

FITTING SAFETY AS STANDARD

Seatbelt reminders and EU vehicle safety legislation

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25,964

Killed as a consequence of road collisions

EU28 (2014)

203,500*

seriously injured in road traffic in
the EU in 2014

**Data from police records in 23 EU countries*

The main killers on the roads

☠ Speeding

More than **1,300** road deaths could be prevented each year if average speeds dropped by 'only' **1km/h** on all roads across the EU.



☠ Drink driving

At least **5,600** deaths could have been prevented if all drivers involved in accidents and reported to be driving over the limit had been sober.

☠ Non use of **seat belts**

Around **8,600** car occupants survived serious crashes in 2012 because they wore a seat belt.

VEHICLE SAFETY

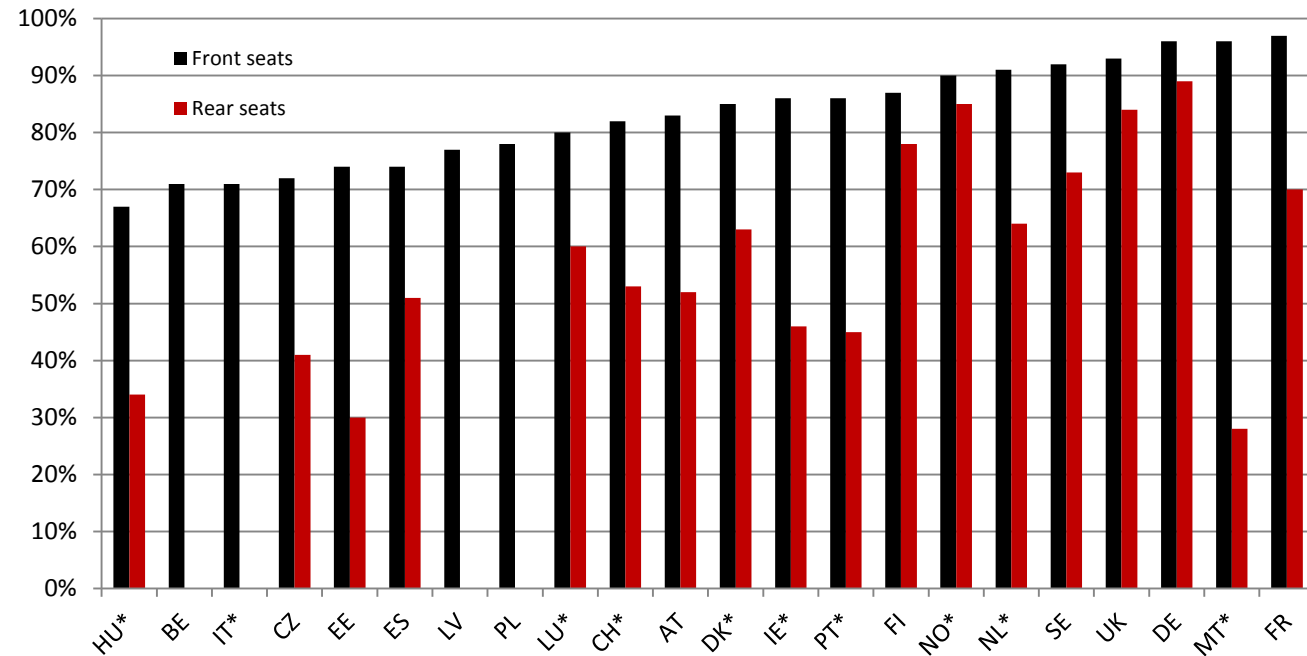
- European citizens do not benefit equally from vehicle safety improvements.
- Consolidating the internal market for safety will have to be an important cornerstone of achieving the 2020 road safety target.
- EU must require standard fitting of key safety technologies.

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PRIORITIES FOR THE GENERAL SAFETY REGULATION

- Seat Belt Use
 - Seat belt reminders for all passenger seats
- Speed
 - Intelligent Speed Assistance (ISA) and Automated Emergency Braking (AEB)
- Drink Driving
 - Alcohol interlocks on professional vehicles and an interface for all vehicles

SEAT BELT REMINDERS



- Seat belts are mandatory on all seats. But reminder alerts only on driver seat.
- Wearing rates vary greatly across Europe especially between front and rear seats and in urban and rural areas.

Seat belt reminders should be fitted on all front and rear seats. Could save 900 lives a year.



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