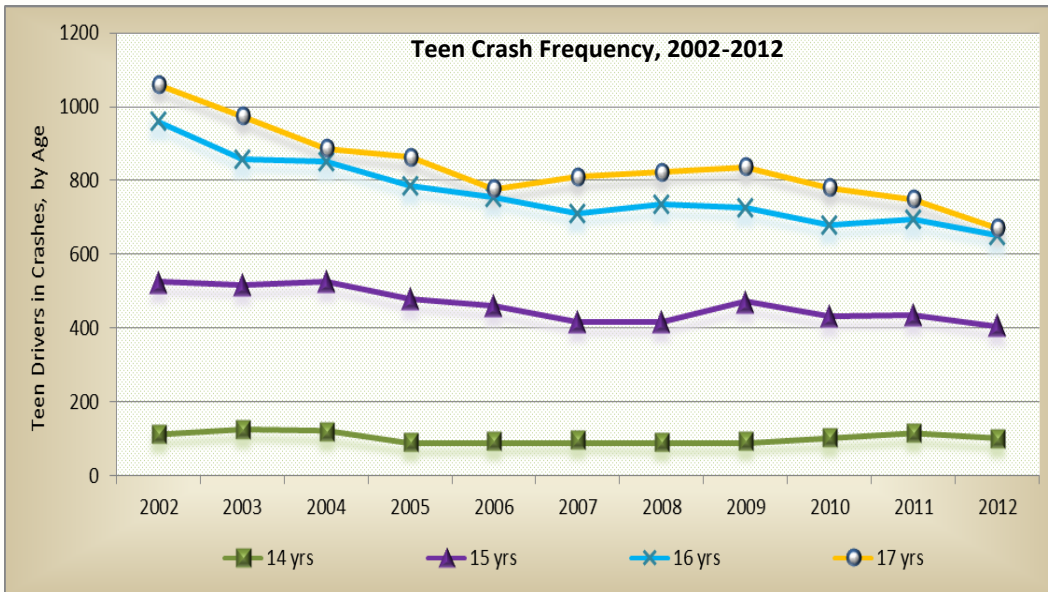
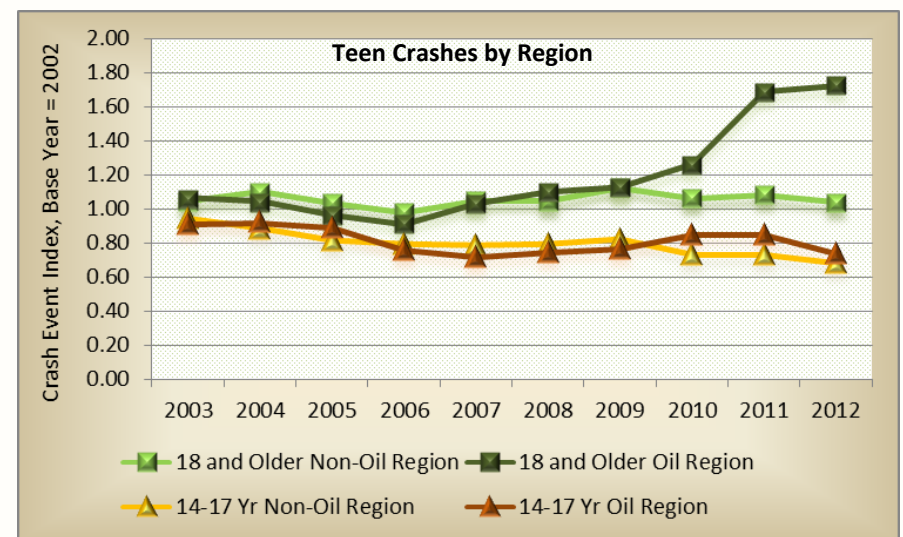
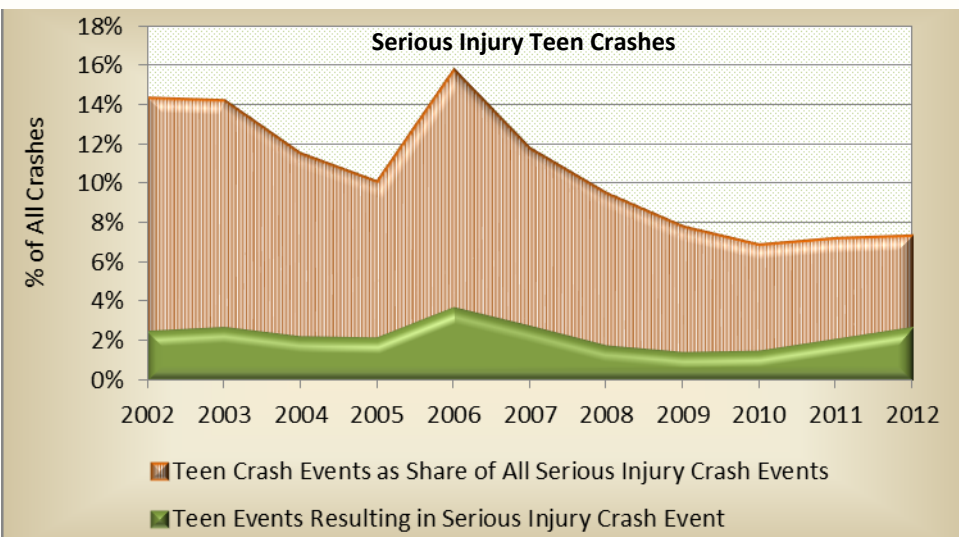
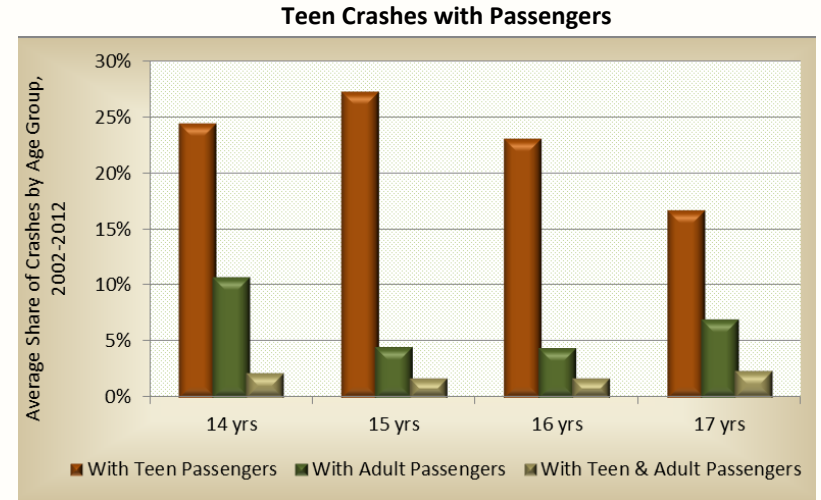


