Distracted Walking And Driving

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Distracted Driving

-There are many people in the world who are distracted while driving. Most drivers are distracted by looking at their phones or not paying attention to the road. This is what causes many wrecks between cars and people. It's very dangerous to be distracted while driving.

<u>Distracted Walking</u>

-What does it mean to be a distracted walker? This means not paying attention to your surroundings while you are walking. So many people in the world are distracted while walking. Whether it's talking on the phone or not paying attention to your surroundings. All of this causes so many problems and effects.

Overall, it is very dangerous to be distracted while walking,-





How many people are injured a year by distracted driving?

-In the U.S, close to 390,000 injuries happen each year. Most of this is caused by texting on phones. When texting on your phone, it is proven that instead of walking straight, you drift slightly which after only a few seconds can cause a fatal accident where you accidentally step into the road. This

can cause either you to be hit, drivers to swerve, or cars to crash, resulting in big fatalities. This happens everywhere, not just in Georgia, and this is a serious issue. One precaution that has been taken place is that if a driver is seen with a phone, texting while driving, or talking, they can receive a fine of up to \$500.

How many people are injured a year by distracted walking?

-In the U.S alone, a little above 69,000 people get injured in a year. Most of this is caused by texting on phones. There are many reasons why it can be unsafe to be distracted while walking and driving. Walking and driving are two different things that you do not want to be distracted while doing. Even though there may be a bunch of different results that are unsafe, there are two that happen the most in our world today. The two results are getting in car wrecks and when walking, getting hit by a car. These are unsafe because you can get into a serious injury.-

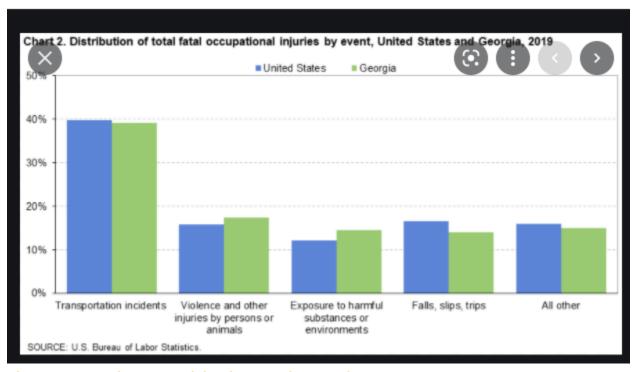
Why is it important to not be on your phone while walking or driving?

It is important to not be on your phone while walking or driving because accidents can happen. It is very dangerous and can cause injuries to not only you, but to other people that might be surrounding you. There are so many ways crashes and accidents happen, but the main reason for all of this is by being distracted on a device. Mostly likely on a phone. In some states, it is illegal to be on your phone while driving. With walking however, not a lot of states have laws about that. There are serious consequences if you disobey these laws.

HOW CAN YOU PREVENT GETTING DISTRACTED WHILE WALKING AND DRIVING?

There are many ways that you can prevent yourself from being distracted. The main way that you can do this is by putting your phone down. If you have your phone in hand it may be very easy to get distracted. When you get distracted you can cause many problems. When you get a text message, wait until you come to a stop or are in a safe spot to do so. If you wait until you get to a stop or a safe stop then you have prevented

yourself from Many dangers while driving or even walking. Many people need to realize that text messages can wait to possibly save your life. Preventing yourself from getting distracted is a very good thing to do. If many people in the world would do this instead of getting distracted there would be a lot less dangers in the world today.



Distracted Walking and Driving in Georgia vs. United States 2019

