



Conserving fuel can be easy to do and it's ALWAYS a good idea! Every little bit helps and it all adds up to a cleaner environment, a brighter future and on top of all of that, more money in your pocket!

Here are a few common-sense fuel-saving tips — easy to do, often overlooked — see if you can make them happen!

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SPEEDING CAN BE DANGEROUS TO YOUR ECONOMY —

Stay within posted speed limits. The faster you drive, the more fuel you use. For example, driving at 65 miles per hour (mph), rather than 55 mph, increases fuel consumption by 20 percent! Driving at 75 mph, rather than 65 mph, increases fuel consumption by another 25 percent!



CRUISE CONTROL FOR SAVINGS —

Using cruise control on highway trips can squeeze more miles out of a gallon. Computer controlled operations in today's automobiles is very efficient, constantly regulating fuel consumption in response to conditions. Let it take over on those long hauls and you'll save a few dollars in the process.



TAILGATING CAN COST YOU —

Tailgating is not only dangerous, it's inefficient. Unnecessary braking and acceleration wastes fuel. Studies have indicated that by maintaining a steady speed, improvements in fuel economy of 15 to 20 percent are immediate. In city driving, nearly 50 percent of motor vehicle goes to wasteful 're-acceleration'.



ON YOUR MARK, GET SET — SAVE!

Go easy on the gas pedal and brakes. 'Jack-rabbit' starts and sudden stops are wasteful. Avoid unnecessary idling. Turn off the engine if you anticipate a lengthy wait. No matter how efficient your car is, unnecessary idling wastes fuel, costs you money and pollutes the air.



GET IT TOGETHER —

Combine errands. Don't get lost. Carpool. Short trips eat up fuel as engines become most efficient once it is warmed-up. Many of our trips today are less than a 10 or 15 minute drive.



LIGHTEN UP —

Remove excess weight from the trunk. Avoid carrying unneeded items, especially heavy ones. An extra 100 pounds in the trunk reduces a typical car's fuel economy by one to two percent.



MAKE IT A LEAN, MEAN FUEL-SAVIN' MACHINE —

Maintain your car. Keep your engine tuned. Studies have shown that a poorly tuned engine can increase fuel consumption by as much as 10 to 20 percent depending on a car's condition. Follow the recommended maintenance schedule in your owner's manual; you'll save fuel and your car will run better and last longer.



KEEP THE PRESSURE ON —

Keep your tires properly inflated and aligned. Locate the label in your car showing the correct tire pressure. Usually it's around the door, glove box or trunk. Under-inflated tires cause fuel consumption to increase by six percent. Always follow manufacturer safety instructions.



CHANGE IS GOOD —

Change your oil. Clean oil reduces wear caused by friction between moving parts, removes harmful particles from the engine and greatly increases engine efficiency. Simply follow your vehicle manufacturer's advice and you will take a big step towards optimizing performance and efficiency.



LIKE A BREATH OF FRESH AIR —

Check and replace air filters regularly. Not only will replacing a dirty air filter improve your fuel economy, it also will protect your engine. **Clogged filters can cause up to a 10 percent increase in fuel consumption!**