

Nebraska Annual Traffic Safety Study 2013

THE NEBRASKA POLL

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HIGHLIGHT SUMMARY

Methodology

- Research Associates completed 900 telephone interviews from random samples of Nebraska land and cell phones during April 15 – May 6, 2013.
- The purpose of the study was to measure Nebraskans' attitudes toward various highway safety issues.
- The study has a maximum error range of +/- 3.3% at a 95% confidence level.

Impaired Driving

- Core Q: 26% of the respondents indicated they had driven within two hours after drinking alcoholic beverages at least once in the last 60 days.
- Core Q: Nearly half (48%) indicated the chances of getting arrested if they drive after drinking are likely.
- Core Q: Half of the respondents (50%) indicated they had seen or heard something about drunk driving enforcement by police in the last 30 days.

Seat Belts

- Core Q: A majority (78%) of respondents indicated they always wear safety belts when they drive or ride.
- Core Q: A majority (59%) indicated the chances of getting a ticket for not wearing a seat belt are unlikely (37% somewhat unlikely and 22% very unlikely).
- Core Q: 23% indicated they had heard something about seat belt law enforcement in the last 60 days.

Speed

- Core Q: A plurality (48%) indicated they rarely drive faster than 35 mph on a road posted at 30 mph.
- Core Q: A plurality (47%) indicated they never driver faster than 70 mph on a road posted at 65 mph.
- Core Q: 39% indicated they had heard something about speed enforcement in the past 30 days.
- Core Q: A plurality (40%) indicated the chances of getting a ticket if you drive over the speed limit are somewhat likely, with an additional 12% indicating very likely.

Distracted Driving

- Nearly two-thirds (62%) of respondents support a law allowing law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for talking on a cell phone while driving.
- Most (88%) support a law allowing a driver to be stopped and ticketed solely for texting while driving.

Other Highway Safety Issues

- Most respondents (81%) indicated that Nebraska's law requiring **motorcycle helmets** should be continued.
- A majority (58%) indicated that **drivers over the age of 70** should be required to drive as part of their test every time they renew their license.

Demographics

- Most respondents (98%) indicated they have a driver's license.
- Respondents' ages (controlled): 16-20, 6%; 21-34, 14%; 35-49, 28%; 50-64, 33%; 65 up, 20%.
- Respondents' annual household incomes: under \$20,000, 10%; \$20,000-40,000, 20%; over \$40,000, 70%.
- Respondents' phone types: 87% from traditional landlines; 13% from cell phones.
- Respondents' Congressional District (controlled): District One, 30%; District Two, 35%; District Three, 35%.
- By control, respondents were 49% male and 51% female.

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STUDY DESCRIPTION (N=900)

The purpose of this edition of The Nebraska Poll was to measure the attitudes of Nebraskans relative to highway safety issues, including but not limited to the issues of impaired driving, seat belt safety, speed and driving while distracted (using cell phones and other electronic devices while driving).

Research Associates designed the survey instrument with input and final approval from Nebraska Safety Council staff and the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety.

The instrument designed to meet the purpose of this study was administered by telephone to a total sample of 900 randomly selected Nebraskans during April 15 – May 6, 2013. The sample was geographically representative by Nebraska congressional district. Completed interviews were from both cell phones (13%) and landlines (87%).

A sample of 900 randomly selected respondents provides results that are statistically accurate within an expected maximum error range of plus or minus 3.3% at a 95% confidence level. In other words, if this survey were administered to the entire population studied, the results would vary no more than plus or minus 3.3% from the results reported here, 95 times out of 100. The actual expected maximum error ranges vary based on the specific percentage results obtained for each response, as shown below.

