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FEBRUARY TRAFFIC FATALITY TOLL

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During the month of February 2016, eight persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

- ◆ These 8 fatalities occurred in 8 crashes
- ◆ All seven of the vehicle occupants killed were not using safety belts
- ◆ No fatalities occurred on the interstate, three happened on non-interstate highways, and five took place on local roads
- ◆ Six of the fatalities occurred in rural locations
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a motorcyclist
- ◆ Four of the fatal crashes were vehicle overturns
- ◆ Four of the fatalities were age 24 or younger

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

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

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

| JANUARY THRU FEBRUARY | FATALITIES | FATAL CRASHES | % CHANGE v. 2016 (FATALITIES) |
|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 2016 | 23 | 22 | |
| 2015 | 34 | 32 | - 32.4 |
| 2014 | 29 | 25 | - 20.7 |
| 2013 | 42 | 36 | - 45.2 |
| 2012 | 33 | 32 | - 30.3 |
| 2012-2015 Avg. | 35 | 31 | - 34.3 |

- ◆ There were 12 fatalities in February of 2015
- ◆ Sixteen of the 20 vehicle occupants killed during 2016 were not using safety belts

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