



Combining Behavioral Safety Theory and Telematics

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Session Objectives

Examine the challenge of managing performance systematically

Discuss the synthesis of actionable insights from reliable data

Explore Telematics as a process data source

Describe use of Root Cause Analysis for systematic management of aggressive driving events

Elements of Well Performing Fleet Programs

- Select drivers based on their history and ability to perform the job
- Establish and communicate expectations on how jobs should be performed
- **Monitor performance against the expectations**
- **Identify systemic barriers to expected performance**
- **Adjust systems to support performance expected**
- Document actions taken as policy

A Metropolitan Service Fleet...

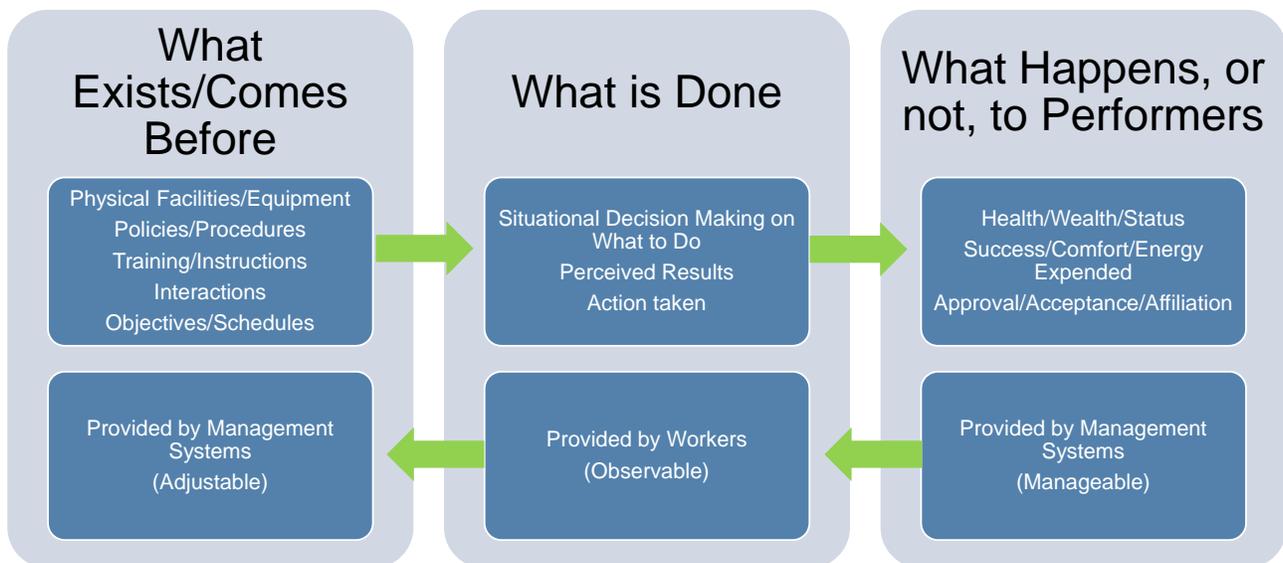
Scenario	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The business is known for service excellence▪ The drivers are service experts & have regular customers▪ Bad weather is forecast	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Drivers are told to stay off slick roads▪ Postpone service calls until conditions permit▪ “Catch-up” on customer commitments “ASACP”

What Driving Performance Might Result?

People in organizations get *complex* behavioral influence from the systems with which they work

Behaviors that occur are precisely what the systems support – no more, no less

Performance in Organizations



Reducing Risk in Complex Systems...*

Old View

Complex Systems are not safe
The primary cause of accidents is from
Human Error is a Cause of Accidents

OR

New View

Complex Systems are not basic
People are negotiating multiple issues
Human Error is a Symptom of Deeper Issues

“For a long time, people were saying that most accidents were due to human error and this is true in a sense but it's not very helpful. It's a bit like saying that falls are due to gravity.”