Expected Maximum Error Ranges at a 95% Confidence Level for a Sample of 900 (Statewide Data)

10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%
+/-2.0%	+/-2.6%	+/-3.0%	+/-3.2%	+/-3.3%	+/-3.2%	+/-3.0%	+/-2.6%	+/-2.0%

Expected Maximum Error Ranges at a 95% Confidence Level for a Sample of 300 (Congressional District Data)

10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%
+/-3.4%	+/-4.5%	+/-5.2%	+/-5.5%	+/-5.7%	+/-5.5%	+/-5.2%	+/-4.5%	+/-3.4%

The figures in this report represent percentages unless specifically stated otherwise. Columns may not always total exactly 100% due to rounding.

Terminology: the mean score is the same as the average score. The "N" is the number of cases (respondents) in the study. An open-ended question is one in which no response choices were provided to respondents and captured responses were then categorized into groups or ranges.



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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

(N=900)

Impaired Driving

The first question was open-ended and asked respondents to name the biggest problem in Nebraska today. Roads and safety-related responses included drunk drivers (3%), distracted drivers (4%) and general road and traffic conditions (14%).

Respondents were next asked to rate three specified problems on a 1 to 5 scale, with 5 as very important and 1 as not at all important. Both drunk driving and distracted driving (each with a mean score of 4.33) were named as bigger problems than the fuel tax situation (3.55).

Respondents were then asked an open-ended question about what is the best way to solve the drunk driving problem. Although responses were fairly scattered, more severe penalties led the list with a 23% plurality, followed by stricter law enforcement (13%) and education (8%).

A majority of respondents (57%) indicated Nebraska penalties for drunk driving are not tough enough, while 39% indicated they are about right and 4% indicated they are too tough.

Respondents were next asked whether they favor or oppose each of six specific penalties for drunk driving. All six were favored by a majority of respondents. Leading the list of those favoring was jail terms for previous offenses (84%), followed by mandatory treatment for offenders (76%); then mandatory sentencing for offenders (69%); mandatory interlock ignition for all first-time offenders (66%); eliminating plea bargaining for drunk driving offenses (60%); and losing license for first offense (51%).

Nine percent (9%) of respondents indicated they had driven while impaired by alcohol but still under the legal limit in the last 60 days.

CORE QUESTION: Just over a fourth of the respondents (26%) indicated they had driven within two hours after drinking alcoholic beverages at least once in the last 60 days.

CORE QUESTION: Nearly half the respondents (48%) indicated the chances of getting arrested if they drive after drinking are likely, while another 37% indicated chances of that are somewhat unlikely.

CORE QUESTION: Half of the respondents (50%) indicated they had seen or heard something about drunk driving enforcement by police in the last 30 days.



Seat Belts

CORE QUESTION: Just over three-fourths of the respondents (78%) indicated they always wear safety belts when they drive or ride.

CORE QUESTION: A solid majority (59%) of respondents thought the chances of getting a ticket for not wearing a seat belt were unlikely (37% somewhat unlikely plus 22% very unlikely).

CORE QUESTION: Less than a fourth of respondents (23%) indicated they had seen or heard something about seat belt law enforcement by police in the last 60 days.

For the fourth straight year, a majority of respondents (53%) indicated that law enforcement officers should be allowed to stop drivers and ticket them for not wearing a seat belt.

Respondents were asked what level of fine would be most effective to get people to wear their seat belt all the time. A plurality (30%) indicated \$51-100, 28% indicated \$25-50, 16% indicated \$101-150, 5% indicated \$151-200 and 21% indicated the fine should be more than \$200.

One in five respondents (20%) indicated they have children weighing between 40 and 80 pounds, and of those 76% indicated they use a booster seat for their child in the car.

Speed

CORE QUESTION: A plurality of respondents (48%) indicated they rarely drive faster than 35 mph on a road posted at 30 mph, while 23% indicated never, 16% indicated half the time and 13% indicated most of the time.

CORE QUESTION: A plurality of respondents (47%) indicated they never driver faster than 70 mph on a road posted at 65 mph. Another 39% indicated they rarely drive faster than 70 on those roads, while 9% indicated half the time and 4% indicated most of the time.

CORE QUESTION: Two in five respondents (40%) indicated they had heard something about speed enforcement by police in the past 30 days.

