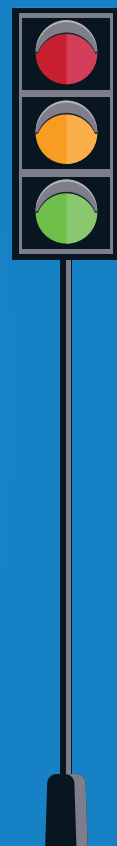


# Top 6 Unsafe Driver Behaviors

Cited during CVSA Safe Driver Week 2019

In July 2019, commercial law enforcement officers issued tens of thousands of citations and warnings for common unsafe driving behaviors.<sup>1</sup>

Designated as Operation Safe Driver Week by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA), this is an annual initiative across the U.S. and Canada to help make the roadways safer for everyone to travel. The numbers may (or may not) surprise you.



Citations issued

**46,752**



Warnings issued

**87,624**



**94%**

## Why these numbers matter

Drivers' actions contribute to **94% of all traffic crashes.**<sup>2</sup>



### Speeding

A factor in more than **25%** of crash deaths since 2008.<sup>2</sup>

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

1,454 citations | 2,126 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

16,102 citations | 21,001 warnings



### Not obeying a traffic control device

In 2017, more than **760** people out of **7,770** were killed and **165,000** out of **733,000** were injured in red-light running crashes.<sup>3</sup>

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

954 citations | 586 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

540 citations | 1,063 warnings



### Improperly changing lanes

Accidents usually involve multiple vehicles. They can cause serious injuries and cause other vehicles to swerve or slam the brakes, causing accidents for others.

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

92 citations | 194 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

352 citations | 1,226 warnings



### Following too closely

Increases the likelihood of rear-ending the vehicle in front of you.

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

57 citations | 143 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

188 citations | 853 warnings



### Improperly passing

Many accidents result in head-on collisions or swerving off the road, leading to fatalities.

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

41 citations | 30 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

280 citations | 723 warnings



### Inattentive or reckless driving

In 2017, there were **3,166** distraction-related fatal crashes in the U.S.<sup>4</sup> In 2016, distracted driving contributed to an estimated **21%** of fatal collisions in Canada.<sup>5</sup>

#### Commercial Motor Vehicles

32 citations | 55 warnings

#### Passenger Vehicles

517 citations | 484 warnings



To learn more about how Zonar can help your drivers reduce their number of citations and warnings by driving more safely, contact us at [info@zonarsystems.com](mailto:info@zonarsystems.com).

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