

Over 2,500 Die on Texas Roads in 2012

This year, over 2,500 people have died on Texas roads according to TxDOT. Signs announcing as much are all over the freeways. There are some particularly bad spots for accidents that you should watch for but, beyond that, you should also keep an eye out for some types of drivers that are particularly dangerous.

Drunk Drivers

There are some signs of drunk driving that you can watch for so that you can avoid getting into an accident with a drunk. Be wary of drivers who:

- Are driving too slow for the road
- Are speeding
- Are driving with their headlights off at night
- Are stopping and starting without warning or apparent reason
- Are pulling out of drinking establishments

Drunk drivers are very unpredictable. They may seem to be driving very well one moment and suddenly start driving recklessly the next.

Distracted Drivers

Whenever you see a driver paying attention to anything except the road, you need to be careful. Distracted drivers can be just as dangerous as drunk drivers. They may start drifting across lanes, not see an intersection coming up or present other hazards. Watch out for people who have their head out of line with the steering wheel or who appear to be looking down at their seat or their dashboard and give them some room.

Intersections

Be careful of people who seem to be debating whether or not to make a left turn in front of you across an intersection. They may be drifting into the turn without knowing it and cross your path of travel at the last moment. They may also be having a hard time figuring out whether or not they can make it, and they can present very real hazards to everyone around them. Turn on your lights during the day to make it easier for people to see you coming.

Negligent Drivers

If you're struck by a negligent driver, contact a [Dallas car accident lawyer](#). Dallas can be a hard place to drive on some days, but that doesn't excuse people for not paying attention to what's going on around them. If a negligent driver brings you to physical harm or damages your property, an attorney may be able to help you get compensated from a jury award or a settlement. They can also help if your insurance company is refusing to pay out on a valid claim over a car accident, so don't hesitate to call.