CORE QUESTION: A plurality of respondents (40%) indicated the chances of getting a ticket if you drive over the speed limit are somewhat likely, with 25% indicating likely, 12% very likely, 18% somewhat unlikely and 6% very unlikely.

Distracted Driving Laws

More than two-thirds of respondents (68%) indicated they would support a law banning drivers from talking on a cell phone while driving. Less than a third (31%) opposed that idea and only 1% had no opinion.

Nearly two-thirds of respondents (62%) also supported a law allowing law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for talking on a cell phone while driving. Just over a third (37%) opposed that while 1% again had no opinion.

Most of the respondents (88%) indicated support for a law that would allow law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for texting while driving, while 11% opposed that and 1% had no opinion.

(Results of all three distracted driving law questions were consistent with findings from the 2012 Nebraska Annual Traffic Safety study.)

Miscellaneous

Most respondents (81%) indicated that Nebraska's law requiring motorcycle helmets should be continued, while 18% said it should be repealed and 2% had no opinion.

A majority of respondents (58%) indicated that drivers over the age of 70 should be required to drive as part of their test every time they renew their license, while 40% opposed such a requirement and 2% were undecided.

Demographics

Most respondents (98%) indicated they have a driver's license.

Respondents indicated distribution in the following age categories (controlled variable): 16-20, 6%; 21-34, 14%; 35-49, 28%; 50-64, 33%; 65 up, 20%.

Respondents indicated distribution in the following annual household income categories: under \$20,000, 10%; \$20,000-40,000, 20%; over \$40,000, 70%.

Cell phone numbers were included in the sample; 87% of the respondents were interviewed on their traditional landlines and 13% on their cell phones.

Respondents were distributed among Nebraska's three congressional districts as follows (controlled variable): District One, 30%; District Two, 35%; District Three, 35%.

By control, respondents were 49% male and 51% female.

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TABULAR SUMMARY

(N=900)

	Percentage			
	State N=900	Dist One N=270	Dist Two N=317	Dist Three N=313
General				
1. First, what do you think is the biggest problem in Nebraska today? (open-ended)				
Economy/drought/water/jobs/wages, etc.	19	20	13	25
Taxes/spending/budget/school funding, etc.	24	22	28	20
Crime/drugs/gangs/vandalism, etc.	7	5	11	5
Drunk drivers	3	2	3	4
Distracted driving (texting, cell phone use)	4	6	3	5
Roads/streets/traffic, speeding, etc.	14	14	15	14
Others (government/politicians; social issues like immigration & health care; water issues; weather; the pipeline; and various other issues)	29	31	27	28
				Mean
2-4. On a 1-5 scale, with 5 as very important and 1 as not at all important, how would you rate the following problems in Nebraska:				
How important is the problem of driving while intoxicated or drunk driving?	4.33	4.36	4.34	4.30
How important is the problem of distraction caused by drivers using cell phones or other electronic devices?	4.33	4.35	4.31	4.34
How important is the fuel tax situation?	3.55	3.62	3.41	3.63



	Percentage			
	State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
<i>Impaired Driving</i>				
5. What do you think is the best way to solve the drunk driving problem? (open-ended)				
More severe penalties	23	26	23	20
Stricter law enforcement	13	10	13	15
Education	8	8	9	7
High visibility law enforcement	3	4	3	3
Mandatory sentences for convictions	2	--	3	2
Others (bar responsibility, designated driver, etc.)	52	53	49	54
6. Do you think the Nebraska penalties for drunk driving are:				
Too tough	4	4	3	5
About right	39	43	37	38
Not tough enough	57	54	61	58
7-12. Would you favor or oppose each of the following penalties for drunk driving: (rotated)				
Jail terms for previous offenses				
Favor	84	82	85	86
Don't know	2	2	2	1
Opposed	14	16	14	13
Mandatory treatment for drunk driving offenders				
Favor	76	79	77	72
Don't know	2	2	2	1
Opposed	23	20	21	28
Mandatory sentencing for drunk driving offenses				
Favor	69	69	64	75
Don't know	3	3	4	2
Opposed	28	29	32	23
Mandatory interlock ignition for all first-time offenders				
Favor	66	70	67	61
Don't know	4	3	4	4
Opposed	31	28	29	35
Eliminating plea bargaining for drunk driving offenses				
Favor	60	60	60	60
Don't know	3	3	4	4
Opposed	37	37	37	36
Lose license for first offense				
Favor	51	49	50	53
Don't know	2	2	3	2
Opposed	47	49	47	45

