



Improving Road Safety is Simply Good Business

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Welcome to the latest newsletter from the National Road Safety Partnership Program (NRSPPP). NRSPPP is a government-supported, industry-led collaborative network which aims to support Australian businesses and organisations to develop a positive road safety culture and help protect their workers and the public, not only during work hours, but also when staff are 'off-duty'.

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NRSPPP Achievements

- NRSP welcomes [National Heavy Vehicle Regulator as Core Funder](#); and [Australian Pilot Vehicle Drivers Association](#), [Sleep for Health](#) and [Churches of Christ in Queensland](#) as Program Partners.
- NRSP release their [Grey Fleet Safety Management Guide](#) and [Grey Fleet Legal Implications for Businesses](#).
- The 15th NRSP Steering Committee Meeting was kindly hosted by Rio Tinto in Perth. Key outcomes:
 - Finalisation of new [NRSP Strategic Plan](#).
 - Approval to release two new Discussion Papers: [Incident Investigation – It Pays to Know Why, When and How](#) and [Building Partnerships and Developing Networks](#).
 - Formation of new Working Groups, including: Bus and high occupancy vehicles, Local government forum and NfP – Health forum.
- NRSP has a new webinar record! We achieved 419 registrations for our most recent webinar [Trauma Surgeons Insight – Speed, Cars, Crashes and the Recovery](#) and [Talking Sense – Why language is the key to safety](#) also achieved 329.

NRSP News

The NRSP Grey Fleet Guide is Out Now

The National Road Safety Partnership Program (NRSP) in collaboration with multiple industry partners and stakeholders, identified a need for a Grey Fleet Safety Management Guide (GFSMG) to assist organisations to manage safety risks and reduce the frequency of ‘on the job’ crashes.

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Winner of NRSP ARSC2017 Award

The NRSP sponsor an award for the Best Paper with Implications for Improving Workplace Road Safety. This is the second year in a row that NRSP

has offered this award.

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Global NCAP looks to boost take-up of speed assistance systems worldwide

ANCAP will start to award additional safety points for cars fitted with Speed Assistance Systems (SAS) from next year and Euro NCAP will start to require regular digital map updates in the near future to improve reliability of the systems over time.

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If You Build It, They Will Charge: Ford Tripling Workplace Electric Vehicle Charging Network

They are U.S. and Canadian Ford employees, who say the company's 200 current charging stations at 50 facilities have given them the confidence to buy or lease an electric vehicle without worrying where they can charge away from home. More than six in 10 employees who drive electric vehicles say Ford's workplace charging network influenced their purchase or lease decision.

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Consumers armed with a new tool to inform safer vehicle choices

Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Darren Chester today joined with the Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP) to launch a new consumer information app developed to help Australians make safer vehicle choices.

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Australian Community Attitudes to Road Safety Management

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This survey aims to develop a scale of community attitudes towards the road safety measures (or interventions/strategies) contained in the 2011-2020 national road safety strategy (2011-2020 Australian NRSS or national strategy).

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Eastlink Announces Results of First Annual Victorian Self-Driving Vehicle Survey

Self-driving car technologies such as lane keeping assistance are increasingly offered by the latest production cars in Australia. Hands-free driving on EastLink and other suitable freeways is expected within the next few years (subject to legislative changes).

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Latest News from Safer Together - October 2017

This article is the latest news coming out of Safer Together in the month of October 2017.

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NRSP Blog



Act or React? Grey Fleet A Legal Grey Area In Australia

In an exclusive interview with OHS.com.au NRSP manager Jerome Carslake says work related vehicles are the highest risk to any organisation and employee.

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NRSP Monthly Focus

A pedestrian is what is known as a vulnerable road user, someone who is more at risk of injury if involved in an incident. Under the road rules, pedestrians are people on foot, people on wheeled devices, and people using push bikes. In 2016, 185 pedestrians were killed on Australian roads, 14% more than the previous year. It is imperative that as a light vehicle, heavy vehicle or motorised device driver you watch out for pedestrians, and try to reduce their vulnerability. For more information on key statistics, facts and tips see the [NRSP's Quick Fact on Pedestrians are Road Traffic Too](#).



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PEDESTRIANS ARE ROAD TRAFFIC TOO

QUICK FACTS

What is a pedestrian? Under the road rules pedestrians are :



people on **foot**



people on **wheeled devices** such as skateboards, roller blades, wheelchairs, and motorised mobility devices



people **pushing a bicycle**

Source: <https://www.nrsp.org.au/road-traffic-accidents-and-injury-prevention/road-traffic-accidents>

When do pedestrians have right of way?

-  **At pedestrian crossings (zebra crossings)**
You must travel at a low speed so you can stop safely, give way to pedestrians and not overtake other vehicles stopped at the crossing.
-  **At pedestrian lights**
You must give way to a pedestrian on the crossing.
-  **When turning at any intersection**
You must give way to pedestrians that are crossing the road that you are entering, not matter what the shape of the intersection is.
-  **At roundabouts**
Vehicles have right of way, unless there is a zebra crossing.
-  **When exiting or entering a driveway**
You must give way to pedestrians on the footpath and nature strips.
-  **In a shared zone**

Please note: the following apply to Victorian Road Rules
<http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/road-rules> or
<http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/road-rules>

Tips for drivers

-  **Slow down** on roads where there are likely to be a lot of pedestrians, especially near schools and shopping centres; near hotels there are likely to be pedestrians who have been drinking
-  **Be aware** that pedestrians are hard to see at night and in poor weather
-  **Don't assume** that a pedestrian has seen you and will wait for you to go past
-  **Be mindful** that vulnerable pedestrians may need extra time to cross – children can be difficult to see and may act unpredictably



Statistics

In 2016, **185 pedestrians** were killed on Australian roads, **14% more** than the previous year.



