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People killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2019

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Teen Distracted Driver Data



Teens and Distracted Driving 2019

Teens 15 to 19 years old killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2019	233
Percentage of all distraction-affected fatalities in 2019 who were 15- to 19-year-olds	7%
Seven percent of the people who died in distraction-affected crashes in 2019 were teens 15 to 19 years old.	
Teens 15 to 19 killed in all crashes in 2019	2,166
Teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2019	233
Percentage of teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2019	11%
Eleven percent of all teen motor vehicle crash fatalities in 2019 involved distracted driving.	
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Number of distracted drivers (all ages) involved in fatal crashes in 2019	3,008
Teen (15 to 19) distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2019	273
Percentage of distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes who were teens 15 to 19 in 2019	9%
In 2019, nine percent of distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes were teens 15 to 19 years old.	
Teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes in 2019	2,989
Distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes in 2019	273
Percentage of teen drivers 15 to 19 who were distracted at the time of the fatal crashes in 2019	9%
In 2019, nine percent of teen drivers 15 to 19 who were involved in fatal crashes were distracted at the time of the crashes.	
People killed in crashes involving a teen driver 15 to 19 in 2019	3,313
People killed in crashes involving a distracted teen driver 15 to 19 in 2019	322
Percentage of people killed in crashes involving a teen 15 to 19, in which the teen was distracted, in 2019	10%
Ten percent of people killed in crashes involving a teen 15 to 19 in 2019 died when teen drivers were distracted.	
People killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected crashes in 2019	322
Teens 15 to 19 killed in teen-distraction-affected crashes in 2019	163
Percentage of all people killed in teen-distraction-affected crashes who were teens 15 to 19 in 2019	51%
In 2019, fifty-one percent of those killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected crashes were teens 15 to 19 years old.	0170
In 2019, there were 322 people who died in crashes that involved distracted teen drivers 15 to 19.	
In 2019, there were 233 teens 15 to 19 who were killed in distraction-affected crashes.	

In 2019, there were 273 distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes.

Definition, limitations, and other information on distracted driving can be found in: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2020, April). Distracted driving 2018 (Research Note. Report No. DOT HS 812 926). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Available at https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/812926

For additional information on distracted driving, visit www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/distracted-driving.

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