

Teens have the highest crash rate of any group of drivers in the United States.²



Having a single teen passenger increases a teen driver's crash risk by 44%, while a teen driver carrying at least one passenger over age 35 cuts the risk of death by 62%.³



Teens who say their parents set rules and monitor their activities in a helpful, supportive way are half as likely to crash and 70% less likely to drive intoxicated than teens who describe their parents as less involved.⁶



Among crashes attributed to a critical teen driver error, 21% of serious teen driver crashes were due to driving too fast for road conditions.¹

6 out of 10 teen crashes involve driver distraction.²



Among students who drove in the past month, 41% report they had texted or e-mailed while driving at least once.⁴

↓ 50%

The number of young drivers involved in alcohol-related fatal crashes with a positive BAC dropped by 50% between 2003 and 2012.⁵



Of teens who admit to driving under the influence of marijuana, 75% feel it has no impact on or improves their driving.⁷



What Can Parents Do? Set a Good Example



Always model safe driving behavior



Discuss safe driving with your teen on an ongoing basis



Sign a contract with your teen driver