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May Traffic Fatality Toll

June 15, 2020 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of May 2020, Seventeen people were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

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- ◆ These 17 fatalities occurred in 15 fatal crashes.
- ◆ Seven of the eleven vehicle occupants killed were not using seatbelts, two were using seatbelts, and two had seatbelt usage marked as unknown.
- ◆ Nine of the fatalities were in rural locations*.
- ◆ There were two fatalities on the interstate, four on other highways, and eleven on local roads.
- ◆ Three of the fatalities were pedestrians.
- ◆ Three of the fatalities were motorcyclists.
- ◆ Two of the fatalities were on ATV's

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

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

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY - MAY	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2020 (FATALITIES)
2020	73	69	
2019	87	75	+ 19.0
2018	90	77	+ 23.0
2017	78	73	+ 7.0
2016	72	67	- 1.0
2016-2019 Avg.	82	73	+ 12.0

- ◆ There were 24 fatalities in May of 2019.
- ◆ Only 11 of the 56 vehicle occupants killed during 2020 were using seatbelts.

* The Federal Highway Administration definition for urban is an area with a population of 5,000 or more.

This report includes information available through June 14, 2020 from the Highway Safety Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Transportation. For additional information, contact NDOT Communications and Public Policy Division at (402) 479-4512.