		Percentage			
		State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
13.	In the last 60 days, have you ever driven while impaired by alcohol, but still under the legal limit?				
	Yes	9	7	10	10
	No	91	93	91	90
14.	What do you think the chances are of someone getting arrested if they drive after drinking? (Core Q. A-3)				
	Very likely	5	4	5	7
	Somewhat likely	8	11	6	6
	Likely	48	48	47	50
	Somewhat unlikely	37	35	39	36
	Very unlikely	2	2	3	1
15.	In the past 60 days, how many times have you driven a motor vehicle within 2 hours after drinking alcoholic beverages? (Core Q. A-1)				
	Never	74	74	69	79
	Once	15	14	16	13
	2-5 times	9	11	11	6
	More than 5 times	2	2	3	1
16.	In the past 30 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about alcohol impaired driving (or drunk driving) enforcement by police? (Core Q. A-2)				
	Yes	50	48	48	55
	No	50	52	52	46

		Percentage			
		State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
<i>Seat Belts</i>					
17.	How often do you use safety belts when you drive or ride in a car, van, sport utility vehicle or pickup? (Core Q. B-1)				
	Always	78	82	87	67
	Nearly always	13	12	7	18
	Sometimes	5	4	3	9
	Seldom	2	1	1	3
	Never	2	1	2	3
18.	Should law enforcement officers be allowed to stop drivers and ticket them for not wearing a seat belt?				
	Yes	53	57	53	51
	Don't know	1	2	1	1
	No	45	41	46	49
19.	What do you think the chances are of getting a ticket if you don't wear your safety belt? (Core Q. B-3)				
	Very likely	6	8	6	5
	Somewhat likely	23	27	20	22
	Likely	12	12	8	15
	Somewhat unlikely	37	34	42	35
	Very unlikely	22	20	24	23
20.	What level of fine do you think would be most effective to get people to wear their seat belt all the time?				
	\$25-50	28	28	28	29
	\$51-100	30	31	28	31
	\$101-150	16	16	17	14
	\$151-200	5	5	7	4
	Over \$200	21	21	20	22
21.	Do you have any children weighing between 40 and 80 pounds?				
	Yes	20	21	21	18
	No	80	79	79	82
22.	(IF YES) Do you use a booster seat for your child in the car?				
	Yes	76	76	79	74
	No	24	24	21	26
23.	In the past 60 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about seat belt law enforcement by police? (Core Q. B-2)				
	Yes	23	21	22	27
	No	77	79	78	74

		Percentage			
		State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
<i>Speed</i>					
24.	On a local road with a speed limit of 30 mph, how often do you drive faster than 35 mph: (Core Q. S-1a)				
	Most of the time	13	13	16	12
	Half the time	16	16	18	13
	Rarely	48	46	51	47
	Never	23	25	15	28
25.	On a local road with a speed limit of 65 mph, how often do you drive faster than 70 mph: (Core Q. S-1b)				
	Most of the time	4	3	5	5
	Half the time	9	10	12	4
	Rarely	39	39	43	37
	Never	47	48	40	55
26.	In the past 30 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about speed enforcement by police? (Core Q. S-2)				
	Yes	40	42	37	41
	No	60	58	63	59
27.	What do you think the chances are of getting a ticket if you drive over the speed limit? (Core Q. S-3)				
	Very likely	12	13	10	13
	Somewhat likely	40	40	42	37
	Likely	25	26	23	26
	Somewhat unlikely	18	16	20	18
	Very unlikely	6	6	6	6

