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### *Motor Vehicle Safety*

*Health Burden and Medical Costs of Nonfatal Injuries  
to Motor Vehicle Occupants — United States, 2012*

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Every trip in a motor vehicle places us at risk for serious injury. Motor vehicle crashes are among the leading causes of injury in the U.S. In 2012, more than two and a half million emergency department visits were for injuries suffered in a car crash. These injuries resulted in over 50 *billion* dollars in lifetime costs.

Drinking and driving and not being properly restrained are among the leading risk factors for being hurt in a crash. Never drink and drive and make sure that everyone is properly buckled on every trip. Also, make sure teens follow their states' Graduated Driver Licensing laws when learning to drive.

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