



**Brian Leonard
wears his seat belt
on the highway...**

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**But not on
country roads**



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Are YOU a part-time seat belt user?

Do **YOU** only buckle your seat belt when you go on long trips, travel in bad weather or on unfamiliar roads and highways?

Do **YOU** forget or just “not bother” to wear your seat belt when you’re running errands or driving in good weather?

Do **YOU** think that because you have an air bag you don’t need to use a seat belt?

If **YOU** said “**YES**” to one or more of these questions, then

YOU may not know that:

Three out of four crashes happen within 25 miles of home, at speeds of 45 miles per hour or less and crashes have been known to occur at speeds as low as 12 miles per hour.

Air bags and safety belts are a life saving combination and they save lives and prevent serious injuries. Air Bags work best when drivers and passengers are properly secured by lap and shoulder belts and sitting as far back as possible.

Tennessee Seat Belt Laws 55-9-602 & 603		
0-1 year & 20 lbs or less	Rear-facing	Rear seat if available
1 yr through 3 yrs & greater than 20 lbs	Forward-facing	Rear seat if available
4 yrs through 8 yrs & less than 4'9" tall	Belt-positioning booster seat	Rear seat if available
9 yrs through 12 yrs or 4'9" tall or greater	Vehicle seat belt system	Rear seat recommended
13 yrs through 17 yrs	Must use vehicle safety belts or can be ticketed.	
Adults	Driver & all passengers occupying the front seat must be restrained by a safety belt.	

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