		Percentage			
		State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
<i>Distracted Driving</i>					
28.	Would you support or oppose a law banning drivers from talking on a cell phone while driving?				
	Support	68	69	64	72
	Oppose	31	30	35	28
	Don't know	1	1	1	0
29.	Would you support or oppose a law that allows law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for talking on a cell phone while driving?				
	Support	62	62	57	67
	Oppose	37	37	42	32
	Don't know	1	2	1	1
30.	Would you support or oppose a law that allows law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for texting while driving?				
	Support	88	90	86	89
	Oppose	11	10	13	11
	Don't know	1	--	1	1
<i>Miscellaneous</i>					
31.	Should the Nebraska law requiring motorcycle helmets be repealed or continued?				
	Repealed	18	19	18	17
	Don't know	2	2	3	1
	Continued	81	80	80	82
32.	Should drivers over age 70 be required to drive as part of their test every time they renew their license?				
	Yes	58	57	63	55
	Don't know	2	2	2	2
	No	40	42	35	43

	Percentage			
	State	Dist One	Dist Two	Dist Three
Demographics				
33. Which of these age groups are you in:				
16-20	6	6	7	4
21-34	14	16	13	12
35-49	28	30	32	21
50-64	33	30	30	40
65 up	20	19	18	23
34. Do you have a driver's license?				
Yes	98	98	98	97
No	2	2	2	3
35. Which of these annual household income groups are you in?				
Under \$20,000	10	12	9	9
\$20,000-40,000	20	17	14	27
Over \$40,000	70	71	77	64
36. (NOTE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT):				
One	30	100	0	0
Two	35	0	100	0
Three	35	0	0	100
37. (NOTE PHONE TYPE):				
Land line	87	85	86	89
Cell phone	13	15	14	11
38. Gender				
Male	49	49	49	50
Female	51	52	51	50

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Study Notes on the Longitudinal Report

Research Associates has conducted a statewide study on Nebraskans' attitudes toward highway safety issues periodically for more than two decades.

The following section presents the results of those studies, wherever similar questions were asked.

A similar methodology was employed in all the studies: households were randomly selected proportionate to population within each of Nebraska's three congressional districts. A total of 900 telephone interviews were completed for each study.

Longitudinal comparisons are based on the statewide database of 900 completed interviews per study.



TABULAR SUMMARY, STATEWIDE DATA, LONGITUDINAL COMPARISONS (N=900)

1993 - 2013

Percentage
13 12 11 10 08 04 02 01 00 95 93

General

1. *What do you think is the most important problem in Nebraska today? (open-ended)*

Economy, unemployment, wages, etc.	19	40	23	28	15	20	17	13	14	16	33
Taxes, spending, budget, school funding, etc.	24	16	26	19	23	35	27	29	31	15	32
Crime, drugs, gangs, teen violence, etc.	7	8	6	5	11	9	18	17	12	34	
Drunk driving	3	7	6	3	6	4	8	6	8	7	7
Distracted driving	4	7									
Traffic, traffic violations, road conditions	14	6	17	23	28	20	25	31	27		
All others	29	16	22	22	17	12	6	5	8	28	28

2-4. *On a 1-5 scale, with 5 as very important and 1 as not at all important, how would you rate the following problems in Nebraska*

Driving while intoxicated or drunk driving	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.3		4.1	4.3	4.6
Distraction caused by drivers using cell phones	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.3						
The fuel tax situation	3.6	3.6	4.0	3.7						

Percentage

5. *What do you think is the best way to solve the drunk driving problem?*

More severe penalties	23	36	42	37	47	51		45	44	45
Stricter enforcement	13	24	13	15	19	18		28	27	30
Education	8	10	8	10	10	12		20	16	20
High visibility law enforcement	3	9	1	3	3					
Mandatory sentences for convictions	2	9	4	4						
Others (bar responsibility, designated driver, etc.)	52	13	32	32	22	18		7	13	6