Dr. Trevor Kletz

*Dekker, Sidney; The Field Guide to Human Error Investigations, Ashgate Publishing Company 2002

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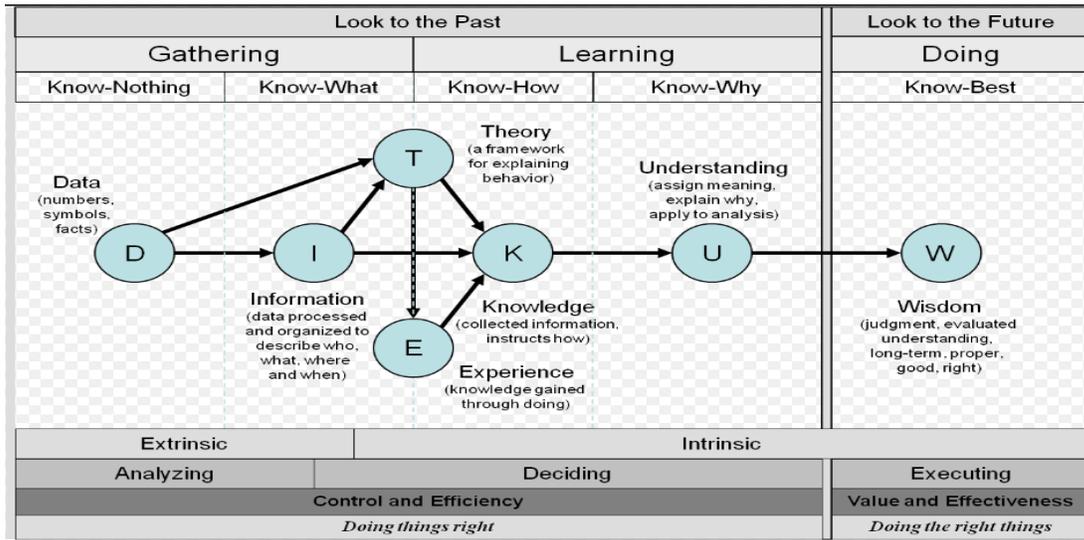
Probing Process Failures – What is needed?

- A steady stream of data on their occurrence
- Context for situations in which they occur
- Process for understanding situational contributing factors to them
- Strategies for mitigating contributing factors at their source

**Telematics provide continuous, real-time data on driving process failures.
More is needed to optimize their value to vehicle fleet operations**

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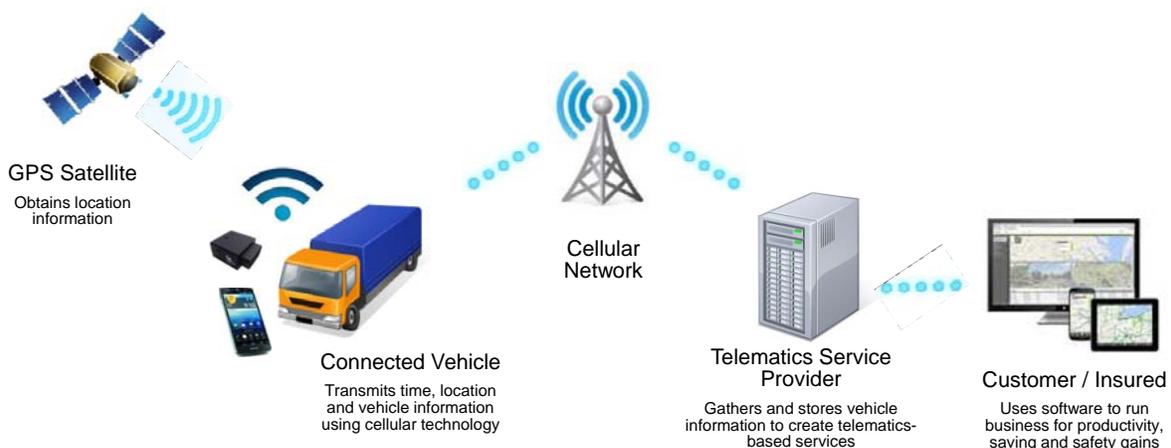
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Telematics Overview

Information

Connectivity

Intelligence



Technology Platforms

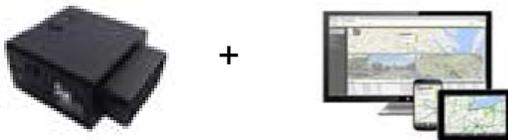
Smart Phone App or App tethered to OBDII



