



# Improving the Information and Decision Support system

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# SAMS Overview

- **Goals**
- **Data**
- **Security**
- **SAMS Web Application Overview**
  - Query
  - Analysis
  - Reports
  - Administration
- **Architecture**

# What are the Goals?

## NUMBER 1 Goal!!!

Help Reduce Fatal and Injury  
Producing Crashes!



# What are the Goals for SAMS?

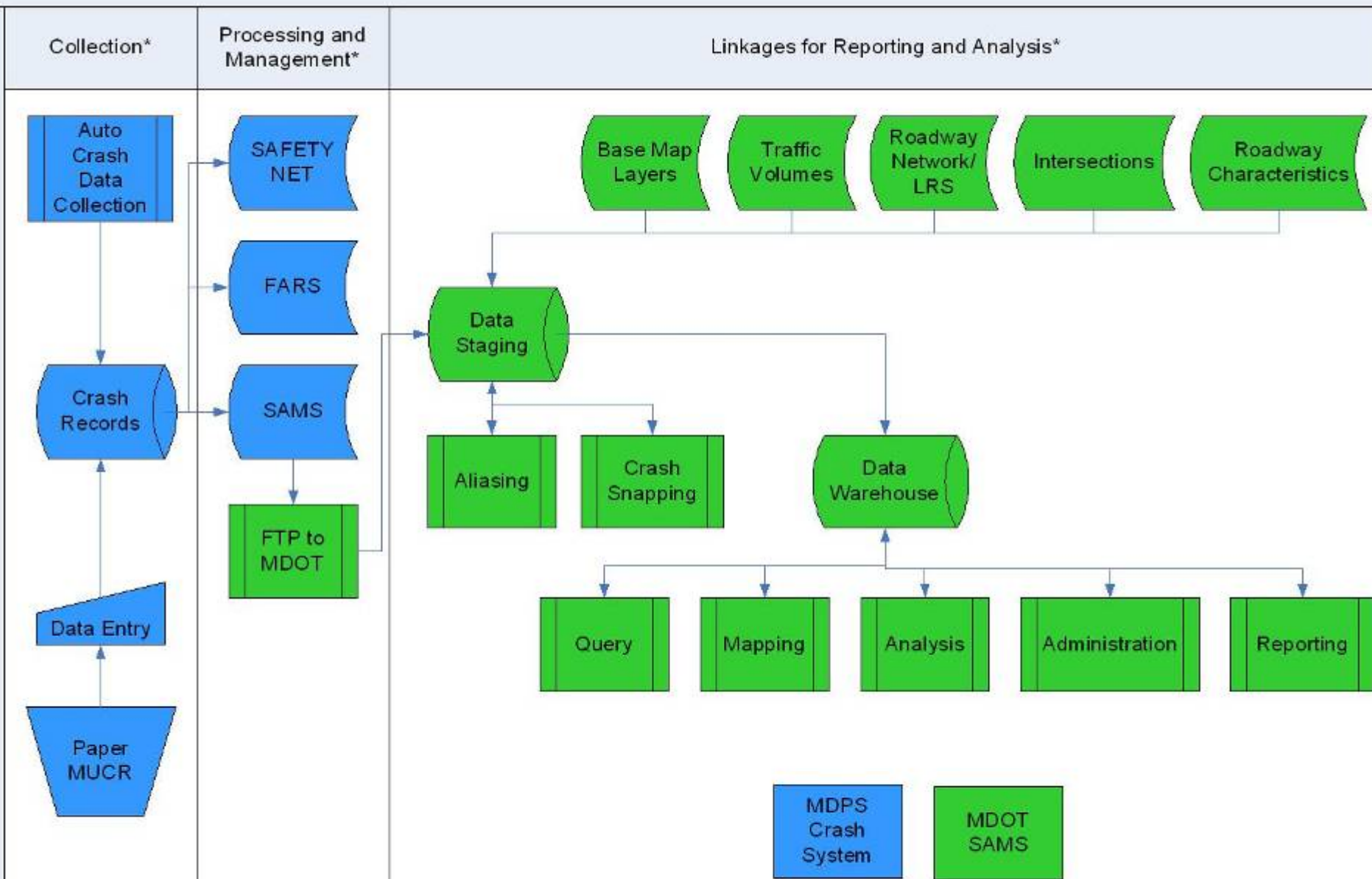
- Help Reduce Fatal and Injury Producing Crashes
- Quickly Identify Locations with Opportunity
- Identify Countermeasures for Individual Locations and for the entire Road Systems
- Evaluate Highway Safety Improvement Program and Projects

# Data Layers and Sources

- **MS Dept of Public Safety**
  - Crash Data
  - Narratives
  - Crash Diagrams
- **NCHRP Report 500 Series**
  - Crash Reduction Factors
- **NHTSA**
  - FARS
- **TeleAtlas**
  - Local Roads (Line work and RWC)
- **Planning Division - MDOT**
  - Road Network
  - Roadway Characteristics
  - Traffic Volumes
- **Traffic Eng Division – MDOT**
  - Sign Data
- **Research Division – MDOT**
  - Pavement Data
- **Bridge Division – MDOT**
  - Bridge Data



# MS Crash Records System



\* Three areas that can define the success of a crash records system, adapted from *NCHRP Synthesis 350: Crash Records Systems*

# MDPS Crash Data Extraction and Transfer

## ● MDPS ReportBeam Crash Data

- MS Access format
- Output nightly from ReportBeam system
- Incremental data from last 24 hours
- Uploaded to MDPS website

## ● SAMS Data Staging Service

- Runs as windows service from webserver
- Utilizes Oracle DBMS Job scheduled nightly
- Download MDPS Access file
- Email notification of nightly completion

