



As of April 7, 2015, two changes have been made to [FMCSA's Data Quality website](#). These changes promise to enhance efficiency and effectiveness and further FMCSA's safety-driven mission. Your feedback was instrumental in the development of these improvements and we are most grateful for your continuing commitment to communication, collaboration, and teamwork. Such collegiality raises the bar for safety excellence.

### **NFCC was removed from the SSDQ Overall State Rating**

FMCSA has removed the [Non-Fatal Crash Completeness \(NFCC\)](#) measure from the SSDQ Overall State Rating and Crash Rating. While the NFCC has helped identify missing non-fatal crash records from MCMIS, we feel the NFCC will serve the States better as an improvement tool rather than as a measure. As a result, the NFCC will no longer be included as a data quality measure in the Overall State Rating.

The NFCC information will remain available as an improvement tool to help States evaluate the completeness of reporting non-fatal crash records. Since its inception in 2007, NFCC has helped States identify missing crash records that would have otherwise gone unreported. We count on our State Partners to help improve the quality of data that drives the Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) program. States play a critical role in ensuring ALL data from fatal and non-fatal crashes are accurately collected and reported to FMCSA.

Please visit the [Continuous Improvement Area](#) of the Data Quality website to learn more about the changes to the SSDQ evaluation. Your FMCSA Data Quality Specialist is at the ready to monitor the NFCC tool, inform you of the results, and answer any questions you may have.

### **FARS/MCMIS Matching Tool includes additional FARS data records**

The data used in the FARS/MCMIS matching tool now incorporate records from the FARS' Parkwork data set, which includes information about parked and working vehicles involved in fatal crashes. The purpose of the matching tool is to match MCMIS fatal crash records to one in the FARS data set. The addition of the Parkwork data will account for more matches to the MCMIS data set.

FARS defines a parked vehicle as a motor vehicle that is stopped off the roadway. A working vehicle is classified as a motor vehicle that was in the act of performing highway construction, maintenance, or utility work related to the traffic way when it became involved in the crash. Visit the [FARS/MCMIS Matching Tool](#) to review your updated results to determine whether State action is required.

## **Continuous Improvement Responsibility**

FMCSA will continue to explore data quality improvements to support our commitment to ensure the proper reporting of all crash records. If you have any questions about the NFCC or the FARS/MCMIS process, please don't hesitate to contact your FMCSA Data Quality Specialist.

Thank you for your ongoing hard work to provide accurate reporting in MCMIS. Above all, we thank you for your steadfast commitment to road safety.

Thank You,

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