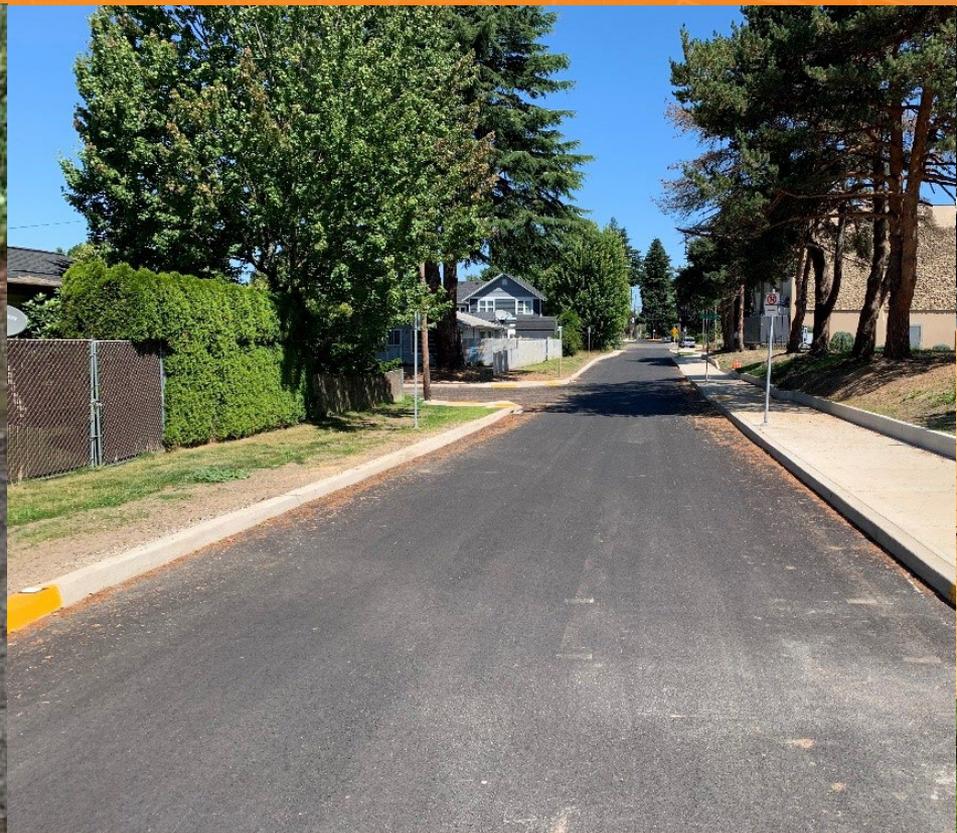


Vision Zero Discussion

Planning & Sustainability Commission | August 11, 2020



Today:

- Quick update on fatal crashes last year and year to date crash information
- Discussion about big questions:
 - How do we move quickly **while also** having inclusive, genuine engagement?
 - How do we make big investments **while also** avoiding exacerbating our housing crisis?
 - Safety beyond traffic safety, the role of law enforcement in Vision Zero