# SAMS Data Loading

## ● Staging service core components

- Oracle package
- Initial load into staging schema
- Aliasing (city, streets)
- Snapping
  - Locates data on state maintained system
  - 8 snapping methods utilized
  - Involves dynamic segmentation processes
- SAMS attribute population
- Promotion to SAMS warehouse
- Logging and Notification via email



# SAMS Security Module

- Ties into MDOT Active Directory (AD)
- Relies on SAMS Group assignment in AD
  - Admin, Power User, User, Data Maintainer
- Geographic Restrictions set by State Safety Engineer
- Allows VPN access for local FHWA rep, etc.
- Controls application display to end user
- Site and User Tracking (future)

# SAMS Web Application Overview

- Query
- Mapping
- Reports
- Data Grid
- Analysis
- Admin

The screenshot shows the SAMS web application running in Microsoft Internet Explorer. The browser window title is "MDOT Safety Analysis Management System (SAMS) - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar shows "http://prc52179s/sams/". The page features a blue and green color scheme with a background image of a road at night. On the left is a vertical navigation bar with the SAMS logo (a green map of Mississippi inside a blue circle with "Safety Analysis Management System" text). The main content area has a header with the MDOT logo and "MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION". Below the header, there are two columns of menu items: "SAMS" (Query, Reports, Analysis, Administrator) and "ABOUT SAMS" (Contacts, What's New, User Feedback, Help). A "What's New for SAMS" section contains a bullet point about browser requirements. At the bottom, there is a copyright notice for 2006 and links for "Read the SOA Usage Disclaimer" and "Browser Setup".

**SAMS**

- Query
- Reports
- Analysis
- Administrator

**ABOUT SAMS**

- Contacts
- What's New
- User Feedback
- Help

**What's New for SAMS**

- To use SAMS you will need Microsoft Internet Explorer version 5.2 or higher. You will also need to load a plugin and make a few minor settings tweaks. Please follow the instructions by clicking the "Browser Setup" from the bottom page or [setup\\_instruction\\_page](#) to setup your computer for use with SAMS. This process will need to be run through once on each new machine that you use to access SAMS.

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# Attribute Queries



Select a Query : ?  
Basic Query

- [Geographic Area](#) ?
- [Date/Time](#) ?
- [Crash](#) ?
- [Vehicle](#) ?
- [Person](#) ?
- [Road](#) ?

[Query Summary](#) ?

Select a query type and category from the menu to the left.



Select a Query : ?  
Basic Query  
Basic Query  
Advanced Query  
Homogeneous Int.  
Homogeneous Sec.  
Saved Queries  
Saved Results

Output Options: ?  Statistics Only  Map  Data

[Reset](#) [Submit](#)



Select a Query : ?  
Basic Query

- Geographic Area ?
- Date/Time ?
- Crash ?
- Vehicle ?
- Person ?
- Road ?

**Query Summary ?**

**District:**  
Batesville

**County:**  
Benton [5]

**City:**  
Brody

**Crash Location:**  
Roadway

**Roadway System:**  
Interstate

Area of Interest

District: Batesville  
Hattiesburg  
McComb

County: Attala [4]  
Benton [5]  
Calhoun [7]

City: Ashland  
Bethel  
Brody

Query By Interactive Map ?

Build SQL  
Show XML

Street/Route

SAMS Route ID:  ...

Traffic Flow Direction: East  
North  
South

Query for NULL SAMS Route ID

Intersecting Street/Route

SAMS Intersecting Route ID:  ...

Intersection: Select option

Query for NULL SAMS Intersecting Route ID

Crash Location

Crash Location: Roadway  
Off-Roadway  
Median

Intersection Type: Crossover  
Driveway  
Five-point or more

Roadway System: City Street  
County Road  
Interstate

Output Options : ?  Statistics Only  Map  Data

Reset Submit



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Basic Query
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- Date/Time ?
- Crash ?
- Vehicle ?
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- Road ?
- Query Summary ?

**Vehicle Related**

Vehicle Action: Avoidance Backing Going Straight

Pre-Crash Direction of Travel: E (East) N (North) NE (Northeast)

Speed Zone: min:  max:

Vehicle Configuration: ATV Commercial Bus Emergency Vehicle

Initial Contact:

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**Roadway/Control Related**

Divided: Select option

Device Functioning?: Select option

Road Character: Begin/End Divided Road Bridge Crossover

Road Surface Type: Asphalt Concrete Dirt

Bikeway Type: None Signed Right Only

Center Turn Lane: Select option

Road Design: 1 Lane 2 Lane 3 Lane

Traffic Control Device: Channel-Painted Channel-Physical Flag Person

**Commercial Vehicle Related**

HAZMAT Released: Select option

Cargo Body Type: Grain/Chips/Gravel Flatbed Pole/Log

Output Options: ?  Statistics Only  Map  Data

**Reset** **Submit**





# Spatial Query

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**Select a Query :** Basic Query

**Geographic Area**

**Date/Time**

**Crash**

**Vehicle**

**Person**

**Road**

**Query Summary**

**District:** Batesville

**County:** Benton [5]

**City:** Brody

**Crash Location:** Roadway

**Roadway System:** Interstate

**Area of Interest**

District: Batesville  
Hattiesburg  
McComb

County: Attala [4]  
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Bethel  
Brody

