

# MTCF

## Michigan Traffic Crash Facts

# CELL PHONE USE

# 2015

*Cell phone use can be a distraction for the driver, the bicyclist, and the pedestrian. Cell phone use in crashes is measured by reported use, which is recorded by the police officer at the scene of the crash.*

A total of 753 crashes occurred in Michigan where a motor vehicle driver, pedestrian, or bicyclist was using a cell phone. Three of those crashes involved a fatality.

A total of 750 motor vehicle drivers, 3 pedestrians, and 1 bicyclist were reported to be using cell phones in the 753 crashes.

Of the 3 pedestrians using a cell phone, 1 pedestrian suffered an incapacitating injury, 1 suffered a non-incapacitating injury, and 1 suffered a possible injury.

Of the 750 motor vehicle drivers using cell phones, 170 (22.7%) were 20 years of age or younger.

There were 372 (49.4%) rear-end crashes where a driver was using a cell phone.

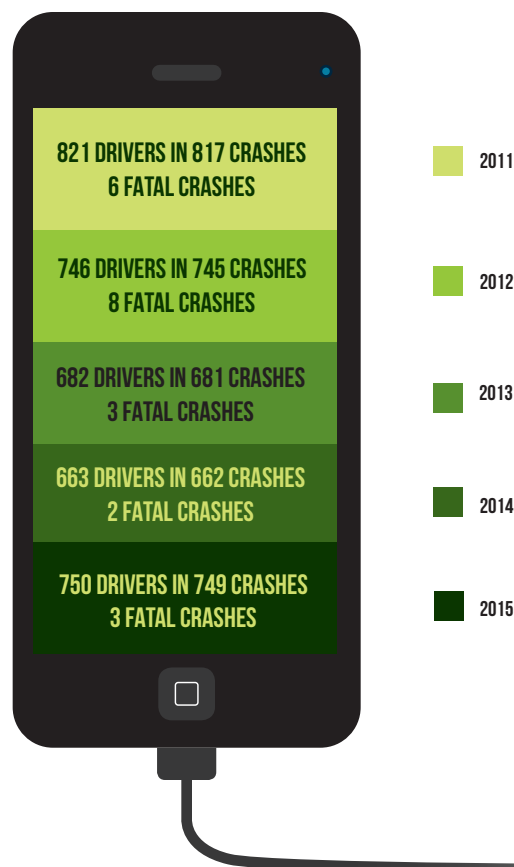
Of the total 753 crashes involving cell phone use, 174 (23.1%) also involved a lane departure.

Of the total 753 crashes involving cell phone use, 274 (36.4%) were intersection related.

There were 750 motor vehicle drivers using a cell phone in crashes: 652 passenger cars, 65 pickup trucks, 22 vans or motorhomes, 5 small trucks under 10,000 lbs., 1 motorcycle, 1 truck or bus over 10,000 lbs., and 1 vehicle type coded as "other."

In the past five years, 2014 had the lowest number of motor vehicle drivers (663) in crashes (662) where a cell phone was used. During this period, 2014 also had the lowest number of fatal crashes where a motor vehicle driver was using a cell phone (2).

### CRASHES WHERE A MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER WAS USING A CELL PHONE



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