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May Traffic Fatality Toll

June 26, 2019 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of May 2019, twenty-three persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

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- ◆ These 23 fatalities occurred in 19 crashes.
- ◆ Seven of the 21 vehicle occupants killed were not wearing safety belts.
- ◆ There were two fatalities on the interstate, eighteen on other highways, and three on local roads.
- ◆ Eighteen of the fatalities were in rural locations.
- ◆ Two of the fatalities were motorcyclists.
- ◆ Six of the fatal crashes were head-on collisions.

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

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

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY - MAY	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2019 (FATALITIES)
2019	85	73	
2018	90	77	- 5.6
2017	78	73	+ 9.0
2016	72	67	+ 18.1
2015	99	90	- 14.1
2015-2018 Avg.	85	77	- 0

- ◆ There were 27 fatalities in May of 2018.
- ◆ Forty-six of the 73 vehicle occupants killed during 2019 (63%) were not wearing safety belts.

This report includes information available through June 25, 2019 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.