**Query By Interactive Map**

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Show XML

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County Road  
Interstate

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**Reset** **Submit**

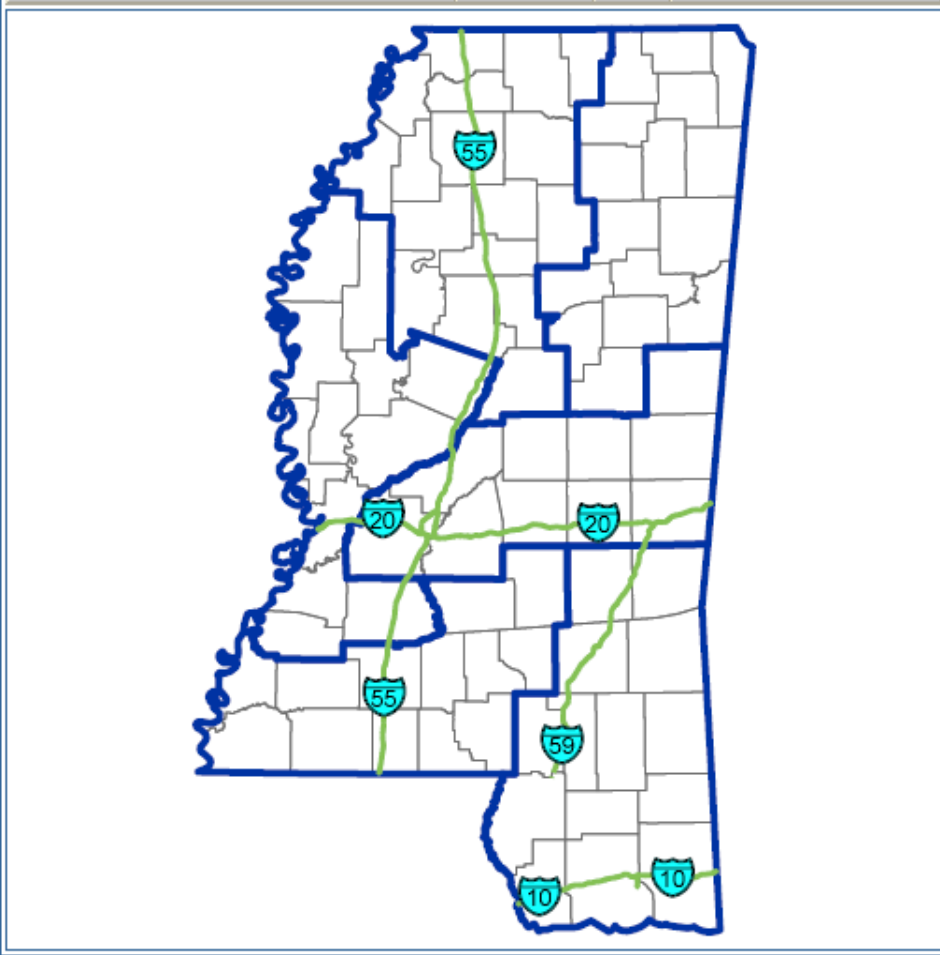
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Select a Query : ?  
Basic Query

- Geographic Area ?
- Date/Time ?
- Crash ?
- Vehicle ?
- Person ?
- Road ?

Query Summary ?



### Query by Geographic Area Interactive Map Options

Query by User-Defined:

--Select Option --

Submit

Save & Return

Cancel



Select a Query : Basic Query

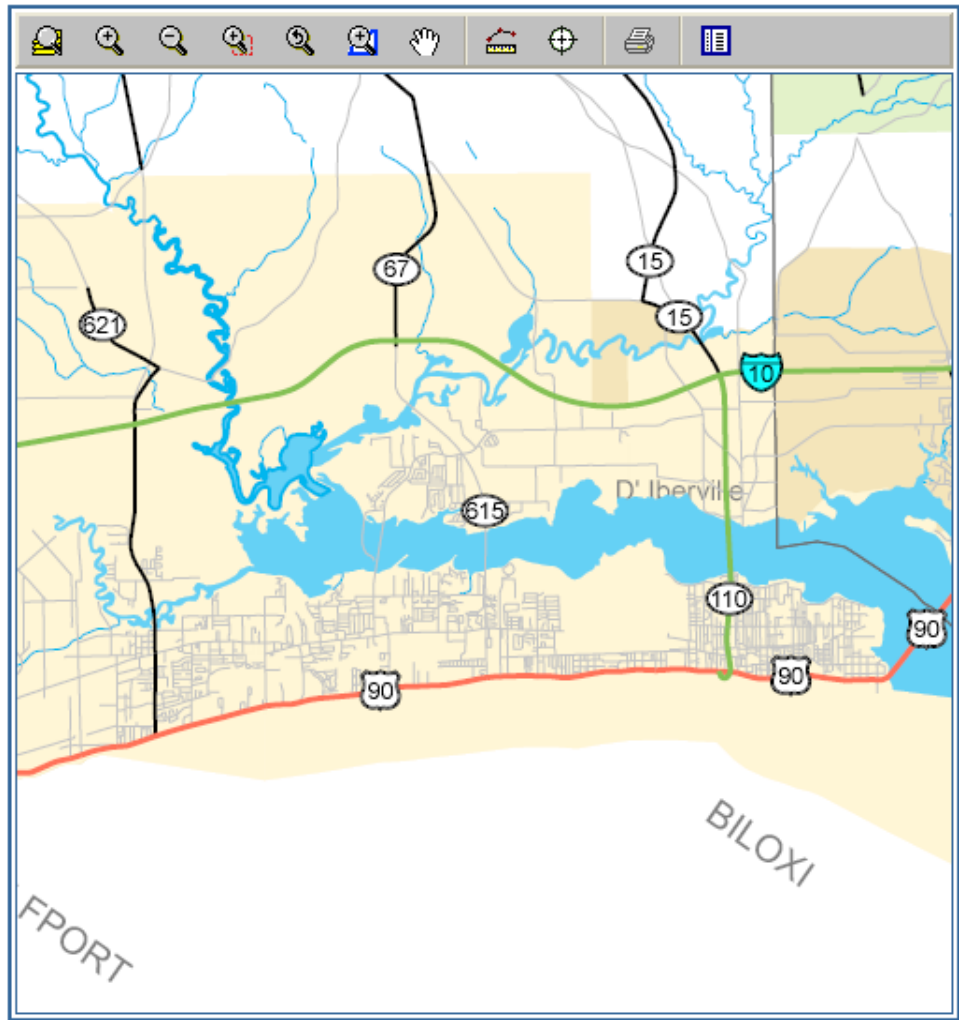
- Geographic Area
- Date/Time
- Crash
- Vehicle
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- Road