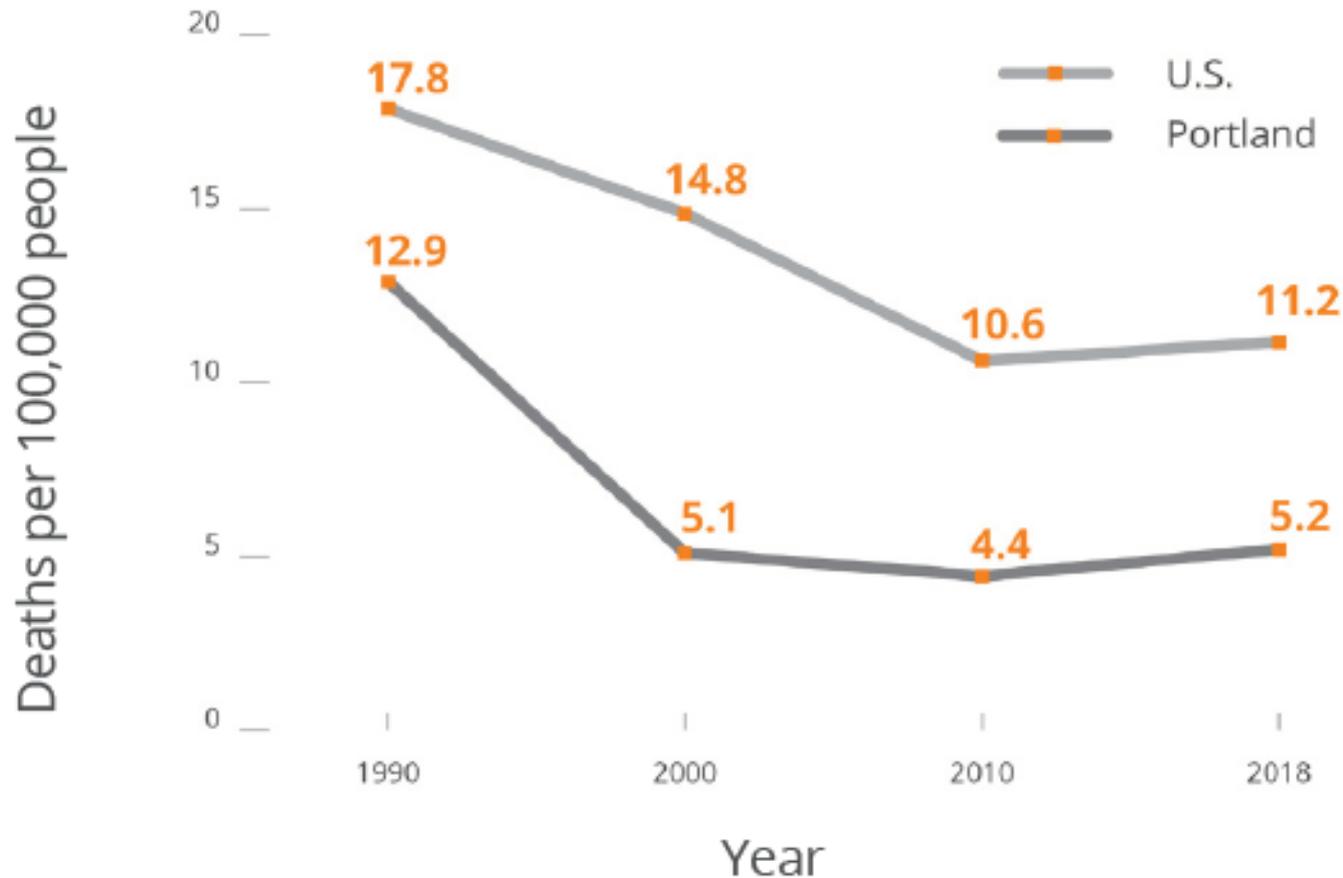
**Vision Zero is Portland's
goal to eliminate all traffic
deaths and serious injuries**

