

# Don't barrel through **Work Zones!**

Drive Smart.



**Drive Smart in work zones  
to Arrive Alive.**



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The spring and summer of 2011 will bring road and bridge construction back to Missouri highways. More than 300 bridges are 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 Safe & Sound interactive map for construction schedules, detour routes and other project details.

Statewide, work continues on a number of economic stimulus projects, as well as keeping 5,600 miles of minor roads in good condition through the Better Roads, Brighter Future program.

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 2010, 15 people were killed in work zones, an increase from 2009 when 13 people were killed.
- There were 1,033 people injured in 2010 work zones, compared to 676 in 2009. This is an increase of almost 53 percent.
- Between 2006 and 2010, 64 people were killed and 4,294 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 2010 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 2010, of the 819 traffic fatalities, 632 were vehicle occupant fatalities, and 68 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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