Query Summary

Start Date:  
01/01/2007

End Date:  
01/01/2008

City:  
Gaines



Query by Geographic Area  
Interactive Map Options

Query by User-Defined:

- Select Option --
- Rectangle
- Polygon
- Polygon with Route from List
- Polygon with Route from Map
- Point and Radius
- Point and Keyed-in Radius
- Begin and End Points from Map

Submit

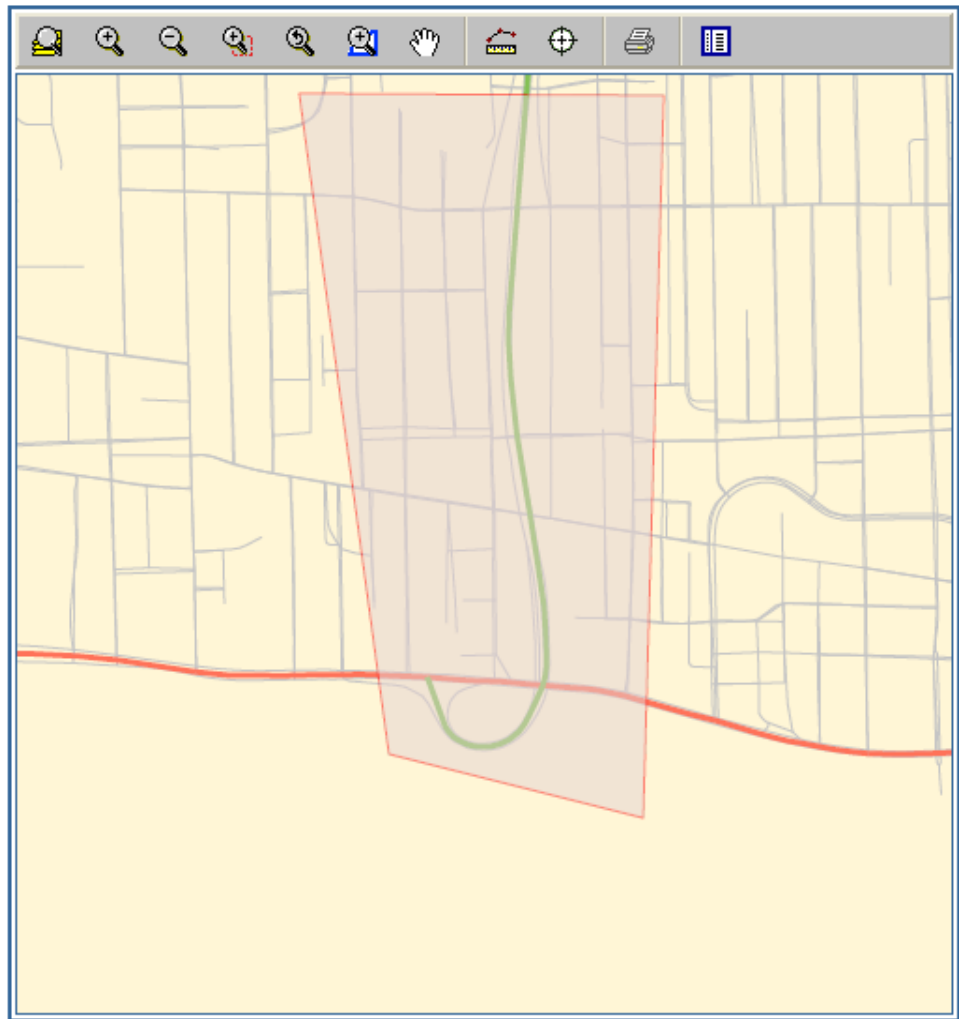
Cancel



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Query Summary ?



### Query by Geographic Area

*Query by Polygon and Selected Route from List*

Use the following steps to create a polygon on the map:

1. Click **Capture Map Input** to begin.
2. Click on the map to indicate the beginning point of the polygonal area of interest.
3. Continue clicking points on the map to draw the polygonal area of interest.
4. Double-click the last point of the polygonal area of interest (the minimum number of points is 3). The polygon will automatically be closed and completed.
5. Is the shaded polygon the correct area of interest? If so, click "Populate List." If not, click "Redigitize."
6. Select the Route of interest from the list:
7. Is the selected Route correct? If so, click "Save & Return." If not, reselect the Route from the list.
8. Click "Cancel" to return to the Interactive Map Options menu.

