

# CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

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## Child Traffic Fatalities

### Motor Vehicle-Related Injuries

are the leading cause of death among children\*.



An average of **4** children per day were killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2009.

Approximately **1,900** children have died every year in motor vehicle crashes since 2000.

**56%**

of those who died were male.

## Child Safety Restraints

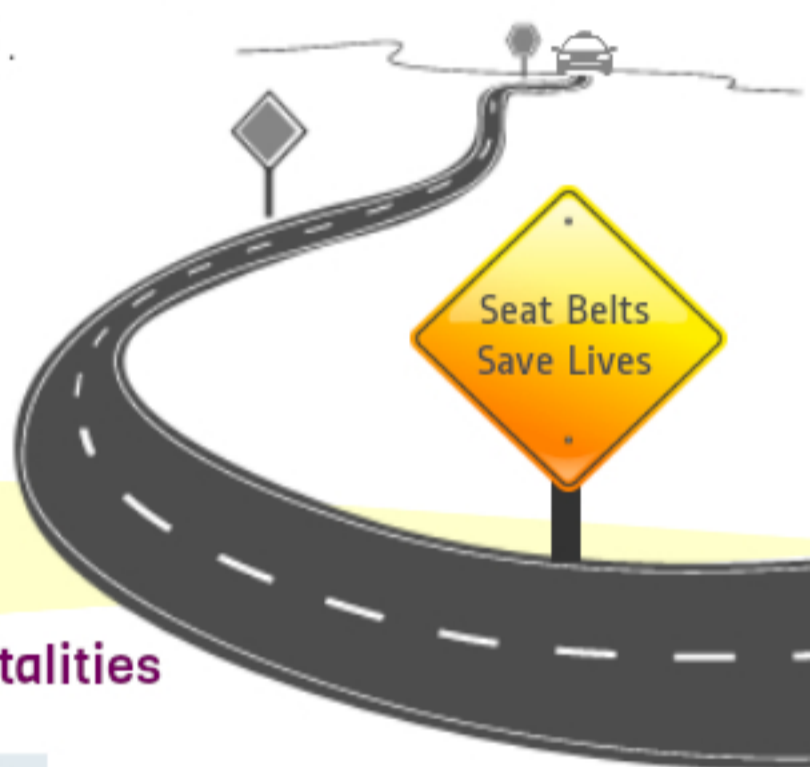
**Child restraints** saved an estimated **9,310** lives between 1975 and 2009.

Estimates show that **309** toddlers' lives were saved by child restraints in 2009.

Research shows that, when used properly, child safety seats reduce total injuries for infants by **71%** and toddlers by **54%**.

If all children under the age of 5 were in child safety seats,

**372** more lives could have been saved in 2009.



## Cost Benefit

### Child motor vehicle-related fatalities

in 2005 cost nearly

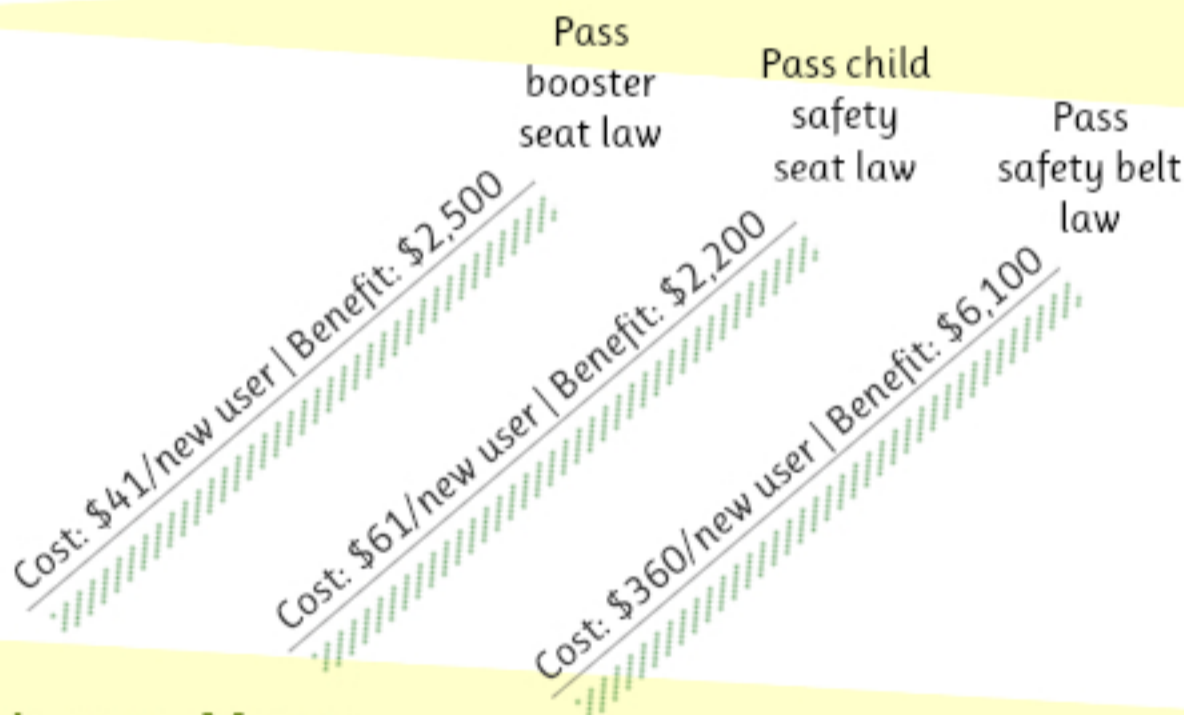
**\$3,000,000,000.**



On average, a **\$55** child safety seat generates **\$2,200** in benefits to society.

A **\$36** booster seat generates **\$2,500** in benefits to society.

## Legislation



## Learn More

To learn about choosing and installing car seats correctly, check out the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Car Seats: Information for Families for 2012

[healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/on-the-go/Pages/Car-Safety-Seats-Information-for-Families.aspx](http://healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/on-the-go/Pages/Car-Safety-Seats-Information-for-Families.aspx)

To find an inspection station near you, visit Safe Kids

[safekids.org/in-your-area/find-a-inspection-station/?state=@event\\_type\\_category=inspection-station](http://safekids.org/in-your-area/find-a-inspection-station/?state=@event_type_category=inspection-station)

\*Children are defined as 14 or younger, toddlers are defined as between the ages of 1 and 4, and infants are defined as under 1 year.

**CSN** Children's Safety Network  
National Injury and Violence Prevention Resource Center  
[www.ChildrensSafetyNetwork.org](http://www.ChildrensSafetyNetwork.org)

## Sources

<http://www.safekids.org/our-work/research/fact-sheets/motor-vehicle-safety-fact-sheet.html>

<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/Pubs/811387.pdf>

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