

**SYNTHESIS OF REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON SEATBELTS (LEGISLATION ON THE EQUIPMENT OF VEHICLES) -  
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MPVs or non-commercial vans (for the US and Canada) are also called people carriers. They provide space for more vehicle occupants than in a normal passenger car (e.g. 7 seats)  
SUVs: e.g. 4 x 4s, pick-up trucks.

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<b>Albania</b>	Yes 1978	Yes 1978	--	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 1990	Yes 1990	--	No	No	No	No	No	No	--	--	--
<b>Azerbaijan</b>	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Bulgaria</b>	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 1994	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002	Yes 2002
<b>Canada</b>	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	No	Driver only 1971	Driver only 1971	Driver only 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	--	No	No	--	No	Yes 1971	--	No
<b>Croatia</b>	Yes 1974	Yes 1999	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes 1974	Yes 1999	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes 1974	Yes 1999	--
<b>Czech Republic</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes non-urban only	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes non-urban only	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes non-urban
<b>Denmark</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No for heavy veh.	Yes

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<b>Estonia</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
<b>Finland</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes non-urban only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes non-urban only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>France</b>	Yes 1970	Yes	Yes	Yes 2001	Yes 1999	No	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1978	--	--	Yes 2001	--	No	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1978	--	Yes 1999
<b>Georgia</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Germany</b>	Yes 1974	Yes 1974	Yes 1974	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	No	Yes 1999	Yes 2001	No	Yes 1979	Yes 1979	Yes 1979	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	No	Yes 1999	Yes 2001	No	Yes 1979	Yes 1992	Yes for tourist buses 1999 and minibuses 2001
<b>Hungary</b>	Yes	Yes	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	--
<b>Ireland</b>	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1979	No	No	No	Yes 1992	No	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	--	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 1992	No	No

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<b>Israel</b>	Yes 1969	Yes 1969	Yes 1969	Yes 1976	No	No	Yes 2003	Yes 1998	No	Yes 1976	Yes 1987	--	Yes 1987	No	No	Yes 2003	Yes 1998	No	Yes 1987	Yes 1987	No
<b>Kazakhstan</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	--	--	--	No	No	No	No	--	--
<b>Kyrgyzstan</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	--	No	No	No	No
<b>Latvia</b>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Luxembourg</b>	Yes 1972 1/	Yes 1972 1/	Yes 1972 1/	Yes 1990 2/	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 1990 3/	Yes 1990 3/	Yes 1990 3/	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 1990 3/	No	No
<b>Malta</b>	Yes 2004	Yes 2004	Yes 2004	No	No	No	No	Yes 1995	No 4/	Yes 2004	Yes 2004	Yes 2004	No	No	No	No	Yes 1995	No	Yes 2004	No	No 4/
<b>Netherlands</b>	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	N/A	Yes 1990	Yes 1990	Yes 1990	No	No	No	Yes 2000	Yes 2002	N/A	Yes 1990	--	Yes 2000
<b>Norway</b>	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1991	Yes for non-urban 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1984 5/	N/A	Yes 1984	Yes 1984	Yes 1984	No 6/	Yes 1999	Yes for non-urban 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	--	Yes 1984	Yes 1999	Yes for non-urban 1999
<b>Portugal</b>	Yes 1970	Yes 1970	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	No	Yes for non-urban 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	--	Yes for non-urban 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1999	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	--
<b>Russian Federation</b>	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1990	Yes 1990	--	--	Yes 1990	--	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1989	Yes 1990	Yes 1990	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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<b>Serbia &amp; Montenegro</b>	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Slovak Republic</b>	Yes	Yes 8/	Yes 8/	Yes 8/	Yes 8/	Yes 7/	Yes 7/	Yes 7/	Yes 7/	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes 8/	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	--
<b>Slovenia</b>	Yes 1977	--	--	Yes 2000	Yes 2000	Yes 2000	Yes 2000	Yes 2000	Yes 2000	Yes 1980	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes 1980	--	--
<b>Spain</b>	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	Yes 1985	No	No	No	Yes	Yes 2001	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	Yes 1992	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes 2001	Yes 1992	No	Yes for minibuses and school buses 2001
<b>Switzerland</b>	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1971	Yes 1976	Yes 1999	Yes for non-urban	Yes 1999	Yes 1976	Yes 2006	Yes 1981	Yes 1981	Yes 1981	Yes, in principle	Yes, in principle	Yes, for non-urban	Yes 1999	Yes 2001	Yes, 2006	Yes 1981	Yes, in principle	Yes, except urban buses
<b>Turkey</b>	Yes 1985	Yes	Yes	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes	Yes	Yes 1995	Yes 2003	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	No	No	No	Yes 2003	Yes 1995	Yes 1995	Yes
<b>Ukraine</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>United Kingdom</b>	Yes 1965	Yes 1965	Yes 1965	Yes 1980	Yes 2001	No	Yes 1988	Yes 1982	N/A	Yes 1987	Yes 1987	Yes 1987	--	--	No	Yes 2001 (1996 if children carried)	Yes 2001 (1996 if children carried)	N/A	Yes 1987	--	--
<b>USA</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No

