

## CLOVER SAFE #45

## SAFE DRIVING PRACTICES



Data available from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) indicates 4,215 traffic fatalities occurred in California during 2003. Of this total, 36% of the fatalities were speed related and 42% of the victims were not using seat belt restraints. NHTSA estimates the economic cost of California motor vehicle traffic crashes was approximately \$20.7 billion during 2000. Many motor vehicle accidents (and injuries) are preventable if drivers maintain a high level of alertness

while driving and follow safe driving practices, including wearing seat belt restraints. It is 4-H policy that 4-H youth members shall not transport other 4-H members to and from official functions. For additional information about driving safety, go to the Clover Safe note at:

<http://ucanr.org/cloversafe>.

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