

Before there were Seatbelts



Before the advent of the seatbelt, car passengers in Albania were issued neoprene body suits to help protect them from crash injuries. And because Albanians were such notoriously erratic drivers, crashes were an everyday occurrence –actually, an every *minute* occurrence. The suits included a wheel component, so passengers –those who survived, that is – could promptly vacate the scene of the incident, thereby avoiding having to fill out an accident report form, which was usually much more painful than the automotive mishap itself.