**Save & Return**   **Redigitize**  
**Cancel**

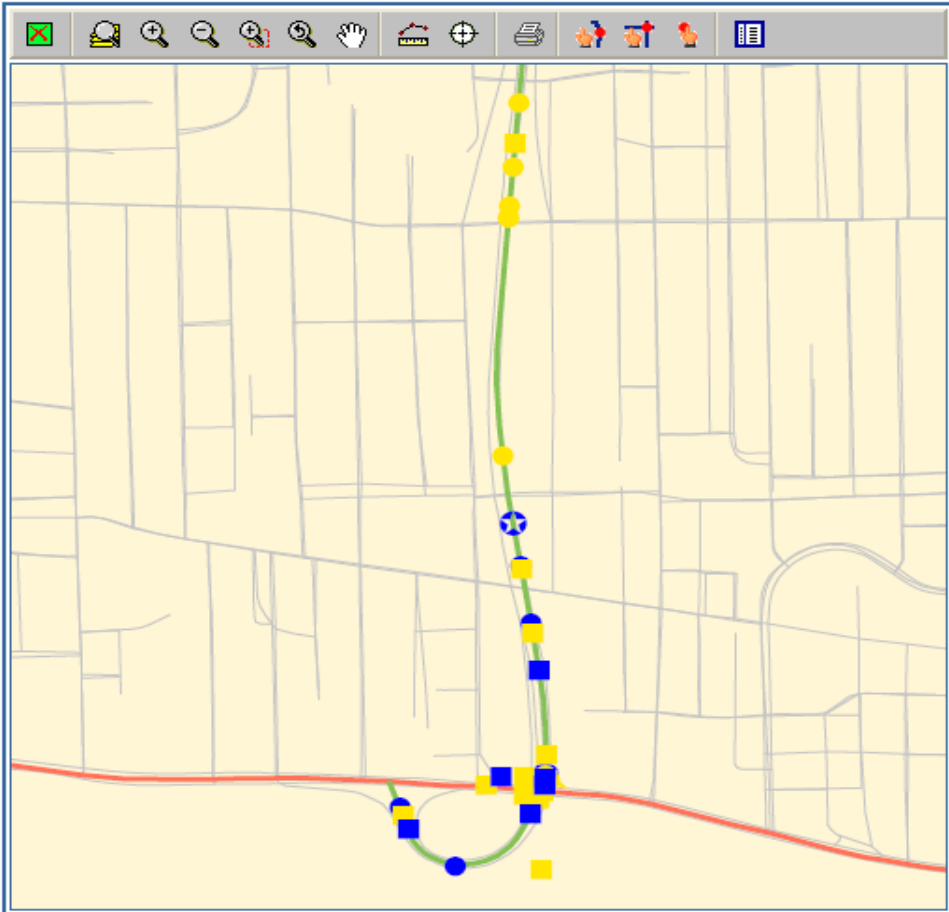

# SAMS Mapping Output

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**Data Summary :**

Total Crashes:	45
Total Fatalities:	0
Fatal Crashes:	0
Total Injuries:	19
Injury Crashes:	13
Daylight Crashes:	28
DUI Crashes:	9
Wet Conditions Crashes:	23
Unmapped Crashes:	0

**Query Summary** ?

**Spatial Query:**  
[polygonlist]  
Route Name: I-110

### Legend

- Crashes**
  - Crash of MV in Road with Fixed Object
    - Injury
    - Property Damage Only
  - Crash with OMV in Road
    - Injury
    - Property Damage Only
  - Non-crash in Road
    - Property Damage Only
  - Run off Road
    - Injury
- Geographic Boundaries**
  - Maintenance Districts
  - Counties
  - Cities
  - Urban Areas
- Highways**
  - Interstates
  - US Highways
  - Local Roads
  - Teleatlas Roads
- Hydrology**

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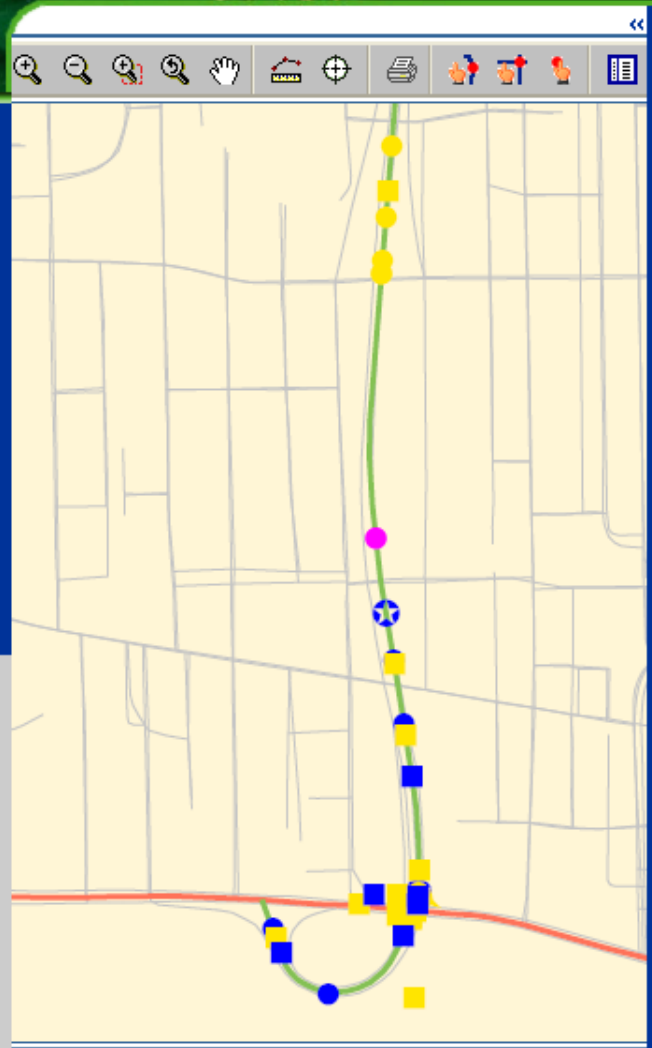
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 Total Crashes: 45  
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**Query Summary ?**  
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 [polygonlist]  
 Route Name: I-110



SAMS Route ID	SAMS Intersecti	Intersection Dist	Intersection Dist	Intersection Dire
I-110	US 90	0		
I-110	DIVISION ST	250	F	N
I-110	DIVISION ST	0.25	M	N
I-110	DIVISION ST	250	F	N
I-110	DIVISION ST	500	F	N
I-110	DIVISION ST	800	F	N
I-110	BAY VIEW AVE	0.1	M	N
I-110	US 90	0.5	M	N
I-110	US 90	0.12	M	N
I-110	US 90			
I-110	US 90			
I-110	US 90	150	F	W
I-110	US 90	20	F	N
I-110		0		
I-110	US 90			
I-110	US 90	150	F	S
I-110	US 90	150	F	S
I-110	US 90	300	F	S
I-110	US 90			

