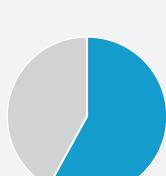






HOW BIG IS THE PROBLEM?



58%

of vehicle accidents in Maryland are caused by distracted driving.



40%

of all accidents involving distracted drivers resulted in injuries.



46.4%

of all Maryland distracted driving crashes took place in Baltimore.

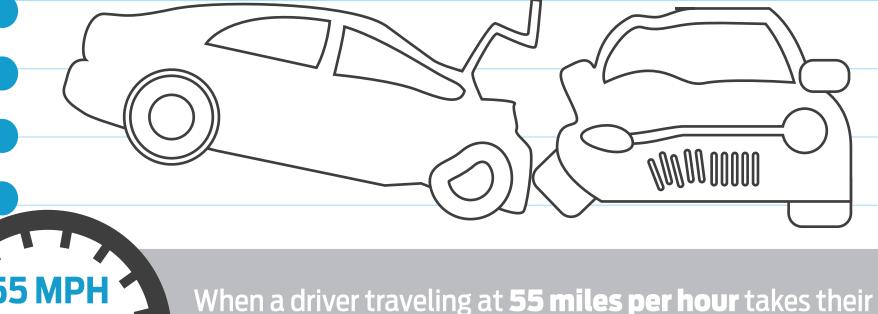


69%

of drivers said they had talked on their phones in the past 30 days.

Tips For Eliminating Distracted Driving

- 1. Self-impose a "no phone" rule while behind the wheel.
- 2. Consider putting your phone in the back seat to eliminate the temptation to talk or text.
- 3. Use your cell phone only in emergency situations.
- 4. If you want to use your phone, find a safe place to park.
- 5. Keep the activity level and number of passengers in your car to a minimum.
- 6. Never eat while driving.



eyes off the road for just **5 seconds**, they will have covered the length of a football field.

MARYLAND LAW

Prohibits drivers from texting and talking on cell phones.

Exceptions are made only for emergency calls – 911, ambulances, hospitals, law enforcement, etc.

First-time offenders face the possibility of an \$83 fine, second-time offenders face a fine of \$140 and third-time offenders ace a \$160 fine.

Injured in a distracted driving accident?

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