

**SPECIAL CRASH INVESTIGATIONS
ADVANCED OCCUPANT PROTECTION CASES
October 1, 2001**

1. CASE TOTALS

1. Total Number of Cases:	56
2. Number of cases under active investigation:	47
3. Number of cases under review:	9
4. Number of cases available to the public:	0

2. VEHICLES BY MAKE

1. Ford	47
2. Lincoln	5
3. Honda	2
4. Toyota	1
5. Chrysler	1

3. IMPACT PLANE

1. Front	46
2. Left Side	1
3. Right Side	3
4. Side and Front	1
5. TBD	5

4. CASE SELECTION CRITERIA

February 2001 to Present

The crash configuration must be an impact where an advanced component is designed to protect the occupant(s). Not including back plane impacts.

The vehicle must be towed due to crash induced damage.

5. NHTSA CASE SUMMARY

The Advanced Occupant Protection Systems Study case summary can be viewed on the SCI internet web site at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/ncsa/sci.html>

6. COORDINATION OF INFORMATION WITH INDUSTRY

The agency is sharing the field data with those automobile manufactures that are currently sharing their technologies surrounding the advanced occupant protection systems available in their production vehicles.

Particularly noteworthy is the technical analysis of data recording device outputs. This

data has provided invaluable information relating to the occupant status, severity assessment, and deployment controls in researching crashes with advanced systems.