TxDOT Research Project 0-6961

Evaluation of Highway Safety Improvement Projects and Countermeasures

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- Research Goal and Objectives
- Safety Management Process
- Evaluation Tools
- Effectiveness of Projects and Work Codes
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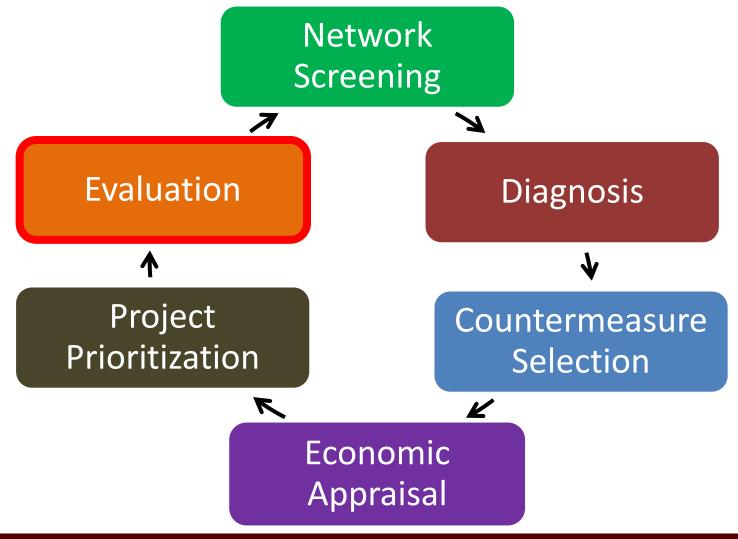
Goal: Advance HSIP evaluation practices at TxDOT

- Develop evaluation tools for:
 - Individual HSIP projects
 - Groups of similar projects or countermeasures or work codes (WCs)
- Evaluate effectiveness of implemented projects and WCs

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Safety Management Framework





Network Screening

- Establish focus
- Identify network and establish reference populations
- Select performance measures
- Select screening method
- Screen and evaluate results

Safety Effectiveness Evaluation

- Evaluate single project or group of similar projects to determine their effectiveness or quantify a CMF for a countermeasure
- Compare safety effectiveness of projects/countermeasures and their costs

<u>Diagnosis</u>

- Review Crash Analysis and Visualization (CAVS) data
- Assess supporting documentation
- Assess field conditions
- Identify safety concerns

Project Focus

Prioritize Projects

- Identify economically justified countermeasures to develop potential projects
- Prioritize projects using ranking procedures or optimization methods

Select Countermeasures

- Identify contributing factors
- Select potential countermeasures

Economic Appraisal

- Quantify crash reduction by conducting cost-effectiveness analysis or benefitcost analysis
- Evaluate non-monetary factors including public perception, on-going projects, and community vision and environment



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Evaluation Tools

Purpose: Evaluate safety and cost effectiveness of individual projects and groups of similar projects

TTI developed two tools:

- Tool for segment evaluations
- Tool for intersection evaluations

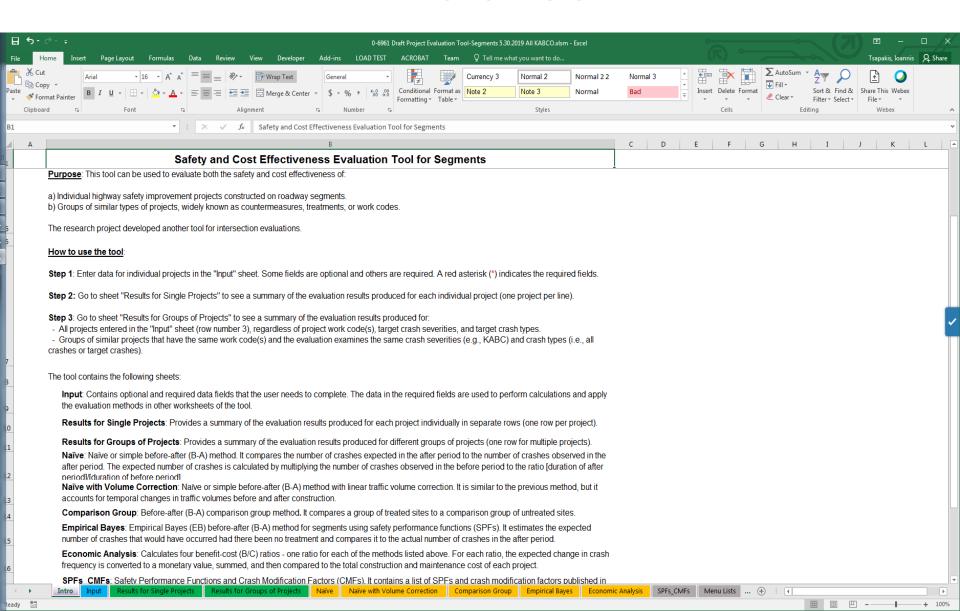
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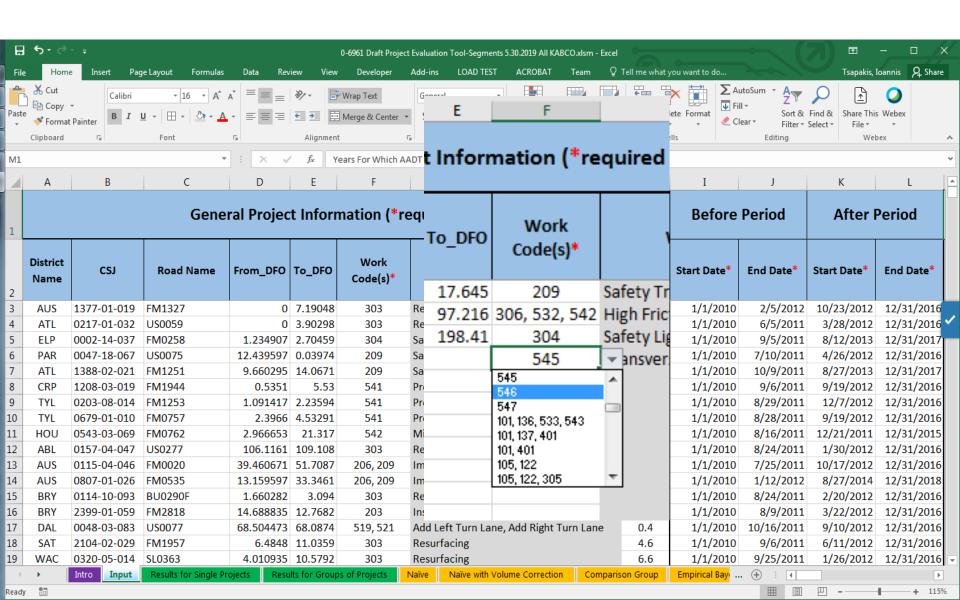
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	Highway name	•	Category 8 (CAT8) project database Design and Construction Information System (DCIS) SiteManager
HSIP project	Geographic coordinates and distance from origin (DFO)	•	CAT8 project database DCIS Other District data
construction data	Construction (start and end) dates	•	SiteManager Other District data
	Implemented work code(s)	•	CAT8 project database DCIS Other District databases
	Construction cost	•	SiteManager Other District databases
Linear referen and roadway o	ce system (LRS) network data	•	Road-Highway Inventory Network (RHiNo)
Traffic data		•	RHiNO
Crash data		•	Crash Record Information System (CRIS)

