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"The safety of the people is the highest law"

The Highway: Our Greatest Danger

The highway presents families with the greatest risk of serious injury. Yet, people put the risk out of their minds. That's part of the human coping mechanism.

Yet, so many things can go wrong while driving. Just driving down Main Street causes a driver to make hundreds of conscious and unconscious decisions and movements.

Think about it

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Here a few things to think about:

- 1. In unexpected highway situations studies show that drivers usually swerve first and brake second.
- 2. Studies also show that drivers seldom brake to the brakes' full capacity.
- 3. Traffic lights assign priority, they do not provide safety. Roundabouts, like in Europe, provide more safety because crashes are a low-speeds.

The basic steps to safe driving

The 3 steps to safe driving are go slow, pay attention and stay awake.