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January Traffic Fatality Toll

February 18, 2020 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of January, 2020, Fifteen persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

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- ◆ These 15 fatalities occurred in 15 fatal crashes.
- ◆ Ten of the 15 vehicle occupants killed were not wearing safety belts.
- ◆ There were four fatalities on the interstate, nine on other highways, and two on local roads.
- ◆ Thirteen of the fatalities were in rural locations.
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a pedestrian.
- ◆ Five crashes resulting in 5 fatalities had icy/snow road conditions as contributing circumstances.

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

<https://dot.nebraska.gov/media/3340/tollcompare.pdf>

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2020 (FATALITIES)
2020	15	15	
2019	8	8	+47.0
2018	15	13	+0.0
2017	21	20	-40.0
2016	15	14	+0.0
2016-2019 Avg.	15	14	+0.0

- ◆ There were 8 fatalities in January of 2019
- ◆ Only 3 of the 14 vehicle occupants killed during 2020 were using safety belts.

This report includes information available through February 17, 2020 from the Highway Safety/Accident Records Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Transportation. For additional information, contact NDOT Communications and Public Policy Division at (402) 479-4512.

