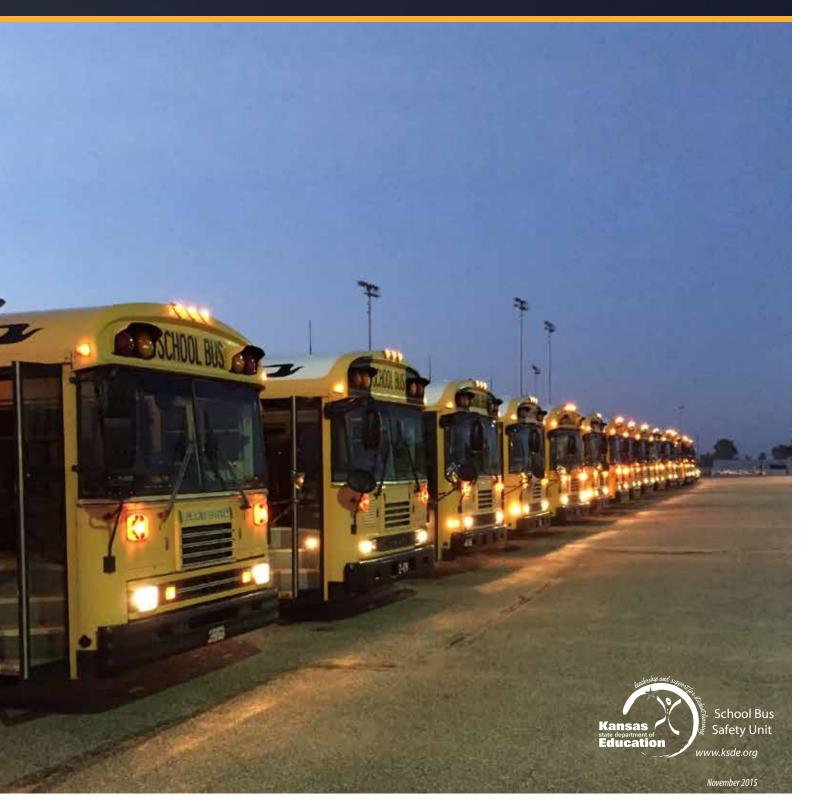
# 2014-2015 NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS LOADING AND UNLOADING SURVEY



The National School Bus Loading and Unloading Survey is a collection of fatality accident records provided by the state agencies responsible for school transportation safety and/or accident records\*. Only those fatalities involving school children in or around the loading or unloading areas of a school bus or transit bus are included in this survey. On-board fatalities are excluded.

This survey is provided annually to the school transportation industry in an effort to alert individuals and organizations of the dangers involved in loading and unloading school children. Fatalities continue to occur at the bus stop, caused by a variety of circumstances and errors on the part of the school bus driver or passing motorist. It points out the continuing need for forceful, advanced instruction to school bus drivers and students, as well as the need to increase our efforts to thoroughly inform the driving public about the requirements of the school bus stop law.

\* Numbers are only as accurate as the reporting agency has provided.

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Please note, that this edition (National School Bus Loading and Unloading 2014-2015) is only available online. Please feel free to reproduce and utilize the survey data as desired, as it is provided specifically for this purpose.



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# Reports of Fatalities by State: 2014-2015

#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

 A 16-year-old female was crossing the roadway to load onto her bus. The bus had the stop arm and eight-way lights activated. An oncoming vehicle did not stop. The vehicle struck and killed the student.

## KENTUCKY

 A 10-year-old male had unloaded from his bus and proceeded to walk down the embankment beside the roadway. The student then walked back onto the road and was struck by the right rear dual wheels of the bus as it pulled forward.

#### NEW MEXICO

 A 7-year-old male had unloaded from his bus. The Bus stop is off the traveled portion of the roadway, and the bus did not have its stop arm and eight-ways lights activated. The student ran across the roadway in front of the bus and was struck by a passing vehicle.

#### **ARKANSAS**

• A 12-year-old female had unloaded from her bus and was crossing the roadway. The bus had the stop arm and eight-way lights activated. An oncoming vehicle did not stop. The vehicle struck and killed the student.