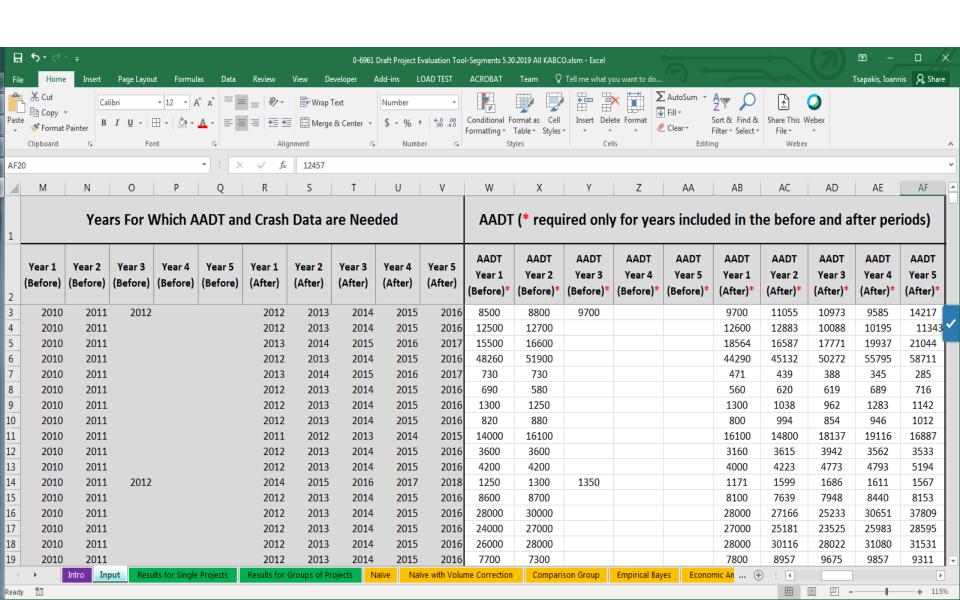
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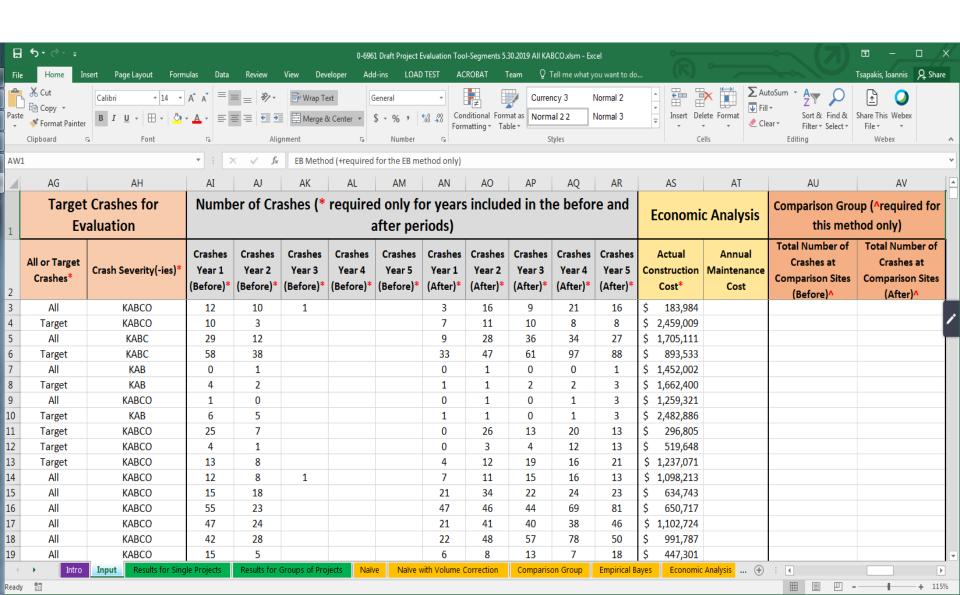
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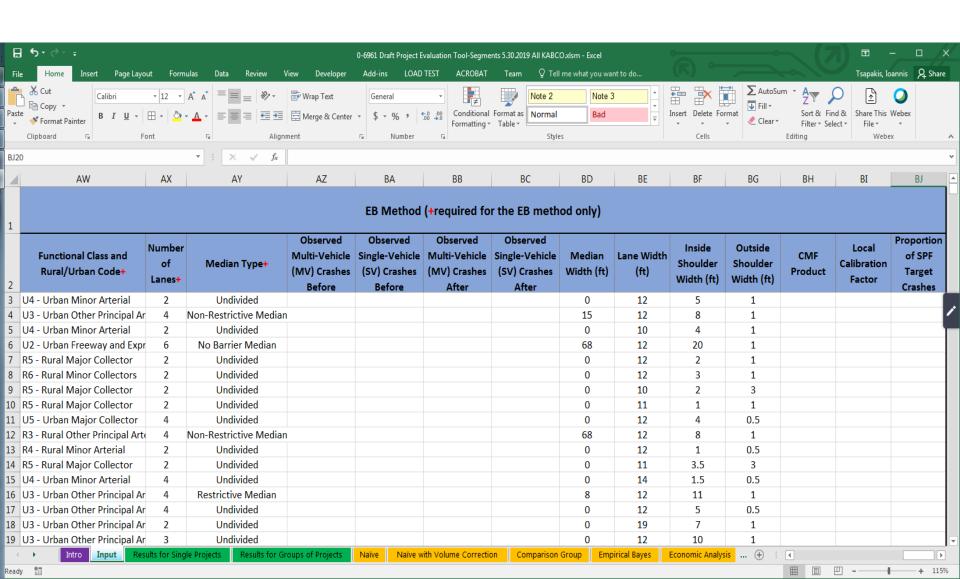
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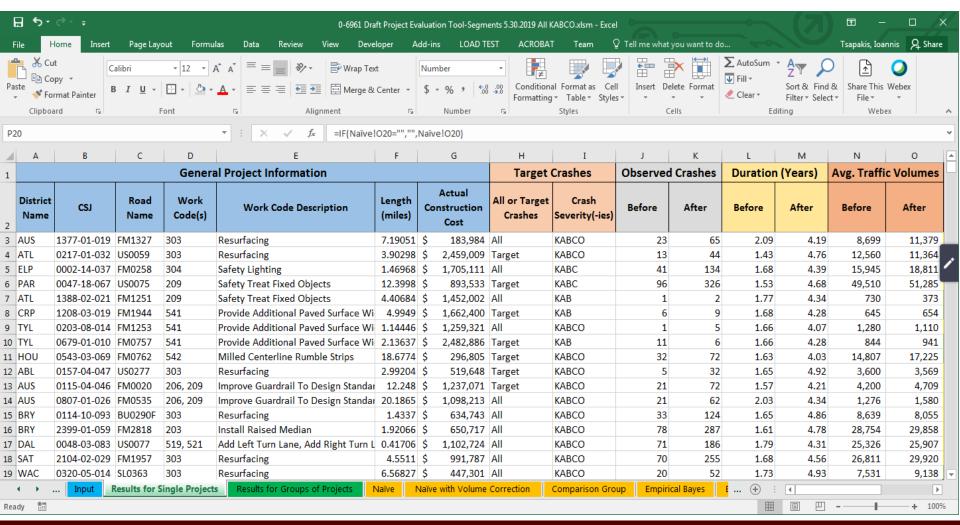




