

Traffic Control Program



City of Milwaukee
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Capital Program Funding Elements

**(Note: Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities to
be included at March 4, 2015 Presentation)**

Traffic Signals



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Traffic Signal Totals

(As of January 1, 2015)

- 758 (-4) Signalized Intersections
 - All intersections are fully converted to LED signal indications
 - 322 (+4) intersections with active fire preemption
 - 17 time-based coordinators
 - 511 (+117) intersections with pedestrian countdown timers
 - 29 (+4) intersections with audible pedestrian signals
 - 17 (+4) flashing beacons
- 6 Crosswalks With Rectangular or Circular Rapid Flashing Beacons
- 3 Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (HAWK Signals)
- Canal Street/Miller Park Reversible Lane Signals
- 6 Dynamic Speed Limit Signs

Signalized Intersection Changes

2014

- New Signals
 - Kilbourn and 16th
 - Kilbourn and 17th
- Zoo Interchange Related
 - Signal Removed
 - Wisconsin and 97th
 - Jurisdictional Transfer to WISDOT
 - Kearney and 84th
 - O'Connor and 84th
 - Bluemound and 92nd
 - Bluemound and 95th
 - Bluemound and 97th

2015

- Jurisdictional Transfer to City of Milwaukee from WISDOT
 - Appleton and Florist
 - Appleton and Carmen
 - Appleton and 91st
 - Appleton and Grantosa
 - Appleton and Hampton
 - Appleton and Congress

Downtown Dynamic Parking Information Sign Project



Downtown Dynamic Parking Sign Project



- Phase One Signs (Riverwalk Area) Active June, 2014
 - Received Wisconsin ITS Project of the Year Award for 2014 from ITS Wisconsin
- Phase 2 (Westtown Area) Anticipated to be Constructed in 2015/2016

Rectangular and Circular Rapid Flashing Beacons



FHWA Rapid Flashing Beacon Study

- Study conducted under contract to FHWA by the Texas Transportation Institute and Midwest Research Institute
- Study revealed no significant difference in driver compliance between rectangular (RRFB) and circular (CRFB) rapid flashing beacons
- FHWA will not give interim approval to the use of circular rapid flashing beacons since no difference in compliance between devices
- Per conditions of experimentation with the circular devices, City will replace the CRFB's with RRFB's at remaining study sites

Federal Aid Funding Sources for Traffic Control Capital Improvement Projects

- Federal Aid Paving Projects
- Wisconsin DOT Freeway Projects
 - Zoo Interchange
 - I-94/43 North/South Bridges Rehabilitation
 - Hoan Bridge / Lake Interchange Reconstruction
 - Stadium Freeway Bridges Rehabilitation
- Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
- Congestion, Mitigation, and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program



