



2017 North Dakota Crash Summary

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A Message from the NDDOT Director

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of injury-related death in North Dakota. While the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) is continually making highway improvements, there is still work to be done. In January 2018, the NDDOT, North Dakota Highway Patrol, North Dakota Department of Health and the Governor's Office, came together to launch **Vision Zero: Zero fatalities. Zero excuses.** The Vision Zero strategy aims to establish a culture of personal responsibility where motor vehicle fatalities and serious injuries are recognized as preventable and not tolerated.

Vision Zero will be implemented through various safety strategies including: (1) widespread public education/outreach, (2) working with the legislature to ensure state laws represent best practices in traffic safety, (3) high visibility enforcement of existing laws, (4) technology advancements and (5) infrastructure/road safety improvements.

We are asking every driver and vehicle occupant in North Dakota to help us meet the Vision Zero goal of zero motor vehicle fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads by taking personal responsibility when traveling. This means always wearing a seat belt, transporting children in child passenger safety seats appropriate for the child's age, height, and weight, driving distraction free, driving sober (i.e. not under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs), and obeying all posted speed limits and all other traffic laws.

The Vision Zero goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries is attainable and vital. When it comes to your life and the lives of your family and friends, is any other number acceptable? Let us all arrive at our destination safely by each taking a role in Vision Zero.

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Thomas Sorel
NDDOT Director

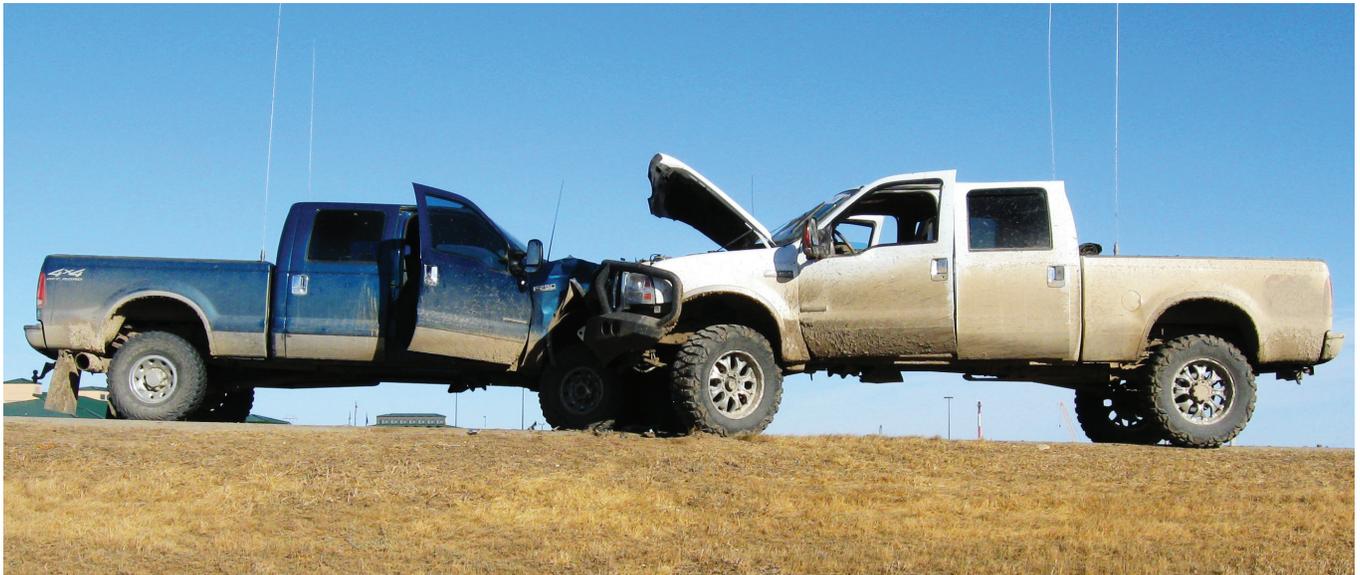
About This Document

This document is prepared annually by the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) to provide information about motor vehicle crashes, fatalities, and injuries in North Dakota.

Data for this document is collected by North Dakota law enforcement officers who complete a crash report when a crash on a public road involved a fatality, injury, or at least \$1,000 in property damage. Crashes that occur off of a public road (for example, on private property or parking lots) are not included.

Crash reports are submitted by law enforcement to the NDDOT Safety Division for central collection and data analysis. The data reported here reflects the point in time when the data was analyzed. Comparison to other data analysis may vary.

Gratitude is extended to all law enforcement personnel at the city, county, state and tribal levels who provide this valuable data for analysis.



Crashes are not accidents. The word “accident” promotes the perception that crashes are outside of human control when, in fact, crashes are predictable results of specific actions.

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Executive Summary

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of injury-related death in North Dakota.¹

Motor vehicle crash fatalities and injuries are sudden, violent, and traumatic events. The impact is long-lasting, often permanent, and extends beyond the victims to impact the lives of the victim's family, friends, and community.

The good news is, crashes are preventable.

Research shows that 94% of motor vehicle crashes can be attributed to preventable human behavior.²



In North Dakota, in 2017, preventable human behavior including not wearing a seat belt, alcohol, and speed contributed significantly to motor vehicle fatalities. Of the 116 fatalities in 2017, about 55% were not wearing their seat belt (excludes those where seat belts do not apply including pedestrians, bicycles, motorcycles, and off-highway vehicles), 47% were alcohol-related (includes both toxicology confirmed and officer suspected alcohol involvement), and 24% were speed-related.

