

Seat-belts: Facts

from the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Wearing a seat-belt reduces the risk of a fatal injury by:

Up to
50%

for front seat
occupants



Up to
75%

for rear seat
occupants

Seat-belt laws should cover both **front**
and **rear** seat occupants

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countries have seat-belt laws covering
all car occupants



This covers



169 million

people... or just

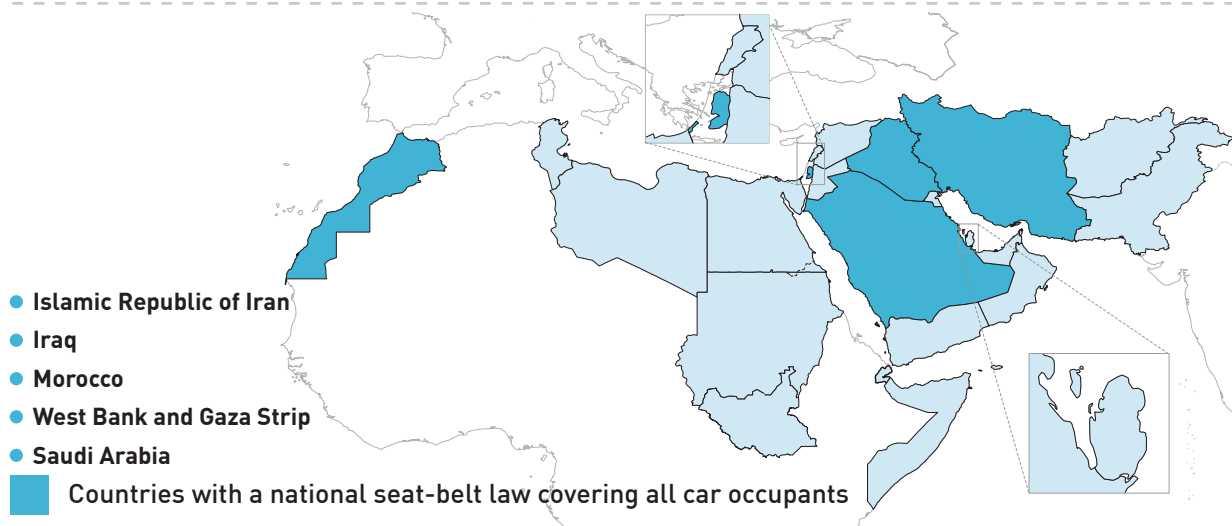
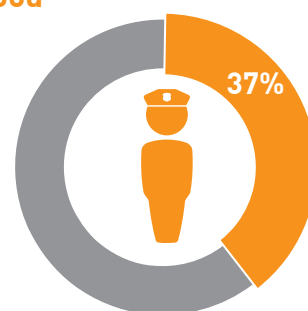
29%

of the Region's population



To effectively increase seat-belt
wearing rates, legislation must
be supported with strong and
sustained police enforcement:

Only **37%** of countries rate
enforcement of seat-belt laws
as **good**



Percentages are calculated based on the 19 countries of the Region that participated in the survey for the Global status report on road safety 2013



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Source: Global status report on road safety 2013

www.who.int/violence_injury_prevention/road_safety_status