New 2015 Capital Program Traffic Signal Initiatives

2015 Programmed Signalized Intersection Improvements

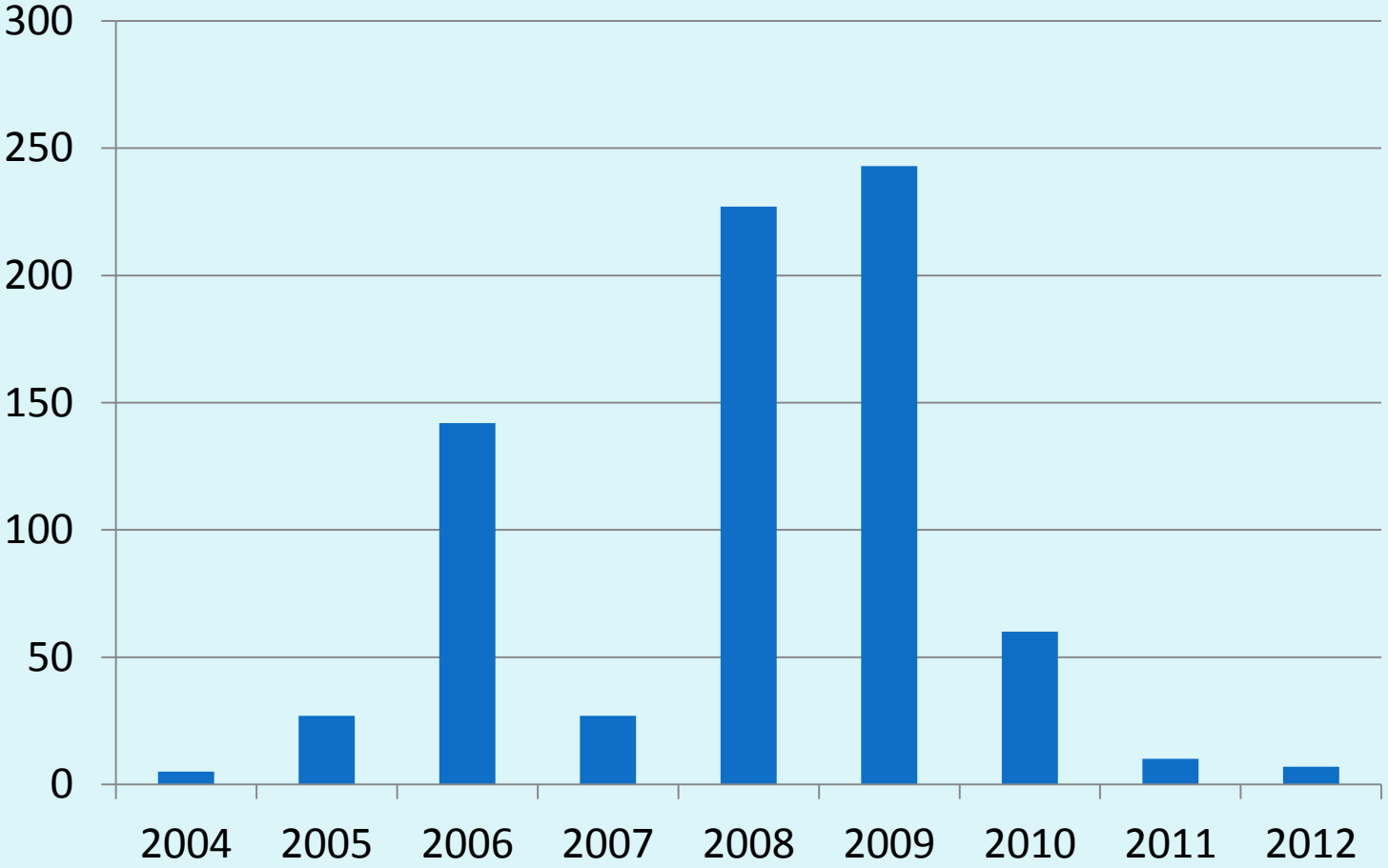
- New Traffic Signals
 - Wisconsin Avenue at vacated 15th Street (Private Benefit Signal)
- Audible Pedestrian Signals
 - Capitol and 76th
 - Appleton and 76th
 - Congress and 76th
 - Fond du Lac and Silver Spring
- RRFB's/Hawk Signals
 - Lapham and 9th
 - Seeboth and 1st
- Paving Program and Responses to Traffic Pattern Changes, Accident Countermeasures, Complaints and Other Ongoing Needs

Future Budgetary Considerations

LED Signal Indications

- Group Replacement Program for Incandescent Lamps in Signal Heads with LED Signals began in 2005
- Significant Energy Savings and Maintenance Cost reduction with LED Signal Lamps
- Anticipated Lamp Life of 6 to 7 Years at Start of Replacement Project
- Currently Beginning to Experience Failures
- Current Wisconsin DOT Experience is Lamp Life of Approximately 8 years
- Anticipate Group Replacement Needed to Begin by 2016

