

Fact Sheet

Seat Belt Mobilization, May 22 - June 4, 2023

The annual Click It or Ticket campaign reminds Texans to buckle up day and night, front seat or back, every time they get in a vehicle. Buckling up saves lives and protects drivers and passengers from expensive tickets and fines.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), and the Texas Department of Public Safety (TxDPS) are again joining forces with police and sheriff's departments across Texas to save lives through increased seat belt use. Law enforcement officers are stepping up their efforts to ticket anyone who isn't wearing a seat belt.

Seat Belt Facts

- In 2022, 90.38% of Texans buckled up. (TXDOT)
- From 2002 through 2022, the Click It or Ticket initiative in Texas is estimated to have saved 7,399
 lives, prevented more than 129,000 serious injuries, and saved more than \$28.5 billion in related
 economic costs. (NHTSA)
- In 2022, there were 3,357 Texas crashes in which unbuckled people sustained fatal or serious injuries. (TXDOT)
- Motorists are less likely to buckle up at night. In 2022, 59% of unrestrained fatal or serious injuries occurred at night. (6 p.m. - 5:59 a.m.). (TXDOT)
- Wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of dying in a crash by 45% for people in the front seat of passenger cars. For those in pickups, seat belts reduce that risk by 60%. (NHTSA)

It's the Law: Buckle Up Day and Night in Every Seat.

Texas law requires the driver and all passengers in a vehicle to be secured by a seat belt. Unbuckled drivers and passengers, even those in the back seat, face fines and court costs of up to \$200.

Learn more at TexasClickItorTicket.com

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