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Michigan Traffic Crash Facts

CELL PHONE USE

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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 2,765 crashes occurred in Michigan where a motor vehicle driver was using a cell phone. Twenty-one of those crashes involved a fatality.

A total of 2,768 motor vehicle drivers, 15 pedestrians, and five bicyclists were reported to be using cell phones in 2,784 crashes.

Of the 15 pedestrians using a cell phone, three pedestrians were killed, three suffered a suspected serious injury, two suffered a suspected minor injury, and three suffered a possible injury.

Of the 2,768 motor vehicle drivers using cell phones, 535 (19.3%) were 20 years of age or younger.

There were 1,263 (45.7%) rear-end crashes where a driver was using a cell phone.

Of the total 2,784 crashes involving cell phone use, 705 (25.3%) also involved a lane departure.

Of the total 2,784 crashes involving cell phone use, 973 (34.9%) were intersection related.

There were 2,768 motor vehicle drivers using a cell phone in crashes: 2,408 passenger cars, SUVs, or vans; 292 pickup trucks; 31 trucks or buses over 10,000 lbs.; 10 motor homes; nine small trucks under 10,000 lbs.; three motorcycles; three mopeds; two ORV/ATVs; four vehicle types coded as "other;" and six uncoded and errors.

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