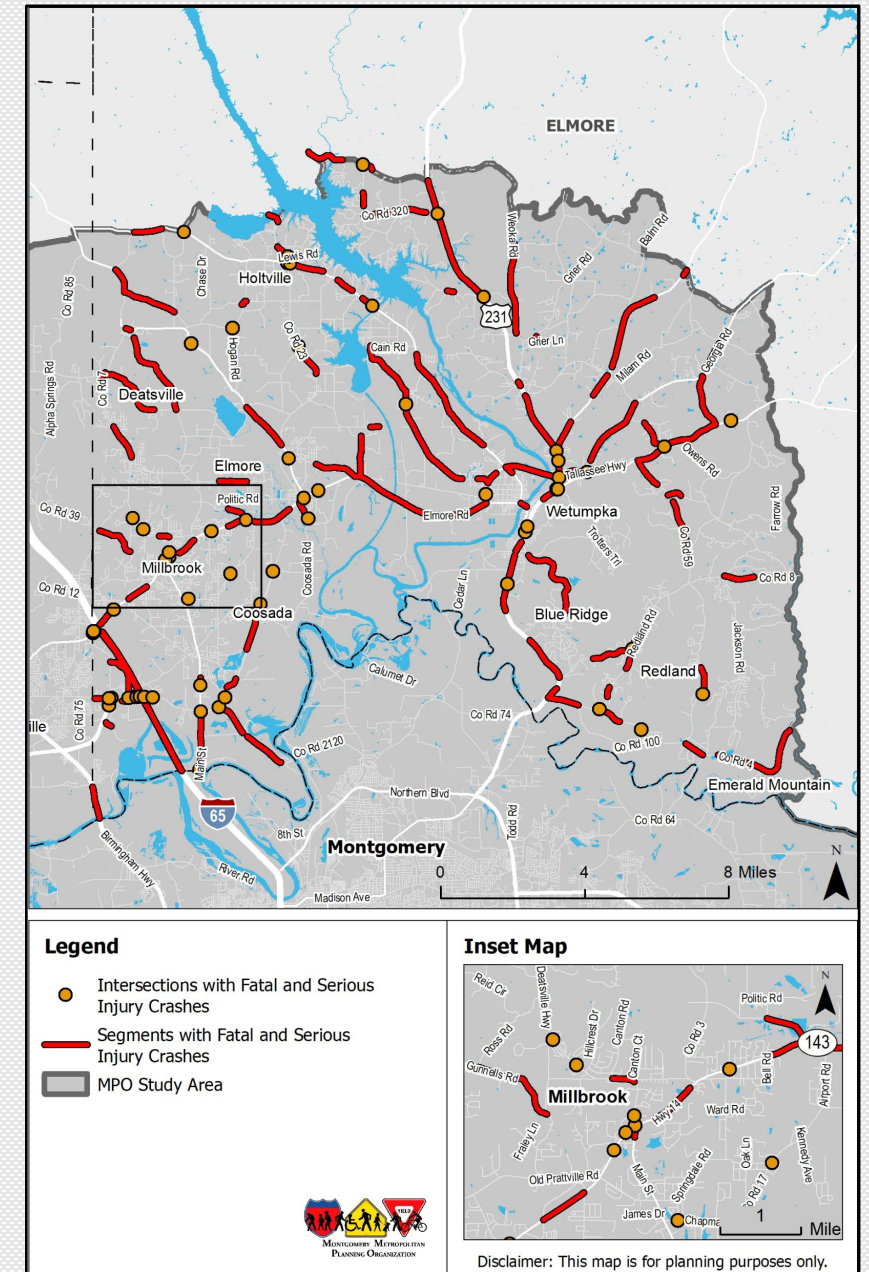


Crash Analysis Results

Elmore County

Analysis identified:

- 20 Top Segments
- 20 Top Intersections
- 11 Top Segments Bicycle/Pedestrian
- 4 Top Intersections Bicycle/Pedestrian