6. *Do you think the Nebraska penalties for drunk driving are:*

Too tough	4	3	3	3	3	3		2	1	2
About right	39	35	28	38	31	36		36	42	56
Not tough enough	57	62	69	60	67	61		62	57	42



	Percentage											
	13	12	11	10	08	04	02		01	00	95	93
13. In the last 60 days, have you ever driven while impaired by alcohol, but still under the legal limit?												
Yes	9	7	6	7								
No	91	93	94	93								
14. What do you think the chances are of someone getting arrested if they drive after drinking? (Core Q. A-3)												
Very likely	5	4	4	2								
Somewhat likely	8	7	7	4								
Likely	48	48	49	45								
Somewhat unlikely	37	40	38	47								
Very unlikely	2	1	2	1								
15. In the past 60 days, how many times have you driven a motor vehicle within 2 hours after drinking alcoholic beverages? (Core Q. A-1)												
Never (none)	74	78	81	79								
Once	15	12	9	9								
2-5 times	9	9	8	10								
More than 5 times	2	1	1	3								
16. In the past 30 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about alcohol impaired driving enforcement by police?*												
(Core Q. A-2)												
Yes	50	56	62	51	38	32					45	66
No	50	44	38	49	62	68					55	34
*Asked previous to 2010: "Have you recently seen or heard any advertising aimed at making the public aware of Nebraska's drunk driving issues?"												

Seat Belts

17. How often do you use safety belts when you drive or ride in a car, van, sport utility vehicle or pickup? (Core Q. B-1)													
Always	78	77	78	76									
Nearly always	13	13	13	14									
Sometimes	5	6	5	6									
Seldom	2	3	2	2									
Never	2	2	2	2									
Previous to 2010: "How often do you wear a seat belt when you drive?"													
Always (or, 5 of 5 times)					81	77	70				70	68	71
Usually/most of the time (or, 3-4 of 5 times)					10	10	18				14	14	12
Sometimes/occasionally (or, 1-2 of 5 times)					2	4	9				5	6	5
Never					6	10	3				11	13	11

	Percentage											
	13	12	11	10	08	04	02	01	00	95	93	
18. Should law enforcement officers be allowed to stop drivers and ticket them for not wearing a seat belt?*												
Yes	53	68	60	55	41	39	44	37	31	29	28	
Don't know	1	1	4	1	6	5	7	12	4	5	3	
No	45	30	36	44	53	56	49	51	64	66	69	
*Previous to 2012: "Should law enforcement officers be allowed to stop drivers and ticket them for not wearing a seat belt, if the drivers have broken no other laws?"												
19. What do you think the chances are of getting a ticket if you don't wear your safety belt? (Core Q. B-3)												
Very likely	6	5	7	5								
Somewhat likely	23	25	22	22								
Likely	12	18	13	11								
Unlikely	37	33	37	36								
Very unlikely	22	19	21	27								
20. What level of fine do you think would be most effective to get people to wear their seat belt all the time?												
\$25-50	28	30										
\$51-100	30	28										
\$101-150	16	18										
\$151-200	5	6										
Over \$200	21	18										
21. Do you have children weighing between 40 and 80 pounds?												
Yes	20	18	13	22	12	17	23	19	21			
No	80	82	87	78	88	83	76	82	79			
22. (IF YES) Do you use a booster seat for your child in the car?												
Yes	76	71	75	74	75	71	74	50	49			
No	24	29	25	26	25	29	26	50	52			
23. In the past 60 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about seat belt law enforcement by police?*												
(Core Q. B-2)												
Yes	23	29	29	24	49	37					76	
No	77	71	71	76	51	63					24	
*Previous to 2010: "Have you recently seen or heard any advertising aimed at making the public aware of Nebraska's seat belt laws?"												

