HEADS UP, STAY SAFE!
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COVER SHEET

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DEADLY DISTRACTED DRIVING
Driving Dignity

We lose an average of nine people daily each year. That is 3,285 people per year. Say that aloud. How does it sound? How does that make you feel? For me, this number is absolutely bonkers.

We need to get these numbers down by a great margin. To do this, it all starts with you, to look both ways when crossing the street and not using your phone. and tell yourself how that sounds. Of course this isn’t only limited to pedestrians, since in many states the right of way is for the pedestrian.

From a multitude of sources, it is recommend not to multitask in the car or with the driver. Plus, if you are feeling drowsy and your eyes are starting to feel like they are holding up cement blocks, pull over to a safe place and take a quick nap or switch with the person next to you (as long as they are able to drive, of course).

With rapidly evolving technology, it is up to all of us to stay vigilant and to work together to keep our world safe. Distracted driving destroys.

6 OUT OF 10 teen crashes involve driver distraction.

The most common forms of distraction leading to a teen driver crash include:

- 15% Interacting with one or more passengers
- 12% Using a cellphone
- 10% Looking at something in the vehicle
- 9% Looking at something outside the vehicle
- 8% Singing/dancing to music
- 6% Grooming
- 6% Reaching for an object

For teen driving tips, visit TeenDriving.AAA.com
ACROSS THE NATION

Daunting Data

From a variety of sources, all come with the same message: pay attention to your surroundings or suffer the consequences.

THE THREE TYPES OF DISTRACTED DRIVING AND HOW TO AVOID THEM

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<td>Keep your eyes on the road. Pull over to read directions. Put your phone in “Do Not Disturb” mode.</td>
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<td>Keep your phone out of reach. Make all adjustments before driving. Don’t reach for items while driving.</td>
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<td>Cognitive</td>
<td>Avoid phone calls, even hands-free. Stay focused on the road. Keep your emotions in check.</td>
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Watch where you’re going

% of cell users in each age group who have bumped into something or been bumped into by others who were distracted by their phones

1 in 4 Crashes have the probability that it involved the use of a CELLPHONE

2 Seconds is how long a driver can safely glance away FROM THE ROAD

5 SECONDS That’s how long sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road — that’s enough time to drive 55 mph the LENGTH OF A FOOTBALL FIELD

For more information, check out “Distracted Driving Statistics” from The Zebra.
Power to the People

There is a multitude of ways to keep both pedestrians and drivers safe, and it all starts with keeping these tips in mind when out and about.

01 Limit cell phone use
The human brain isn't made to multi-task, so don't risk it on the road.

Sleeping slays
Falling asleep at the wheel when trying to get home faster isn't worth it.

03 Cut the distractions
When crossing a busy intersection either on foot or in a car, put away the earbuds and phone to pay attention to surroundings.

For more information, check out "Tips to Avoid Distracted Driving" from GEICO.