

Analysis of Speed Indicator Device (SID) data for July/August 2022

The SID was located on the B1050 between Colne & Somersham, facing Somersham, for 30 days between July 22nd & August 21st 2022. This is the first time the SID has been located here. *(The SID collects data not only from approaching vehicles but also from those departing in the opposite direction; in the case of departing vehicles the speed is not displayed.)*

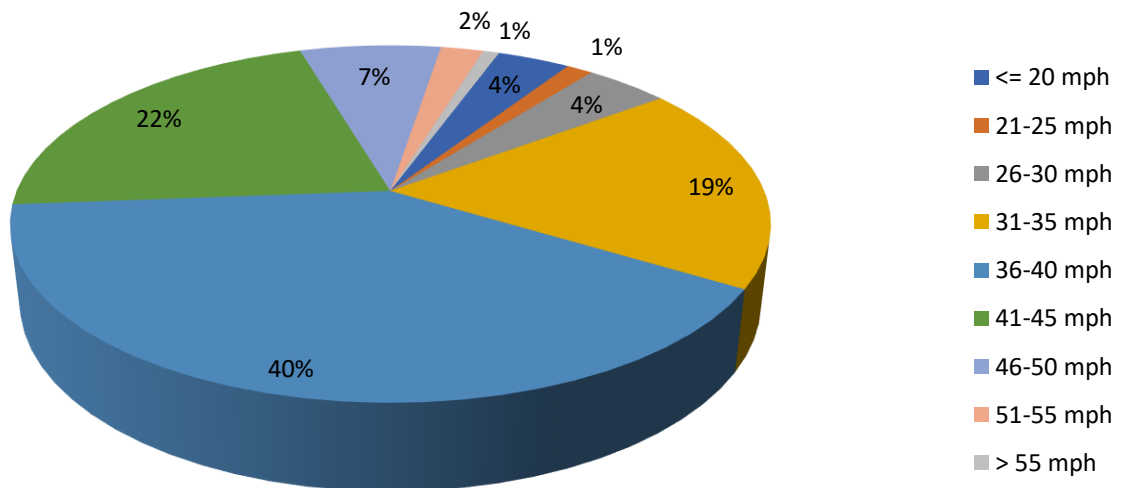
Over the 30 day period, almost 3 in 10 (29.5%) of all vehicles were recorded as exceeding the 40 mph speed limit. The average speed was 38 mph with 15% of vehicles travelling in excess of 43 mph.

These figures are disappointing: however, they don't tell the whole story. More worrying yet is the number of vehicles travelling at a very high speed; over the 30 day period no fewer than 65 vehicles were recorded travelling at speeds in excess of 75 mph, the vast majority of those being recorded between the hours of 7am and 10pm.

Vehicles approaching from Somersham

32% of vehicles were recorded as travelling in excess of the 40 mph limit with almost one in six (15%) recorded travelling at greater than 44 mph. The average speed was 38 mph.

The diagram, below, shows the distribution of vehicle speeds arriving from the Somersham direction:



Vehicles departing towards Somersham

(The speed of vehicles travelling in this direction is not displayed to the driver and so the presence of the SID is likely to be less of a deterrent.)

27% of vehicles were recorded travelling in excess of the 40 mph limit with almost one in six exceeding 43 mph. The average speed was 37 mph.

This diagram shows the distribution of vehicle speeds departing towards Somersham:

