

# TRAVEL GREEN.

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## Road Trip Checklist

Below is a list of steps to make your summer travels more hassle-free and enjoyable, while saving money and helping the environment.

### **Saving gas saves you money and helps the environment.**

- Don't let your car idle.
- Plan your travel at times other than rush hour, if possible.
- Avoid lines at drive-thrus. Park your car and go inside.
- Avoid jackrabbit starts and lead-foot stops.
- Try sharing a ride or taking public transportation on your vacation.
- During summer, refuel in the evening to prevent the creation of ozone.
- Don't top-off your gas tank. Stop at the first click.
- Track your miles per gallon. Every time you fill up, note the amount of gas and miles on the odometer.

### **Treat your car well and it will take care of you and the air.**

- Keep your tires properly inflated.
- Get regular tune-ups.
- Make sure your gas cap closes tightly – replace if it's old.
- Replace your air filter per your vehicle's maintenance manual.
- Change the oil regularly, as recommended in your owner's manual.
- Get an annual inspection of your radiator. The Car Care Council states that cooling system neglect is the principal reason for mechanical failure of vehicles.

### **For more vehicle and travel tips:**

- Visit the Car Care Council website, [www.carcare.org](http://www.carcare.org).
- AAA's website, [www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com).