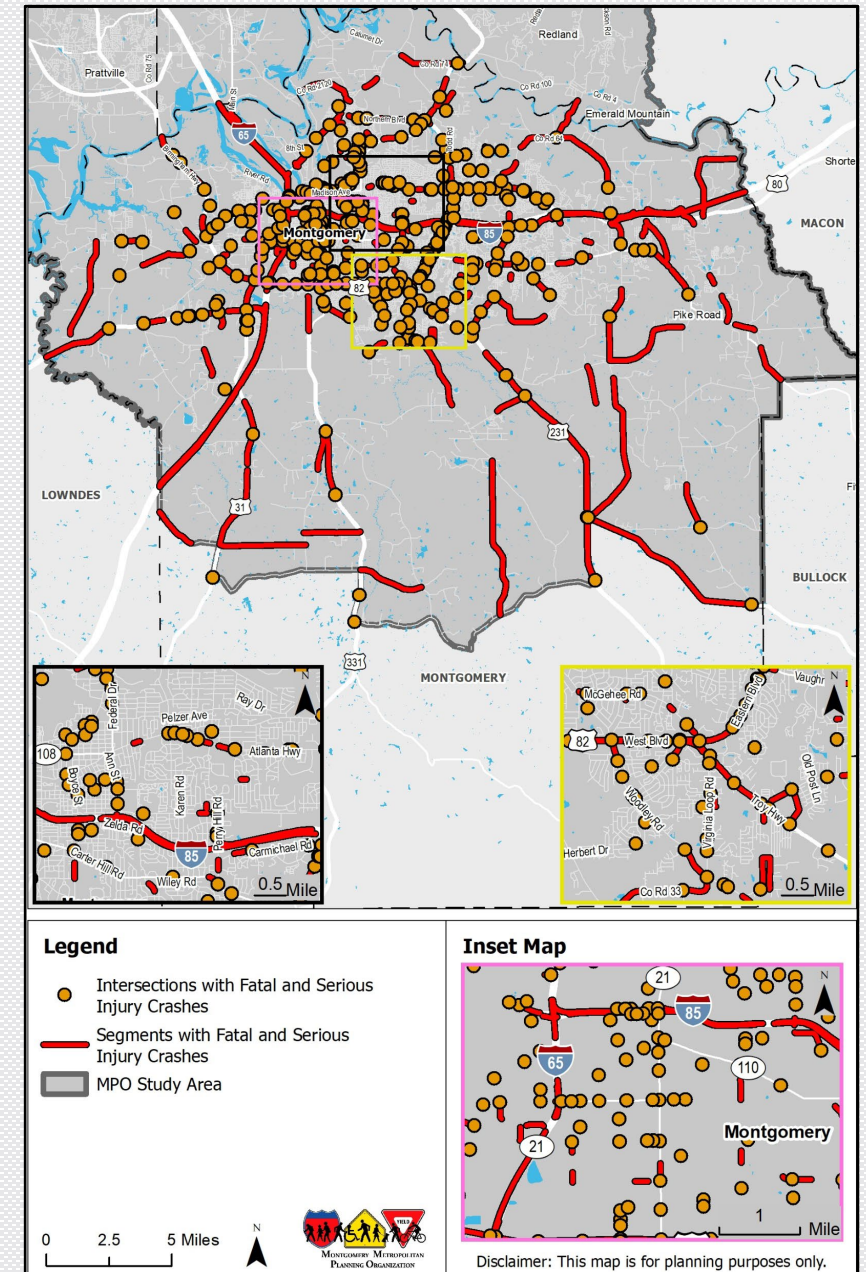


Crash Analysis Results

Montgomery County

Analysis identified:

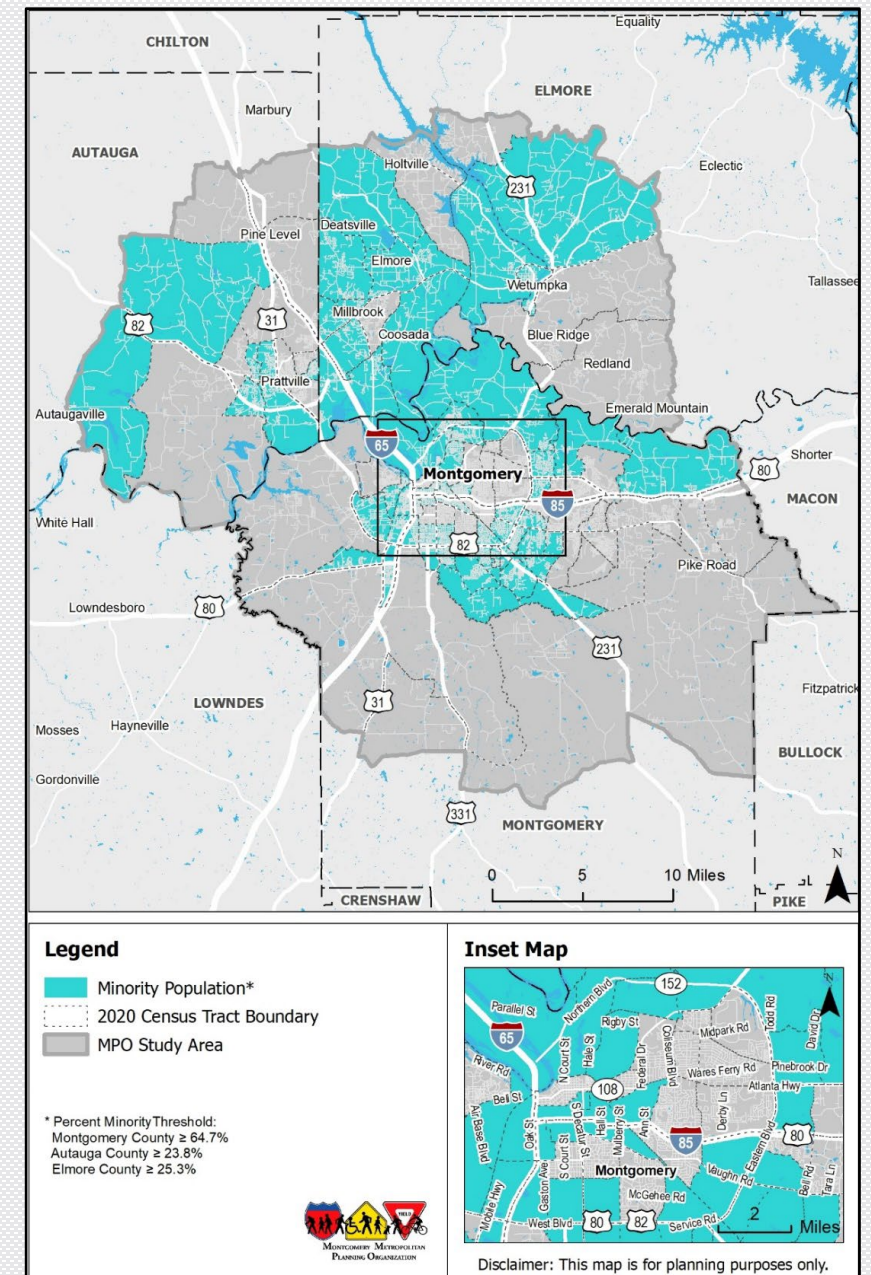
- 20 Top Segments
- 20 Top Intersections
- 20 Top Segments Bicycle/Pedestrian
- 20 Top Intersections Bicycle/Pedestrian



Equity Analysis Results

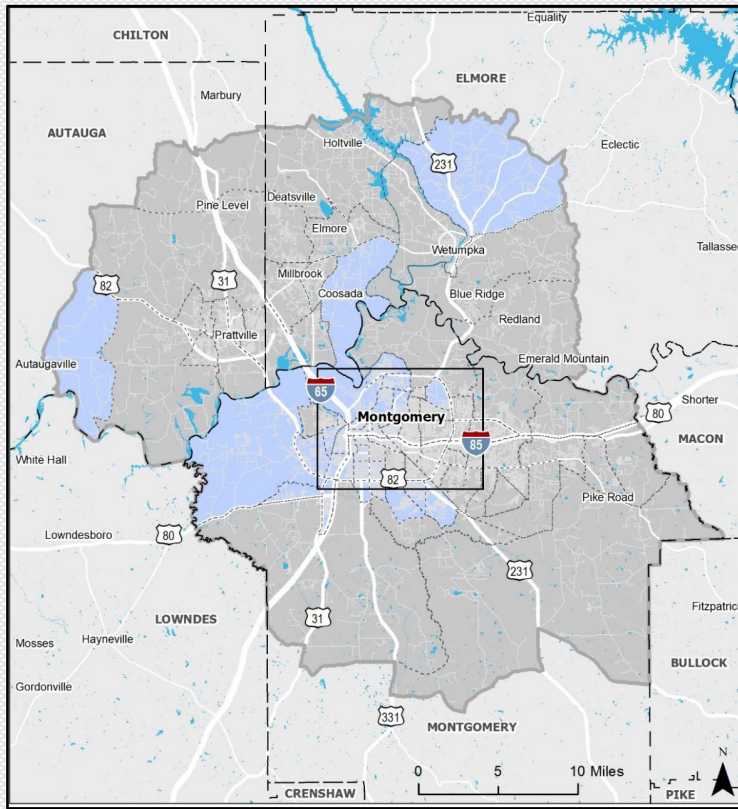
Environmental Justice Populations:

- Households Without a Vehicle
- Elderly Persons (65 Years and Older)
- Limited English Proficiency Populations
- Minority Populations
- Low Income Populations
- Persons with Disabilities

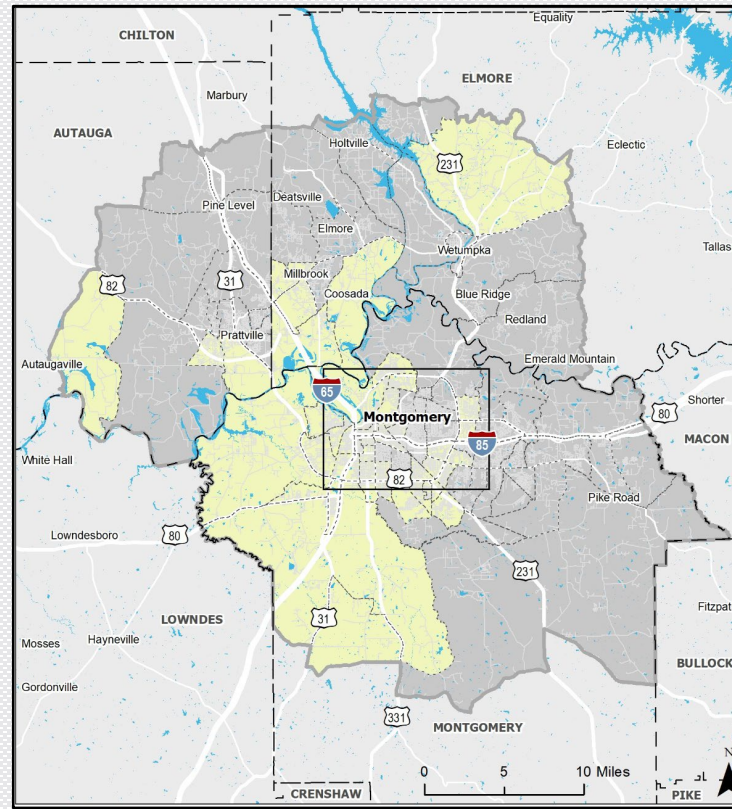


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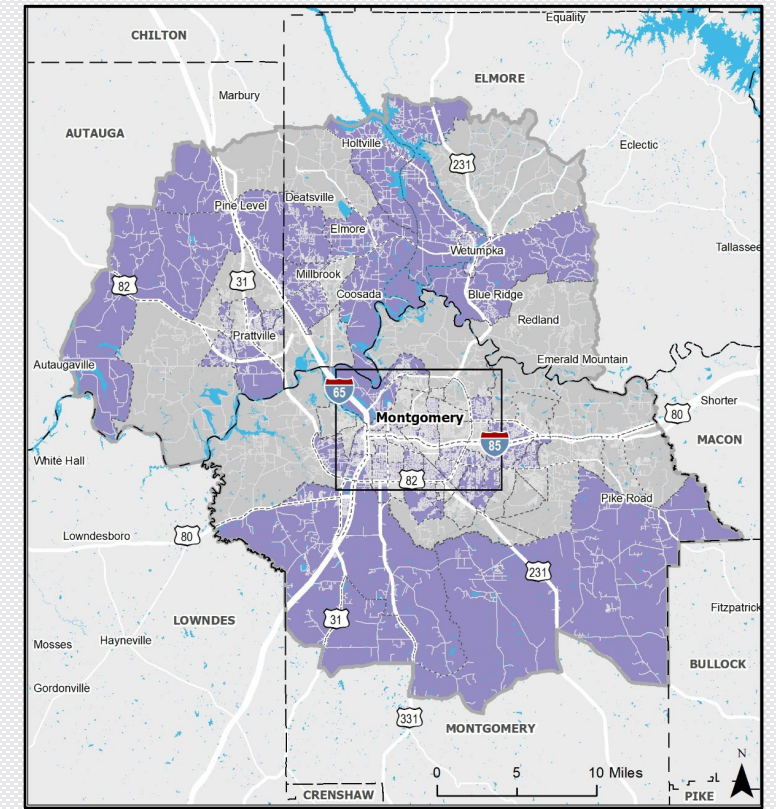
Transportation Disadvantaged Communities



