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Staying Safe Behind the Wheel

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Teenagers are indestructible — or so they think. Nowhere is this more evident than behind the wheel of a car. In 2006, over 4100 teenagers aged 16–19 died as a result of a motor-vehicle crash and almost 400,000 were treated for injuries. States with graduated driver licensing, in which young drivers earn more privileges as they gain more experience, have cut motor-vehicle related deaths and injuries involving teens by as much as 38 percent. But parents still have the most influence over their child's driving habits. Parents - teach your teenagers that irresponsible driving behavior can have deadly consequences.

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