Vision Zero = Safe System

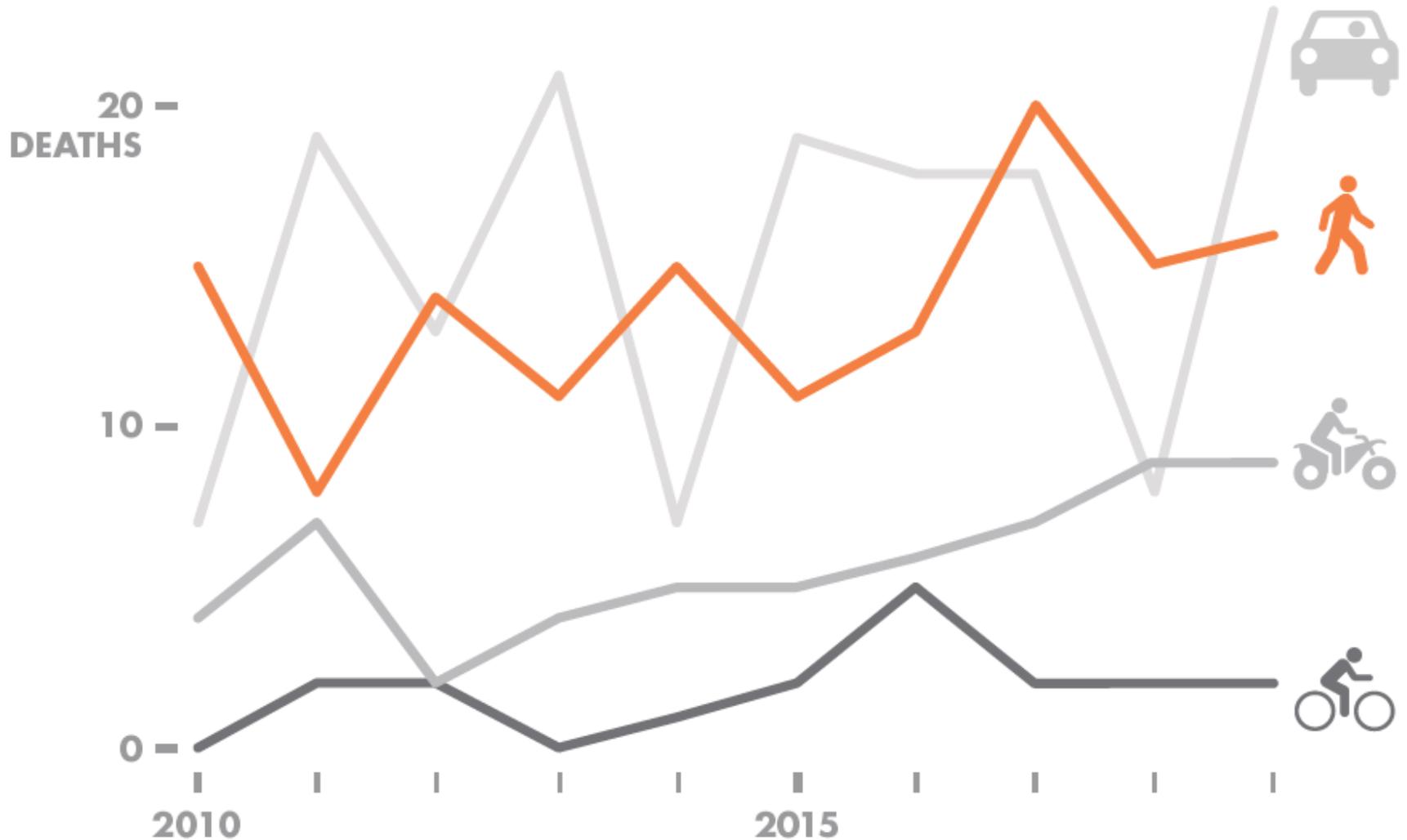


Traffic deaths: National comparison

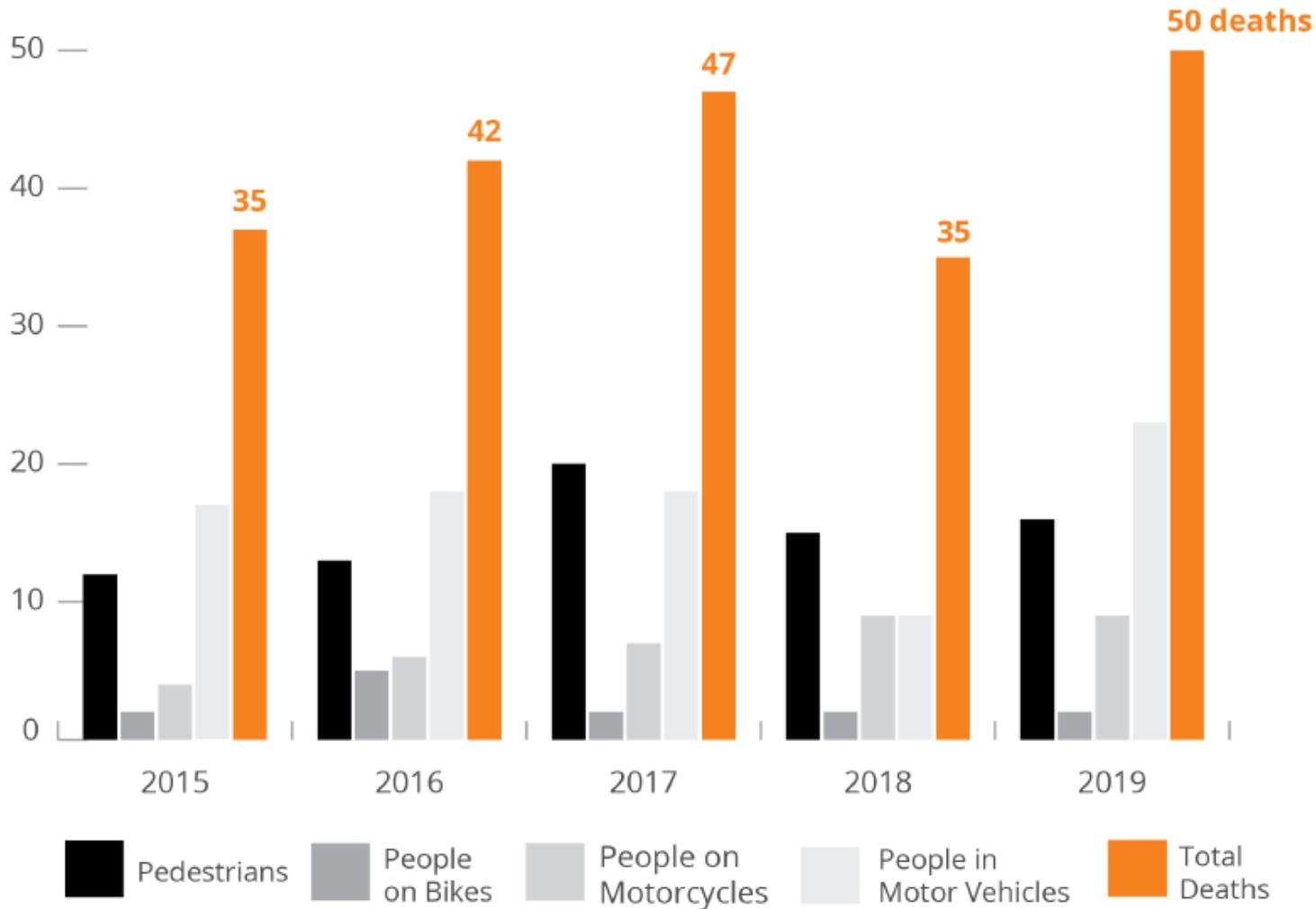
