Teens in Cars

The number one killer of teens is motor vehicle crashes.

1 in 4 teens surveyed said they don’t use a seat belt on every ride.

Seat belts reduce the risk of death for front seat passengers by 45 percent.

39 percent of teens said they have ridden with a teen driver who was texting, and 95 percent said they think other teens have done so.

Fatalities are split almost equally between teen drivers and passengers.

In half of fatalities, the teen was not wearing a seat belt.

In 45 percent of teens reported riding as a passenger with a teen driver who was talking on the phone.

43 percent of teens reported feeling unsafe when riding with a teen driver.

TOP REASONS

- "Forget, or it's not a habit!"
- "Wearing a seat belt is uncomfortable."
- "Wearing a seat belt is not a habit."

More than half of teens surveyed said they have seen a parent talking on the phone while driving.

28 percent have been riding in a car with a parent who was texting.

57% of teens said they have seen a parent texting while driving.

When someone was driving dangerously, 4 in 10 teens say they asked the driver to stop, but almost the same number said they did nothing.

Buckle Up and Speak Up for a Safe Ride Every Time.