

Research Shows Side View Mirror Causes Dangerous Blind Spots

You are driving down the highway in the middle lane. You notice your exist is coming so you put you turn signal on, look in your side view mirror, and proceed to edge your way over. Suddenly you hear the blast of a horn and quickly maneuver back to the middle lane. You just narrowly missed hitting a car and causing a serious accident.

What caused this? Blind spots. Blind spots are causing many accidents a year. As a matter of fact Sam Stephens of the Automobile Safety Foundation stated that “Drivers can not merge onto a freeway, or change lanes safely with standard equipment mirrors as they have a lethal blind spot.”

Also, the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration and the U.S. Department of Transportation stated that more than 413,000 vehicle accidents were caused by blind spots.

Side view mirrors are not safe, as on average, more than 826,000 vehicles and more than 160,000 people are injured due to blind spots.

Standard side view mirrors are unsafe and proven by car and safety experts and need to be replaced.

Because of this threat, the ASF started an earth shaking national campaign to make people become aware of this danger. Once people become aware of it, they hope the government will take notice and require all new cars to be equipped with specially built side view mirrors that provide a better view of the road.

If you wish more information you can contact Sam Stephens at ASF by email to sam@carsafe.org, by calling 540-745-8886 or by visiting his site at <http://www.carsafe.org> for more information.