Areas of Persistent Poverty



Communities of Concern



Review of Existing Plans

- Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan (2020)
- Project Prattville 2040 Comprehensive Master Plan (2021)
- Wetumpka Downtown & Riverfront Revitalization Plan (2014)
- Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan (2015)
- Autauga County Transportation Plan (2024)
- Elmore County Transportation Plan (2022)
- Montgomery County Transportation Plan (2024)
- Montgomery MPO Transportation Improvement Program (FY 2024-2027)
- Montgomery MPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (2022)
- Montgomery Transit Development Plan Update (2023-2027)
- Walk Bike River Region (2018)

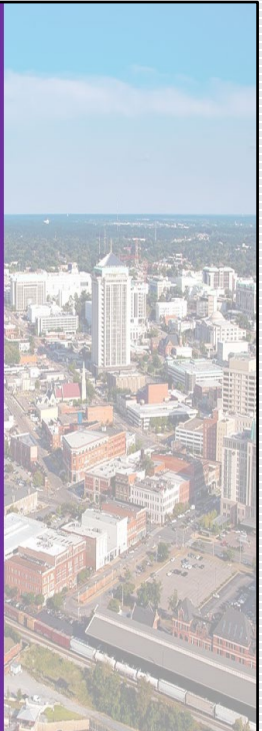
Review of Existing Plans

- Montgomery MPO Regional Freight Plan (2020)
- Montgomery Congestion Management Process (2023-2027)
- Alabama Statewide Transportation Plan (2017)
- Alabama Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (2017)
- Alabama Statewide Freight Plan (2022)
- Alabama Strategic Highway Safety Plan (2022)



Montgomery Transit System

Transit
Development Plan
(TDP) Update
2023-2027



Review of Policies & Procedures

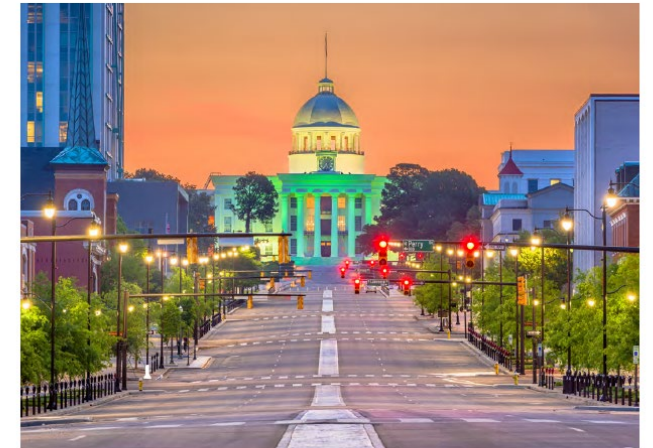
City, County, MPO, and State ordinances, policies, and resolutions were reviewed for the following safety related topics:

- Access Management
- Complete Streets
- Subdivision Sidewalk Regulations
- Work Zone Management / Requirements of Traffic Management Plans
- Emergency Response Time Goals vs. Actual
- Incident Management / Traveler Information System



Access Management Policy

Prepared by: Sain Associates, Inc.
In cooperation with the Montgomery MPO,
MPO Staff, and MPO Advisory Committees



Draft Vision Statement, Goals, & Objectives

Vision Statement

The Montgomery MPO seeks to reduce the number of severe crashes within the Montgomery, Elmore, and Autauga County Regional Area by 50% by the year 2030 and envisions to eliminate all fatalities and serious injuries by 2050.

Goals & Objectives

Goal 1: Educate residents about transportation safety.

- Implement a safe driving campaign on the MPO's website and social media platforms.
- Utilize local media outlets to regularly publish crash statistics.
- Educate drivers on state and local driving laws.

Draft Goals & Objectives

Goal 2: Initiate campaigns to improve driver behavior.

- Develop and distribute educational materials explaining potential results of unsafe driving behaviors.
- Increase law enforcement presence in areas with known transportation safety concerns.
- Perform targeted enforcement for distracted driving, speeding, and red light running.

Goal 3: Implement projects to improve the safety of transportation infrastructure.

- Implement intersection and roadway projects as identified in this plan.
- Perform a regional study to determine where roadway lighting will be most beneficial.
- Provide a connected bicycle and pedestrian network throughout the region.

Next Steps

- Finalize Vision Statement, Goals, Objectives, & Performance Measures
- Develop combined list of project locations
 - Top locations based on crash analysis
 - Top locations based on public survey input
 - Project locations identified in existing plans
- Work with MPO to identify safety projects at each location
- Obtain feedback on project list from MPO committees & stakeholders
- Work with MPO to prioritize projects
- Prepare draft Safety Action Plan



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