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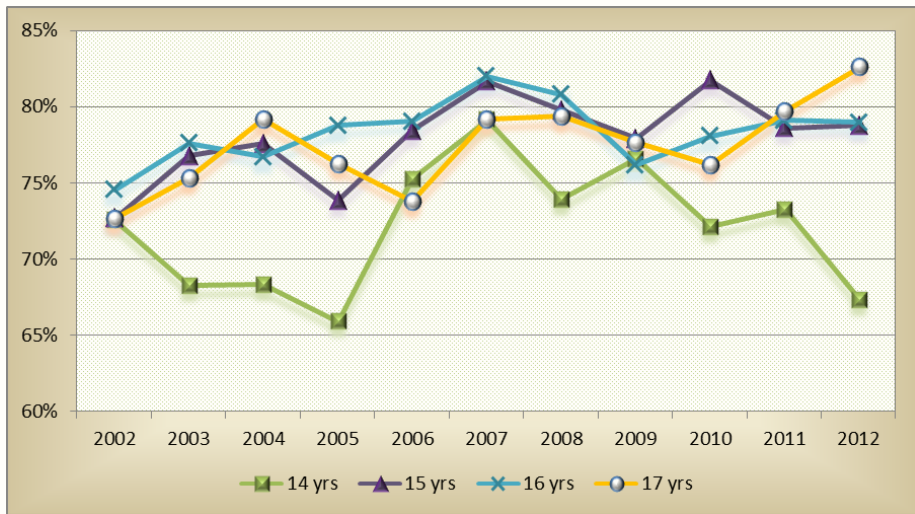


- Of the young driver group, 16- and 17-year old drivers experienced the most teen crashes, but also registered the largest reductions from 2002 to 2012- 32% and 37% respectively.
- 63% to 74% of teen crashes involve no passengers. When passengers are present, there are considerably fewer crashes with adult passengers than teen passengers.

