



# Canadian Road Safety News Digest

A monthly compilation of national, provincial and local news stories on road safety

For the Period December 1-31, 2025

## All of Toronto's speed cameras are gone. How did we get to this point?

December 1, 2025, CBC

Toronto's speed cameras may be gone, but this time there are no mysterious vandals wielding power tools, no blurry suspect photos and no police investigation.

As of the end of November, the cameras were taken down by the vendor who put them up for the city. The removals end Premier Doug Ford's crusade against the cameras, which he termed a "cash grab."

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## Canada's most dangerous winter roads and tips on how to stay safe

December 4, 2025, The Weather Network

More than 37 per cent of car accidents in Canada happen in winter, making it the busiest season for fender benders. That's according to a new report by Samsara, a U.S.-based fleet management system that uses artificial intelligence (AI) to anticipate road risks.

For its report, Samsara says it used anonymized data from Canadian commercial fleets between 2022 and 2025 – covering “billions of kilometres” of different roadways and conditions.

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## **In a record year for pedestrian deaths, here's what Calgary can learn from other cities**

December 8, 2025, CBC

On the evening of Nov. 21, a woman in her 30s was crossing Macleod Trail outside of a marked crosswalk when a driver struck her while going through a green light. The pedestrian was transported to hospital with life-threatening injuries and died five days later. That marked Calgary's 14th pedestrian fatality this year.

It's the highest number of pedestrian deaths on Calgary Police Service records, which date back to 1996. According to police, it's a death toll only seen once before, in 2005.

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## **Should all drivers have to be retested every few years?**

December 14, 2025, The Globe and Mail

When it comes to forcing every driver to take a test to stay on the road, most governments would likely take a hard pass, safety experts say.

"Everyone would lose their licence," said Sean Shapiro, a road safety consultant and former Toronto traffic cop. "If we can't put speed cameras on roads because people are offended, adding a [requirement] where you have to study and actually pass would make people lose their minds. "

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## Canada, Ontario and the Region of Waterloo invest in public transit improvements

December 17, 2025, news.ontario.ca

The Government of Canada is investing \$115,244,315 through the Public Transit Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to support nine public transit infrastructure projects in the Region of Waterloo. The Government of Ontario is investing \$96,027,325 and the Region of Waterloo is investing \$80,366,061.

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## Impaired driving is up in Canada—and fewer of us are worried about it

December 18, 2025, Driving.ca

A survey conducted by the Ottawa-based Traffic Injury Research Foundation (TIRF), funded by Beer Canada and Desjardins Insurance, has identified some concerning trends around drinking and driving in Canada.

The short version: as we shift away from the pandemic's more isolated habits and back into public socializing, more Canadians admit they've been getting behind the wheel while under the influence. And even more worryingly, drinking and driving is increasingly not being seen as a big deal, despite new measures that make it more likely offenders will be caught.

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## Quebec police crackdown on tailgating with radar guns

December 19, 2025, CTV NEWS

The Quebec Provincial Police (SQ) launched a pilot project on Friday, cracking down on drivers who tailgate.

The SQ told CTV News that officers will be trained to use laser radar guns that measure the distance between two vehicles. A total of 135 radar guns have been deployed.

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## Could Torontonians soon ride self-driving taxis? That's Waymo's plan

December 22, CBC

Toronto could get new cars on the road whose drivers will never get frustrated by gridlock – because the cars would be driving themselves.

Autonomous taxi operator Waymo joined the city's lobbyist registry last month, aiming for new regulations that would set the stage for Torontonians catching a ride with its self-driving cars.

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## Need for speed? Half in Ontario say it was ‘wrong move’ to ban speed cameras, but PC voters in support

December 22, 2025, ANGUS REID INSTITUTE

Ontario drivers won't have to fear the Grinch dropping off a hefty fine from automated speed enforcement cameras into their stocking this holiday season.

However, new data from the non-profit Angus Reid Institute finds Ontarians are more likely to believe it was the wrong move (49%) to disassemble the province's speed cameras than the right one (38%).

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## Fully automated vehicles and road safety: Potential for reduction of traffic collisions

December 23, 2025, sunnybrook.ca

A Sunnybrook-led study predicts that fully automated vehicles, or ‘self-driving cars’, will reduce road traffic collisions in the United States over the next ten years across various adoption and road safety scenarios.

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## Ontario introduces stricter penalties for impaired driving

December 24, 2025, City News

Beginning Jan. 1, there will be stricter countermeasures in place to help reduce the number of impaired drivers on the road.

The penalties were introduced amongst a bunch of sweeping changes to Ontario legislation come the new year.

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