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# Mapping Functions




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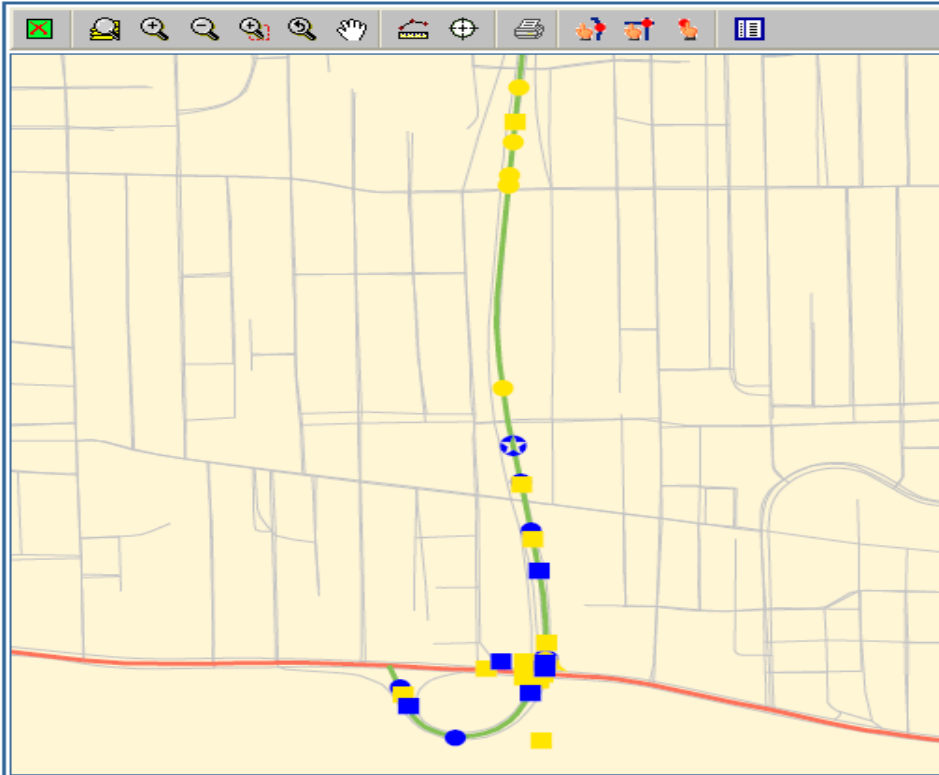


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# SAMS Data Grid



**Data Summary :**

- Total Crashes: 99
- Total Fatalities: 0
- Fatal Crashes: 0
- Total Injuries: 61
- Injury Crashes: 40
- Daylight Crashes: 68
- DUI Crashes: 8
- Wet Conditions Crashes: 23
- Unmapped Crashes: 0

**Query Summary ?**

**Start Date:**  
01/01/2007

**End Date:**  
01/01/2008

**Spatial Query:**  
[rectangle]

Reported Date	Reported Time	SAMS Crash Type	Vehicle Count	Road Condition	DUI Involved	Light Condition	Crash Location	Invest
06/22/2007	11:56	Angle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
11/27/2007	12:38	Sideswipe	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
07/10/2007	14:59	Angle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
07/03/2007	17:28	Angle	2	Wet	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
09/21/2007	21:20	Angle	2	Wet	0	Dark-Lit	Roadway	2401
07/15/2007	16:08	Angle	2	Wet	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
11/08/2007	16:20	Angle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
12/28/2007	10:46	Left turn cross traff	2	Wet	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
04/04/2007	14:54	Left turn cross traff	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
01/16/2007	07:42	Angle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
02/24/2007	13:40	Angle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
01/12/2007	11:06	Rear end slow or st	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
08/05/2007	06:53	Rear end slow or st	2	Dry	1	Daylight	Roadway	2401
07/25/2007	12:53	Rear end slow or st	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
08/28/2007	10:14	Angle	2	Wet	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
07/11/2007	11:39	Parked vehicle	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Parking Lot	2401
06/02/2007	18:04	Hit and Run	3	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
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09/12/2007	15:42	Hit and Run	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
09/13/2007	14:34	Fixed Object	1	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
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11/28/2007	07:31	Rear end turn	2	Dry	0	Daylight	Roadway	2401
11/18/2007	14:14	Other Object	1	Dry	0	Daylight	Parking Lot	2401

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# Column Selector for Data Grid

**MDOT SAMS Column Selector -- Web Page Dialog**

Select the columns you would like to view in the datagrid from the proper categories below.

**Available Categories:**

- Crash
- Vehicle
- Person

**Selected Columns:**

- SAMS Crash ID
- County Name
- SAMS City Name
- SAMS Route ID
- SAMS Intersecting Route ID
- Street Name
- Intersecting Street Name
- HWY/County Road#
- Intersecting HWY/County Road #
- Intersection Indicator
- Intersection Distance
- Intersection Distance Unit of Measure
- Intersection Direction
- Traffic Flow Description
- Reported Date
- Reported Time
- SAMS Crash Type Description

**Sort Order:**

SAMS Route ID  Asc.  Desc.

Street Name  Asc.  Desc.

HWY/County Road#  Asc.  Desc.

