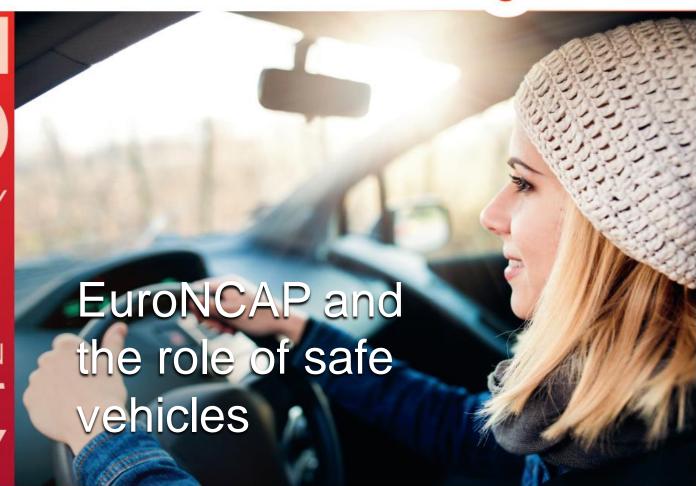


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EuroNCAP and the role of safe vehicles

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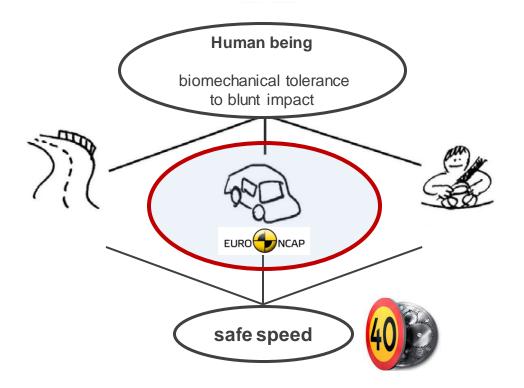


Vision Zero

A safe system's approach: accept that mistakes can always happen







Old way - Regulations

- Long lead time
 - New crash dummy can be up to 20 years
- Many partners have to agree
 - EU 30+ countries, Car industry
- All vehicles need to be tested
 - All model variants, small volume vehicles
 - Sales stopped



Consumer testing - NCAP

- Fast process
 - 2 years typically
- Voluntary
 - Only benefit if you have high rating
 - Does not stop sales
- Most sold version
- High to medium volume cars
 - Biggest impact on road safety

Consumer testing

• "... seeks to ensure that consumers can understand what products will do for them and which products are the best value."

Consumer testing - NCAP

- New Car Assessment Program
- First NCAP, US 1979
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration NHTSA
- "Encourage manufacturers to build safer vehicles and consumers to buy them"
- 35 mph (56 km/h) frontal crash test



EuroNCAP

- Founded 1997 by
 - TRL (UK)
 - FIA (international car sports organization)
 - STA (Sweden, then SRA)
 - International Consumer Research & Testing

Development history

- 2001 first 5 star car
- 2002 seat belt reminder
- 2003 child protection
- 2008 whiplash
- 2011 stability control (ESC) included in rating
- 2012 pedestrian in overall rating
- 2014 auto-brake (AEB) car-to-car
- 2016 auto-brake pedestrian
- 2018 auto-brake cyclist



Improved Structures & Restraints



Footwell intrusion prevention

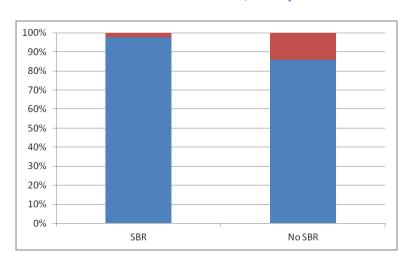
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Rear seat protection

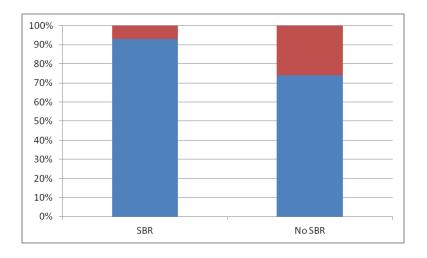


Seat belt reminder

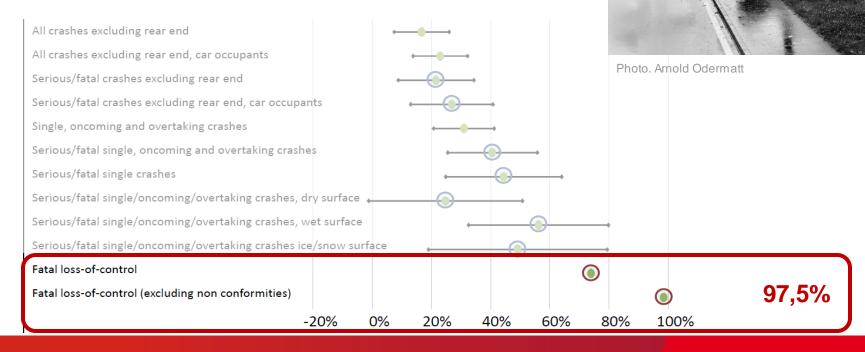
Road side observations, Europe



Fatal crashes, Sweden

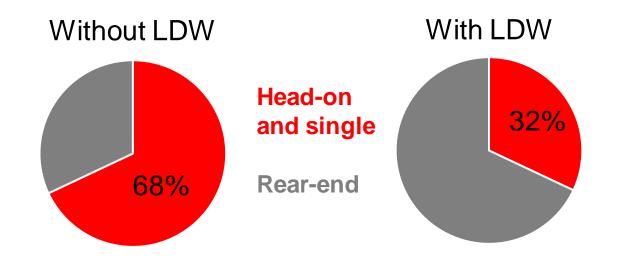


Effects of ESC





The effect of Lane Departure Warning



53% reduction of single-vehicle and head-on crashes in speed areas 70-120 km/h - no snow or ice



