Worldwide Texting Statistics

- 1. The number of monthly texts sent increased more than 7,700% over the last decade. (Statistic Brain) (*Tweet this!*)
- 2. Over 560 billion texts are sent every month worldwide. (Statistic Brain) (Tweet this!)
- 3. 18.7 billion texts are sent worldwide every day, not including app-to-app messaging. (Statistic Brain) (*Tweet this!*)
- 4. (2017 Update) 15,220,700 texts are sent every minute of every day worldwide, not including app-to-app messaging. (Domo) (*Tweet this!*)
- 5. (2017 Update) 913,242,000 texts are sent every hour of every day worldwide, not including app-to-app messaging. (Domo) (*Tweet this!*)
- 6. (2017 Update) 22 billion texts are sent every day worldwide, not including app-to-app messaging. (Domo) (*Tweet this!*)
- 7. (2017 Update) 8 trillion texts are sent worldwide every year, not including app-to-app messaging. (Domo) (*Tweet this!*)
- 8. WhatsApp and Facebook Messenger combine for more than 60 billion messages sent every day. (The Verge) (*Tweet this!*)
- 9. 4.2 billion+ people text worldwide. (MBA Online) (Tweet this!)
- 10. Text messaging is the most used data service in the world. (Nielsen) (Tweet this!)



U.S. Texting Statistics

- 11. 81% of Americans text regularly. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)
- 12. Over 6 billion texts are sent every day. (CTIA) (Tweet this!)
- 13. Over 180 billion texts are sent every month. (CTIA) (*Tweet this!*)
- 14. 2.27 trillion texts are sent every year. (CTIA) (Tweet this!)
- 15. 97% of American adults text weekly. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)
- 16. America is responsible for approximately 45% of the world's text volume. (CTIA & Statistic Brain) (*Tweet this!*)
- 17. Americans text twice as much as they call, on average. (Nielsen) (Tweet this!)
- 18. In 2010, almost 200,00 texts were sent every second of the year. (MBA Online) (Tweet this!)

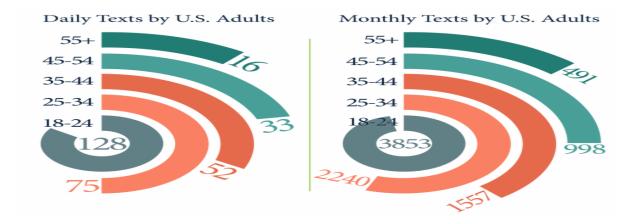
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Texting Statistics by Age

- 19. 91% of teens with cell phones actively text. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)
- 20. About 50% of adults 18-24 say text conversations as just as meaningful as a phone call. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 21. Adults under 45 send and receive 85+ texts every day, on average. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 22. (2017 Update) The average consumer sends 3 messages per hour (including app-to-app messaging). (Twilio) (*Tweet this!*)
- 23. (2017 Update) The average consumer sends 72 messages per day (including app-to-app messaging). (Twilio) (*Tweet this!*)
- 24. 77% of students want relevant information from colleges via text. (Cappex) (Tweet this!)
- 25. 59% of students say a college can text them first. (Cappex) (Tweet this!)
- 26. Adults 18-24 y.o. send and receive over 128 texts every day. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)

- 27. Adults 18-24 y.o. send and receive 3,853 texts a month. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 28. Adults 25-34 send and receive over 75 texts a day. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 29. Adults 25-34 send and receive 2,240 texts a month. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 30. Adults 35-44 send and receive about 52 texts a day. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 31. Adults 35-44 send and receive 1,557 texts a month. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 32. Adults 45-54 send and receive 33 texts a day. (Experian Marketing Services) (Tweet this!)
- 33. Adults 45-54 send and receive 998 texts a month. (Experian Marketing Services) (*Tweet this!*)
- 34. Adults 55+ send and receive 16 texts a day. (Experian Marketing Services) (Tweet this!)
- 35. Adults 55+ send and receive 491 texts a month. (Experian Marketing Services) (Tweet this!)

