# NCOIL Distracted Driving Model Act

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### The Columbus Dispatch

Column: 'Hands-free' laws would make roads safer

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# Nationwide Calls for Enactment of Hands-free Laws

### Raising awareness through technology

Distracted Driving continues to be a growing problem in society.

Nationwide can offer awareness through technology and personalized experiences that engage and protect our customers by promoting safe driving behaviors to create safer roadways in our communities.



Measurable Community Impact— preventing injuries and saving lives by providing knowledge & awareness of phone-related distractions and their risks



Personalized Customer Insights—opportunity to provide risky behavior insights specific to customer phone usage behind the wheel



Improved Driving Behavior— promoting focused driving to support roadway safety for drivers, passengers and pedestrians and ultimately save lives





• 41% of all car trips between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm in 2019, involved significant phone distraction.

2017 26% 2019 41%

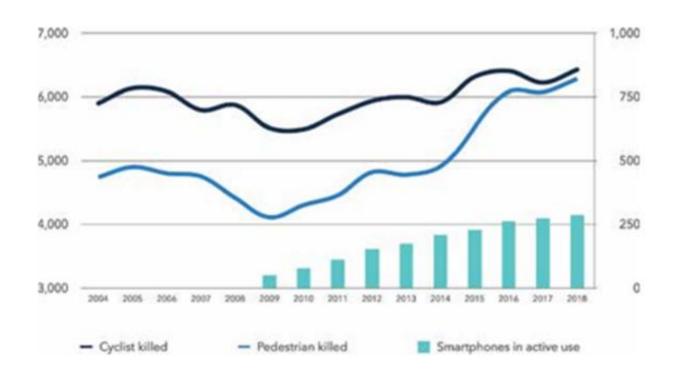
- Crash data analysis, 19% of crashes attributable to phone-based distraction.
- 54 million trips recorded across the U.S.

2018 35% 2019 37%

 State specific, more than 50% of trips involved significant phone distraction

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#### Road Fatalities & Injuries in the US



The graph above pairs the annual pedestrian and cyclist fatalities reported by NHTSA alongside the introduction and rise of smartphone use in the U.S. Seen over a longer scale, the impact of the smartphone on the human cost of life in the U.S. is dramatic and appears **directly correlated.** Source: CMT

## Deaths up 20% January-June 2020

**National Safety Council** 

# The future will bring more death by distraction

- Smartphone ownership at record high
- 4,000 people will lose their life annually
- 500,000 crashes associated with smartphone distraction

Source: CMT

#### The time to act is now

Ohio Politics

Gov. Mike DeWine decries deadly July on Ohio highways, pushes lawmakers to pass distracted driving bill

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NSC Estimates: U.S. Saw a 20% Jump in Motor Vehicle Death Rates in First Six Months of 2020, Despite Quarantines

Roads were deadlier even as the country drove less, according to preliminary data



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