NCAP's around the world





EuroNCAP 2020

- 11 partners in 8 countries
- 9 test labs in 7 countries

- 2019:
 - 55 tested cars
 - 75% 5 stars
 - 16% 4 stars
 - 9% 3 stars



A Market for Safety



4 areas – 18 tests







































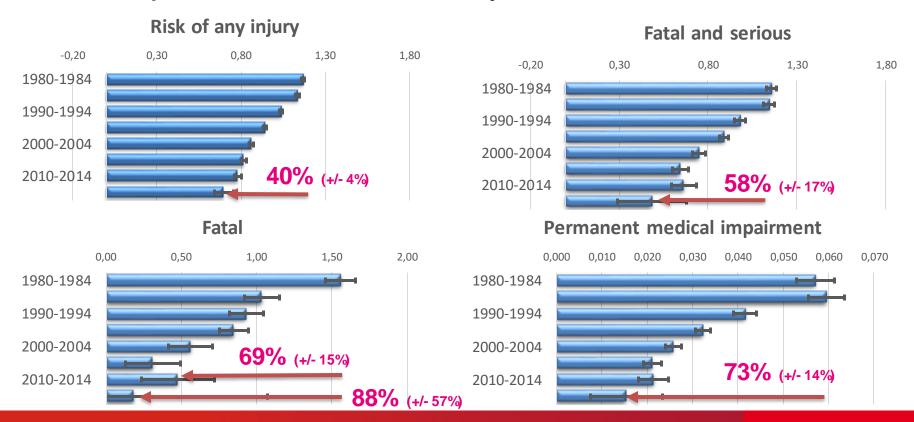




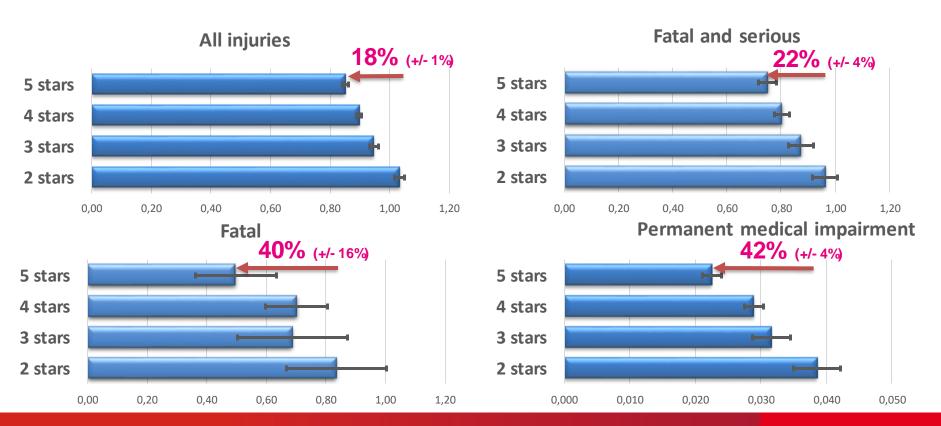




Development in crash safety



Correlation to Euro NCAP - injury risk for star bands





Roadmap 2025



Overall Safety Rating

Primary, secondary and tertiary safety of cars and vans: protecting car occupants of all ages, gender, and sizes as well as vulnerable road users

Highlights:

- Automatic Braking and Steering
- Occupant State Monitoring
- Improved Frontal Crash Protection
- Far-side Crash Protection
- Rescue, Extrication & Safety
- Child Vehicular Heatstroke
- Revised Subsystem Test for Pedestrian & Cyclist



Far-side Crash Protection

BIW Sled Test: Driver Only







 ${\tt *Required\, only\, when\, occupant-to-occupant\, protection\, countermeasure\, is\, available.}$



Automatic Braking and Steering

Improved intervention capabilities enabled by new sensors



Turn-across-path (car, pedestrian, cyclist)



Longitudinal (motorcycle)

Crossing traffic (car, motorcycle)



Reverse (pedestrian)



Highway Assist Testing









Assessment Matrix =

HMI assessment +

- System Name
- Official Media
- System Features
- User Manual

Longitudinal (ACC) tests +

- Stationary Car
- Slower Moving Car
- Braking Car
- Cut-in & Cut-out

Lateral (Lane Centring) tests

- Obstacle Avoidance
- Steering In S-curve



Occupant State Monitoring

Encourage monitoring systems that effectively detect impaired driving

Impaired Driving	Warning / Intervention
Fatigue	Impaired Driving warning
Distraction	High Sensitivity Mode
Driving Under Influence	Limp Home Mode
Sudden Sickness	Safe Stop manoeuvre

Attention Assist

- Indirect, mainly fatigue/distraction
 - Time-on-Task
 - Steering Wheel input
 - Lane position
- Direct Monitoring
 - PSA infrared camera



Virtual testing and Human Modelling



A paradigm shift ... enables

- large number of
 - crash speeds
 - occupant sizes
 - impact angles
- "real" (i.e. human) injury criteria
 - e.g. fracture or brain injury
 - (compared to acceleration and force in dummy)

New Car Assessment Program

- Puts safety on the market, over and beyond regulation
- Promotes best practice
- Focuses vehicle industry
- Gives credit to best performance and discourage poor performance
- Works on a global market



Thank you!

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