

There were approximately 1.8 million rear-end crashes in 2013<sup>1</sup>

# What are they?

Safety features like Forward Collision Warning and Automated Braking can help prevent rear-end collisions and other types of crashes.

# Why use?

Alerts you if an object in your path has suddenly stopped or slowed down, so you can react.

These features may reduce your crash risk and severity.

# **How do they work?**

Both features scan the road and detect how far and fast the vehicle in front of you may be moving. Then...



### **FORWARD COLLISION WARNING** (FCW)...

Alerts you if your vehicle is about to collide with another vehicle.

Warning alerts may vary between vehicles.



#### **AUTOMATED BRAKING...**

**Automatically applies the brakes** if you don't respond to the warning.



# **How are they different?**

## **FORWARD COLLISION WARNING**

ONLY WARNS the driver

## AUTOMATED BRAKING

- WARNS the driver
- AND APPLIES THE BRAKES to slow or stop the vehicle if the driver does not

### It is not working... Now what?

Because these features could be camera- or radar-based, they can be ...

OBSTRUCTED by build-ups of ice or snow
"BLINDED" by sunrise and sunset glare

## **Saving Lives....**

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety estimates that Forward Collision Mitigation systems such as Automated Braking may help reduce crashes by up to 20% and, prevent 66,000 serious crashes and eliminate 879 fatal crashes per year<sup>2</sup>. Forward Collision Warning systems may help reduce rear-end collisions by about 10%<sup>3</sup> <sup>1</sup>NSC Analysis of NHTSA's General Estimate System—Data from 2013 <sup>2</sup>www.aaafoundation.org/forward-collision-mitigation-auto-braking-systems

<sup>3</sup>www.aaafoundation.org/forward-collision-warning-systems





For more information about your safety systems, check your owner's manual or visit