Number of Intersections Converted to LED Signal Indications by Year



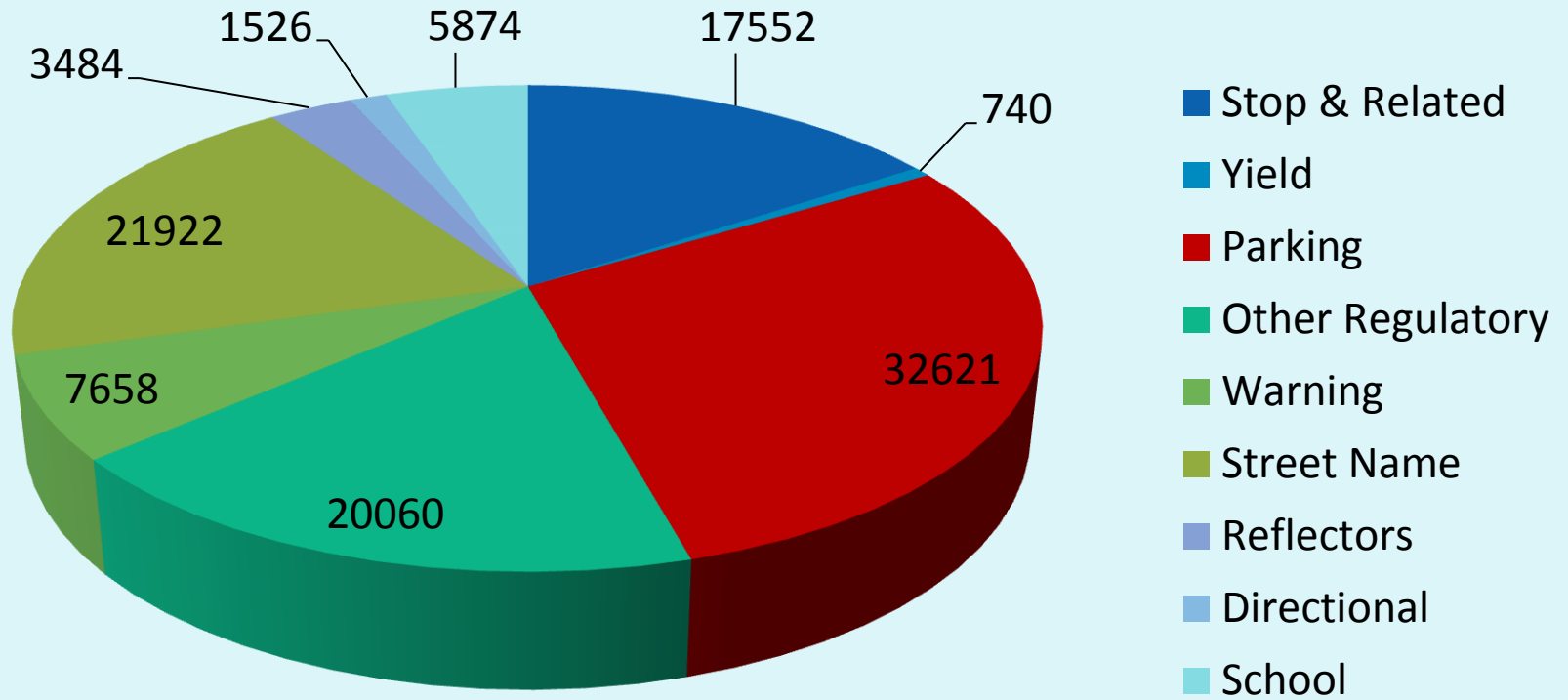
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Traffic Signs by Sign Type

