Show Your Love by Buckling Up

Securing your children properly in age- and size-appropriate child safety seats—in the back seat of your vehicle—is the most effective thing you can do to protect them in the event of a crash. In fact, in motor vehicle crashes, child safety seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71 percent for infants and by 54 percent for toddlers. Even so, motor vehicle traffic crashes remain the leading cause of death for children ages 3 and older.

The good news is that a majority of parents buckle up their children in child safety seats, booster seats, or seat belts. However, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), nearly 60 percent of all child safety seats are not used properly, which is a grave risk when traveling.

For a child safety seat to do its job effectively, it has to be:

- Appropriate for your child's age and size;
- Installed properly in your vehicle; and
- Adjusted to fit your child securely.

Car Seat Inspection Stations

Utah has car seat inspection stations where parents can have a certified child passenger safety technician inspect their child's safety seat.

Go to ClickIt.utah.gov to find a car seat inspection station near you.