are at risk in a traffic crash!

Car crashes are the No. 1 killer of kids. Nearly 73 percent of all child restraints are not used correctly. Is your child safe?

For more information contact the Missouri Department of Transportation’s Traffic and Highway Safety Division at 800-800-BELT (2358) or go to www.modot.org.
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**Growing Up Safe**

As children grow, how they are secured in your car, truck or SUV should change. Save your child from injury or death by buckling them in correctly.

### MISSOURI’S CHILD RESTRAINT LAW

- **Child safety seats**
  - Children less than 4 years old or less than 40 pounds must be in an appropriate child safety seat, per manufacturer’s instructions of the child restraint.

- **Booster seats with lap and shoulder belt**
  - Children ages 4 through 7 who weigh at least 40 pounds must be in an appropriate child safety seat or booster seat unless they are 80 pounds or 4’9” tall.

- **Lap and shoulder safety belts**
  - Children 8 and over or weighing at least 80 pounds or at least 4’9” tall are required to be secured by a safety belt or booster seat appropriate for that child.

Always check the owner’s manual for proper use of your child safety seat or booster seat. To verify that your child safety seat has been installed correctly, you can visit [www.seatcheck.org](http://www.seatcheck.org) to search for a certified Child Passenger Safety technician nearest you.

7 out of 10 kids are at risk in a traffic crash!

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