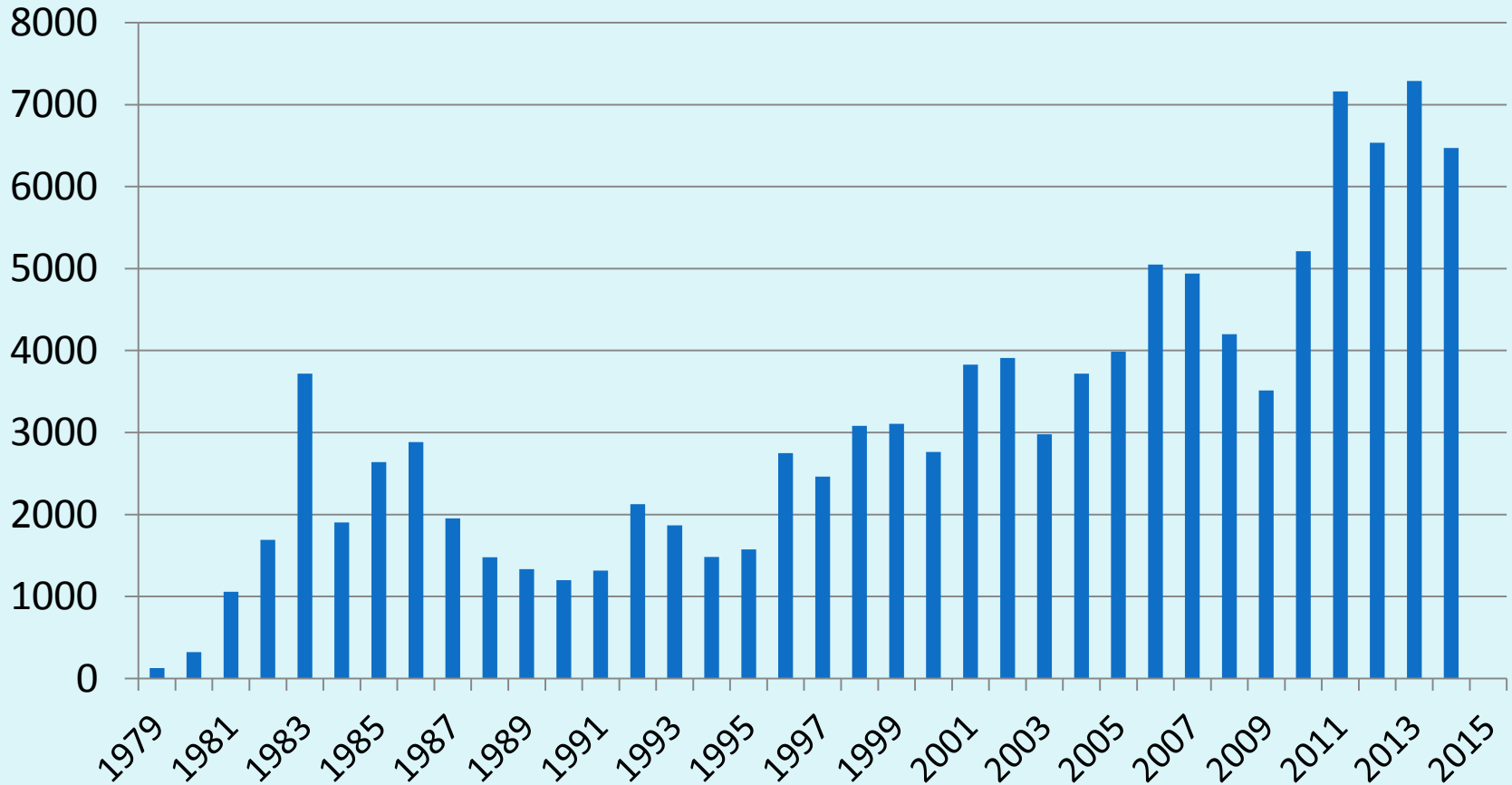
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Total Existing Traffic Control Signs: 111,437 (+997)



Existing Signs by Sign Installation Date

(as of January 1, 2015)



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Signing Program Retroreflectivity Compliance Dates at Budgeted Funding Levels

