



# Did YOU know?

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*Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of occupational fatalities in the United States and typically the 2nd leading cause of firefighter fatalities.*

Just like handling an incident, driving should follow a process that assesses your situation and generates action to mitigate hazards.

### **Aim High In Steering**

Look at the area 8 to 12 seconds ahead of your vehicle  
Center your vehicle in the driving lane  
Find the path of least resistance  
Adjust your following distance  
Blend into the flow of traffic

### **Get the Big Picture**

Look ahead, to the side, and behind you  
Anticipate the actions of other drivers

### **Keep Your Eyes Moving**

Do not stare straight ahead  
Scan your surroundings for trouble

### **Allow an Out**

Do not box yourself in with other vehicles  
Do not tailgate or stay side-by-side with cars in other lanes

### **Keep Your Vehicle Visible to Others**

Stay out of other drivers' blindspots  
Use your headlights and turn signals  
Ensure your lights are working BEFORE hitting the road

Courteous  
driving is good  
customer  
service.

You are driving  
your customer's  
vehicle and they  
expect  
professionalism.