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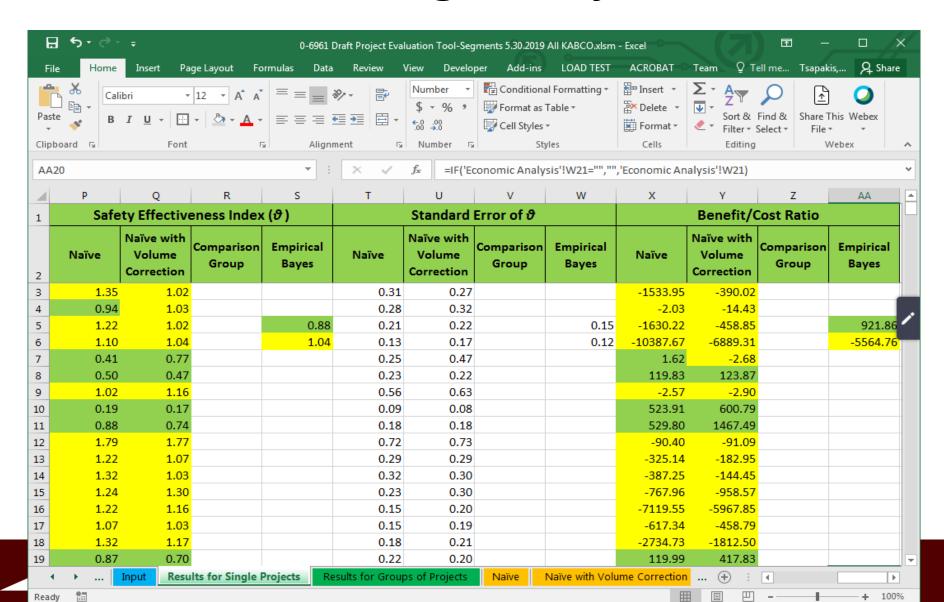
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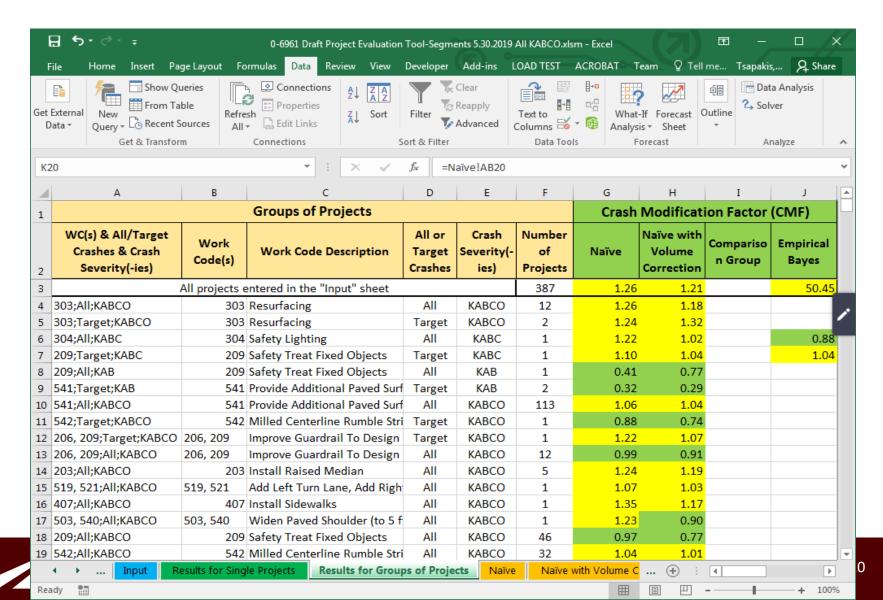