- Regulatory and Warning Signs
 - January 1, 2018

- Street Name and Other Guide Signs
 - January 1, 2026

Sign Sheeting Useful Life

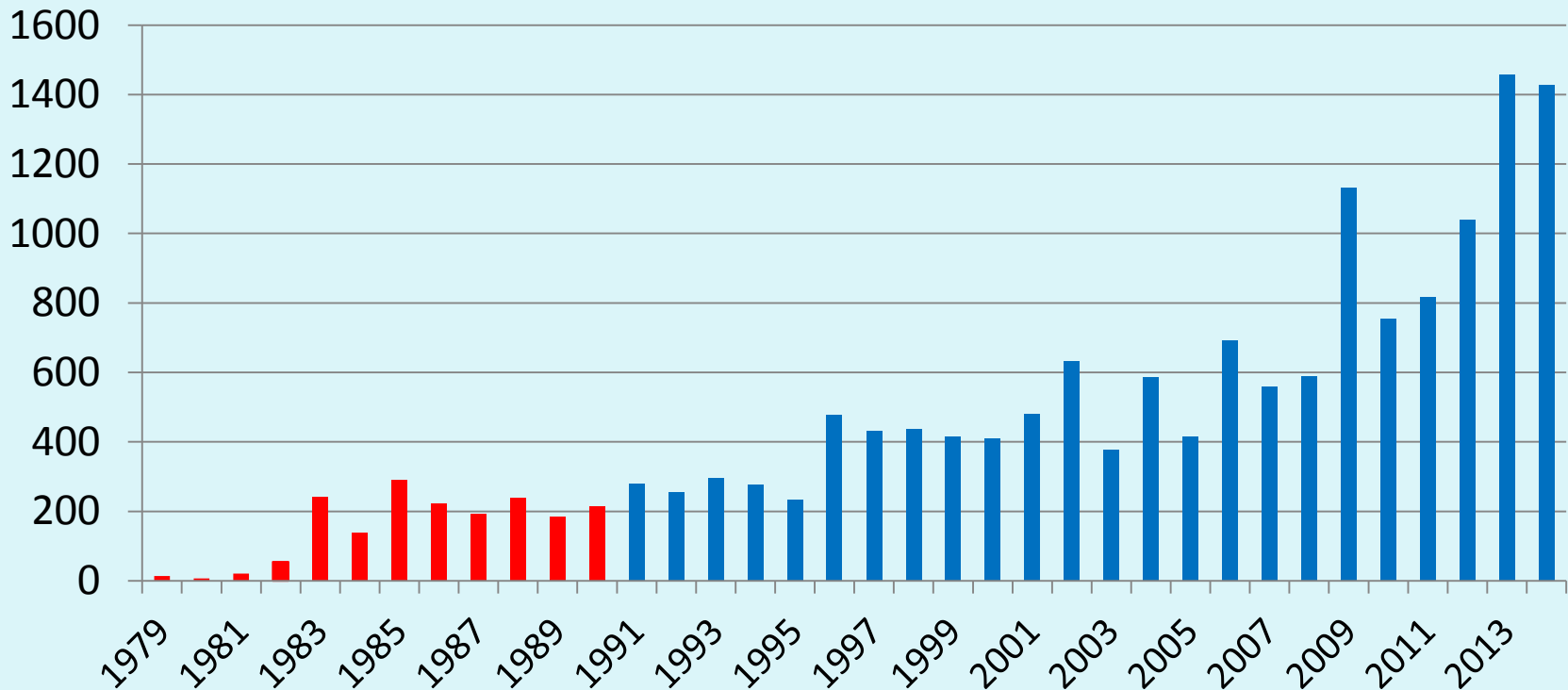
- Retroreflectivity Measured on Existing Signs in Service
- Observed Sign Sheeting Life Maintaining Minimum Retroreflectivity
 - Green 18 Years
 - Red 20 Years
 - Yellow 16 Years
 - White 25 Years

Existing White Signs by Sign Installation Date (Excluding Parking and Parking Related Signs)

(as of January 1, 2015)

Measured Life – 25 years

1,599 Signs Installed prior to 1990 (-640)



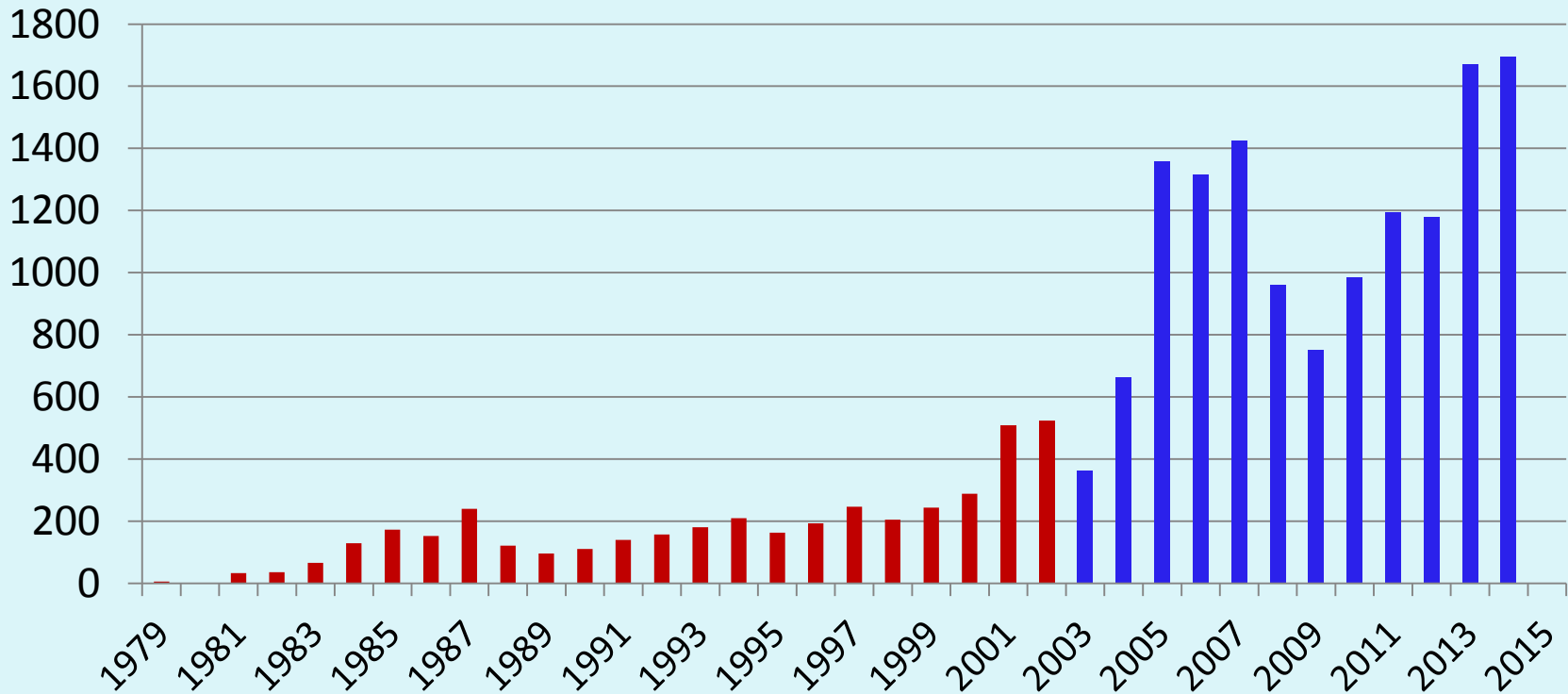
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Existing Yellow Signs by Sign Installation Date

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Measured Life – 16 years
2,655 Signs Installed prior to 1999 (-763)



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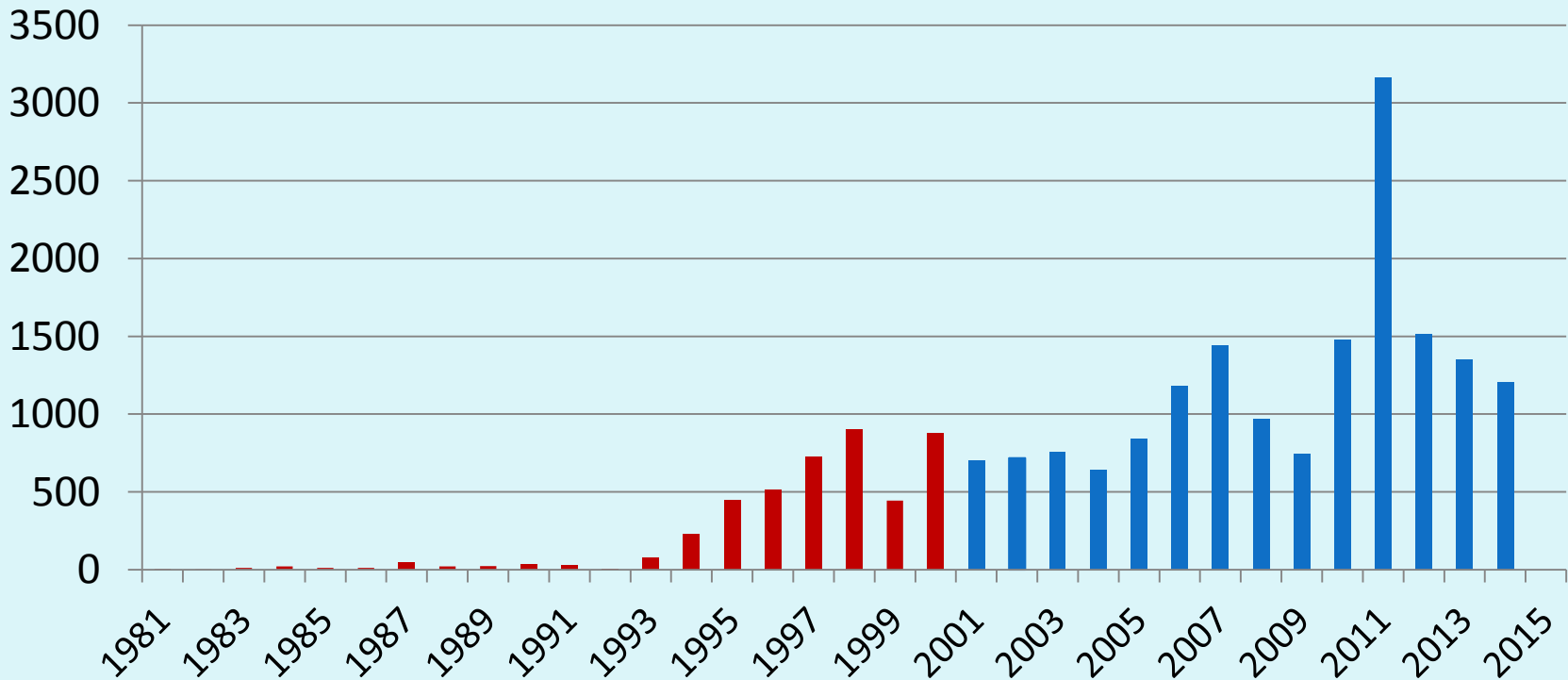
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Existing Red Signs by Sign Installation Date