Motor vehicle crash fatalities in North Dakota can be reduced if every driver and vehicle occupant takes personal responsibility for their safety.



This includes wearing seat belts at all times, transporting children in child passenger safety (CPS) seats appropriate for the child's age, height and weight, not driving while distracted by cell phones or any other form of distraction, driving only when sober (i.e., not under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs), and obeying all posted speed limits.

¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

² Human Factors of Highway Safety, Elizabeth Alicandri

Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries in North Dakota:

A Decade in Review (2008-2017)

There are more than 15,000 vehicle crashes in North Dakota each year resulting in fatalities, injuries, and property damage.

The highest number of fatalities over this 10-year period occurred in 2012 (170), followed by a steady decrease in fatalities through 2016. There was a 2.7% increase in fatalities from 2016 to 2017.

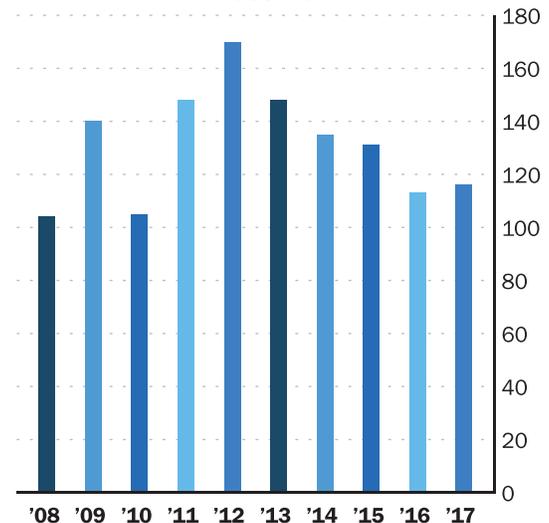


In the United States (U.S.), more than 30,000 lives are lost to vehicle crashes each year compared to more than 100 lives lost to crashes each year in North Dakota.

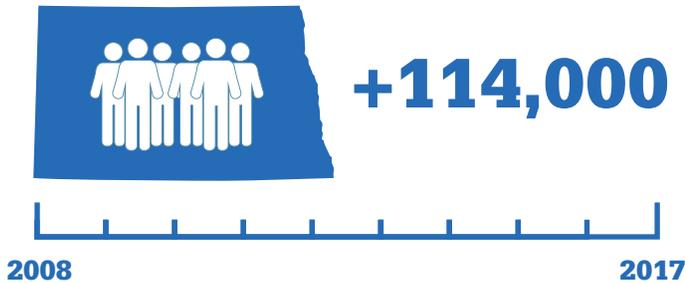
North Dakota Motor Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries, 2008-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2008	16,387	104	4,247
2009	17,673	140	4,462
2010	17,076	105	4,687
2011	18,823	148	5,018
2012	18,356	170	5,311
2013	18,977	148	5,365
2014	16,134	135	5,278
2015	15,077	131	4,917
2016	15,017	113	4,614
2017	15,280	116	4,432

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities 2008-2017

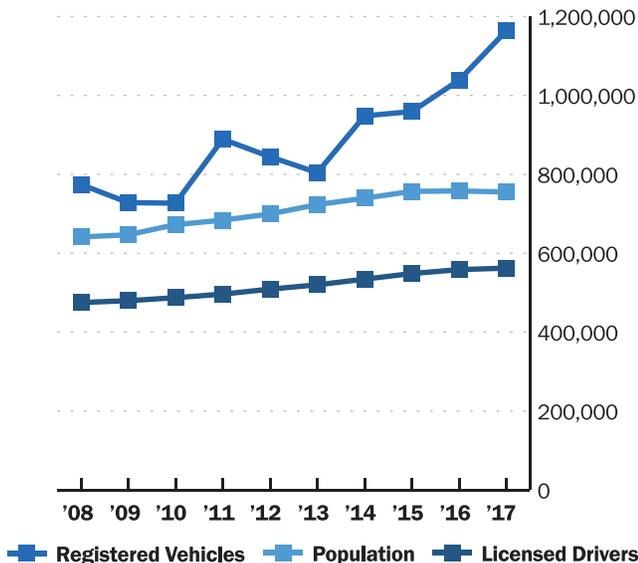


However, with the exception of 2016, North Dakota's fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) is consistently **higher** than the national rate. VMT is a measure of crash exposure - the more vehicle miles driven, the greater the exposure to the risk of a crash.



According to the U.S. Census Bureau, North Dakota's population increased by nearly 114,000 people over the past 10 years.

North Dakota People, Drivers and Vehicles, 2008-2017

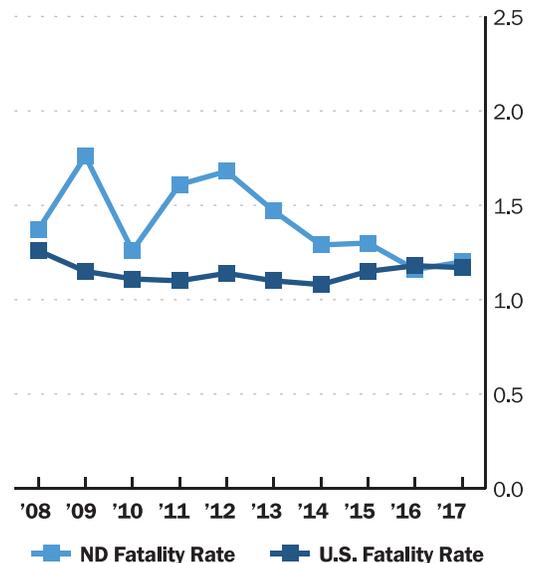


North Dakota vs. United States Motor Vehicle Fatalities and Vehicle Fatality Rate, 2008-2017

