



Distracted Driving



Did you know that nearly 80 percent of crashes involve some form of driver inattention?

- Cell phone use is the most common distraction for drivers.*
- An estimated 10 percent of drivers in typical daylight are using some type of phone, hand-held or hands-free.*
- Talking, listening, and dialing are equally dangerous. Hands-free cell phone conversations are as distracting as those on a handheld device.*
- The slower reaction time caused by cell phone use is comparable to that of people who are legally drunk (.08 blood alcohol content).*
- Federal agencies should discourage the use cell phones by a driver while operating vehicles owned or leased by the Federal government.*
- Texting, GPS, and in-car computers have added to the boom in distracting technologies.*

The NOAA reminds all drivers that their first responsibility is safe driving. The NOAA recommends that drivers establish, and enforce a "driver distraction-free zone" inside their vehicles.



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