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While mirrors are a tried and true method of maintaining visibility driving on roads, in my experience of driving 20 plus years I have found myself relying more and more on the camera based safety systems in my vehicle. Currently I drive a vehicle that employs a 360° camera system that aids in driving in reverse, Lane changes, parking, and other situations. Building a safety system that is based around the camera offers greater field of view than a mirror system. And society moves more and more toward viewing critical systems on screens it becomes less relevant to use mirrors and glass as opposed to digital alternatives. I know that when I switch back to a car that does not have these features and only relies on mirrors I feel less safe and aware of my surroundings in my vehicle.