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May Traffic Fatality Toll

June 17, 2024 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of May 2024, twenty-two people were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

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- ◆ These 22 fatalities occurred in 20 fatal crashes.
- ◆ Twelve of the seventeen vehicle occupants killed were not using seatbelts, three were using a seatbelt, and two had seatbelt usage marked as unknown.
- ◆ Sixteen of the fatalities were in rural locations*.
- ◆ There were two fatalities on the interstate, eleven on other highways, and nine on local roads.
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a pedestrian.
- ◆ Three of the fatalities were motorcyclists.
- ◆ One fatality was driving an all-terrain vehicle (ATV).
- ◆ One fatality was on an electric mobility scooter.
- ◆ One fatality was driving a farm tractor.

For the daily count, visit this website: ndot.info/tollcompare

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY - MAY	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2024 (FATALITIES)
2024	100	88	
2023	75	69	-25.0
2022	98	85	-2.0
2021	75	62	-25.0
2020	72	69	-28.0
2020-2023 Avg.	80	71	-20.0

- ◆ There were 10 fatalities in May of 2023.
- ◆ Only 17 of the 81 vehicle occupants killed during 2024 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 16, 2024 from the Highway Safety Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Transportation. For additional information, contact NDOT Communication and Public Policy Division at (402) 479-4512.

