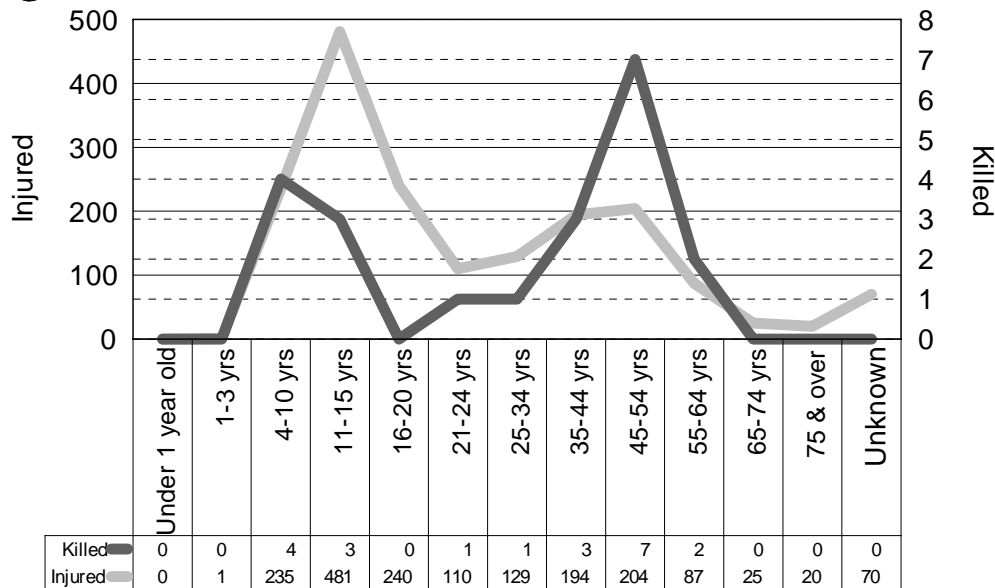




MICHIGAN BICYCLE CRASHES

2004 Bicycle Crash Information



In 2004 there were 2,246 bicyclists involved in motor vehicles crashes, with 21 bicyclists killed and 1,796 injured.

Children under 16 years of age accounted for 7 (33.3%) of the bicycle deaths in 2004.

BICYCLE HELMET USE AND INJURY SEVERITY

HELMET USE	Fatality	Injury			No Injury
		A	B	C	
Worn	1	14	47	52	16
Not Worn	10	72	273	237	90
Unknown	10	132	433	536	232
Total	21	218	753	825	338

The National Center for Statistics and Analysis of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration cites a study by the Centers for Disease Control [10] in giving us the following information: "Bicycle helmets are 85 to 88 percent effective in mitigating head and brain injuries in all types of bicycle accidents, making the use of helmets the **single most effective countermeasure** available to reduce head injuries and fatalities resulting from bicycle crashes."