TRAFFIC DEATHS PER 100,000 PEOPLE IN THE U.S. AND PORTLAND, OREGON, 1990-2018



Portland traffic deaths, 2010-19



Portland traffic deaths by travel option, 2015-2019

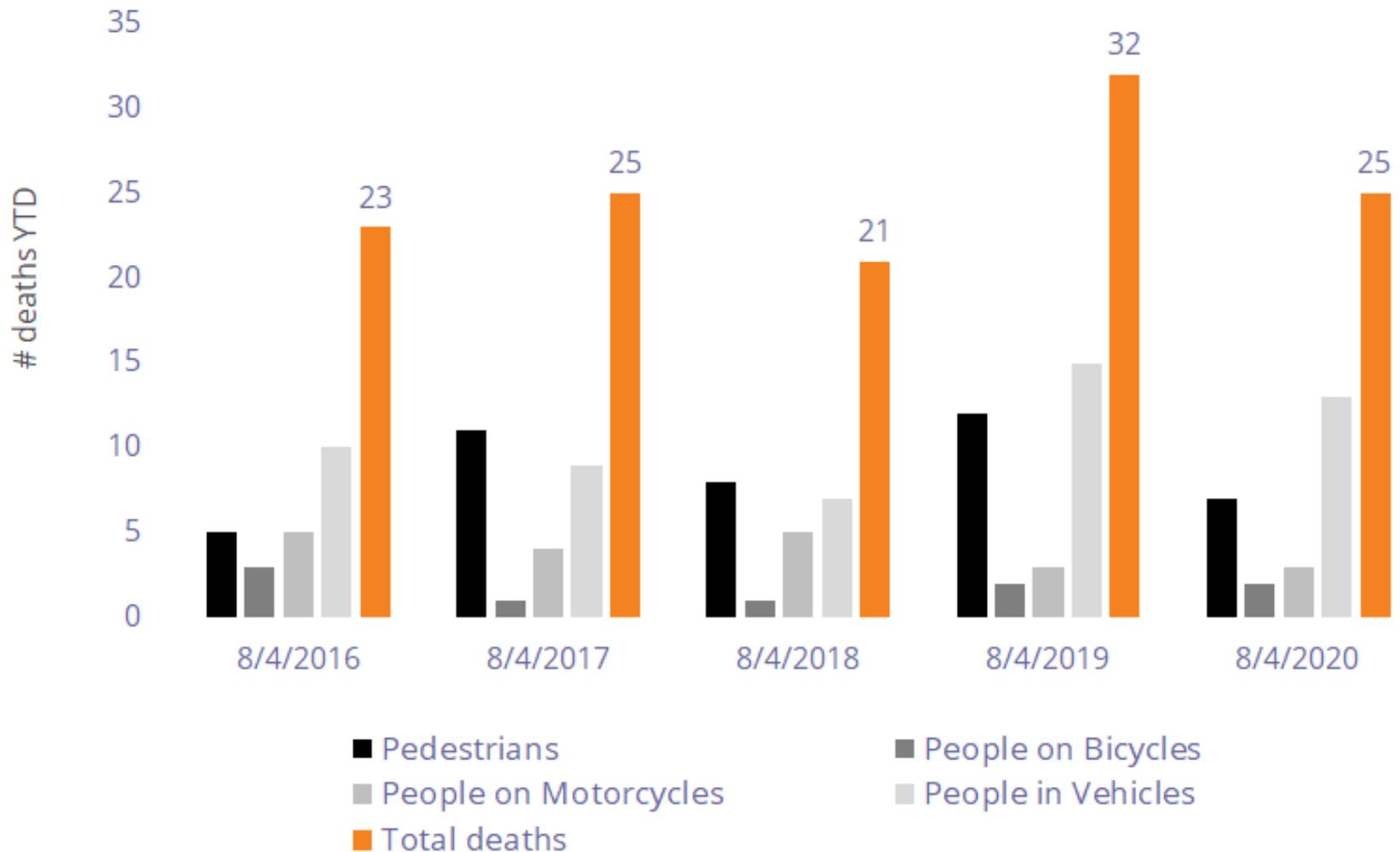


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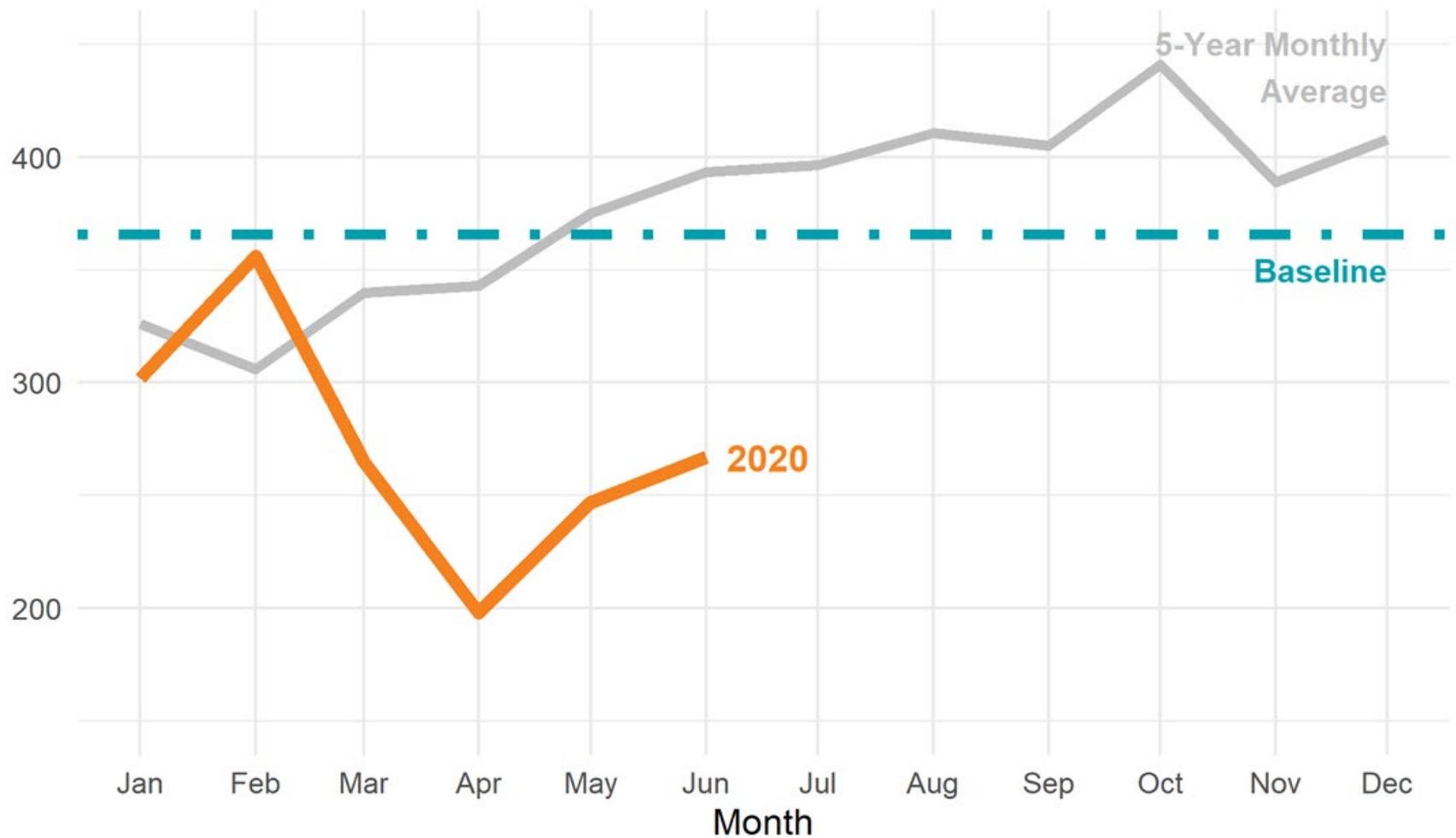
67% on the High Crash Network