#### 50 States and Washington, D.C. Surveyed\*

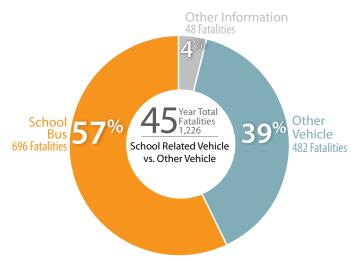
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Number reporting fatalities	8	5	7	4
Number reporting no fatalities	43	46	42	46
Number not Reporting	0	0	2	1

Total Fatalities: 4

\* Washington D.C. did not respond to the survey.

# Vehicle and Destination

# School Related Vehicle vs. Other Vehicle



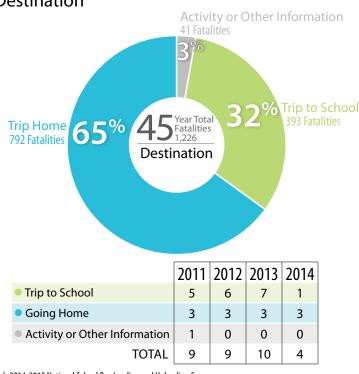
## School Children Killed by Vehicle Passing School Bus

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Other Vehicle	6	6	6	3
<ul> <li>Other Information</li> </ul>	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6	6	6	3

## School Children's Position when Killed by School Bus

SCHOOL BUS:	2011	2012	2013	2014
Front	2	1	3	0
Back	1	2	1	1
TOTAL	3	3	4	1

# Destination



#### Vehicle Type

1 2012 0	2013 0	2014 1
•	0	1
0		
0	0	0
3	3	0
0	1	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
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## Objects Caught, Dropped Objects or Fell Down

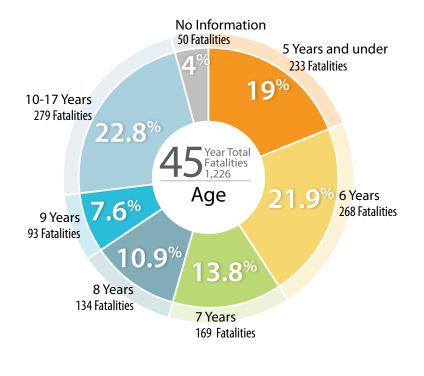
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Object caught in:				
Handrail	0	0	0	0
Closed Door	0	0	0	0
Dropped Object	1	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	0	0	0

#### Location of Fatality

	2011	2012	2013	2014
SCHOOL BUS STOP:				
Walking/Running to a.m.	2	2	5	0
• Walking/Running from p.m.	2	1	0	1
<ul> <li>Waiting a.m.</li> </ul>	3	5	1	1
Loading a.m.	0	0	0	0
Unloading p.m.	2	1	3	2
SCHOOL GROUND:				
Unloading a.m.	0	0	1	0
Loading p.m.	0	0	0	0
Road, Street or Highway	0	0	0	0
• Other	0	0	0	0
No Information	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

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# Age and Gender of Fatalities



		2011	2012	2013	2014
ger	1 years	0	1	0	0
/oun	2 years	0	0	0	0
5 years and younger	3 years	0	0	0	0
ears	4 years	0	0	0	0
5 y	5 years	0	1	0	0
	6 years	0	0	5	0
	7 years	0	2	0	1
	8 years	0	1	1	0
	9 years	0	0	1	0
	10 years	1	1	0	1
	11 years	5	1	0	0
rs	12 years	1	1	0	1
10-17 Years	13 years	1	0	0	0
0-17	14 years	0	1	1	0
1	15 years	0	0	0	0
	16 years	0	0	0	1
	17 years	1	0	2	0
	No information	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	9	9	10	4

# Gender of Fatality

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Female	4	4	3	2
Male	5	5	7	2
Number not reporting	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4



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# Day, Month and Area Conditions

