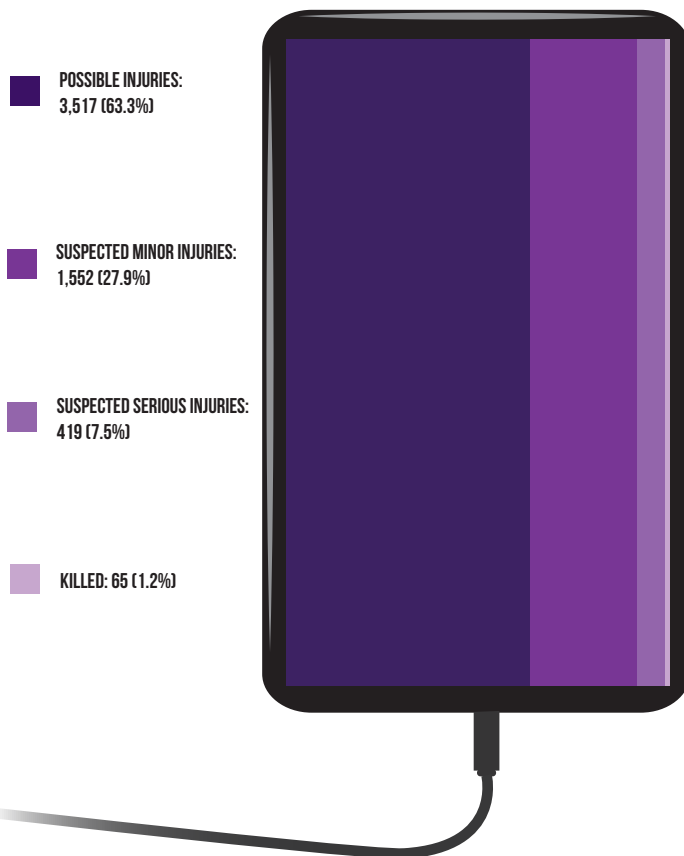


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While cell phone use is one source of distraction, driver distraction includes any activity that shifts attention from the driving task, including talking to passengers, eating and drinking, adjusting the radio or GPS, or looking at a billboard.

PERSON INJURY SEVERITY IN DISTRACTED DRIVING CRASHES



A total of 14,439 crashes occurred in Michigan that involved a distracted driver of a motor vehicle in 2024. Fifty-six of those crashes involved a fatality, resulting in 65 fatalities.

Of the total 14,439 crashes involving a distracted driver, 2,818 (19.5%) also involved a lane departure.

About 36.3% (5,244) of the crashes involving a distracted driver took place at an intersection.

There were 45 bicyclists involved in distracted driving crashes and 117 pedestrians. Of these totals, three (6.7%) bicyclists and 12 (10.3%) pedestrians were killed.

The top five counties for distracted driving crashes were Wayne (2,237); Oakland (2,042); Macomb (1,430); Kent (1,264); and Washtenaw (523).

Of the 14,596 distracted drivers in crashes, 14.5 percent were distracted by cell phone use, 10.6 percent by some other electronic device (e.g. navigation aid, book player), 5.3 percent by a passenger, 36.3 percent by some other activity inside the vehicle (e.g. eating, drinking, personal grooming), and 33.3 percent by an activity outside the vehicle.

Of the distracted drivers, 8,300 (56.9%) were male, 5,942 (40.7%) were female, 11 (0.1%) were non-binary, and gender was unknown for 343 (2.3%) drivers.

Of the 14,596 distracted drivers, 6,056 were classified with a hazardous action of unable to stop in assured clear distance; 1,581 were careless/negligent driving; 1,428 were classified with "other" for their hazardous action; and 1,341 failed to yield.