

The Importance of Data Collection on Traffic Crashes

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Le Xuan Han (2000-2008)





Asia occur among vulnerable road users.



ROAD INJURIES ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATHS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH AGED 5-29







Why is road crash data important?



- Understand the problem
- Plan effective interventions
- Advocate for action
 & investment



This is My Street campaign for International Children's Day (2018).



Data can help to



understand the **scope** of the problem



understand crash and injury trends



identify **risk** factors, high risk groups and locations



design effective programs and strategies



monitor and evaluate effectiveness



Data can help government & politicians to



illustrate magnitude of the problem



set targets and develop road safety action plans



demonstrate the **value** of unpopular policies



identify **problem location** and times for enforcement



win support and **demand** for safer roads



Why do we need motorcycle crash data?







Motorcyclists are:

- less visible
- share the road with cars and larger vehicles
- lack protection and are more prone to severe or fatal injury



What gets measured, gets managed.

-William Thomson, 1883





Estimated number of fatality, 2011-2020



How can we design effective countermeasures to save lives?



In the event of a crash, helmets are proven to reduce

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the risk of death by

serious head injury by





69%

42%



Vietnam National Child Helmet Action Plan (2015)

- Wide-scale public awareness campaigns
- School-led campaigns and policies
- Parent education in the

workplace

- Police Capacity Building
- Enhanced Patrolling &

Enforcement

Nationwide Child Helmet Wearing Rates











Road modifications at six primary schools in Pleiku and Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (2019):

- 10 zebra crossings/raised crosswalks
- 44 road markings
- 6 **speed bumps/**rumble strips
- 2 refuge islands
- 26 traffic signs
- 2 traffic warning lights
- 1,102.78 m2 of sidewalks



A sample school zone based on WRI designs



School	SR4S Rating Pre-modification	SR4S Rating Post-modification
Ket Doan Primary School	*	***
Mach Kiem Hung Secondary School	**	
Pham Van Chi Primary School	***	****
Hung Vuong Primary School	***	
Phan Dang Luu Primary School	**	****
Nguyen Luong Bang School	***	

The observed average speed of cars around school zones in Pleiku City, Vietnam reduced by **11 km/h.** Buses showed reductions of almost **20 km/h**.

Student self-reported crashes fell from 25.3% to 7.4%.



Safe Systems Approach





Questions?



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