Records per Page: 25  Group Rows by Crash

# Data Grid Functions



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**Query Summary ?**

**Start Date:**  
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**Spatial Query:**  
[rectangle]

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# SAMS Data Grid Functions

- Promote Selection
- Invert Selection
- Multi-Column Sort
- Remove Rows
- Clear Selection
- Highlight Selection on Map
- Map All
- MUCR Crash diagram
- Collision diagram
- Export to Excel
- Export to CSV
- Report
- Save Result Set
- View Statistics

# MUCR Diagram and Narrative

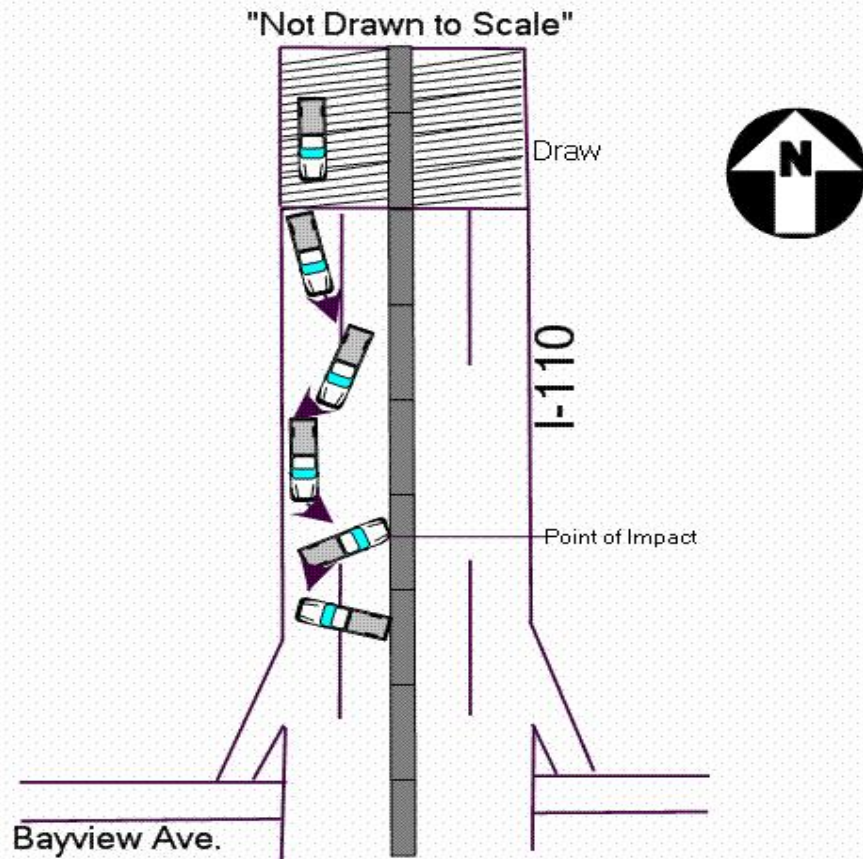
MUCRDiagramDisplayForm - Microsoft Internet Explorer



Available Diagrams:

04029257

Output to PDF



Narrative:

V1 WAS SOUTHBOUND ON THE I 110. V1 LOST CONTROL WHEN CROSSING THE DRAW. DRIVER OF V1 STEERED LEFT AND RIGHT TRYING TO REGAIN CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE. V1 STRUCK THE CENTER CONCRETE DIVIDER CAUSING DAMAGE TO THE FRONT OF V1.

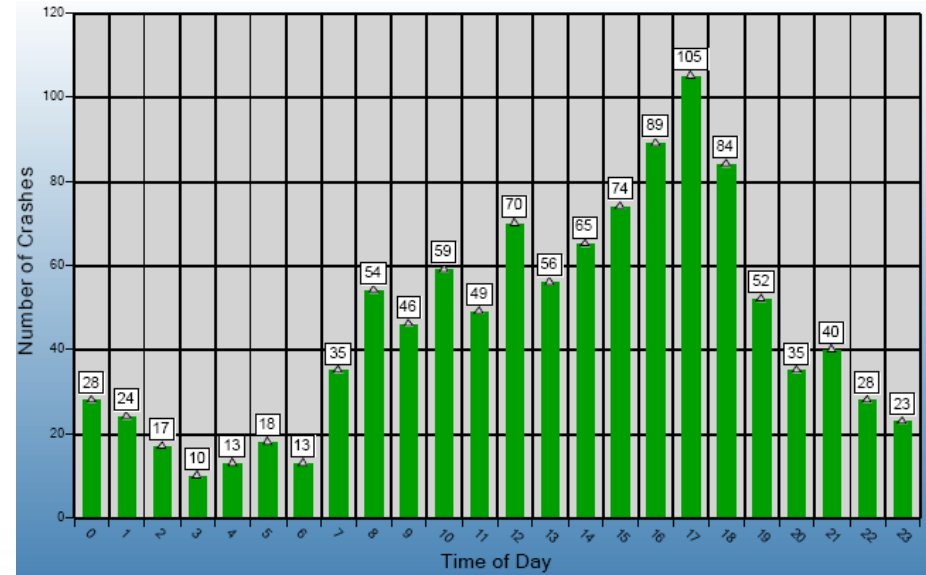
# SAMS Analysis Functions

- Sliding Scale Analysis
- Cost-Benefit Analyses
- Rank High Crash Locations
- Severity Index
- Crash Rates and Critical Crash Rates
- Semi Automated Countermeasures
- Crash Rates for Homogenous Intersections and Highway Sections
- Identify Over-Representation of Crash Types at Intersections & Highway Sections
- Pre and Post Improvement Crash Rate Analyses

*Note that many of the analysis functions listed here are currently under development, not in production yet.*

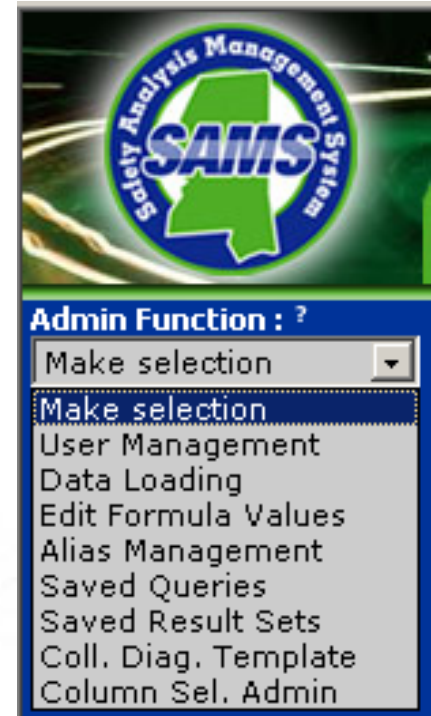
# What are the SAMS Reporting functions?