Percentage

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Speed

24. On a local road with a speed limit of 30 mph, how often do you drive faster than **35 mph: (Core Q. S-1a)**
- | | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Most of the time | 13 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| Half the time | 16 | 15 | 13 | 15 |
| Rarely | 48 | 53 | 55 | 54 |
| Never | 23 | 22 | 24 | 23 |
25. On a local road with a speed limit of 65 mph, how often do you drive faster than **70 mph: (Core Q. S-1b)**
- | | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Most of the time | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Half the time | 9 | 6 | 5 | 8 |
| Rarely | 39 | 45 | 37 | 42 |
| Never | 47 | 45 | 56 | 47 |
26. In the past 30 days, have you read, seen or heard anything about speed enforcement by police?
(Core Q. S-2)
- | | | | | |
|-----|----|----|----|----|
| Yes | 40 | 40 | 42 | 38 |
| No | 60 | 60 | 58 | 62 |
27. What do you think the chances are of getting a ticket if you drive over the speed limit?
(Core Q. S-3)
- | | | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|
| Very likely | 12 | 14 | 13 | 12 |
| Somewhat likely | 40 | 41 | 38 | 39 |
| Likely | 25 | 26 | 27 | 24 |
| Unlikely | 18 | 14 | 17 | 19 |
| Very unlikely | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 |

Distracted Driving

28. Would you support or oppose a law banning drivers from talking on a cell phone while driving?
- | | | |
|------------|----|----|
| Support | 68 | 68 |
| Oppose | 31 | 29 |
| Don't know | 1 | 3 |
29. Would you support or oppose a law that allows law enforcement to stop a driver ticket them solely for talking on a cell phone while driving?
- | | | |
|------------|----|----|
| Support | 62 | 65 |
| Oppose | 37 | 32 |
| Don't know | 1 | 3 |
30. Would you support or oppose a law that allows law enforcement to stop a driver and ticket them solely for texting while driving?
- | | | |
|------------|----|----|
| Support | 88 | 89 |
| Oppose | 11 | 10 |
| Don't know | 1 | 1 |

Percentage
13 12 11 10 08 04 02 01 00 95 93

Miscellaneous

31. Should the Nebraska law requiring motorcycle helmets be repealed or continued?											
Continued	81	83	86	76	78	79					
Repealed	18	14	11	19	14	15					
Don't know	2	3	4	5	8	7					
32. Should drivers over age 70 be required to drive as part of their test every time they renew their license?											
Yes	58	62	54	64	53	65	74	56	62		
Don't know	2	3	4	2	4	4	4	6	7		
No	40	35	42	34	42	31	23	38	31		

Demographics

33. Which of these age groups are you in:											
16-20	6	4	2	3	3	4	5	4	4	4	5
21-34	14	8	6	7	4	13	18	16	23	24	31
35-49	28	27	19	39	19	27	27	27	31	31	31
50-64	33	35	34	30	33	29	24	26	18	20	17
65 up	20	25	40	20	41	26	27	28	23	21	16
34. Do you have a driver's license?											
Yes	98	97	97	96	95	97	97	97	97	97	97
No	2	3	3	4	5	3	3	3	3	3	3
35. Which of these annual household income groups are you in:*											
Under \$20,000	10	10	13	15	20	21	24	22	18	23	18
\$20,000-40,000	20	21	23	16	30	29	39	47	51	43	33
Over \$40,000	70	69	65	69	50	51	37	31	31	34	49
36. District											
One	30	30	34	34	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
Two	35	35	36	35	33	33	34	34	35	36	36
Three	35	35	30	30	33	33	33	33	32	31	31
37. Phone Type											
Traditional landline	87	94									
Cell phone	13	6									
38. Gender											
Male	49	48	47	48	48	47	48	45	47	46	47
Female	51	52	53	52	52	53	52	55	53	54	53

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*01 and 02: under \$25,000; \$25,000-50,000; over \$50,000
 95: under \$18,000; \$18,000-36,000; over \$36,000
 93 and 91: under \$15,000; \$15,000-30,000; over \$30,000