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Term **Distracted driving**

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Citation(s)

Definition Driver distraction can be defined as the diversion of attention away from activities critical for safe driving toward a competing activity. (*Driver distraction: theory, effects, and mitigation*. Regan, Michael, Lee, John D., Young, Kristie L. (Eds.), CRC Press, 2009. p. 3)

“Consequently, buses now ring the three-block Independence Mall, parked for the length of their visits, often with idling motors, creating a visual and auditory **distraction** for the Park visitor and a barrier for pedestrians.”

(<http://ntl.bts.gov/lib/30000/30200/30291/independence.pdf>)

“Several global characteristics were suggested to create a computer system that visitors would enjoy. It would need to be very user-friendly because several visitors said that they are not computer literate. It would also have to be unobtrusive to those who are not interested in using it lest become a **distraction** from other visitors' goals of enjoying nature and escaping modern technology.”

([http://ntl.bts.gov/lib/24000/24700/24781/426292\\_Final\\_Report.pdf](http://ntl.bts.gov/lib/24000/24700/24781/426292_Final_Report.pdf))

**Visual distraction/auditory distraction**

Scope note (if needed)

Notational code

Broader term

Narrower term

Associative relationships

Related terms:

Cross-references:

USE/UF terms Driver distraction

Variant forms

Homographs

Usage/Warrant/Statistics (# of hits/search results for term in quotes, e.g., “automobile factories”)

- Search term, variants, and/or synonyms identified if necessary
- Use a minimum of five sources
- *Note currency of term usage*
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Other/Comments      NOTE: There is more literary warrant for Driver distraction.

**Action**       Add    Update    Decline    Remove    Park

**Type**       Preferred term    Non-preferred term