Year	ND Fatalities	ND Fatality Rate*	U.S. Fatalities	U.S. Fatality Rate*
2008	104	1.37	37,423	1.26
2009	140	1.76	33,883	1.15
2010	105	1.26	32,999	1.11
2011	148	1.61	32,479	1.10
2012	170	1.68	33,782	1.14
2013	148	1.47	32,893	1.10
2014	135	1.29	32,744	1.08
2015	131	1.30	35,485	1.15
2016	113	1.16	37,461	1.18
2017	116	1.20	37,150**	1.17**

*Number of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled.
 **2017 figures are preliminary (NHTSA, May 2018).

North Dakota vs. United States Motor Vehicle Fatality Rate, 2008-2017



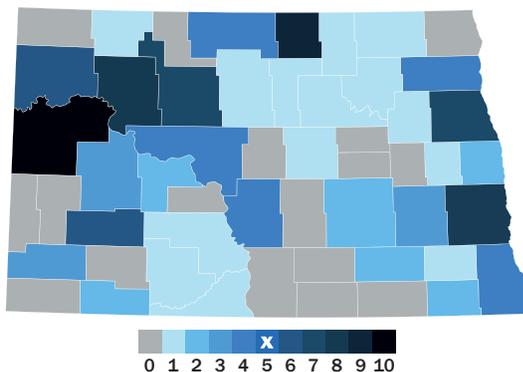
2017 Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries in North Dakota

In 2017, there were 116 individuals who lost their lives in motor vehicle crashes in North Dakota. Those who died ranged in age from 3 to 90. The majority (84%) were North Dakota residents.



Of the motor vehicle fatalities, 90 (78%) were in a passenger vehicle, 13 (11%) were motorcyclists, 5 (4%) were pedestrians, 3 (3%) were individuals on all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and other miscellaneous vehicle types (such as snowmobiles, farm equipment and horse drawn wagons), 2 (2%) were bicyclists and 3 (3%) involved a motor vehicle and a train.

Fatalities occurred in 36 (68%) of North Dakota's 53 counties.



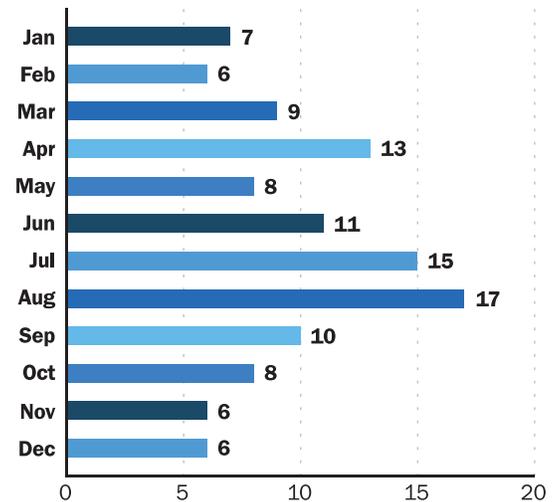
North Dakota Motor Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries by County, 2017

County	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
Adams	42	2	10
Barnes	211	3	62
Benson	42	1	25
Billings	36	0	7
Bottineau	87	4	32
Bowman	27	0	11
Burke	33	1	12
Burleigh	2,841	4	775
Cass	3,916	8	1,133
Cavalier	35	1	17
Dickey	58	0	13
Divide	16	0	9
Dunn	103	3	23
Eddy	32	0	7
Emmons	57	0	14
Foster	41	0	18
Golden Valley	16	0	5
Grand Forks	1,591	7	423
Grant	16	1	7
Griggs	21	0	5
Hettinger	26	0	6
Kidder	49	0	29
Lamoure	48	2	22
Logan	25	0	9
McHenry	83	1	19
McIntosh	36	0	15
McKenzie	393	10	145
McLean	147	4	69
Mercer	98	2	38
Morton	637	1	157
Mountrail	133	8	65

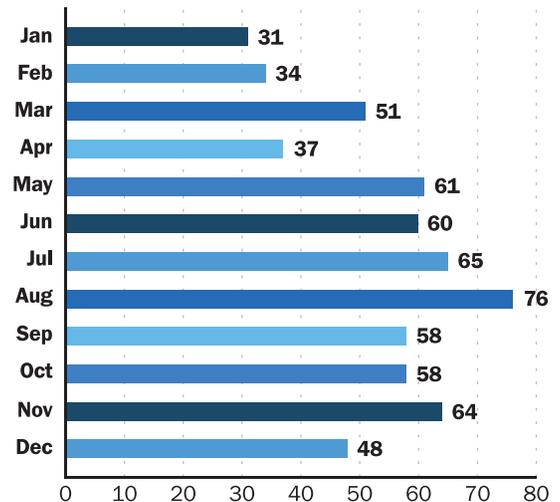
County	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
Nelson	43	1	12
Oliver	13	0	5
Pembina	96	0	46
Pierce	59	1	15
Ramsey	219	1	42
Ransom	44	1	16
Renville	27	0	9
Richland	229	4	100
Rolette	22	9	17
Sargent	34	2	17
Sheridan	14	0	13
Sioux	2	1	0
Slope	17	3	9
Stark	659	6	141
Steele	20	1	12
Stutsman	542	2	119
Towner	4	1	4
Traill	121	2	44
Walsh	184	4	62
Ward	1,077	7	322
Wells	31	1	8
Williams	927	6	237
TOTAL	15,280	116	4,432

Motor vehicle fatalities in North Dakota occur each month of the calendar year. However, over the past 5 years more people have died in motor vehicle crashes in the warm weather months in North Dakota (May through November) than the cold weather months. Warm weather months are also peak travel months in North Dakota where more vehicle miles are driven. During the 5 year period (2013-2017), August had the most motor vehicle fatalities in North Dakota.