After Market Hardwired Professionally Installed Devices



Self Installed OBDII Device



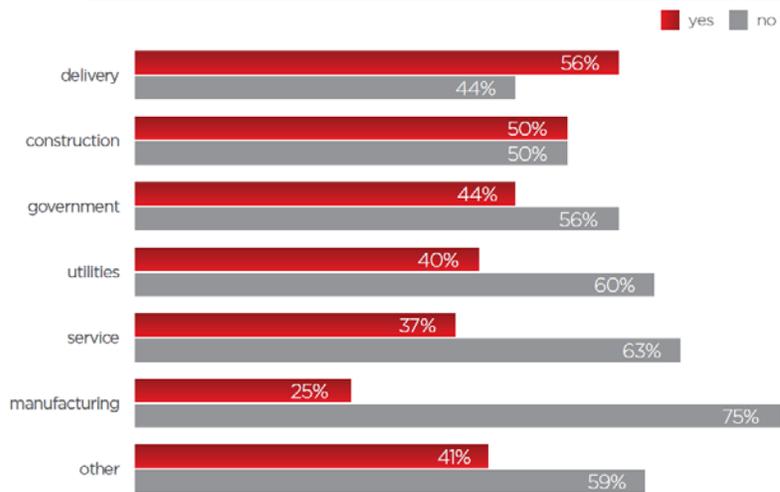
OEM Built-In Solutions



Telematics Adoption Rate by Industry



adoption rate by **INDUSTRY**:

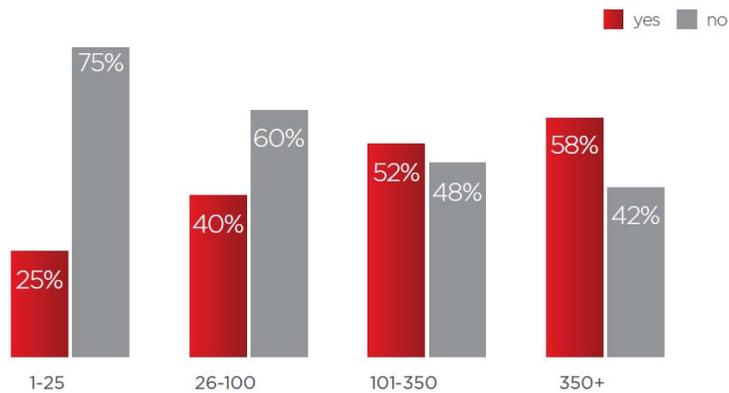


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Telematics Adoption by Fleet Size



adoption rate by **FLEET SIZE**:



*based on 500
survey respondents

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Defining Needs or Objectives for Telematics

- Work productivity
- Fleet management
- Driver performance
- Fuel economy
- Vehicle location
- Security
- Route compliance

Work Productivity

- Map all your vehicles in one view
- Real-time vehicle location and exception reporting
- Route optimization and turn-by-turn directions
- Rerouting with real-time weather and traffic updates
- Customized geo-fencing to identify mapped areas of interest
- Text-to-speech and speech-to-text messaging

Fleet Management

- Engine diagnostics and scheduled maintenance alerts
- Accident notification and emergency services request
- Integration with back-office payroll and accounting systems
- Hours of service reporting

Driver performance

- Driver and fleet level reporting
- Reports with drivers ranked or scored based on performance
- Real-time exception notification of hard braking, swerving, and speeding events
- Customized thresholds for exception notifications
- Seat belt usage information
- Feedback capabilities and coaching modules for drivers and managers

Fuel Economy

- Excessive idling alerts
- Fuel consumption and fuel tank level monitoring
- Speed monitoring (set limits and MPH compared to posted)

Location and Security

- Search feature to find vehicles, drivers or a location
- Stolen vehicle assistance
- Back up battery and data recovery systems