The common types of crash resulting in pedestrian deaths are:

-  crossing the road and being struck from the **near side** (36%)
-  crossing the road and being struck from the **far side** (16%)
-  playing, working, laying or standing on **carriageway** (11%)

Source: <http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/road-rules> or <http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/road-rules>



Partnership Program

Featured NRSP Case Study

NRSP Case Study: CBCNT: Safe driving at work: Taking care of those who care for others

Like many organisations, work driving safety is the most significant safety issue for a community transport provider in northern NSW. A focus on ensuring safe drivers operating in safe vehicles has improved service and the bottom line while helping take care of those who care for others in our community.

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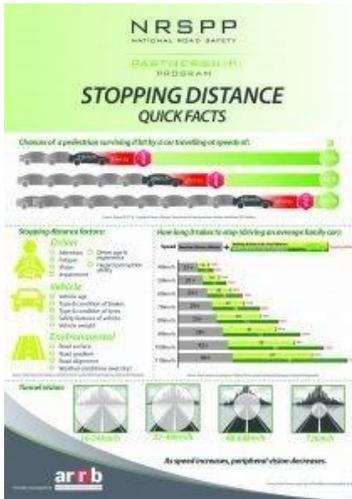
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NRSP Quick Fact: Why Speed Matters?

This quick fact focuses on why speed matters. It highlights some key facts and statistics.

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NRSP Quick Fact: Stopping Distance

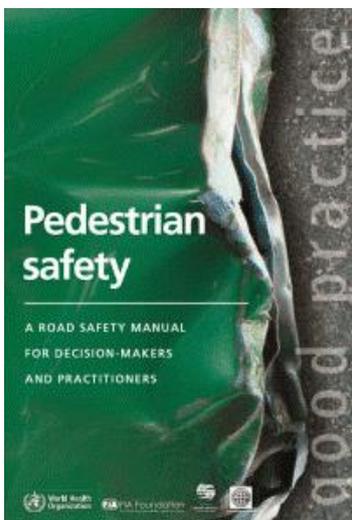
This quick fact sheet looks at stopping distances. It highlights some key statistics.

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NRSP Quick Fact: Cycling

This quick fact sheet looks at the cycling and road safety. It highlights some key statistics.

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“How To” Road Safety Manuals: Pedestrian Safety

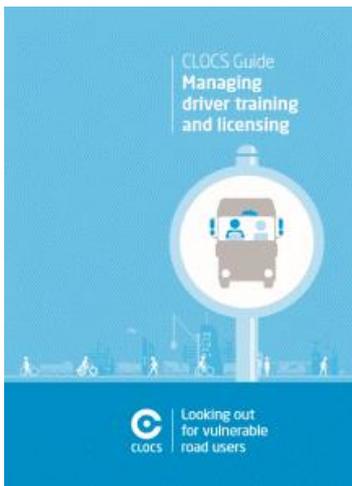
One of the major projects of the UN Road Safety Collaboration is the production of a series of “how to” manuals which will assist governments to implement some of the recommendations of the World Report on road traffic injury prevention.

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BITRE: Pedestrians and Road Safety Stats

Pedestrians comprise the largest single road user group because almost everyone is a pedestrian at some point.

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CLOCS Guide: Managing Driver Training and Licensing Looking Out For Vulnerable Road Users

TfL commissioned a review of the construction sector's transport activities to understand the causes of collisions with cyclists.

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Events



13th Australasian Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Conference

Conference on November 13th to 15th, 2017. With a theme of "Take Action", the Conference will be a multi-disciplinary event featuring representatives from all facets of injury prevention including research, teaching, practice and policy.

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FREE NRSP Webinars: What happens when workers and mobile construction plants interact?

FREE Webinar on November 15, 2017. Downer Road Services have been exploring technology solutions over a number of years. This webinar will cover the solutions they have trialed to date and the promising new technology that they are currently exploring.

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ADVI 2nd International Driverless Vehicle Summit

Conference on November 16th to 17th, 2017. The Australia and New Zealand Driverless Vehicle Initiative (ADVI) invites you to attend and gain access to global thought leadership on the subject of driverless vehicles, and their safe implementation onto our road network.

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Shiftwork and Fatigue Management 2017 Conference

Conference on November 16th to 17th, 2017. Organisations has also come to realise that not managing fatigue effectively, can have major financial consequences

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Time for Remembering Ceremony

Ceremony on November 19th, 2017. Road Trauma Support Services Victoria warmly invite you to their annual Time for Remembering ceremony. Time for Remembering is an occasion for Victorians to come together to commemorate the lives of loved ones

lost and injured on our roads, give thanks for those who survived and pay tribute to all who work tirelessly to reduce the road toll.

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FREE NRSP Program Webinar: Keeping safe around vehicles is easy...isn't it? Low Speed Vehicle Run Over Prevention

FREE Webinar on December 6, 2017. Low Speed Vehicle Run Over accidents (LSVRO's) can happen to anyone, anywhere, anytime. Join us to hear the effect of one such incident on a community, and the measures that the Georgina Josephine Foundation encourages people to put in place, to ensure it does not happen to others when at home, at work or elsewhere.

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Links

- [Kidsafe: Pedestrian Safety](#)
- [Tips for pedestrians](#)
- [Vic Roads: Pedestrian safety](#)
- [Pedestrian safety: a road safety manual for decision-makers and practitioners](#)

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