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Month, 2017



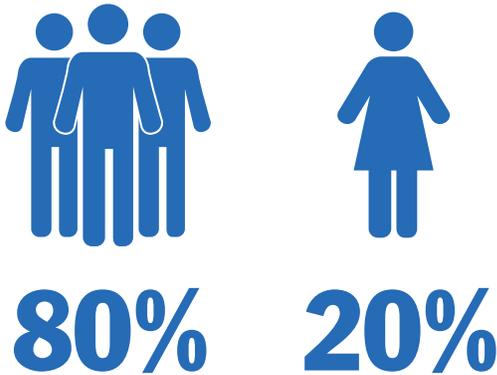
North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Month, 2013-2017



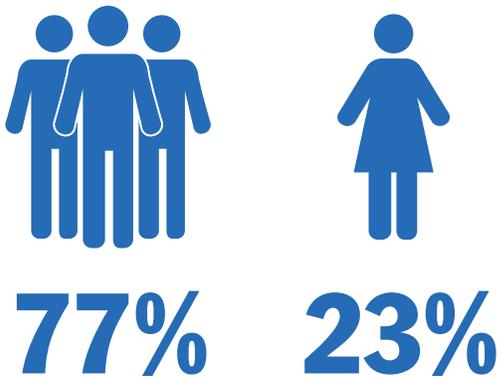
2017 Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries in North Dakota (continued)

In 2017, males died in motor vehicle crashes 4 times more than females.

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Gender, 2017

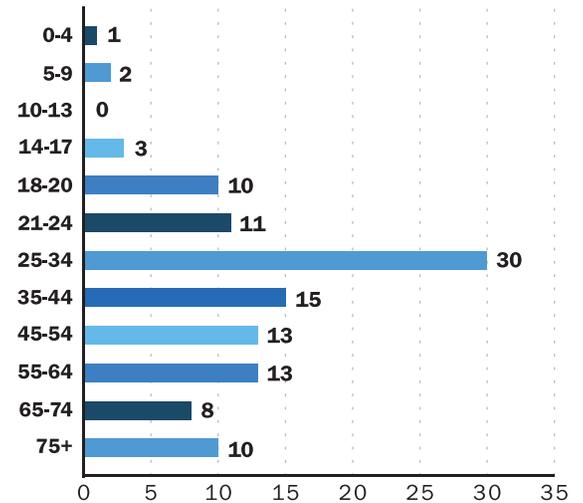


North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Gender, 2013-2017

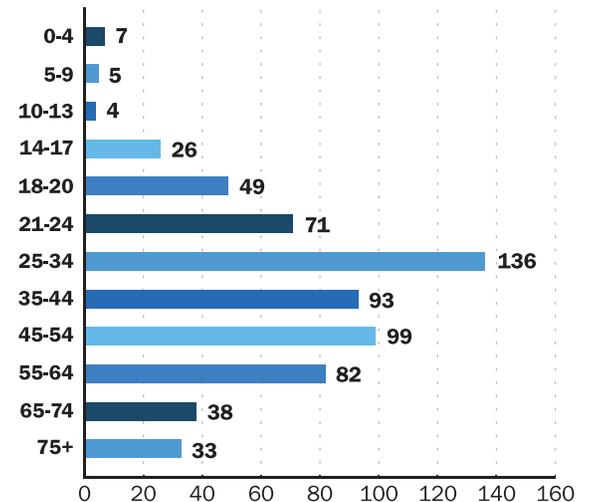


Just over half, 51%, of those who died in motor vehicle crashes in North Dakota over the past 5 years were between the ages of 25 and 54.

