

Six Facts on Transportation Safety

Here are six useful facts about transportation safety.

Odds of winning the lottery: 1 in 135,145,920 (multi-state, mega-millions lottery).

Lifetime odds of dying in a motor vehicle accident: 1 in 84
(Source: National Safety Council)

1. It takes 2 times the distance to stop a vehicle on a wet road compared to a dry one.
2. When behind other vehicles on snowy or icy roads, drivers should maintain 3 times the following distance they would normally observe on those roads in dry conditions.
3. Transport Canada says drivers need to be extra-vigilant about the possibility of encountering black ice on roadways in temperatures between -4C and 4C (25F and 39F)
4. Winter tires have 30 percent deeper treads than all-season tires do.
5. Stopping a vehicle on an icy road surface from a speed of 30 miles per hour (50 km/h) requires an average braking distance of 210 feet (64 meters).
6. Of winter deaths attributed to snow or ice, 70 percent involve motor vehicle incidents.