

## **CC&BC Education Series: Save Money on Gas**

Gasoline can be a real Budget Buster, and America's romance with SUV's is costing us dearly. Here are 12 tips that will save you money at the pump:

1. Keep the tires inflated properly
2. Check the alignment and balance of your tires.
3. Keep you car tuned-up - regular tune-ups and fresh oil will keep your engine operating efficiently.
4. Clean out your trunk – any extra weight means extra gas consumption. Carry only what you really need.
5. Buy the lowest grade (octane) of gasoline that is appropriate for your car.
6. Don't make fast starts or sudden stops. You're just overexerting your engine and burning extra fuel.
7. Go easy on the accelerator. The faster you drive the more gas you use.
8. In Winter - Avoid long warm-ups
9. In Summer - Be smart with the air conditioning. On the highway, closed windows decrease air resistance, so run the air conditioner. But in stop-and-go traffic, shutting off the air conditioning and opening the windows can lighten your fuel use.
10. Combine errands into one trip and plan your stops for the most efficient route. You'll save yourself time and money.
11. Carpool with friends or co-workers.
12. Drive as if every mile is costing you money (because it is!)

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