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Age, 2017

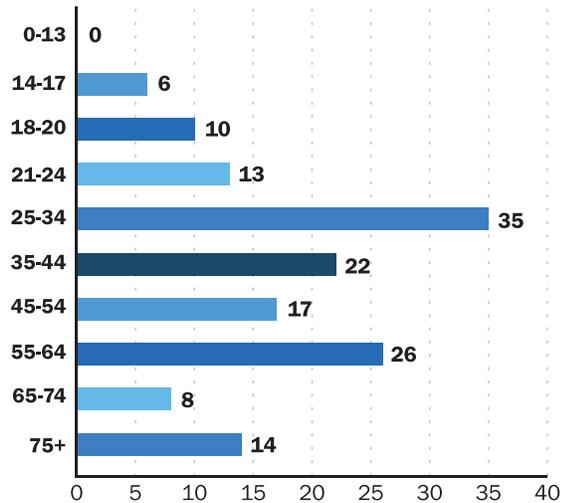


North Dakota Motor Vehicle Fatalities by Age, 2013-2017

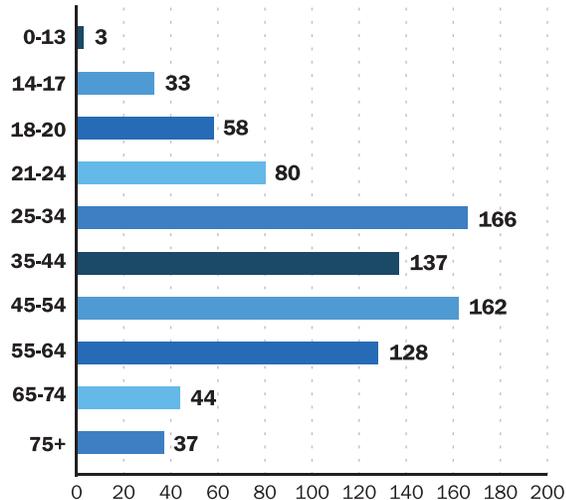


Over the past 5 years, drivers in fatal crashes in North Dakota were primarily between the ages of 25 and 64.

North Dakota Age of Drivers Involved in Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes, 2017



North Dakota Age of Drivers Involved in Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes, 2013-2017



Historically, more fatalities occur during Memorial Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving than other holidays. (Note: Data reflects a multiple day period that varies per holiday and the day of the week on which the holiday falls.)

North Dakota Holiday Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2017



New Years
(1)



Memorial Day
(1)



Independence Day
(0)



Labor Day
(0)



Thanksgiving
(1)



Christmas
(0)

North Dakota Holiday Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2013-2017



Occupant Protection



Seat belts save lives. They are the single most effective safety device to prevent death and injury in a motor vehicle crash.³

EVERY
7 DAYS
one unbelted vehicle
occupant died (ND 2017)

EVERY
11 DAYS
one unbelted vehicle
occupant was ejected (ND 2017)

Seat belts protect you by:

- Keeping you in the vehicle.
- Spreading the force of impact over a large area and the strongest part of the body.
- Allowing your body to slow down gradually, lessening the impact on internal organs.
- Preventing impact with the interior of the vehicle.
- Preventing collision with other occupants of the vehicle.
- Preventing trauma to the brain and spinal cord caused by sudden change in motion.

Fortunately, most people who drive and ride in motor vehicles in North Dakota understand how important it is to wear a seat belt. An annual survey of observed seat belt use in North Dakota in 2017 shows that 8 out of every 10 people wear a seat belt (79.3%). But, it is those who do not wear seat belts who are much more likely to lose their life in a crash.

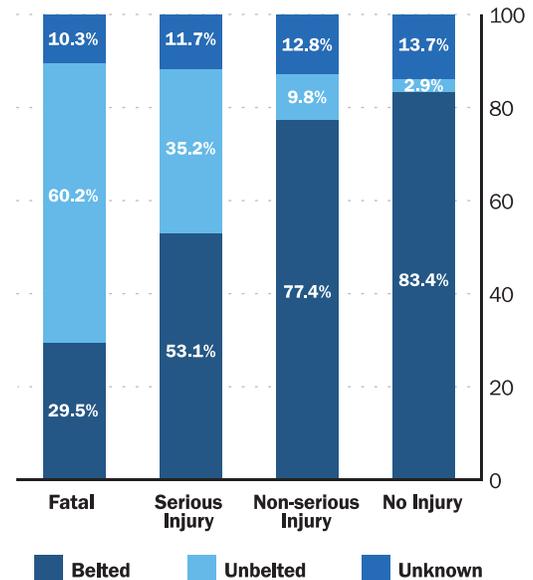
³ National Safety Council

North Dakota Unbelted Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2013-2017

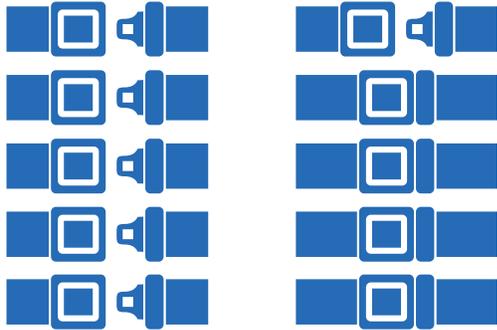
Year	Fatalities*	No Seat Belt Used	Percent Unbelted
2013	130	73	56%
2014	110	76	69%
2015	111	69	62%
2016	86	50	58%
2017	91	50	55%

*Includes fatalities where seat belts were available within the vehicle. Excludes fatalities where seat belts do not apply (pedestrians, bicycles, motorcycles, off-highway vehicles, persons riding on the exterior of motor vehicles, bus passengers, and farm/construction equipment).

North Dakota Percent of Restraint Use by Injury Classification, 2013-2017



Crash data shows a direct correlation between seat belt use and injury severity. Unbelted vehicle occupants in crashes in North Dakota account for the largest percent of fatalities and serious injuries, while belted occupants most commonly receive non-serious or no injuries.



In North Dakota, over the past 5 years (2013-2017), 6 out of every 10 people killed in a motor vehicle crash were not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. And, 80% of the unbelted fatalities were males.