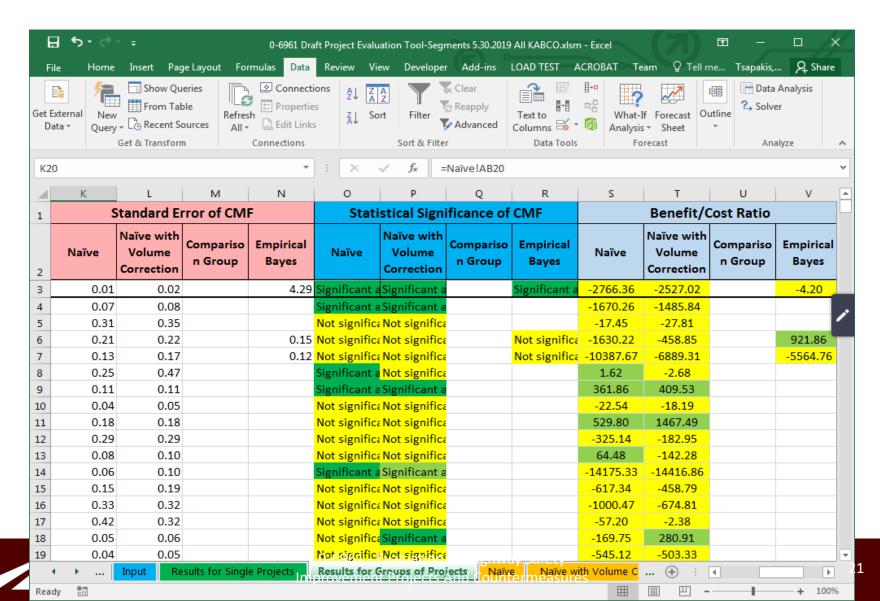
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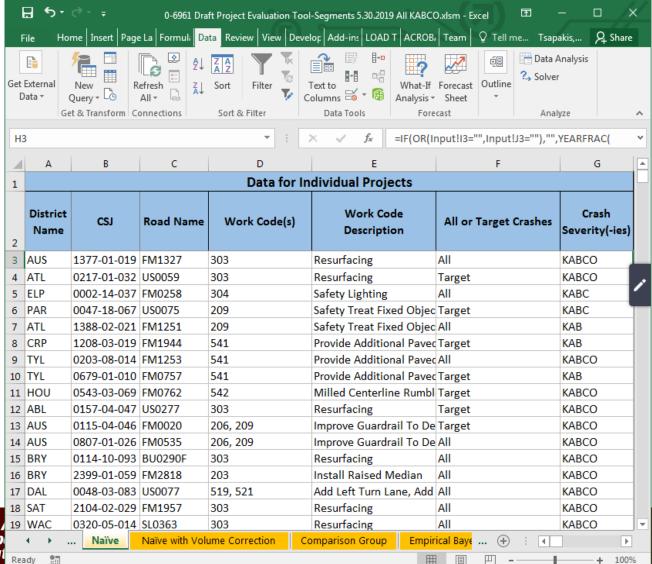