## Day of the Week Fatality Occurred

(2014 only)				
Day:	Fatalities			
Monday	2			
Tuesday	0			
Wednesday	0			
Thursday	2			
Friday	0			
Saturday	0			
Sunday	0			
Unknown	0			

#### Month of Fatality

	2011	2012	2013	2014
January	0	1	1	0
February	0	2	3	0
March	1	1	0	2
April	2	1	3	0
May	0	1	1	0
June	0	0	0	0
July	0	0	0	0
August	0	0	0	0
September	1	1	0	0
October	1	1	1	1
November	1	0	0	0
December	3	1	1	1
Unknown	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

## Light Conditions

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Dawn	2	2	2	1
Dusk	1	0	0	0
Daylight	4	3	5	3
Dark	2	4	3	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

# Weather Conditions

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Clear	7	7	6	4
Cloudy	0	1	1	0
Cloudy/ Raining	0	0	1	0
Rain	1	1	1	0
Snow/ Sleet/Ice	0	0	0	0
Fog	1	0	1	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

## **Road Conditions**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Dry	7	8	7	4
Wet	2	1	3	0
Snow/ Slush	0	0	0	0
lce/Snow Packed	0	0	0	0
Mud/Dirt/ Sand	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

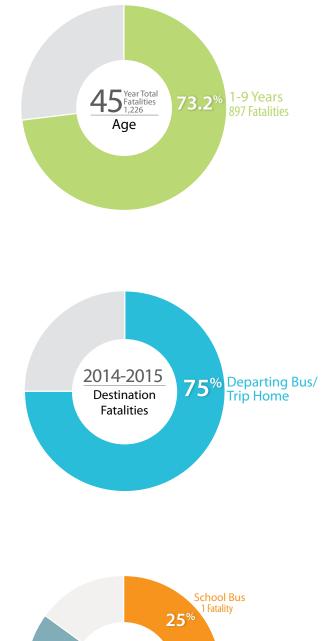
# Area Fatality Occurred

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Urban	3	1	8	1
Rural	6	8	2	3
No Information	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4

# Road Type

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Gravel	1	1	0	0
City Street	1	0	4	1
State Highway	2	6	2	3
Federal Highway	1	0	0	0
Interstate	0	0	0	0
County Road	4	2	0	0
Other	0	0	4	0
TOTAL	9	9	10	4



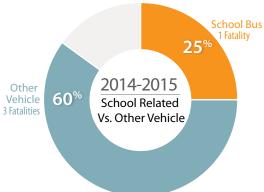


Survey Summary:

 During the past 45 years the largest percentage of fatalities, 73.2% (897 fatalities), occurred to students 1-9 years of age.

In 2014-2015:

- Students departing from the bus or on their way home involved 75% of all fatalities.
- 25% of fatalities were attributed to the school bus. Those involving the "other vehicle" were 60%.



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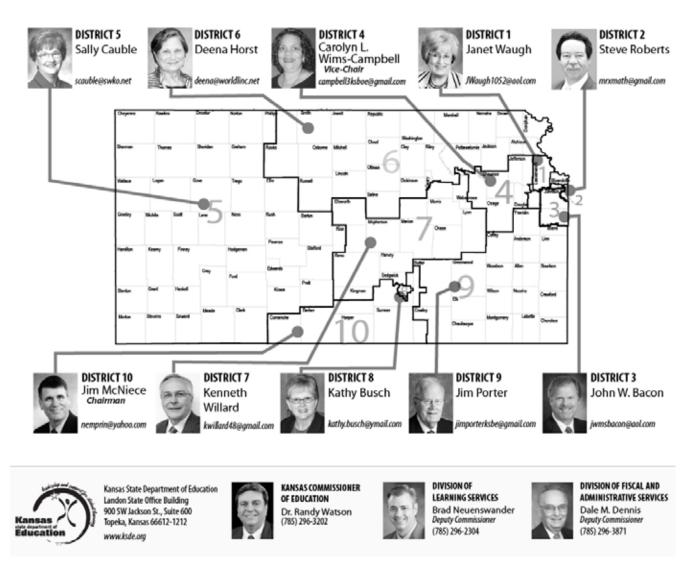
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