



DON'T BE AN EGG.

CHECK SAFETY FIRST.

Safety Features to look for

Here's a thumbnail guide to help you find the best possible car in your price range for safety. Features to consider include:

- 1** The highest safety rating you can afford. You should look for a vehicle on this site with at least better than average ratings (4 stars) for driver protection and for the protection of other road users.
- 2** ESC (electronic stability control) if you're buying a new or nearly-new car; ABS brakes if you're buying used.
- 3** Airbags – preferably head-protecting side airbags if you're buying a new or nearly-new car.
- 4** Other useful safety features to look out for:
 - Pretensioner seatbelts (these seatbelts automatically tighten in a crash)
 - Active head restraints (these help prevent whiplash in rear-end crashes)
 - Emergency Brake Assist (this helps the driver apply maximum braking force in emergency situations)
 - 3 point safety belts for all seating positions, including the centre rear seat
- 5** A better than average rating for likely harm to other road users. Your safety in a crash is important, but so is that of pedestrians and people in other cars.