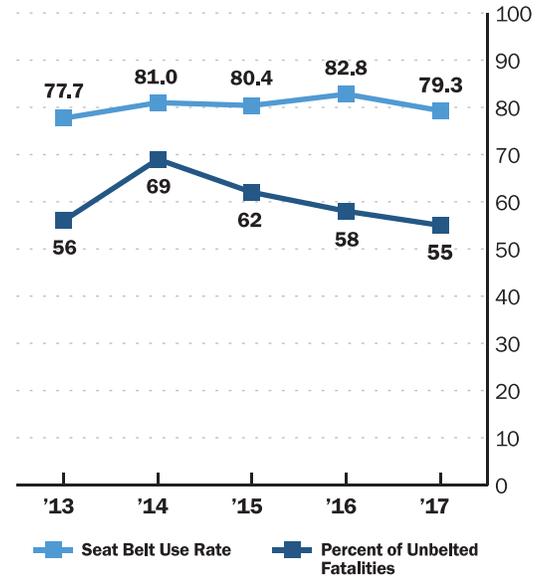
In 2017 alone, 55% of motor vehicle fatalities in North Dakota were not wearing their seat belt. Of those unbelted fatalities, 68% were partially or totally ejected. Further, 81% of single vehicle rollover fatalities were not wearing their seat belt and 82% of those unbelted fatalities were either partially or totally ejected.

In 2017, there were 10 teenagers (age 14-19) killed in motor vehicle crashes in North Dakota. Of the 6 seat belt eligible fatalities, 3 (50%) were not wearing their seat belt at the time of the crash. Also, 100% of those teens not wearing their seat belt were totally ejected.

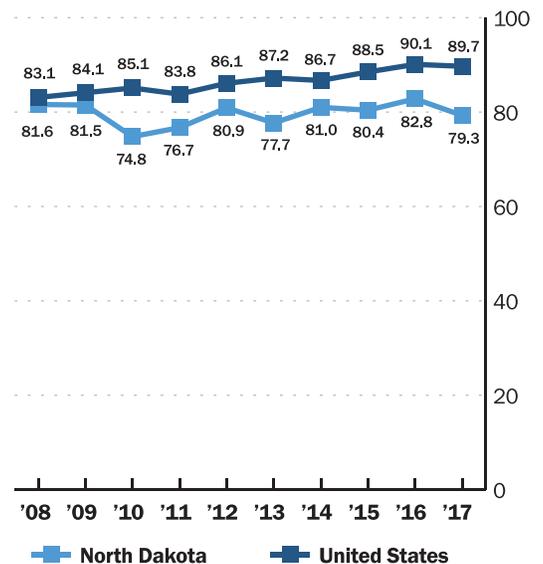
And, while North Dakota's seat belt use has remained relatively stable over time, the national seat belt use rate has surpassed North Dakota's rate over the past 10 years.

Seat belts save lives. Wear your seat belt – everybody, every trip, every time!

North Dakota Seat Belt Use and Unbelted Motor Vehicle Fatalities, 2013-2017



North Dakota vs. United States Seat Belt Use Rate, 2008-2017



Impaired Driving



Alcohol and drug-related crashes are 100% preventable. Many lives would be saved in North Dakota each year if every driver consistently makes the choice to drive sober and not while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

EVERY
10 HOURS
one alcohol-related
crash occurred (ND 2017)

EVERY
7 DAYS
one alcohol-related
vehicle fatality occurred (ND 2017)

Yet, 295 people have died in alcohol-related crashes in North Dakota over the past 5 years. Alcohol is a factor in about 40-50% of fatal crashes in North Dakota annually. The percent of alcohol-related crashes decreased annually between 2013 and 2016 but increased in 2017.

Approximately 1 in 6 (16%) adult arrests in North Dakota in 2017 were for Driving Under the Influence (DUI).⁴

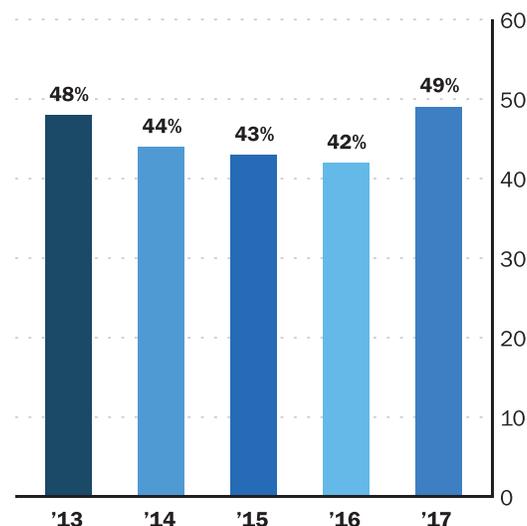
The **average** blood alcohol content among DUI offenders in North Dakota is .15 – nearly twice the legal limit of .08.

Drive sober.

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Alcohol, 2013-2017

Year	Total Fatal Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	64	71	624
2014	53	63	564
2015	48	57	496
2016	43	49	446
2017	52	55	472

North Dakota Percent Alcohol-Related Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes, 2013-2017



⁴ North Dakota Office of Attorney General, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Crime in North Dakota, 2017

Distracted Driving



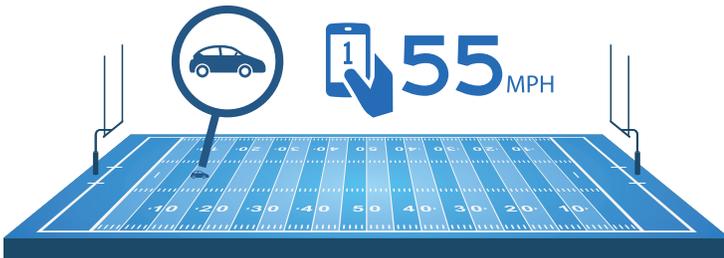
Distraction – taking eyes, hands, or mental attention away from driving – is a common contributing factor in most motor vehicle crashes and near crashes.