Results for Groups of Projects Sheet

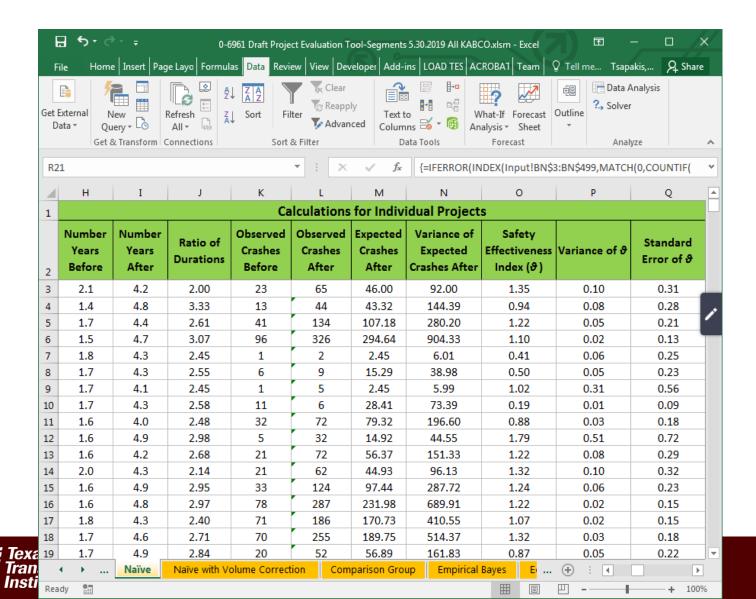


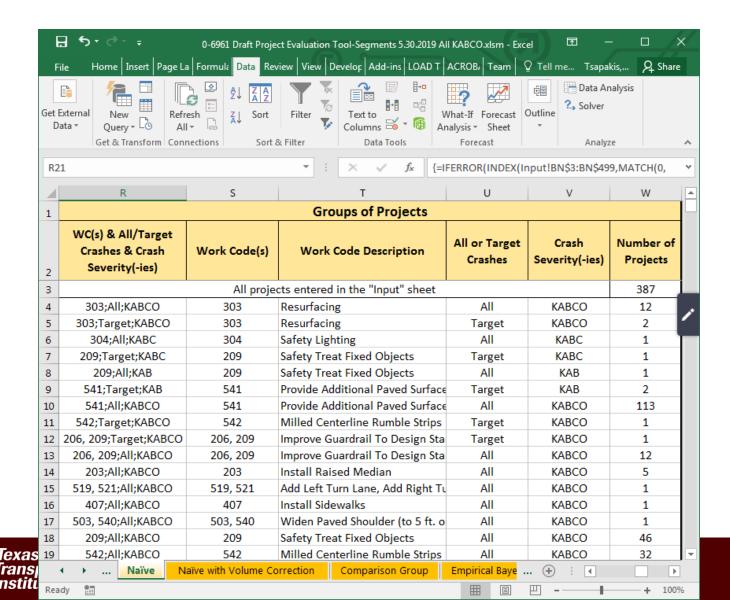
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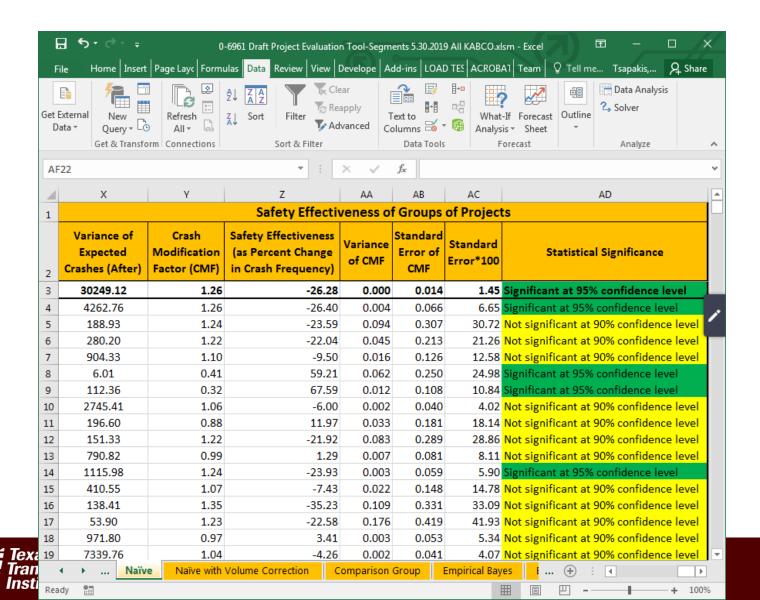












Effectiveness of Implemented HSIP Projects and WCs

Purpose: Evaluate safety and cost effectiveness of completed:

- Individual HSIP projects
 - 387 segment projects
 - 70 intersection projects
- WCs
 - 46 segment WCs
 - 21 intersection WCs



Evaluated Crash Types

- All KABCO crashes
- All KABC crashes
- All KAB crashes
- Target KABCO crashes
- Target KABC crashes
- Target KAB crashes



Safety Effectiveness Evaluation Results for Individual Segment Projects

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Saf	Safety Effectiveness of Individual Projects			Naïve with Vol. Correct.	EB	Percent of All
	θ<1.0	Effective	1,084	1,153	287	46.6%
	θ>1.0	Not effective	662	593	241	27.6%
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after = 0	Potentially Effective	405	405	144	17.6%
θ cannot be	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after > 0	Potentially Not effective	98	98	5	3.7%
determined	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after = 0	Effectiveness cannot be determined	73	73	23	3.1%
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	# Crashes after > 0	-	-	74	1.4%	
	Subtotal		2,322	2,322	774	100%
	Total			5,418		100%



Cost Effectiveness Evaluation Results for Individual Segment Projects

			Number	of Project E	valuations	
B/C Ratio of Individual Projects			Naïve	Naïve with Vol. Correct.	EB	Percent of All
	B/C>1.0	Effective	1,277	1,315	340	54%
	B/C<1.0	Not effective	874	836	271	37%
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after = 0	Potentially Effective	-	-	29	1%
B/C cannot	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after > 0	Potentially Not effective	98	98	37	4%
be	# Crashes before = 0	Effectiveness cannot be				
determined	# Crashes after = 0	determined	73	73	23	3%
	# Crashes before > 0	Effectiveness cannot be				
# Crashes after > 0 determined			-	-	74	1%
Subtotal			2,322	2,322	774	100%
	Total			5,418		100%