- Standard Reports
- Annual Crash Reports
- Customized Reports
- Maps and Printing
- Export from Data Grid
- Interactive Data Grid Reports
- User Reporting Classes (admin)



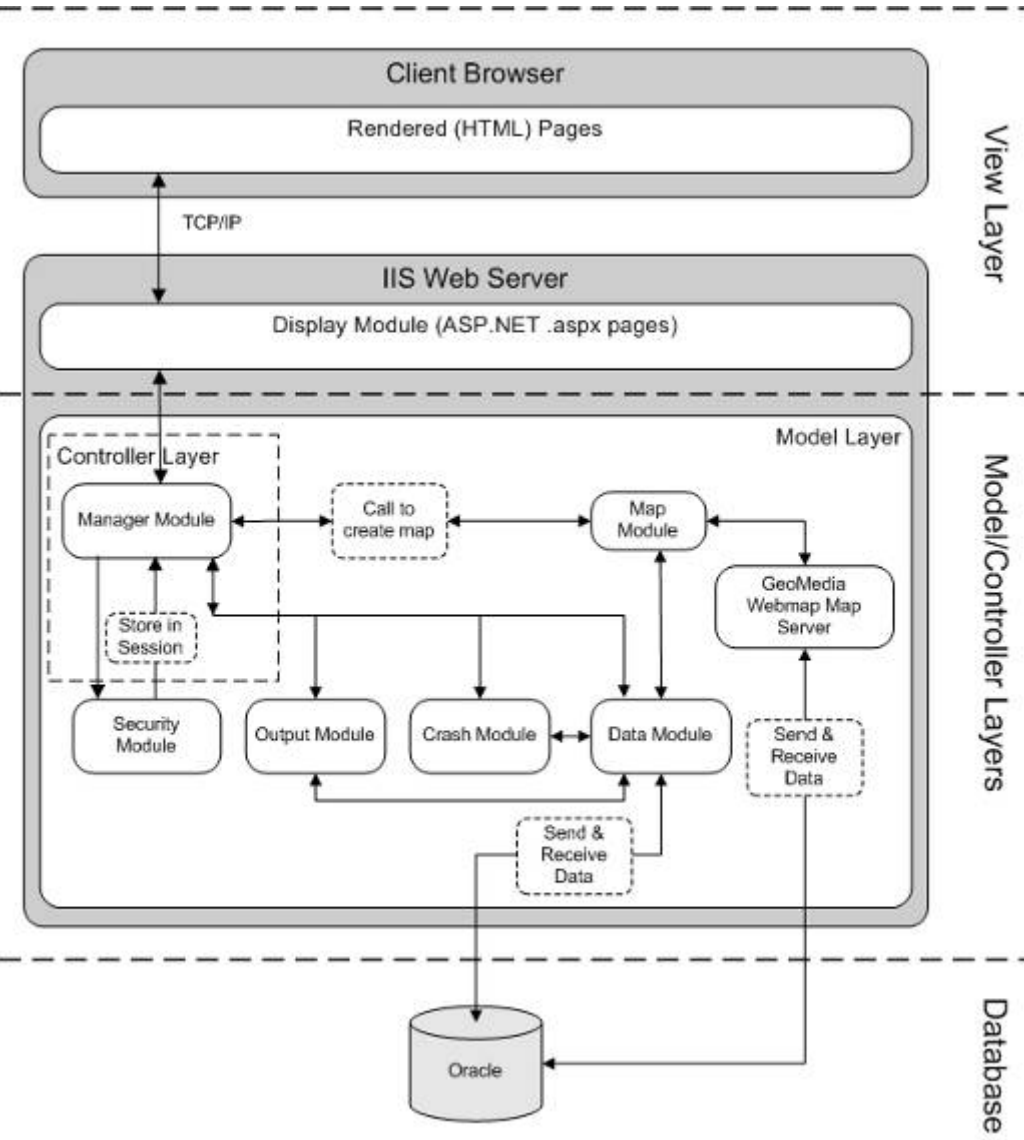
# SAMS Administrator Functions

- User Management (security modules controls)
- Crash Data Loading
- Formula Edits (ie. crash cluster defaults)
- Alias Management
- Manage saved queries and result sets
- Define Collision Diagram templates
- Column Selector Defaults for Data Grid (s)





# SAMS Architecture



- Modular, web-based architecture
- Active Directory
- .NET
- Oracle Spatial
- GMWM
- LDMx
- ActiveReports for .NET
- Infragistics Data Grid
- Adobe SVG Plug-in
- Visual Statement collision diagramming

# Project Status

## ● Phase I (complete)

- Project goals and objectives
- System requirements
- Preliminary data model

## ● Phase II

- High level design (complete)
- Alpha release (complete)
- Beta release detailed design (complete)
- Beta release development (complete)
- Beta release deployment (complete)
- 1.0 release (development is underway)

## ● Phase III

- Maintenance, technical support, and enhancements (begins at acceptance of 1.0 release).

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