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### April Traffic Fatality Toll

May 17, 2017 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of April 2017, ten persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

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- ◆ These 10 fatalities occurred in 10 crashes
- ◆ Four of the six vehicle occupants killed were not using safety belts
- ◆ One fatality occurred on the interstate, two happened on non-interstate highways, and seven took place on local roads
- ◆ Six of the fatalities occurred in rural locations
- ◆ Two of the fatalities were motorcyclists
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a pedestrian
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a bicyclist
- ◆ Four of the fatalities were age 24 or younger

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

<http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/media/3340/tollcompare.pdf>

#### COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY THRU APRIL	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2017 (FATALITIES)
2017	66	61	
2016	55	51	+ 20.0
2015	80	74	- 17.5
2014	67	59	- 1.5
2013	63	57	+ 4.8
2013-2016 Avg.	66	60	+ 0.0

- ◆ There were 18 fatalities in April of 2016
- ◆ Forty-one of 56 vehicle occupants killed during 2017 (73%) were not wearing safety belts.

This report includes information available through May 16, 2017, from the Highway Safety/Accident Records Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Roads. For additional information, contact NDOR Communication Division at (402) 479-4512.