Top 10 Work Codes for Segments

WC(s)	WC Description	Sample Size
541	Provide Additional Paved Surface Width	115
209	Safety Treat Fixed Objects	48
502	Widen Lane(s)	39
542	Milled Centerline Rumble Strips	33
532	Milled Edgeline Rumble Strips	17
303	Resurfacing	14
532, 542	Milled Edgeline Rumble Strips, Milled Centerline Rumble Strips	14
206, 209	Improve Guardrail To Design Standards, Safety Treat Fixed Objects	13
201	Install Median Barrier	12
533, 542	Profile Edgeline Markings, Milled Centerline Rumble Strips	11



WC		CMF		Significance of CMF		B/C	
	Crash Type	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
	All KABCO	1.04	1.02	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	-21.4	-17.0
	All KABC	0.98	0.95	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	0.2	5.9
541 Provide Additional Paved	All KAB	0.92	0.90	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	15.3	17.7
Surface Width	Target KABCO	0.89	0.88	Sig.	Sig.	11.4	10.4
Sarrace Wiath	Target KABC	0.87	0.85	Sig.	Sig.	9.1	8.2
	Target KAB	0.82	0.81	Sig.	Sig.	12.8	11.1



WC		CMF		Significance of CMF		B/C	
	Crash Type	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
	All KABCO	1.00	0.85	Not Sig.	Sig.	-224.6	227.1
	All KABC	0.92	0.73	Not Sig.	Sig.	369.3	636.3
209 Safety Treat	All KAB	0.94	0.73	Not Sig.	Sig.	417.3	613.1
Fixed Objects	Target KABCO	0.93	0.77	Not Sig.	Sig.	142.1	209.9
	Target KABC	0.78	0.62	Sig.	Sig.	176.0	238.9
	Target KAB	0.84	0.65	Not Sig.	Sig.	146.6	196.8



wc			MF	Significance of CMF		B/C	
	Crash Type	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
	All Kabco	0.78	0.79	Sig.	Sig.	16.6	17.0
	All KABC	0.68	0.69	Sig.	Sig.	21.4	22.4
EO2 Widon Lang(s)	All KAB	0.55	0.56	Sig.	Sig.	27.3	27.6
502 Widen Lane(s)	Target KABCO	0.61	0.62	Sig.	Sig.	13.8	14.2
	Target KABC	0.56	0.57	Sig.	Sig.	18.0	18.7
	Target KAB	0.48	0.48	Sig.	Sig.	17.4	17.7



		CMF		Significance of CMF		B/C	
WC	Crash Type	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
	All KABCO	1.04	1.00	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	-530.4	-476.3
	All KABC	1.01	0.97	Not Sig.	Sig.	50.5	93.1
542 Milled	All KAB	0.90	0.85	Not Sig.	Sig.	145.8	193.7
Centerline Rumble Strips	Target KABCO	0.84	0.82	Sig.	Sig.	134.5	153.6
	Target KABC	0.80	0.77	Sig.	Sig.	154.0	174.4
	Target KAB	0.74	0.70	Sig.	Sig.	160.7	179.0



Evaluation Results for Top 4 Segment-Related WCs (Treated as One Group)

		CMF		Significance of CMF		B/C	
WC	Crash Type	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
	All KABCO	1.03	0.97	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	-18.4	-1.7
	All KABC	0.97	0.90	Not Sig.	Sig.	40.3	70.2
Top 4 WCs as a	All KAB	0.91	0.83	Sig.	Sig.	59.4	80.7
Single Group (235 projects)	Target KABCO	0.87	0.83	Sig.	Sig.	10.4	12.9
	Target KABC	0.82	0.77	Sig.	Sig.	31.6	37.7
	Target KAB	0.78	0.73	Sig.	Sig.	31.5	35.7



Safety Effectiveness Evaluation Results for Intersection Projects

			Number o	f Project Ev	valuations	
Safety Effectiveness of Individual Projects			Naïve	Naïve with Vol. Correct.	EB	Percent of All
	θ<1.0	Effective	194	209	73	48.6%
	θ>1.0	Not effective	139	124	41	31.0%
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after = 0	Potentially Effective	34	34	12	8.2%
θ cannot be	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after > 0	Potentially Not effective	26	26	6	5.9%
determined	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after = 0	Effectiveness cannot be determined	27	27	8	6.3%
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after > 0	Effectiveness cannot be determined	_	-	-	0.0%
Subtotal			420	420 980	140	100%
	Total					100%



