

1: Why is this important?

Canadian caregivers need additional support

A Canadian roadside study¹ found 99% of kids were buckled, but:



of car seats were installed or used incorrectly,



of kids in booster seats did not meet the weight minimum,



of kids in seat belts did not fit safely without a booster seat.

Car seats and booster seats save lives. When the right car seat or booster seat is used in the right way, the risk that a child will be hurt or killed in a crash is reduced by up to 71%.²

Nearly all children were observed to be buckled in some way, but caregivers needed additional support to make sure that children were safely buckled in the right seat.

CPSTs can provide the education and support that many caregivers need to safely transport children in their care.

Notes

¹ Bruce B., Cramm C., Mundle K., Williams DP., & Conrad A. (2015) Roadside observation of child passenger restraint use. *Advances in Pediatric Research*, 2, 1-6.

² Snowdon, A., Hussein, A., Purc-Stevenson, R., Bruce, B., Kolga, C., Boase, P., & Howard, A. (2009). Are we there yet? Canada's progress towards achieving road safety vision 2010 for children travelling in vehicles. *International Journal of Injury Control & Safety Promotion*, 16(4), 231-237.