

20 Statistics That Will Blow your Mind:

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1. **Over 2.5 million people** in the U.S. are involved in road accidents each year.
2. Of these, **1.6 million have a cell phone involved** in them. That's 64% of all the road accidents in the United States.
3. **37,000+ people die** in automobile crashes in the U.S every year
4. Every year, about **421,000 people are injured** in crashes that have involved a driver who was distracted in some way.
5. Each year, over **330,000 accidents caused by texting** while driving lead to severe injuries.
6. **1 out of 4** car accidents in the US are caused by texting while driving.
7. Texting and driving is 6 times more likely to get you in an accident than drunk driving. **It is safer for someone to drink and drive** than to text and do it.
8. Reading a text message while driving successfully distracts a driver for a **minimum of five seconds** each time.
9. The average speed in the US is about 55mph. Taking five seconds to read a text in this time means that **the driver travels the length of a football field** without looking at the road, or being distracted.
10. The chances of a crash because of any reason **is increased by 23 times** when you are texting. Even if the crash is another driver's fault, you will probably have been able to avoid it if you had been looking at the road instead of the phone.
11. Every day, **11 teenagers die** because they were texting while driving.
12. 94% of teenagers understand the consequences of texting and driving, but **35% of them admitted that they do it** anyway.
13. Of all the teenagers ever involved in fatal accidents every year, **21% were using a cell phone** at the time of the accident.
14. 25% of teens respond to **at least one text while driving**, every single time.
15. **10% of adults and 20% of teenagers** have admitted that they have entire conversations over text message platforms while driving.
16. **92% of American teenagers own a cell phone**, and use it regularly to call and text message.
17. **52% of these talk on the phone** while driving, and 32% text on the road.
18. When polled, **77% of adults and 55% of teenage drivers** say that they can easily manage texting while driving.
19. A study at the University of Utah found out that the reaction time for a teen using a cell phone is the **same as that of a 70-year-old** who isn't using one.
20. 48% of kids in their younger teenage years have been in a car while the driver was texting. **Over 1600 children in the same age group are killed** each year because of crashes involving texters.