2015 NEBRASKA Safety Belt Facts

- ✓ In Nebraska, 246 people died and 16,806 were injured in traffic crashes in 2015.
- ✓ In Nebraska, one collision occurs every 15 minutes.
- ✓ Thirty-one people were injured each day in motor vehicle crashes and one person was killed every 36 hours.
- ✓ Of the 246 traffic fatalities, 191 (78%) were occupants of passenger vehicles.
- ✓ Of the 191 traffic fatalities, 67 (35%) were rollovers.
- ✓ Of the 191 traffic fatalities, only 49 (26%) were wearing safety belts; 142 (74%) were **not** wearing safety belts.
- ✓ Of the 142 (69%) **not** wearing safety belts, 53 (37%) **were** thrown from the vehicle.
- ✓ Motor vehicle crashes cost Nebraska over \$839,549,000 in 2015 utilizing the 2013 National Safety Council calculable costs of motor vehicle crashes.
- ✓ Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among those ages 5-34.
- ✓ The observed safety belt use rate in 2015 for drivers and passengers was 79.9%.
- ✓ Safety belts **when used** reduce the risk of fatal injury to frontseat passenger car occupants by 45% and light truck occupants by 60%.



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