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Connecticut Survey Results

Q1 Thinking about what you see while driving in your car, do you notice more, fewer, or about the same number of drivers distracted by electronic devices on the road now than two years ago?

- Notice more drivers distracted by electronic devices*..... 68%
- Notice fewer drivers distracted by electronic devices*..... 8%
- Notice about the same number of drivers distracted by electronic devices* 22%
- Not sure* 2%

Q2 How concerned are you about your safety on the road due to other drivers being distracted by their electronic devices: very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not concerned at all?

- Very concerned*..... 59%
- Somewhat concerned* 28%
- Not too concerned* 11%
- Not concerned at all*..... 2%

Q3 How do you feel about using your Smartphone for texting, emailing, or social media while driving: that it is never okay, that it's okay while at a complete stop, such as a red light or stop sign, that it's okay when driving at low speeds, such as in traffic congestion, that it's okay any time when hands-free, like Bluetooth, is connected, or that it's okay any time, regardless of speed?

- Think that it's never okay* 80%
- Think that it's okay while at a complete stop, such as a red light or stop sign* 12%
- Think that it's okay when driving at low speeds, such as in traffic congestion* 1%
- Think that it's okay any time when a hands-free device, like Bluetooth, is connected*..... 6%
- Think that it's okay any time, regardless of speed*..... 0%

Q4 How often would you say you look at your phone to read or send a text while driving: regularly, fairly often, rarely, or never?

- Regularly*..... 2%
- Fairly often*..... 4%
- Rarely* 32%
- Never* 61%

Q5 How often do you use hands-free technology while driving like Bluetooth or voice-activated calling: always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

- Always* 25%
- Often*..... 11%
- Sometimes*..... 11%
- Rarely* 21%
- Never* 31%

Q6 How often do you put your Smartphone away where it can't be accessed while driving: always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

- Always* 39%
- Often*..... 17%
- Sometimes*..... 15%
- Rarely* 14%
- Never* 15%





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- Q7** Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that the dangers of using a Smartphone for texting, emailing, and social media can be as serious as drinking and driving?
- Strongly agree* 79%
 - Somewhat agree*..... 13%
 - Somewhat disagree* 4%
 - Strongly disagree*..... 3%
 - Not sure*..... 1%
- Q8** In Connecticut, it is illegal to use a handheld device while driving. The fine for using a handheld phone while driving is \$150 for the first offense, \$300 for the second offense and \$500 for the third offense, with no license suspension. Do you think this punishment is too lenient and you would support harsher penalties, too harsh and the punishment should be more lenient, or fair and does not need changing?
- Think the punishment is too lenient and support harsher penalties* 45%
 - Think it's too harsh*..... 6%
 - Think it's fair, and does not need changing*..... 43%
 - Not sure* 6%

- Q9** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.
- Woman* 53%
 - Man*..... 47%
- Q10** If you are 18-24 years old, press 1. If 25-39, press 2. If 40-59, press 3. If 60-74, press 4. If 75 or older, press 5.
- 18 to 24*..... 6%
 - 25 to 39*..... 8%
 - 40 to 59*..... 42%
 - 60 to 74*..... 30%
 - 75 or older*..... 14%
- Q11** Are you a member of AAA?
- Yes*..... 70%
 - No*..... 30%
- Q12** Do you have a valid US drivers license, and drive a vehicle at least 20 miles a week?
- Yes*..... 100%
 - No*..... 0%