Cost Effectiveness Evaluation Results for Intersection Projects

				Number of Project Evaluations			
B/C Ratio of Individual Projects			Naïve	Naïve with Vol. Correct.	EB	Percent of All	
	B/C>1.0 Effective		199	216	71	50%	
	B/C<1.0	Not effective	168	151	49	38%	
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after = 0	Potentially Effective	-	-	1	0%	
B/C cannot	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after > 0	Potentially Not effective	26	26	9	6%	
be determined	# Crashes before = 0 # Crashes after = 0	Effectiveness cannot be determined	27	27	8	6%	
	# Crashes before > 0 # Crashes after > 0	Effectiveness cannot be determined	_	_	2	0%	
Subtotal			420	420	140	100%	
Total			980			100%	



Intersection WCs

Work Code	Work Code Description	Sample Size			
108	Improve Traffic Signals	26			
107	Install Traffic Signal	13			
105	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon	7			
105, 305	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, Safety Lighting at Intersection	4			
519	Add Left Turn Lane	3			
108, 508, 519, 520	Improve Traffic Signals, Realign Intersection, Add Left Turn Lane, Lengthen Left Turn Lane	2			
132, 305	Install Advance Warning Signals, Signs, Safety Lighting	1			
108, 132	Improve Traffic Signals, Install Advance Warning Signals and Signs	1			
105, 307	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, High Friction Surface Treatment	1			
122	Install Advance Warning Signals (Existing Warning Signs)	1			
305, 520	Safety Lighting at Intersection, Lengthen Left Turn Lane	1			
107, 305	Install Traffic Signal, Safety Lighting at Intersection	1			
105, 521	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, Add Right Turn Lane	1			
105, 545	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, Transverse Rumble Strips	1			
108, 520	Improve Traffic Signals, Lengthen Left Turn Lane	1			
508	Realign Intersection	1			
108, 519	Improve Traffic Signals, Add Left Turn Lane	1			
132	Install Advance Warning Signals and Signs	1			
105, 519	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, Add Left Turn Lane	1			
105, 124	Install Intersection Flashing Beacon, Install Advance Warning Signals and Signs	1			
103, 124	(Intersection)				
305	Safety Lighting at Intersection	1			

	Crash Type	CMF		Significance of CMF		В/С	
wc		Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
108 Improve Traffic Signals	All KABCO	1.11	1.06	Sig.	Not Sig.	-848.6	-541.0
	All KABC	1.10	1.04	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	444.6	491.2
	All KAB	1.10	1.04	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	91.4	130.3
	Target KABCO	1.02	0.98	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	141.4	297.7
	Target KABC	1.03	0.98	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	227.5	239.5
	Target KAB	0.99	0.94	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	93.6	122.4



	Crash Type	CMF		Significance of CMF		B/C		
WC		Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	
	All KABCO	0.87	0.76	Not Sig.	Sig.	329.0	523.5	
	All KABC	0.71	0.61	Sig.	Sig.	691.7	938.3	
107 Install Traffic Signal	All KAB	0.49	0.42	Sig.	Sig.	737.3	963.9	
	Target KABCO	0.79	0.69	Sig.*	Sig.	281.5	415.3	
	Target KABC	0.65	0.55	Sig.	Sig.	578.2	770.8	
	Target KAB	0.43	0.36	Sig.	Sig.	601.5	779.1	

^{*}Statistically significant CMF at 90 percent confidence level.



Results for All 70 Intersection Projects

	Crash Type	CMF		Significance of CMF		в/С	
WC		Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.	Naïve	Naïve with Correct.
All 21 WCs as a Single Group (70 projects)	All KABCO	1.05	0.98	Not Sig.	Not Sig.	-256.0	-119.3
	All KABC	0.95	0.88	Not Sig.	Sig.	293.5	345.2
	All KAB	0.87	0.79	Not Sig.	Sig.	137.6	183.7
	Target KABCO	0.97	0.91	Not Sig.	Sig.*	83.4	159.1
	Target KABC	0.88	0.82	Sig.*	Sig.	188.9	221.5
	Target KAB	0.81	0.74	Sig.	Sig.	111.9	145.6
*Statistically significant CMF at 90 percent confidence level.							

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Implementation Recommendations

- Find missing data for completed HSIP projects
- Develop new CMFs
- Establish safety and cost effectiveness evaluation process, incorporate it into HSIP, and update TxDOT HSIP Manual
- Implement 0-6961 evaluation tools statewide
- Apply advanced data-driven evaluation methods (e.g., Empirical Bayes method)



Implementation Recommendations

- Assess the need for calibrating existing SPFs and develop new SPFs
- Assess the need for collecting more roadway inventory and other types of data
- Develop intersection inventory
- Update process of geolocating frontage road crashes in CRIS
- Save the version of RHiNo that is used to determine the distance from origin of each crash in CRIS



Thank You!

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