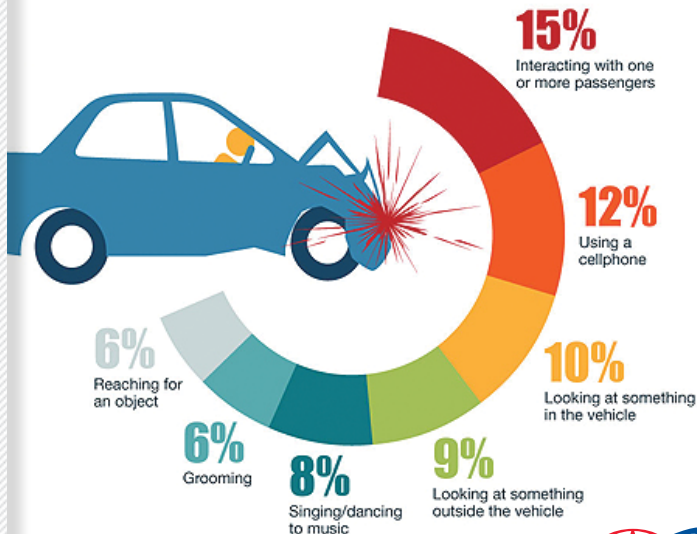


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**10**

**TEEN CRASHES  
INVOLVE**

**driver  
distraction.**

**PASSENGERS** are the **#1 DISTRACTION:**



# BE A GOOD PASSENGER

*Stay safe behind the wheel and in the passenger seat.*

## WHAT WE KNOW

Driving distracted is dangerous for anyone, but teen drivers are particularly vulnerable. A nine-year study found that **NEARLY 60% of teen driver crashes were caused by some form of driver distraction.** Driving with other teen passengers in the car topped the list of all distractions, causing even more crashes than cell phones.

## HOW PASSENGERS CAN HELP

### Don't Distract the Driver

- Avoid unnecessary conversations
- Avoid unnecessary phone use
- Don't pull the driver's attention away from the road

### Assist the Driver for a Safer Ride

- Silence phone notifications/rings and answer only when necessary
- Adjust AC/music/GPS as needed
- Navigate and stay alert to help the driver avoid danger
- If you see unsafe behavior, say something

## WHAT WE ARE DOING

AAA is dedicated to keeping teen drivers safe through traffic safety research, education and programs. Parents and teens can visit [TeenDriving.AAA.com](http://TeenDriving.AAA.com) to find valuable resources that will help to navigate the learning-to-drive process.