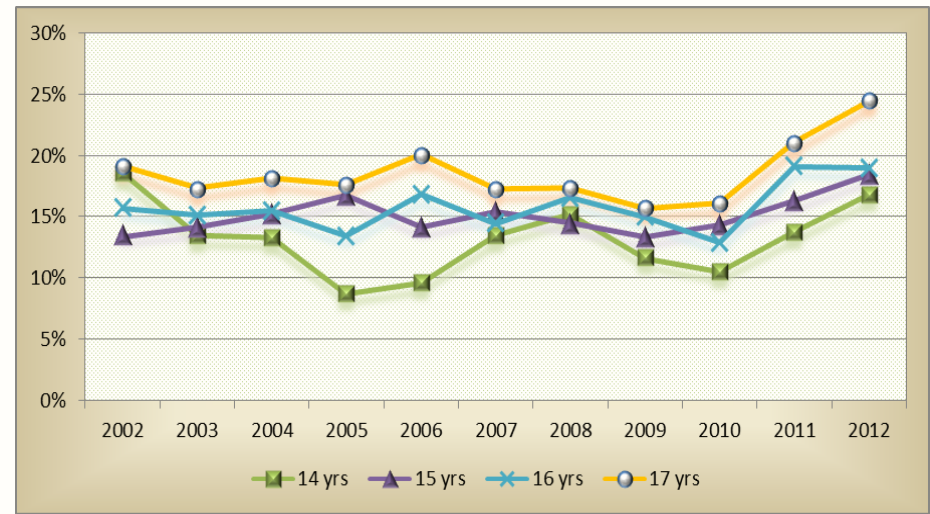
- Less than 3% of teen crashes resulted in serious injury in the past five years. However, teen crashes of this type represent a much larger share of all serious injury crashes, although that share has fallen by more than half since 2006.
- Teen crashes of drivers 18-years and older within the oil region have risen in comparison to the same driver group in non-oil counties.



Driver Seat Belt Use Rate in Crashes, by Age



Share of Teen Drivers in Crashes between 9 pm and 5 am, by Age



- Seat belt use in crashes by the youngest teen drivers (14 years) has shown the most fluctuation over time, as well as the lowest use rates.
- The older teen drivers experienced a greater share of crashes occurring between 9 pm and 5 am. One in four of the 17-year-old drivers were involved in nighttime crashes in 2012.
- North Dakota's graduated driver licensing law went into effect on January 1, 2012. The law changed the age of full driving privileges to 16 years. In addition, holding periods and supervised driving were extended, and nighttime driving restrictions implemented.

North Dakota Graduated Driver Licensing System			
	Existing Law	GDJ Law	
	Applies to probationary license issued:		
	Before December 31, 2011	After January 1, 2012	Recommended
Phase I: Learner			
Minimum Age			
<i>With Driver Ed</i>	14 years		
<i>Without Driver Ed</i>	16 years		
Minimum holding period	<16 years - 6 months		6 months
Supervised driving		< 16 years - 50 hours in addition to formal driver ed requirement	60 hours and 10 hours night driving
Phase II: Restricted			
Minimum Age			
<i>With Driver Ed</i>		15 years for parent restricted license	16 years
<i>Without Driver Ed</i>			
Minimum holding period		< 16 years - 12 months; otherwise 6 months or until age 18 (whichever comes first)	12 months
Supervised driving			
Cell phone use while driving			
<i>Talking</i>	< 18 years calling		Prohibited
<i>Texting</i>	Prohibited		Prohibited
Nighttime driving restrictions		< 16 years - Sunset or 9 pm (whichever is later) - 5 a.m. (see note)	No solo night driving
Passengers			Prohibited (except family)
Phase III: Full privilege			
Minimum Age	14 ½ years - 6 hours with certified trainer	16 years	18 years

Note: Exceptions driving to and from work, school and religious activities.

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