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Measured Life – 20 years

521 Signs Installed prior to 1995 (-230)



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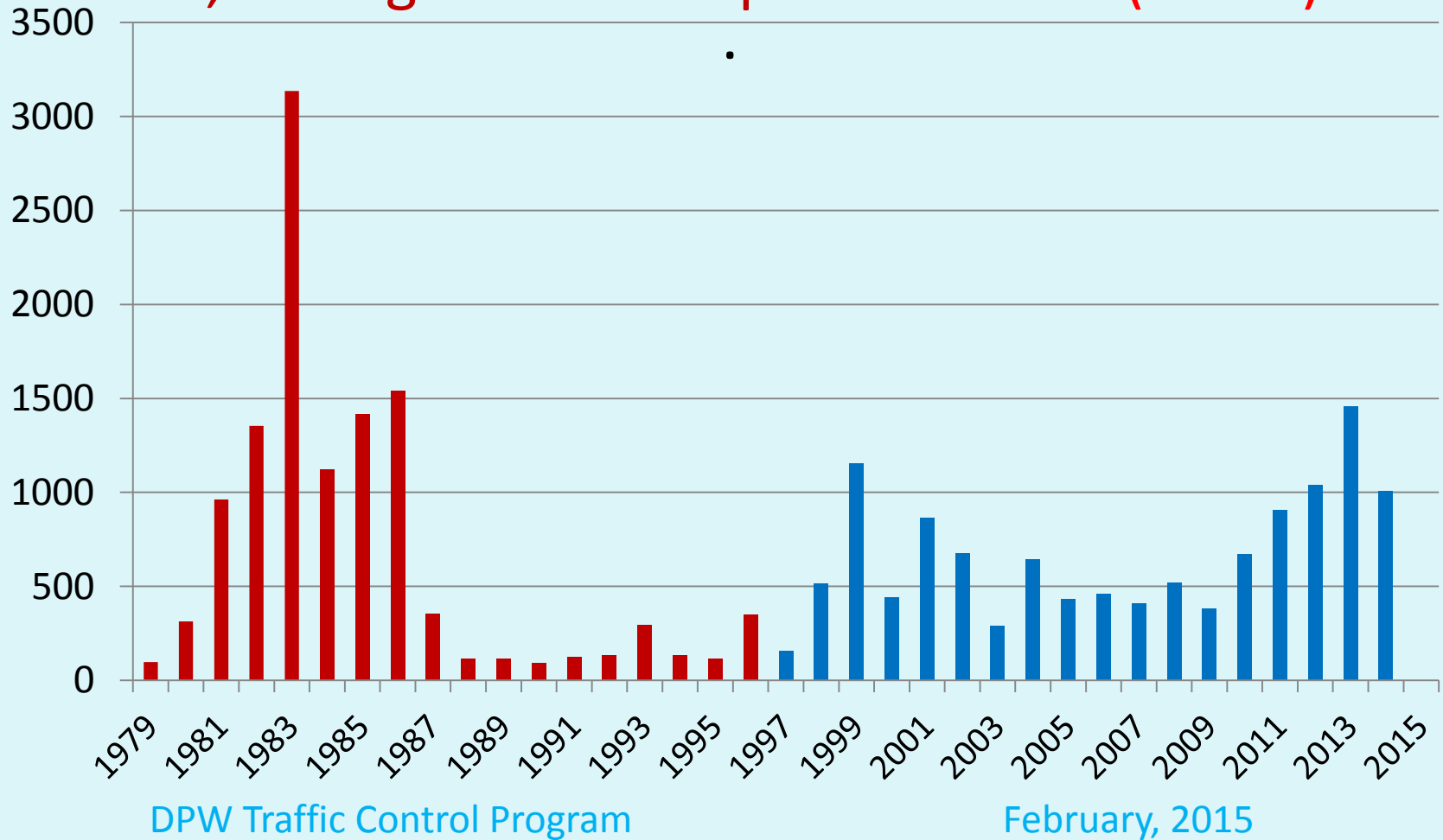
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Existing Green Signs by Sign Installation Date

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Measured Life – 18 years

11,761 Signs Installed prior to 1997 (-1079)





Pavement Marking Program

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Types of Pavement Markings Maintained

(As of January 1, 2015)

- Lane Lines and Center Lines
 - 340 Miles
- Arrows, “Only”, Bicycle Symbols and Sharrows
 - 387 Locations
- Bike Lanes (Single and Double Lined)
 - 150 (+4) Miles
 - Green Bike Lane Intersection Markings
 - Humboldt and Locust
 - Humboldt and Center
- Crosswalks
 - 1,846 (+9) Locations

Average Useful Life of Pavement Markings

- Painted: 1 Year
- Inlaid Plastic: 5 Years
- Epoxy: 3 Years

Other Budgetary Impacts

Uncollectable Knockdowns



Uncollectable Knockdowns

- Applied to the Cost of Equipment Replacement Resulting From Traffic Accidents, Vandalism or Other Damage when Costs Cannot be Recovered from Parties Responsible For Damage
- Total Expenditures of approximately \$360,000 to date for Damages Experienced in 2014 (+106% above 2013)
 - Responded to 344 traffic signal knockdowns and 23 control cabinet knockdowns