

Definition/Description:

Percentage of children using age-appropriate vehicle restraints, by age of child (selected age groups). Data was collected by Transport Canada for the provinces and Canada during survey period July 25-31, 1997.

Source:

Transport Canada Website - http://www.tc.gc.ca/roadsafety/tp2436/cl9804/menu_e.htm

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Methods

This data was collected by Transport Canada through its fifth national survey of child restraint use, during the week of July 25 to July 31, 1997. It is available only at the provincial level.

Findings:

Use of Appropriate Child Restraints in Vehicles by Age of Child, 1997

Age	B.C	Alta.	Sask.	Man.	Ont.	Que.	N.B	N.S	P.E.I.	Nfld.	Canada
Under 1 year	96.0	95.8	94.6	89.2	94.6	96.8	89.2	94.6	100.0	96.8	95.3
1-2 years	88.2	82.0	73.4	89.3	88.8	86.9	89.3	86.5	84.0	81.1	87.2
3-4 years	86.0	86.6	81.4	85.0	85.7	94.0	85.0	92.4	90.4	84.6	88.0
1-4 years	87.0	84.9	78.3	86.5	87.0	91.1	90.2	90.0	87.9	83.0	87.6
Under 5 years	88.3	87.2	81.0	86.9	88.2	92.2	86.9	90.7	90.0	84.6	88.9
5-9 years	84.2	79.0	86.3	83.2	81.9	85.5	83.2	92.7	83.5	81.8	83.4
10-15 years	85.2	84.1	86.0	88.2	84.4	88.3	88.2	86.0	86.0	80.3	85.7
Under 16 years	85.7	82.7	84.4	85.6	84.3	88.3	85.6	90.2	85.5	82.1	85.6

Highlights:

- Overall, Manitoba's children are using age-appropriate vehicle restraints to the same degree as Canada as a whole.
- However, when looking at the use of child restraints in vehicles for infants under 1 year, it is noted that Manitoba has a substantially lower percentage of usage (89.2%) compared to Canada (95.3%), and most other provinces.
- Manitoba ranks mid-range amongst the Canadian provinces with regard to children under 16 years of age using age-appropriate vehicle restraints.