



Teen Distracted Driver Data



Teens and Distracted Driving in 2024

For this data sheet teens are defined as 15 to 19 years old.

People killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2024	3,208
Teens killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2024	186
Percentage of all distraction-affected fatalities in 2024 who were teens	6%

Six percent of people killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2024 were teens.

Teens killed in all traffic crashes in 2024	2,662
Teens killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2024	186
Percentage of teens killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2024	7%

Seven percent of all teen fatalities in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2024 were in distraction-affected crashes.

Number of distracted drivers (all ages) involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2024	3,026
Distracted teen drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2024	241
Percentage of distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2024 who were teens	8%

Eight percent of distracted drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2024 were teens.

Teen drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2024	3,667
Distracted teen drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2024	241
Percentage of teen drivers who were distracted at the time of the fatal crashes in 2024	7%

Seven percent of teen drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2024 were distracted at the time of the crashes.

People killed in traffic crashes involving teen drivers in 2024	3,996
People killed in crashes involving distracted teen drivers in 2024	264
Percentage of people killed in crashes involving distracted teen drivers in 2024	7%

Seven percent of people killed in teen driving crashes in 2024 were in crashes that involved a teen distracted driver.

People killed in teen distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2024	264
Teens killed in teen distraction-affected crashes in 2024	123
Percentage of all people killed in teen distraction-affected crashes who were teens in 2024	47%

Forty-seven percent of those killed in teen distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2024 were teens.

There were 264 people killed in traffic crashes in 2024 involving distracted teen drivers.

There were 186 teens killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2024.

There were 241 teen drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2024 who were distracted.

Definitions, limitations, and other information on distracted driving can be found in:

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