Texting while driving is a behavior so dangerous that drivers are:

23x MORE at risk of a crash or near-crash event
6x MORE likely to crash than a drunk driver

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 3,450 people nationwide were killed in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in 2016,* and 9.2% of all motor vehicle fatalities nationwide were distraction related.

Distracted driving is vastly underreported as a factor in a crash due to driver hesitancy to report, lack of witness verification and other factors. As a result, North Dakota crash data related to distraction is not provided.



Sending one text at 55 mph is like *driving blindfolded* the entire length of a football field.

*Most current data available

VISION ZERO

Zero fatalities. Zero excuses.

Vision Zero is a statewide strategy to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries caused by motor vehicles on North Dakota roads.

VisionZero.ND.gov

PARENTS LEAD

Parents LEAD (Listen, Educate, Ask, Discuss) is an evidence-based underage drinking prevention program targeting parents and professionals through statewide, web-based communication.

ParentsLead.org

SPEAK VOLUMES

Speak Volumes is a campaign to educate North Dakota adults on standard drink sizes, binge drinking, and related consequences to help them make better decisions about alcohol consumption.

SpeakVolumes.ND.gov

Speed

Speed and/or driving too fast for conditions is a factor in about 1/3 of fatal crashes in North Dakota each year.

EVERY
3 ³/₄ HOURS
one speed-related
crash occurred (ND 2017)

EVERY
13 DAYS
one speed-related
vehicle fatality occurred (ND 2017)

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), more than 10,000 lives were lost in speed/driving too fast for conditions-related vehicle crashes in the U.S. in 2016.*

Speeding endangers everyone on the road. It greatly reduces the driver's ability to slow a vehicle when necessary or to steer safely around an unexpected curve, or another vehicle or hazardous object in the road. In school zones or neighborhoods, that could include a child or an animal crossing the road.

Of the drivers involved in fatal crashes in North Dakota in 2017 with speeding and/or driving too fast for conditions identified as a contributing factor, 44% were ages 21-25 and 88% were male.

It's not just aggressive driving, it's deadly driving. Stop speeding before it stops you.

*Most current data available

North Dakota Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes Involving Speed**, 2013-2017

Year	Total Fatal Crashes	Speed-Related Fatal Crashes	Percent
2013	133	50	38%
2014	121	43	36%
2015	111	36	32%
2016	102	25	25%
2017	106	25	24%

Nearly 200 people have died in speed-related crashes in North Dakota over the past 5 years.

North Dakota Motor Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Speed**, 2013-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	3,878	58	1,425
2014	3,031	46	1,329
2015	2,595	42	1,086
2016	2,211	25	837
2017	2,336	28	861

**Speeding and/or driving too fast for conditions.

Teen Drivers

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of injury-related death for North Dakota teens.⁵ Teen driver inexperience, coupled with immaturity, often results in risk-taking behaviors such as speeding, alcohol use, and not wearing a seat belt – all of which contribute to an increased death rate.⁶

EVERY
3 HOURS
one teen driver
crash occurred (ND 2017)

EVERY
37 DAYS
one teen died
in a crash (ND 2017)

In North Dakota, teen drivers age 14-19 account for 5% of all licensed drivers but are behind the wheel in nearly 20% of all crashes.

Teen drivers were involved in 12% of fatal crashes in North Dakota. And, over the past 5 years in North Dakota, 53 teens have died in vehicle crashes.

⁵ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
⁶ Governor's Highway Safety Administration

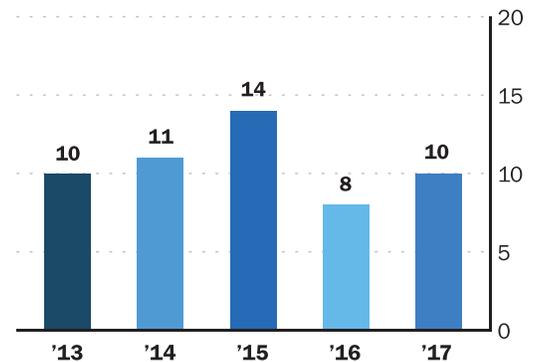
North Dakota Teen Driver Involvement
in All Crashes, 2013-2017

Year	Total Crashes	Teen Driver Crashes	Percent
2013	18,977	3,330	18%
2014	16,134	2,862	18%
2015	15,077	2,794	19%
2016	15,017	2,853	19%
2017	15,280	3,075	20%

North Dakota Teen Driver Involvement
in Fatal Crashes, 2013-2017

Year	Total Fatal Crashes	Teen Driver Fatal Crashes	Percent
2013	133	11	8%
2014	121	16	13%
2015	111	14	13%
2016	102	11	11%
2017	106	13	12%

North Dakota Teen Fatalities from
Motor Vehicle Crashes, 2013-2017



Bicycles and Pedestrians

Everyone has different preferences when it comes to transportation. Regardless of mode of transport, being safe on the road is a responsibility shared by all. Bicyclists and pedestrians have the same rights, privileges, and responsibilities as every motorist; however, they are more vulnerable since they do not have the protection provided by a vehicle.

EVERY
4 DAYS
one bicyclist was
involved in a crash (ND 2017)

EVERY
3 DAYS
one pedestrian was
involved in a crash (ND 2017)

Pedestrians are at a disadvantage when crossing streets, intersections, and standing on corners, as they are not always visible to drivers. Tips to keep safe when walking from one destination to another: watch walkways – make sure the driver sees you by making eye contact with them, don't be a distracted walker, make yourself visible, watch for wide loads, and be aware of blind spots.

