The Maryland State Department of Education
One Day Survey of School Bus Stop Arm Violators

2019

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The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) coordinated this survey in April along with school transportation directors in all 24 school systems. It is considered a one day snapshot of motorists illegally passing a stopped school bus.

The information contained in this report is self-reported by School Bus Drivers across the State. School Bus Drivers are knowledgeable about red light runners and their danger to students they cause.

The National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services has, and continues to conduct surveys of this type in all 50 States.

The MSDE wishes to thank the 24 Local School Systems for their participation in gathering this information and the dedicated School Bus Drivers that continue to keep children safe.
This is an example of REAR violation on the LEFT side of the stopped school bus. The green car passes the bus from the REAR on the LEFT (driver) side.
Passed From = REAR
Side of Bus = LEFT

This is an example of FRONT violation on the LEFT side of the stopped school bus. The green car passes the bus from the FRONT on the LEFT (driver) side.
Passed From = FRONT
Side of Bus = LEFT

This is an example of REAR violation on the RIGHT side of the stopped school bus. The green car passes the bus from the REAR on the RIGHT (passenger) side.
Passed From = REAR
Side of Bus = RIGHT

* census data taken from the United States Census Bureau for Population estimate, July 1, 2018
Allegany
Population: 70,975

Director: Mark Morral
Total Violations: 9
Participation: 100%
Baltimore City

Population: 602,495

Director: Jacinta Hughes

Total Violations: 178

Participation: 47%
Baltimore County
Population: 828,431
Director: David McCrae
Total Violations: 440
Participation: 51%

3 Year Comparison

2017: 767
2018: 677
2019: 440

Violations: Directions

- Total: 290
- Rear: 150
- Front: 140

Time of Day

- AM: 195
- Mid: 32
- PM: 213

Violations: Side

- Left: 433
- Right: 7
Calvert
Population: 92,003

Director: **Ed Cassidy**

Total Violations: **24**

Participation: **89%**
Caroline

Population: 33,304

Director: Carmen Milligan

Total Violations: 9

Participation: 85%
Carroll

Population: 168,429

Director: Mike Hardesty

Total Violations: 113

Participation: 100%
Cecil
Population: 102,826

Director: Gregg Tulowitzky

Total Violations: 42

Participation: 100%
Charles
Population: 161,503

Director: Bradley Snow
Total Violations: 119
Participation: 98%

3 Year Comparison

2017: 128
2018: 143
2019: 119

Violations: Directions

- Rear: 82
- Front: 37

Violations: Side

- Left: 116
- Right: 3

Time of Day

- AM: 67
- Mid: 6
- PM: 46
Dorchester

Population: 31,998

Director: William Fleming

Total Violations: 3

Participation: 100%
Frederick
Population: 255,648

Director: Fred Punturiero

Total Violations: 50
Participation: 51%
Garrett
Population: 29,163

Director: Rich Wesolowski

Total Violations: 2
Participation: 100%
Harford
Population: 253,956
Director: Cathy Bendis
Total Violations: 125
Participation: 80%
Howard
Population: 323,196

Director: David Ramsay
Total Violations: 232
Participation: 88%

3 Year Comparison

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Violations: Directions

- Rear: 192
- Front: 40

Violations: Side

- Left: 225
- Right: 7

Time of Day

- AM: 128
- PM: 4
- Mid: 100

[Map and charts showing Howard's data]
Kent
Population: 19,383

Director: Joseph Wheeler
Total Violations: 0
Participation: 100%
Montgomery

Population: 1.05 Million

Director: Todd Watkins

Total Violations: 901

Participation: 90%
Prince George's
Population: 909,308
Director: Dr. Rudolph Saunders
Total Violations: 401
Participation: 40%
Queen Anne’s

Population: 50,251

Director: Margret Ellen Kalmanowicz

Total Violations: 4

Participation: 100%
St. Mary’s
Population: 112,664
Director: Jeffrey Thompson
Total Violations: 36
Participation: 25%
Somerset
Population: 25,675

Director: Michael Bartemy

Total Violations: 1

Participation: 100%

3 Year Comparison

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Talbot
Population: 36,968
Director: David Stofa
Total Violations: 3
Participation: 100%

3 Year Comparison

Violations: Directions
- 2 Rear
- 1 Front

Time of Day
- 1 AM
- 2 PM

Violations: Side
- 3 Left
- 0 Right
Washington

Population: 150,926

Director: Bryan Johnson

Total Violations: 41

Participation: 66%
Wicomico

Population: 103,195

Director: Desmond Hughes

Total Violations: 15

Participation: 39%
Worcester

Population: 51,823

Director: **Kim Heiser**

Total Violations: **38**

Participation: **100%**