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Texting Statistics by Time and Rates

- 36. Texting is 10X quicker than phone calls. (Text Request) (Tweet this!)
- 37. Texts have a 99% open rate. (SinglePoint) (Tweet this!)

- 38. 95% of texts will be read within 3 minutes of being sent. (Forbes) (Tweet this!)
- 39. Average response time for a text is 90 seconds. (CTIA) (Tweet this!)
- 40. Texts have a 45% average response rate. (Velocify) (Tweet this!)
- 41. College students spend 94 minutes a day texting, on average. (Journal of Behavioral Addictions) (*Tweet this!*)
- 42. Texting takes up 33% of Millennials' mobile usage. (RealityMine) (Tweet this!)
- 43. Text messages are read in under 5 seconds, on average. (SlickText) (Tweet this!)
- 44. 96% of smartphone owners text. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)
- 45. The average adult spends 23 hours a week texting. (USA Today) (Tweet this!)

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Texting Statistics by Preference

- 46. 33% of American adults prefer texts to all other forms of communication. (Pew Research Center) (*Tweet this!*)
- 47. Text is the most used form of communication for American adults under 50. (Gallup) (*Tweet this!*)
- 48. 91% of people who text prefer it over voicemail. (RingCentral) (Tweet this!)
- 49. Texting is the most common cell phone activity. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)
- 50. A third of Americans prefer text to phone calls. (Pew Research Center) (Tweet this!)

Business Texting Statistics

- 51. Only 48% of businesses are currently equipped to handle any form of messaging. (Twilio) (*Tweet this!*)
- 52. 78% of people wish they could have a text conversation with a business. (RingCentral) (*Tweet this!*)
- 53. (2017 Update) 89% of consumers want to use messaging to communicate with businesses. (Twilio) (*Tweet this!*)

- 54. Messaging is the #1 preferred customer support channel in the U.S. (Twilio) (Tweet this!)
- 55. 79% of bosses are supportive of texting for business purposes. (RingCentral) (Tweet this!)

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- 56. 61% of businesses wish they could send and receive texts from a business number. (RingCentral) (*Tweet this!*)
- 57. 61% of contact centers have or plan to offer SMS support by the end of 2016. (Dimension Data) (*Tweet this!*)
- 58. 80% of professionals currently use text for business purposes. (RingCentral) (Tweet this!)
- 59. People prefer text most for scheduling or changing appointments, and making or confirming reservations. (Harris) (Tweet this!)
- 60. Over half of customers would rather text a customer support agent instead of using other available options. (eWeek) (Tweet this!)
- 61. Texting is highest rated contact method for customer satisfaction compared to all other communication channels (Text 90; Phone 77; Facebook 66). (eWeek) (*Tweet this!*)
- 62. Over 1/3 of professionals say they can't go 10 minutes without responding to a text. (eWeek) (*Tweet this!*)
- 63. Calls cost customer service centers several dollars per conversation. Texts cost pennies per conversation. (Forrester & ContactBabel) (Tweet this!)
- 64. 44% of consumers prefer to press a button and initiate a text conversation, rather than wait on hold with an agent. (Harris) (*Tweet this!*)
- 65. 75% of people like offers sent via text (but no more than 2/mo). (Digital Marketing Magazine) (*Tweet this!*)
- 66. Texting in the sales process with a qualified lead can increase conversions over 100%. (Velocify) (*Tweet this!*)
- 67. 72% of business professionals prefer texting to messaging apps. (eWeek) (Tweet this!)
- 68. Nearly 70% of employees think text should be used for interoffice communication. (Vitiello Communications Group) (*Tweet this!*)
- 69. 64% of consumers are likely to have a positive perception of companies that offer communication via text. (Harris) (Tweet this!)

70. 90% of leads prefer to be texted, compared to called. (FranchiseHelp) (Tweet this!)

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- 71. Response rates from text are 209% higher than those from phone calls. (FranchiseHelp) (*Tweet this!*)
- 72. Verification rates (positive or "yes" responses) are 295% higher through text, compared to phone calls. (FranchiseHelp) (*Tweet this!*)
- 73. Text verification rates are consistently around 200% higher than email verification. (Nexmo) (*Tweet this!*)

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