As a bicyclist, you need to take extra precautions to protect yourself. Tips to help keep you riding safely – wear a helmet, be aware of traffic, check your brakes, ride with traffic, and be aware of blind spots.

North Dakota Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Bicycles, 2013-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	95	1	93
2014	85	3	78
2015	96	1	90
2016	94	3	88
2017	93	2	79

In 2017, the bicycle-related fatalities involving a motor vehicle included 1 male and 1 female.

North Dakota Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Pedestrians, 2013-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	87	2	93
2014	109	9	101
2015	108	7	96
2016	132	7	100
2017	138	5	106

In 2017, 80% of pedestrian-related fatalities involving a motor vehicle were male.

Motorcycles and Off-Highway Vehicles

Since 2008 in North Dakota, the number of motorcycle licensed drivers has increased by 41%, and motorcycle registrations have also increased by 36%.

EVERY
1 $\frac{2}{5}$ DAYS
one motorcyclist was
involved in a crash (ND 2017)

EVERY
28 DAYS
one motorcyclist died
in a crash (ND 2017)

Motorcyclists can increase their safety on the roads by wearing All the Gear, All the Time (ATGATT), taking a training course, and obeying all traffic laws.

Motorcycle Fatality Facts, ND 2017



*Fatalities with known alcohol test results.



Motorists can prevent a crash with motorcyclists by checking all mirrors and blind spots, staying back, and looking for motorcyclists, especially at intersections.

North Dakota Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Motorcycles, 2013-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	239	9	192
2014	219	10	191
2015	282	8	220
2016	247	12	187
2017	260	13	201

Last year in North Dakota, 82% (214) of all reported motorcycle crashes resulted in injury or death.

In the past 5 years, speed has been a contributing factor in 31% of motorcycle fatalities in North Dakota.

North Dakota Crashes, Fatalities and Injuries Involving Off-Highway Vehicles**, 2013-2017

Year	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
2013	36	4	43
2014	46	1	46
2015	54	1	38
2016	52	3	51
2017	64	2	59

**Off-highway vehicles include all-terrain vehicles (ATV) and snowmobiles.

Preventing Vehicle Crashes, Fatalities & Injuries

The North Dakota Vision Zero Plan (formerly the North Dakota Strategic Highway Safety Plan) identifies partners and “E” strategies to reduce motor vehicle fatalities and injuries in the state. The “E” strategies are described below.

Education. All North Dakotans should know that they can save their lives, and the lives of others, from motor vehicle crashes by taking personal responsibility. This includes wearing seat belts at all times, transporting children in child passenger safety seats appropriate for the child’s age and height, not driving while distracted by cell phones or any other form of distraction, driving only when sober (i.e., not under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs), and obeying all posted speed limits.

Environment. Behavior change can occur through changing the environment in which the behavior occurs. This is done through strengthening traffic safety policies and laws such as mandating seat belt use for all vehicle occupants at all times, increasing the fines associated with speed violations, eliminating cell phone use in vehicles and mandating alcohol beverage server training to prevent overconsumption of alcohol by consumers.

Enforcement. Regular enforcement of traffic safety laws deters unsafe driver and occupant behavior.

Engineering. State and local North Dakota roads are designed, constructed, and maintained with safety as a priority.

Emergency Medical Services. In the event that a motor vehicle crash does occur, assure that crash victims are transported to an appropriate level of health care for their injuries, in the shortest amount of time possible.

Do you want to get involved in motor vehicle crash prevention?

The NDDOT and our traffic safety partners invite you to **join the Vision Zero Partner Network** for resources and ideas to help reduce risky driver and occupant behaviors to save lives.

Risky behaviors cause hundreds of preventable crashes in North Dakota every year. By joining the Vision Zero Partner Network, you can help prevent motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads. Marketing and resource materials are free and all contributions are voluntary.

Benefits of VZPN:

- Protect your organization's human and financial resources
- Guard against potential liabilities associated with work-related crashes
- Demonstrate your company, school or organization's commitment to the community
- Show your students or employees you care about them and their families
- Address the problems of distracted driving, impaired driving, speed and lack of seat belt use

What partners will receive from NDDOT:

- Education tools and materials bundled for each campaign
- Help getting a driver and occupant safety program started
- Opportunities to collaborate with other network organizations and agencies
- Technical support for local opportunities such as media interviews

To sign up, go to [VisionZero.ND.gov](https://www.visionzero.nd.gov) and click on "Partners."

Working together, we can save lives.

The North Dakota Crash Memorial Wall

The North Dakota Crash Memorial Wall is an online space to safely honor someone you love who lost their life in a motor vehicle crash on a North Dakota road. Memorials are public in the hope that sharing their stories will offer comfort to families and friends and remind visitors about the devastating impact of motor vehicle fatalities.

The Crash Memorial Wall was developed by the North Dakota Department of Transportation and launched in August 2015. In 2016, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) recognized the North Dakota Crash Memorial Wall with a Public Affairs and Consumer Education Award (PACE) for outstanding website.

Immediate family members are invited to create a memorial at [VisionZero.ND.gov](https://www.visionzero.nd.gov). Extended family and friends can comment on the memorials. All submissions are reviewed by the North Dakota Department of Transportation within 10 business days.

*“Even one life lost
in a motor vehicle
crash is too many;
every life is precious.”*

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