



## Newsletter August 2024



Bus rapid transit (BRT) infrastructure has been linked with both lower vehicle operating speeds and improved safety outcomes in [our latest paper](#). While we previously identified that BRT improves traffic safety outcomes (about 65% reduction in KA crashes), this is the first work that begins to explain why.

It's especially exciting since the corridor we studied (Central Avenue in Albuquerque, New Mexico) was a particularly unsafe principal arterial; the fact that BRT improved multimodal operations while concurrently improving safety is promising for other cities wishing to address safety issues on principal arterials on their High Injury Networks. It is also a great extension of our prior work showing that protected bike lanes can improve safety for all road users; now we find that BRT can do the same. The article is open access for first 50 clicks.

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NMDOT is hosting the [New Mexico Transportation Safety Summit](#) on August 27th and 28th at the Continuing Education Building on the UNM campus. CPBS will be there. Reach out to us if you're attending, we always like making new connections!

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Dr. Robert Schneider of UWM presented "Neighborhood-Level Shifts in US Fatal and Severe Pedestrian Crashes During the 2010s," at the [World Society on Transport and Land Use Research Conference](#) in Bogota, Colombia in June 2024. This study was co-authored by Xiaohan Gu of UWM, Kyle Nelson of UWM, and Dr. Nick Ferenchak of UNM.

Dr. Schneider was also interviewed in the SFGate Article, "['Not acceptable': Why San Francisco streets are still so dangerous](#)," by Madilynne Medina, July 10, 2024.

The money quote: *"...we shouldn't create a system that requires you to own and maintain and insure a motor vehicle to be safe."*

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## From around the web...

[What Adults Lost When Kids Stopped Playing in the Street](#) -- what happens when you close a street and the kids take over? Magic.

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