

Don't Barrel Through Work Zones!

Drive Smart to
Arrive Alive

2012
National
Work Zone
Awareness
Week



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The spring and summer of 2012 will bring road and bridge construction back to Missouri highways as MoDOT works to maintain the condition of major roads and improve minor roads.

More than 100 bridges are also scheduled for construction this year, under MoDOT's Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program, a statewide effort to repair or replace more than 800 of Missouri's worst bridges by the end of 2013. Almost all of the bridges will be closed to speed construction and control costs. Drivers should consult the online Safe & Sound interactive map for construction schedules, detour routes and other project details.

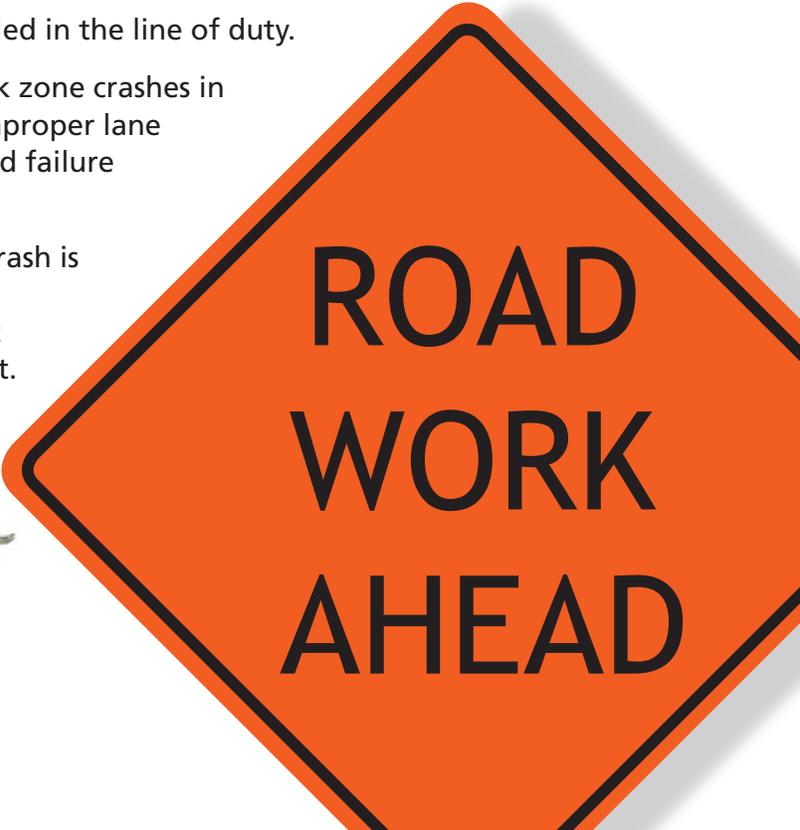
To keep everyone safe, MoDOT is managing and improving work zones in many ways. We've enhanced work zone warning signs to make them more visible to motorists and we are using the latest technology to monitor traffic in work zones to decrease delays.

We also encourage everyone to visit MoDOT's website to rate a work zone on our online work zone report card. In addition, MoDOT provides an online map with work zone information to help you plan your trip. We're working hard to keep motorists safe, but we need your help. Please watch for signs, be alert and don't barrel through work zones.

- In 2011, 11 people were killed in work zones, a decrease from 2010 when 15 people were killed.
- There were 701 people injured in 2011 work zones, compared to 1,036 in 2010. This is a decrease of over 32 percent.
- Between 2007 and 2011, 57 people were killed and 3,812 people were injured in Missouri work zones.
- Since 2000, 15 MoDOT employees have been killed in the line of duty.
- The top five contributing circumstances for work zone crashes in 2011 were following too closely, inattention, improper lane usage/change, driving too fast for conditions and failure to yield.
- Your best defense in a work zone crash or any crash is a seat belt. In 2011, of the 784 traffic fatalities, 613 were vehicle occupant fatalities, and almost 69 percent of them were not wearing a seat belt.



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A large orange diamond-shaped sign with a black border and the text "ROAD WORK AHEAD" in bold black capital letters.

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