



Teen Distracted Driver Data



Teens and Distracted Driving in 2023

People killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2023	3,275
Teens 15 to 19 years old killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2023	241
Percentage of all distraction-affected fatalities in 2023 who were 15 to 19 years old	7%
Seven percent of people killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2023 were teens 15 to 19 years old.	

Teens 15 to 19 killed in all traffic crashes in 2023	2,810
Teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2023	241
Percentage of teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2023	9%
Nine percent of all teen fatalities in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2023 were in distraction-affected crashes.	

Number of distracted drivers (all ages) involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2023	3,143
Teen 15 to 19 distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2023	267
Percentage of teen 15 to 19 distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2023	8%
Eight percent of distracted drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2023 were teens 15 to 19 years old.	

Teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2023	3,823
Distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes in 2023	267
Percentage of teen drivers 15 to 19 who were distracted at the time of the fatal crashes in 2023	7%
Seven percent of teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2023 were distracted at the time of the crashes.	

People killed in traffic crashes involving teen drivers 15 to 19 in 2023	4,221
People killed in crashes involving distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 in 2023	286
Percentage of people killed in crashes involving teens 15 to 19, in which the teen was distracted, in 2023	7%
Seven percent of people killed in teen driving crashes in 2023 were in crashes that involved a teen distracted driver.	

People killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2023	286
Teens 15 to 19 killed in teen distraction-affected crashes in 2023	146
Percentage of all people killed in teen distraction-affected crashes who were teens 15 to 19 in 2023	51%
Fifty-one percent of those killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2023 were 15 to 19 years old.	

There were 286 people killed in traffic crashes in 2023 involving distracted teen drivers 15 to 19.

There were 241 teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected traffic crashes in 2023.

There were 267 teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2023 who were distracted.

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

National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2025, April). *Distracted driving in 2023* (Research Note. Report No. DOT HS 813 703). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/813703>

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