



## **SAFETYNET:** How to Code Records When Driver Data are Legitimately Missing

# Crash Record Completeness

Completeness improves data quality and the accuracy of reports. However, sometimes information is legitimately missing.

The Crash Record Completeness measure excludes records with legitimately missing information from counting against the performance *if you code* the record using designated keywords. Apply these instructions after researching and confirming that the driver data cannot be found or are not applicable. **This is optional**. Your State's Crash Record Completeness measure rating will not decline if you do not take these steps.

#### **Using Keywords to Code Legitimately Empty Driver Fields**

To exclude the record from your Crash Record Completeness measure, enter any of the following keywords in the **Driver Last Name** field of a crash record:

- Attenuator
  Hit and run¹
  Parked
  Unknown²
  Autonomous
  Driverless²
  Stolen

doesn't fit into one of the other situations described by the keywords).

#### **Example 1**

A runaway truck with no driver rolls down a slope into a collision. Enter "driverless" or "unknown" as the keyword.



 <sup>&</sup>quot;Hit and run" also excludes the record from vehicle fields completeness evaluation.
 You may use "driverless" or "unknown" in lieu of the more specific keywords, but this is only permitted if there is adequate justification for not having driver and/or vehicle data (i.e., if it was a runaway vehicle with no driver, or if it

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#### **Example 2**

A parked commercial vehicle was struck by another motor vehicle. Enter "parked" or "unknown" as the keyword for the parked vehicle.

Driver Identification		
Last Name	UNKNOWN	First Name
Middle Initial		Date of Birth
License?		License Class ▼
License Number		License State ▼

### **Example 3**

A passenger vehicle was struck by an unidentified motor carrier that fled the scene, and investigators were not able to record driver information. Enter "hit and run" as the keyword.



#### **Example 4**

A stolen vehicle collides with the rear of a CMV stopped at a traffic light. Enter "stolen" as the keyword.



#### **Example 5**

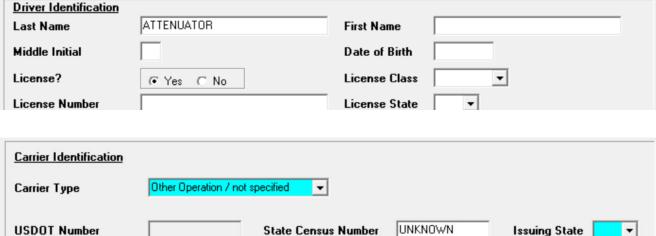
An autonomous vehicle side swipes a parked commercial vehicle. Enter "autonomous" as the keyword.

Driver Identification		
Last Name	AUTONOMOUS	First Name
Middle Initial		Date of Birth
License?	⊙ Yes ◯ No	License Class ▼
License Number		License State ▼

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#### **Example 6**

A motorist collided with an attenuator truck while it was deployed at a construction zone. Enter "attenuator" as the keyword. Also, set the Carrier Type to "Other Operation / not specified" and enter "unknown" in all other carrier fields.



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