

# Taxi Driver and Chauffeur Safety Stats and Facts

## FACTS

### Common Causes of Taxi Accidents

**Distractions:** some numerous conditions and factors can distract the driver away from the road. Common driving issues consist of using cellular phones, paying attention to loud music, analyzing, and speak with passengers.

**Speeding or fast driving:** Because some cab driver's wages rely upon the summary of passengers they carried in a day, many cab drivers drive fast or hurriedly as a way to go returned early to carry other passengers. From time to time, they may even ignore the traffic rules, which are very risky and can indeed lead to an accident.

**Tiredness:** As most taxi drivers work hard all day, they can occasionally get sleepy because of fatigue. It is dangerous if they may be traveling on a busy street or even highway far away.

**Influence of alcohol:** Although this is not often a motive for a cab accident, this is still going on almost every day. No matter last night or during the day, some drunk drivers may harm life.

**Bad Weather:** popular motive for car accidents, taxi drivers still force to earn greater for their family. When that happens, they run the hazard of experiencing taxi accidents.

## STATS

- According to statistics from the Directorate General of Highways, the percentage of taxi drivers who are between 60 and 68 years of age has gradually increased, from approximately 11% of all taxi drivers.

- Taxi drivers are over 20 times more likely to be murdered on the job than other workers.
- An estimated 370,400 people in America worked as taxi, ride hailing, and chauffeur drivers in 2018, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The number, however, is probably much greater, since independent contractors – those who currently make up the fastest growing U.S. job sector – are difficult to track.
- Approximately 43% of for hire- drivers are self-employed. The remainder work for taxi or limousine services or other ground passenger transportation companies.
- About 60% of fatalities among taxi, ride hailing, and chauffeur drivers in the nation are a result of on-the-job transportation incidents.
- The last report on workplace violence and homicide places TAXI DRIVERS in the unenviable spot of #1 most dangerous occupation in North America at the present time, and this danger is rising. There are 20 homicides where taxi drivers are victims to every 100,000 drivers.