

# Intro to Business and Personal Law

## Project #4 – Teen Driving Statistics

For this project, you will be doing some research on the internet. You should plan to finish this in one session in the computer lab. If you need more time, you may complete this on any computer that has internet access.

Background: The privilege of driving a car is one most people take as a right. Driving a car means freedom, independence, and is a part of growing up. When people do things that are new to them, there will be a learning curve involved. As you will find out from this project, driving a vehicle is certainly a process where making good choices is advisable. There is deserved focus on teens and their driving habits because decisions made behind the wheel can have profound consequences for the driver and others.

The link below provides some data that can be used to answer some, but not all, of the following questions. Use complete sentences to answer all questions (except the T/F). You do not need to rewrite the questions as you answer them.

[https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/teen\\_drivers/teendrivers\\_factsheet.html](https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/teen_drivers/teendrivers_factsheet.html)

[https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/teenweb/more\\_btn6/traffic/traffic](https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/teenweb/more_btn6/traffic/traffic)

1. In 2016 how many teens died in motor vehicle crashes in the United States?
2. **True or False:** In 2016 the motor vehicle death rate for males aged 16-19 was 3 times the rate of their female counterparts.
3. **True or False:** 18-19 year olds have twice the fatal crash rate of 16-17 year olds because this younger group tends to drive more carefully.
4. List 4 factors that put teen drivers at risk of serious car crashes.
5. What are the 8 leading causes of teen vehicle accidents?
6. What are 4 recommended methods for reducing teen crashes?
7. **True or False:** An interesting fact is that speeding does not seem to be a factor in most fatal crashes involving a teen driver.
8. What does GDL mean in terms of a driver's license?
9. Does California use a GDL program for young drivers?
10. Is this program effective at reducing teen accidents? **Explain why.**
11. According to the CA DMV website listed above, what is the number one cause of fatal crashes among the age group 16-19 year old drivers?