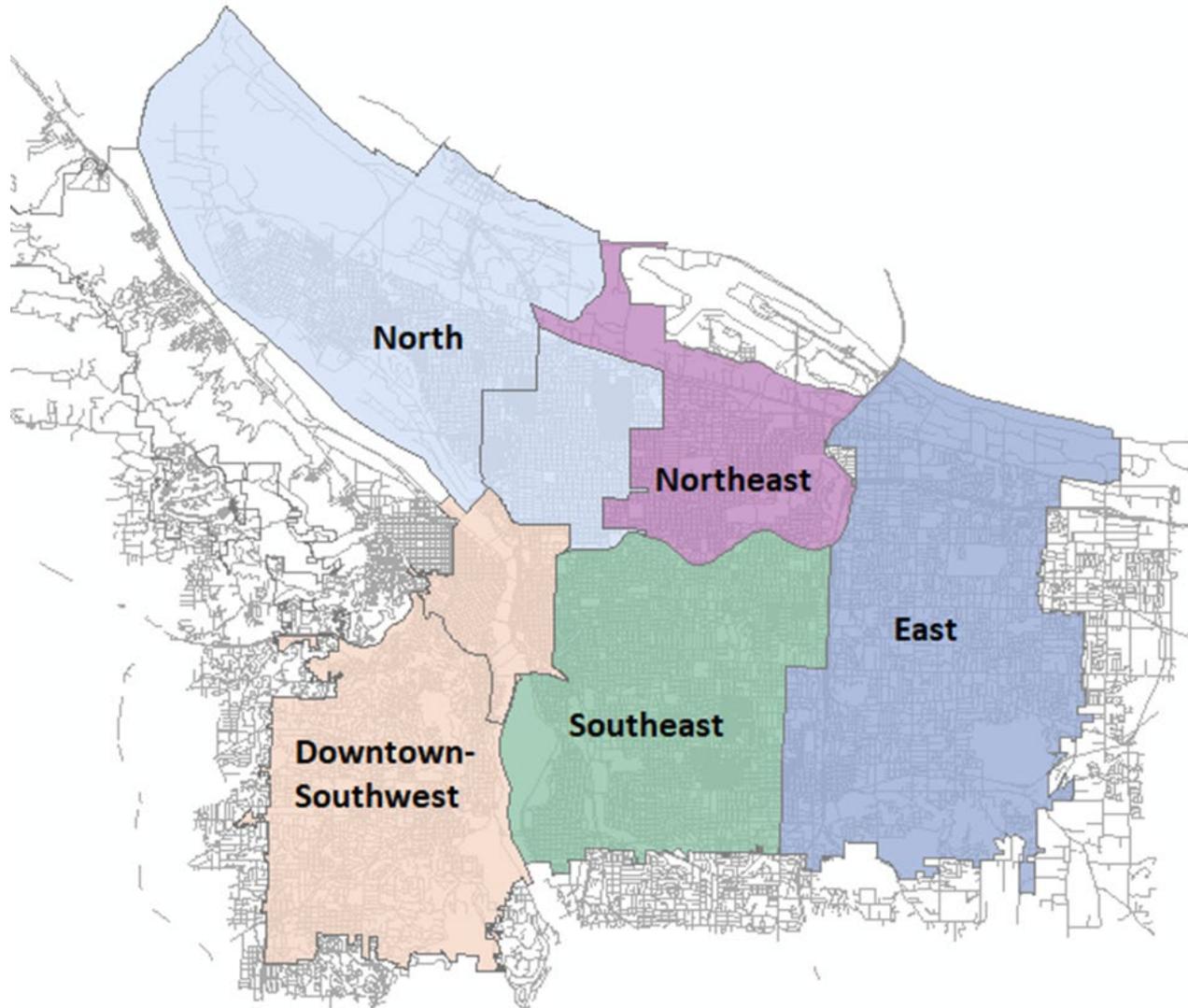
Year-to-date deaths through 8/4 (2016-20)