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<b>TOTAL</b> 33 replies	<b>Passenger cars</b> 30 yes (from 1965 to 2004) 2 no 1 no answer			<b>Light</b> 25 yes (from 1971 to 2000) 6 no 2 no answers or N/A		<b>Public buses</b> 12 yes (5 non urban only) (from 1994 to 2000) 17 no 4 no answers or N/A			<b>Passenger cars</b> 27 yes (from 1971 to 2004) 5 no 1 no answer			<b>Light</b> 13 yes (from 1987 to 2001) 12 no 8 no answers or N/A		<b>Public buses</b> 7 yes (5 non urban only) (from 1999 to 2002) 19 no 7 no answers or N/A			<b>Cars</b> 24 yes (from 1971 to 2002) 6 no 3 no answers or N/A		<b>Commercial veh.</b> 13 yes (from 1987 to 2002) 11 no 9 no answers or N/A		<b>Buses</b> 10 yes (4 non urban only) (from 1999 to 2002) 13 no 10 no answers or N/A	
	<b>MPVs</b> 28 yes (from 1965 to 2004) 3 no 2 no answers or N/A			<b>Heavy</b> 17 yes (from 1990 to 2001) 12 no 4 no answers or N/A		<b>Tourist buses</b> 17 yes (from 1988 to 2003) 12 no 4 no answers or N/A			<b>MPVs</b> 25 yes (from 1971 to 2004) 5 no 3 no answers or N/A			<b>Heavy</b> 9 yes (from 1992 to 2002) 14 no 10 no answers or N/A		<b>Tourist buses</b> 12 yes (from 1996 to 2003) 15 no 6 no answers or N/A			<b>Minibuses</b> 14 yes (from 1995 to 2002) 11 no 8 no answers or N/A		<b>School buses</b> 8 yes (from 1976 to 2006) 15 no 10 no answers or N/A			
	<b>SUVs</b> 25 yes (from 1965 to 2004) 3 no 5 no answers or N/A					<b>Minibuses</b> 24 yes (from 1971 to 2001) 6 no 3 no answers or N/A			<b>SUVs</b> 21 yes (from 1971 to 2004) 5 no 7 no answers or N/A													
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## Replies provided by countries from the Economic Commission for Africa

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<b>Burundi</b>	Yes	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Cameroon</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes for non-urban	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Central Africa Rep.</b>	Yes 1988	No	Yes 1988	Yes 1988	No	Yes 1988	Yes 1988	Yes 1988	Yes 1988	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	--
<b>Egypt</b>	Yes	Yes	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Mauritius</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	--	--	--	--	--	--

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Morocco	Yes 1977	Yes 1977	Yes 1977	Yes 1977	No	No	No	No	No	Yes 2005	Yes 2005	Yes 2005	Yes 2005	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes, for light veh. 2005	No
TOTAL 6 replies	<b>Passenger cars</b> 6 yes (from 1977 to 1988) <b>MPVs</b> 4 yes 1 no 1 no answer or N/A <b>SUVs</b> 4 yes (from 1977 to 1988) 2 no answers or N/A			<b>Light</b> 5 yes (from 1977 to 1988) 1 no answer or N/A <b>Heavy</b> 2 yes 3 no 1 no answer or N/A		<b>Public buses</b> 4 yes (1 non urban only) 2 no <b>Tourist buses</b> 5 yes 1 no <b>Minibuses</b> 5 yes 1 no <b>School buses</b> 5 yes 1 no				<b>Passenger cars</b> 2 yes 2 no 2 no answers or N/A <b>MPVs</b> 2 yes 2 no 2 no answers or N/A <b>SUVs</b> 2 yes 2 no 2 no answers or N/A			<b>Light</b> 2 yes 2 no 2 no answers or N/A <b>Heavy</b> 4 no 2 no answers or N/A		<b>Public buses</b> 4 no 2 no answers or N/A <b>Tourist buses</b> 4 no 2 no answers or N/A <b>Minibuses</b> 3 no 3 no answers or N/A <b>School buses</b> 3 no 3 no answers or N/A				<b>Cars</b> 1 yes 2 no 3 no answers or N/A <b>Commercial veh.</b> 1 yes (light veh.) 2 no 3 no answers or N/A <b>Buses</b> 2 no 4 no answers or N/A		

Footnotes:

- 1/ Luxemburg: Not applicable to vehicles registered before 1 October 1971.
- 2/ Luxemburg: Not applicable to vehicles registered before 1 October 1987.
- 3/ Luxemburg: Not applicable to vehicles registered before 1 October 1984.
- 4/ Malta: Except for minibuses and mini school buses, 1995.
- 5/ Norway: 3,500 kg or less. Over 3,500: 1998.
- 6/ Norway : No rear seats allowed.
- 7/ Slovakia: Driver's seat, a seat for guide, front seats for passengers and seats for handicapped persons must be fitted with seatbelts.
- 8/ Slovakia: In goods vehicles over 3500 kg a driver's seat and front seats must be equipped with seatbelts. If goods vehicles less than 3500 kg are derived from cars – rules for cars are applied, otherwise rules for vehicles over 3500 kg are applied.