

**Seat Belt Use in Light Duty Vehicles
2006 - 2011**

	2006		2007		2009		2010		2011	
	Alberta	Canada	Alberta	Canada	Alberta	Canada	Alberta	Canada	Alberta	Canada
Rural & Urban Combined										
% All Occupants	90.9 ³	90.8 ¹	88.9 ⁴	92.5 ⁴	92.9 ⁵	--	92.0 ⁷	95.3 ⁷	95.1 ⁸	--
% Front Occupants	91.0 ³	91.0 ¹	--	--	93.0 ⁵	--	--	95.5 ⁷	95.2 ⁸	--
Rural										
% All Occupants	86.4	88.3	--	--	90.4	92.0	--	--	91.9	--
% Front Occupants	86.3	88.6	--	--	90.5	91.9	--	--	92.0	--
Urban										
% All Occupants	91.7 ²	--	89.3	93.1	93.3 ⁶	--	92.3	95.8	95.6	--
% Front Occupants	91.8 ²	--	--	--	93.4 ⁶	--	--	96.0	95.7	--

The combined Alberta urban and rural seat belt wearing rate in 2011 was 95.1%, up from 92.0% in 2010. The urban seat belt wearing rate increased from 92.3% in 2010 to 95.6% in 2011. In 2011, rural areas saw an increase to 91.9%, up from 90.4% in the previous rural survey of 2009.

Source: Transport Canada, Surveys of Seatbelt Use in Canada. Rural survey conducted in 2006 and 2009. Urban survey conducted in 2005, 2007 and 2010. No survey was conducted in 2008 and 2011 by Transport Canada. Using parallel methods, Alberta Transportation conducted urban surveys in Alberta only in 2006 and 2009 to complement the rural data collected by Transport Canada on those years. Alberta Transportation also conducted urban and rural surveys in 2011. The objective of the surveys is to obtain estimates of the proportion of light duty vehicle occupants using occupant restraints. Light duty vehicles include passenger cars, pickup trucks, minivans and SUVs.

¹ 2005 urban and 2006 rural combined

² Urban survey conducted in Alberta only, Fall 2006

³ 2006 Alberta urban and 2006 rural combined

⁴ 2006 rural and 2007 urban combined

⁵ 2009 Alberta urban and 2009 rural combined

⁶ Urban survey conducted in Alberta only, Fall 2009

⁷ 2009 rural and 2010 urban combined

⁸ 2011 Alberta urban and 2011 Alberta rural combined, Fall 2011