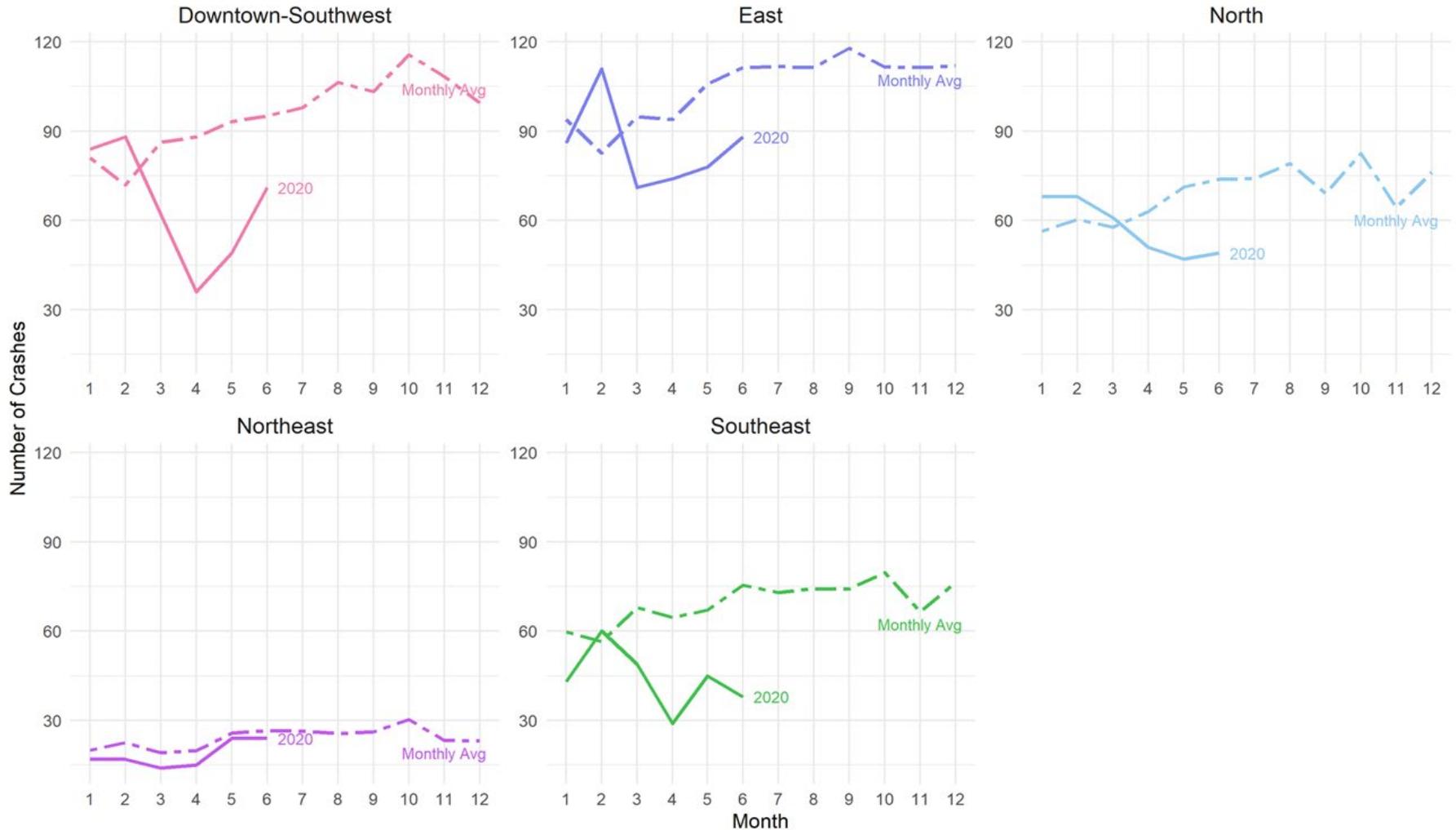
COVID-19: Monthly Crashes



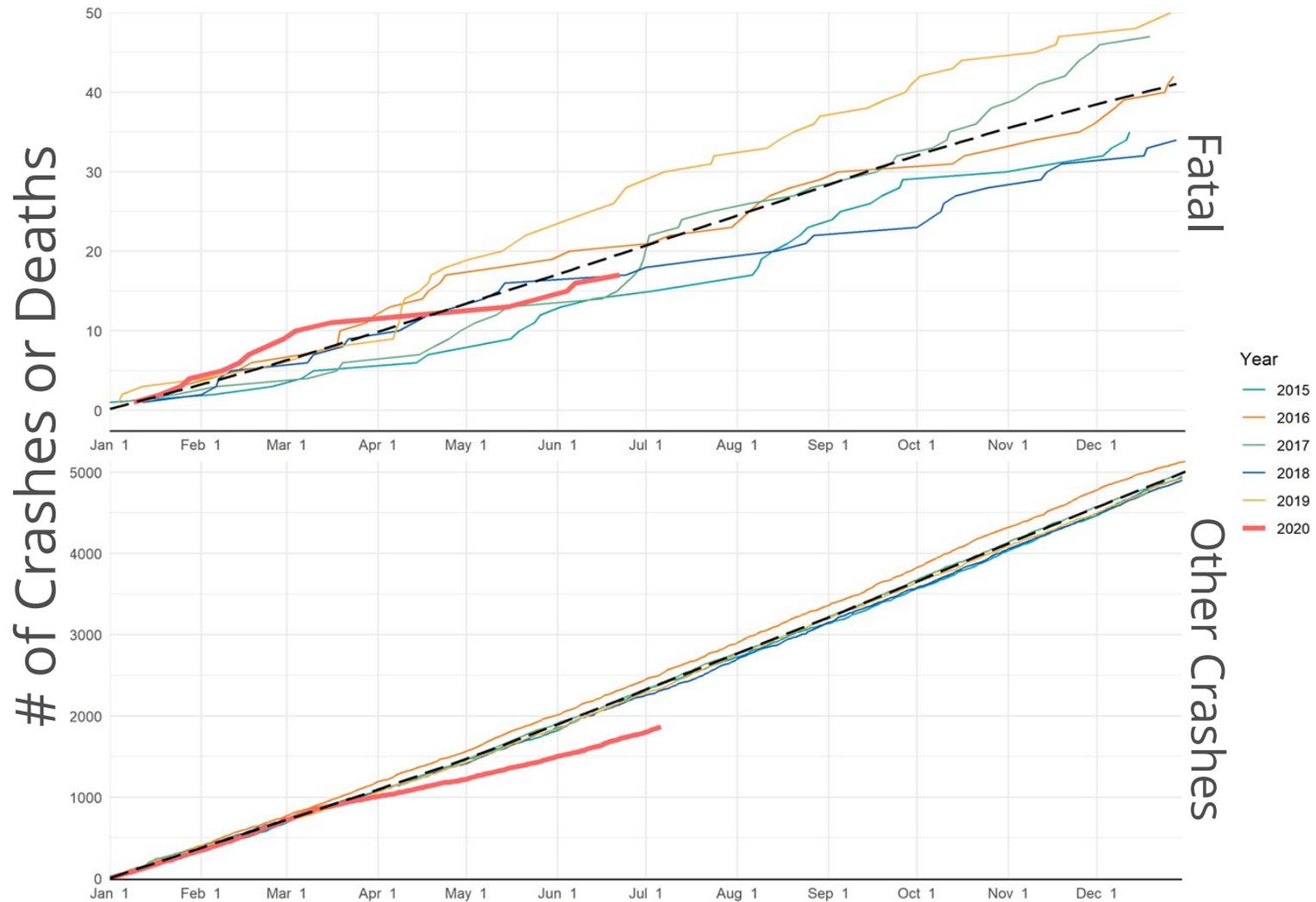
COVID-19: Using 5 Study Areas



COVID-19: Monthly Average Crashes vs. 2020 Monthly Crash by Study Area



COVID-19: Annual Cumulative Traffic Deaths and Crashes, 2015-2020



Recent and ongoing work at-a-glance

Including but not limited to:

- Road reorganizations
- Left turn calming
- Speed limit reductions
- Photo enforcement expansion
- New & upgraded crossings
- Leading ped intervals
- Street lighting infill
- **Heavy truck side guards (Pete Chism-Winfield)**



Big-picture takeaways

- We need to do a better job at protecting pedestrians in Portland (and across the U.S.)
- Speed continues to be serious safety issue that PBOT will address with street design, photo enforcement, posted speed reductions and education
- Concurrent public health issues continue to create headwinds for improved traffic safety outcomes: houselessness, racism, substance abuse
- Motor vehicles have gotten much bigger and more powerful relative to their weight → Greater injury risks, more speeding, limitations on operator visibility

Vision Zero = Safe System



Discussion: Big questions

- Vision Zero mandates rapid change and big public infrastructure investments
- How do we move quickly **while also** having inclusive, genuine engagement?
- How do we make big investments **while also** avoiding exacerbating our housing crisis?
- What is safe travel for community beyond traffic safety?
- What role should law enforcement have in creating a safe system?



Thank you