Selecting a vendor

- Identify vendors that can meet your needs/objectives
- Review sample reports to verify they will provide you with tools for employee discussions
- Review the amount of data you will get to avoid being overwhelmed with individual notifications
- Look at scorecards that provide aggressive events per miles driven by driver and fleet
- Look for vendors that will let you test their products prior to buying or entering into a contract

Aggressive Events

- Speeding can be measured in multiple ways
- Speed vs. posted limits frequently used
- Harsh acceleration may not tell much about large trucks
- Cornering is measured in G force
- Braking shows rapid speed changes
- Parameters are adjustable (speed and time prior to becoming an event)
- Parameter tolerance should be based on operations and equipment
- Comparing fleets requires similar parameters to provide a valid benchmark

Compliance vs. Measuring Risk

- Speed risk from open interstate driving
- Running yellow lights vs. stopping
- Sudden stops can avoid a crash and be a good thing
- Focus on event rates rather than individual events

Telematics Service Provider (TSP) Scorecards

- Scorecards can identify aggressive drivers
- Understand the scoring methodology (algorithm)
- A group of aggressive drivers can look average or one average driver can look aggressive depending on the comparisons
- Group like operations and similar vehicles when comparing performance (don't assume the TSP knows your operation that well)

Selecting a TSP

- Identify vendors based on achieving your objective
- Review sample reports to verify they will provide you with tools for employee discussions
- Review the amount of data you will get to avoid being overwhelmed with individual notifications
- Look at scorecards and web sites for ease of use
- Look for aggressive events per miles driven by driver and for the fleet
- Understand event parameters and if they can be adjusted
- Look for vendors that will let you test their products prior to buying or entering into a contract

Calculating Event Rates

- Events per 100 miles common
- Type of event (speed, braking, cornering and acceleration)
- % of time over posted

Event Rate Outliers

- Understand how your equipment works
- Management should have or test devices
- Review the range of event rates
- Compare a driver to the median or middle of the pack driver
- Establish company goals

Aggressive Event Rates- Example 100 Vehicle Fleet

Root Cause Analysis Group

Vehicle Number	Event rate per 100 Miles
Vehicle 1	44.5
Vehicle 2	11.9
Vehicle 3	9.8
Vehicle 4	7.5
Vehicle 5	6.9
Vehicle 6	6.9
Vehicle 7	6.6
Minimum	0.0
Maximum	44.5
Median	1.6
Mean	2.5

* Minimum rates may include low or zero mile vehicles

Root Cause Analysis for Outliers

- Effectiveness of past coaching discussions and in vehicle observations
- Motor Vehicle Record (MVR)
- Driving Expectations
- Driver Knowledge
- Vehicle and Work Experience
- Fatigue
- Scheduling
- Routing
- Compensation Systems

Root Cause Analysis for Outliers

- Data Integrity/Telematics Device Performance
- Consequences for Performance
- Driver Outside Work Responsibilities/Situations
- Multiple Jobs
- Commuting Times
- On Time Departure at Start Of Work Day
- Distractions
- Vehicle Condition
- Breaks and Lost Time During The Work Day
- Work Flow or Scheduling Exceptions
- Health and Wellness

Setting Company Goals

- Look at the range of performance between drivers
- Understand the average and median scores
- Set realistic company goals for performance
- Use benchmarks from a telematics service provider if they exist
- Develop a plan to improve the drivers most in need of improvement
- Track goals over the course of the year for the company or each location

Developing Individual Action Plans

- Have expectations for the operation of vehicles
- Compare drivers to the median, average and company goals
- Involve supervisors in coaching
- Provide regular feedback
- Avoid distracting the driver while in the vehicle
- Avoid setting unrealistic expectations (“I ran the red light to avoid a hard brake”)
- Develop a culture of friendly competition
- Recognize the very best and use them as an example of what is possible

Process Summary

- Obtain event data and miles
- Calculate event rates
- Identify outliers
- Use root cause analysis
- Track fleet results over time

Vehicle	Miles	Events	Rate per 100 miles
Driver 1	49.48	22	44.5
Driver 2	293.7	35	11.9
Driver 3	10.23	1	9.8

Highest company driver
 Middle/average company driver (median not mean)
 Lowest company driver



Where does it belong

Last Year	This Year
2.9	2.2