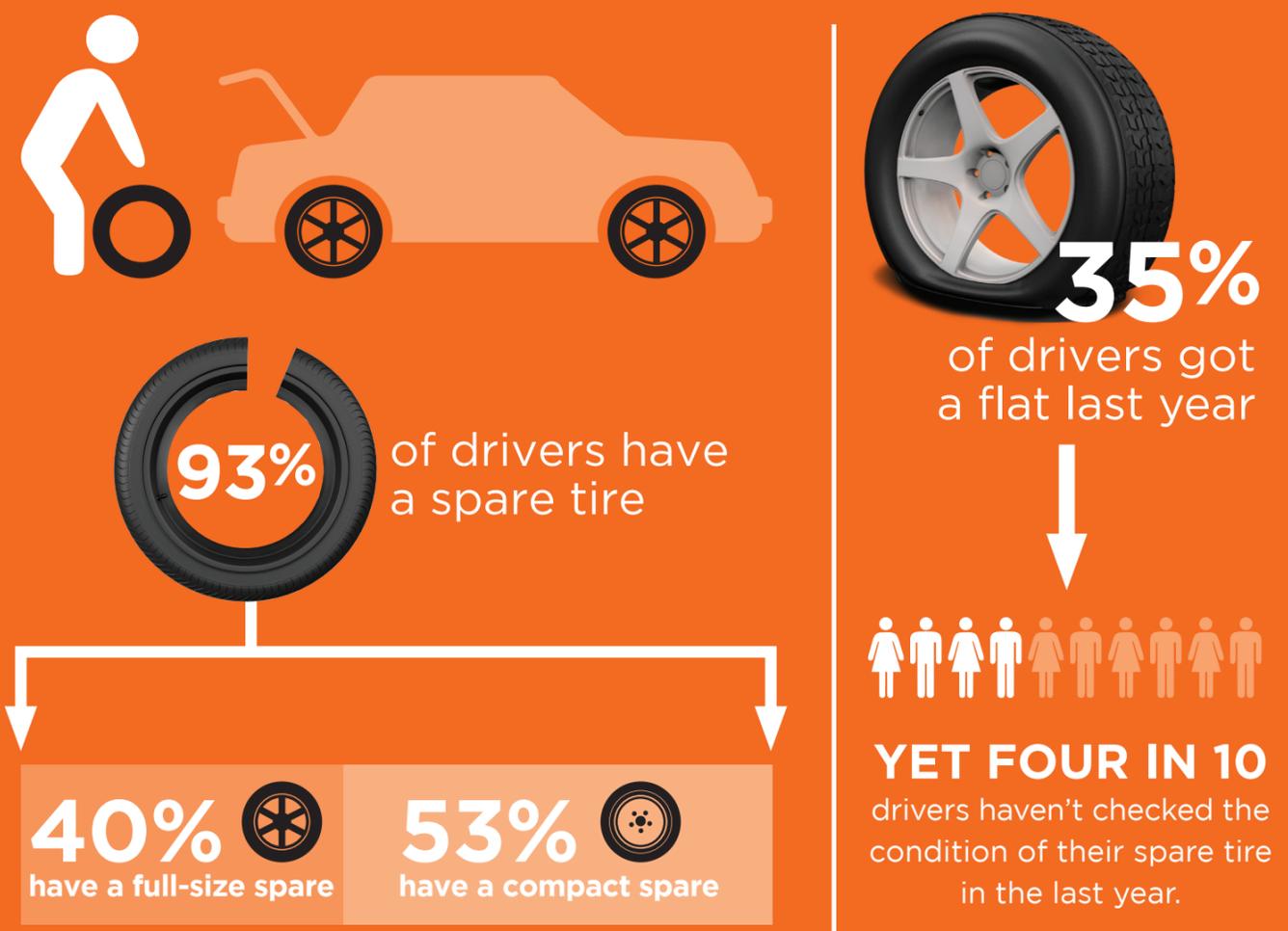


# BE SPARE AWARE

Most spare tires sit in trunks for years, ignored until there's an emergency. That's when some drivers discover the hard way their spare isn't safe. Or they might find no spare tire at all. With road trip season ahead, Kal Tire is reminding drivers about the importance of a healthy spare tire.



## HOW OLD IS YOUR SPARE?

To find the true age of your tire, look for the serial number that begins with 'DOT.' The last four numbers indicate the month and year your tire was made. **2613 = 26th week of 2013.**

Department of Transportation

Week & Year Tire was Made



**92%** of drivers think their spare is in good enough condition,



The age when you need to start **inspecting your spare** for age-related issues.

**YET 37%** report their spare is **six to 10 or more years old**—the period when tires begin to degrade and should be replaced.



The age when many manufacturers suggest **replacing the tire**, regardless of use.

## HOW LONG CAN A FLAT RUN-FLAT RUN?



While deflating or deflated, run-flat tires generally give you enough safety and handling to drive 80 kilometres per hour for 80 kilometres to reach a service station.

## DISAPPEARING FIFTH WHEELS

Items you might find in your vehicle instead of a clunky spare tire. These items are often misused or can make tires unrepairable.



**EMERGENCY INFLATOR KIT**



**SPRAY SEALANT**



**RUN-FLAT TIRE**

## SPARE CARE

Before you head out on a road trip, check these three things:



**AGE** If the spare was made more than ten years ago, replacement is recommended.



**TREAD** When tread depth reaches 4/32", replacement is recommended.



**PRESSURE** Inflate to the recommended PSI, sometimes higher than your other tires.



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