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### February Traffic Fatality Toll

**March 18, 2024 (Lincoln, Neb.)** — During the month of February 2024, fourteen people were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

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- ◆ These 14 fatalities occurred in 13 fatal crashes.
- ◆ Six of the twelve vehicle occupants killed were not using seatbelts, three were using a seatbelt, and three had seatbelt usage marked as unknown.
- ◆ Ten of the fatalities were in rural locations\*.
- ◆ There were two fatalities on the interstate, nine on other highways, and three on local roads.
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a pedestrian.
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a motorcyclist.
- ◆ Icy roads were a contributing factor in one of the fatality crashes.

For the daily count, visit this website: [ndot.info/tollcompare](https://ndot.info/tollcompare)

#### COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY - FEBRUARY	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2024 (FATALITIES)
2024	32	30	
2023	24	23	-25.0
2022	37	32	+16.0
2021	34	26	+6.0
2020	35	34	+9.0
2020-2023 Avg.	33	29	+3.0

- ◆ There were 15 fatalities in February of 2023.
- ◆ Only 4 of the 26 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 March 14, 2024 from the Highway Safety Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Transportation. For additional information, contact NDOT Communications & Public Policy Division at (402) 479-4512.

