

# ASA Insurance Offers Latest Tips to Help Drivers Save Money by Being More Fuel-efficient

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, USA, September 1, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- ASA Insurance understands that owning and maintaining a vehicle is an expensive cost. Between the price of [auto insurance in Salt Lake City](#), maintenance costs and the price of fuel, it can result in several hundreds of dollars in expenses each month. Making a few changes in habits can reduce the amount of fuel used and lower the total expense.

Drivers should avoid making sudden starts and stops such as when they are driving aggressively. This type of driving results in higher fuel usage to provide the necessary power to accelerate quickly. It also increases the chance of a collision, which could make insurance rates go up if the person is found to be at fault. Another way to improve fuel economy is by staying within the speed limit. In fact, the AAA has shown that reducing the speed by 10 mph, a person could save 1.3 gallons per week if they drive 100 miles. Cruise control helps drivers maintain the right speed and also prevents constant acceleration, which leads to more fuel usage.

While sitting with the vehicle in Park or idling doesn't use as much fuel as actual driving, it can reduce fuel consumption if done over longer periods of time. For example, waiting for a friend or the kids to get out of school can result in idling for 10-15 minutes or even longer. In four days, that's an hour spent idling, which burns up to a half-gallon of fuel. Starting the vehicle takes more fuel as well, so it depends on how long the car will be sitting with the engine running as to which is the best option.

Creed Anderson of ASA Insurance, an auto [insurance in Salt Lake City](#), recommends keeping up with the maintenance schedule. "Not only does this improve fuel economy if the car is running correctly, but it can prevent accidents because safety components are checked according to the maintenance schedule recommended by the manufacturer," he explained. Issues can be identified before the components stop working and cause a collision.

Another tip to improve fuel economy and reduce the cost of fuel consumption is to reduce the weight being carried. Drivers shouldn't leave cargo in their trunks or the truck beds. The added weight makes the engine work harder and use more fuel. Even 100 pounds can reduce efficiency by one percent. Car owners should reduce the number of trips they take to run errands by combining stops into a single trip or by carpooling. The less one drives, the less fuel it takes. For people who choose premium fuel, they may want to consider going back to the standard fuel. Unless absolutely required by the manufacturer, there is often little benefit to paying extra for premium fuel and a much higher



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cost over time.

If drivers follow these tips, they will save on the cost of gas. They should also talk to their [Salt Lake City auto insurance](#) agent about ways they can save on car insurance for a reduction in overall expenses associated with owning a vehicle.

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