



Older, Wiser, and Now a Better Driver

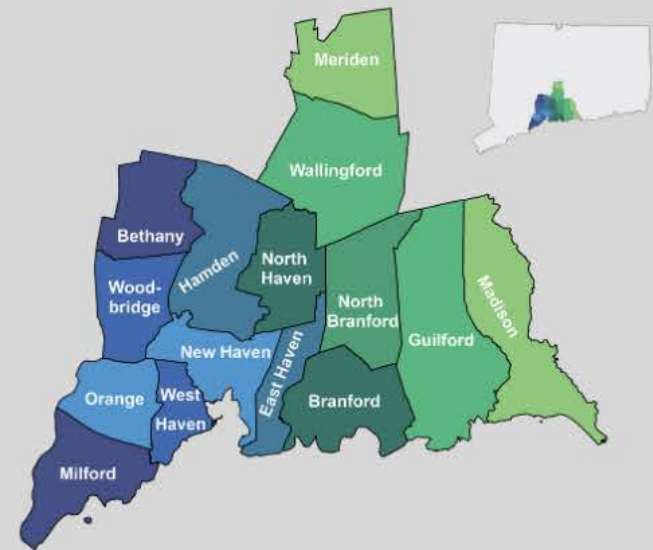
SCRCOG

South Central Regional
Council of Governments



Who We Are

SCRCOG, the South Central Regional Council of Governments, provides a platform for intermunicipal coordination, cooperation, and decision making.



Fifteen Member Municipalities

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- Meriden
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- New Haven
- North Branford
- North Haven
- Orange
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- West Haven
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Senior Driving Safety

Over the last 4 years, the number of crashes in the region involving senior drivers increased nearly 39%.

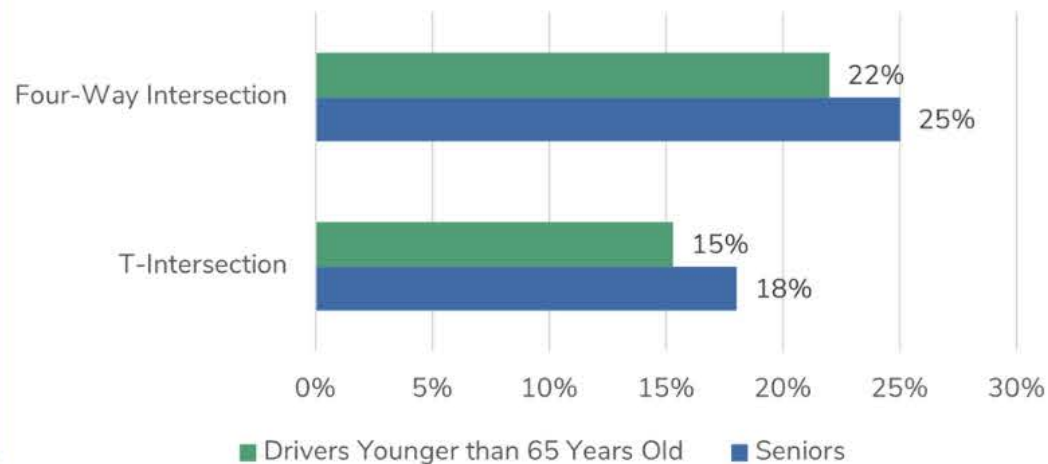
In partnership with AAA, SCRCOG would like to offer our senior drivers some tips on how to become safer drivers while saving money on their auto insurance premiums.

Source: UConn Crash Data Repository

SCRCOG Senior Driving Crashes



Percent of Crashes by Intersection Type (2019-2023)



Intersection Safety

Seniors should take special caution at intersections, where they are more likely to be involved in a crash than drivers under 65.

Older drivers may be less able to judge the speed of an oncoming vehicle — which is crucial for making left turns.

Source: UConn Crash Data Repository

Manage Space

- Increase your following distance
- Avoid driving late at night
- Always use turn signals



- Choose routes that are familiar, well-lit, and lightly traveled, if possible



- Watch for pedestrians, motorcyclists, and bicyclists who may not see you
- Use high beams when no one is in front of the vehicle and low beams during the day

Medication



Did you know that if you're in an crash while impaired by medication, you can be charged with DUI?

As we age, it is likely that we will face health conditions that require more than one medication.



Mixing any medicines — prescription, OTC, herbal supplements, or medical and recreational cannabis — can directly affect your ability to operate a vehicle.

Talk with your doctor or pharmacist about the effect of consuming alcohol or cannabis while taking medication and the effect it may have on your ability to drive.

Save Money!



AAA Northeast offers a driving course online or in person. Eligible drivers ages 60+ can save 5% on their auto insurance by successfully completing this paid course.

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