



Teen Distracted Driver Data



Teens and Distracted Driving 2020

People killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2020	3,142
Teens 15 to 19 years old killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2020	186
Percentage of all distraction-affected fatalities in 2020 who were 15- to 19-year-olds	6%

Six percent of the people who died in distraction-affected crashes in 2020 were teens 15 to 19 years old.

Teens 15 to 19 killed in all crashes in 2020	2,490
Teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2020	186
Percentage of teens 15 to 19 killed in distraction-affected crashes in 2020	7%

Seven percent of all teen motor vehicle crash fatalities in 2020 involved distracted driving.

Number of distracted drivers (all ages) involved in fatal crashes in 2020	2,968
Teen (15 to 19) distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2020	239
Percentage of distracted drivers involved in fatal crashes who were teens (15 to 19) in 2020	8%

In 2020, eight 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 2020	3,325
Distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes in 2020	239
Percentage of teen drivers 15 to 19 who were distracted at the time of the fatal crashes in 2020	7%

In 2020, seven 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 2020	3,719
People killed in crashes involving a distracted teen driver 15 to 19 in 2020	265
Percentage of people killed in crashes involving a teen 15 to 19, in which the teen was distracted, in 2020	7%

Seven percent of people killed in crashes involving a teen driver 15 to 19 in 2020 died when teen drivers were distracted.

People killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected crashes in 2020	265
Teens 15 to 19 killed in teen-distraction-affected crashes in 2020	116
Percentage of all people killed in teen-distraction-affected crashes who were teens 15 to 19 in 2020	44%

In 2020, forty-four percent of those killed in teen (15 to 19) distraction-affected crashes were teens 15 to 19 years old.

In 2020, there were 265 people who died in crashes that involved distracted teen drivers 15 to 19.
 In 2020, there were 186 teens 15 to 19 who were killed in distraction-affected crashes.
 In 2020, there were 239 distracted teen drivers 15 to 19 involved in fatal crashes.

Definitions, limitations, and other information on distracted driving can be found in: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2021, April). *Distracted driving 2019* (Research Note. Report No. DOT HS 813 111). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Available at <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/813111>

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