Minnesota Agricultural Fatalities & Injuries
2012-2018

Minnesota Tractor Related Fatalities*

February 11, 2012 Hokah, 62 year old male died when pinned underneath tractor.
April 28, 2012 Central City, 56 year old male’s leg pinned and fell from tractor.
May 2, 2012 Kerkhoven, 70 year old male’s tractor overturned and pinned in ditch.
June 17, 2012 Pierz, 24 year old male’s tractor towing disabled forklift hit by forklift.
July 1, 2012 Erhard, 53 year old male’s tractor overturned when mowing ditch and died.
November 13, 2012 Duluth, 81 year old male pinned by overturned tractor pulling trees.
November 27, 2012 Osakis, 73 year old male fell from tractor and died.
May 11, 2013 Mapleton, 70 year old male pinned under tractor when overturned in ditch.
June 1, 2013 Odessa, 76 year old male pinned when open cab tractor rolled over.
June 7, 2013 Bruno, 50 year old male’s tractor overturned when pulling brush from trees.
June 8, 2013 Miltona, 53 year old male’s tractor overturned when freeing another tractor.
July 9, 2013 East Grand Forks, 55 year old male’s tractor overturned and pinned in ditch.
August 2, 2013 Clearwater, 50 year old male and 5 year old male pinned under tractor.
August 3, 2013 Hayward, 86 year old male ran over by tractor with mechanical issues.
August 7, 2013 Esko, 76 year old male fell from tractor and died.
September 22, 2013 Renville, 58 year old male pinned under combine cornhead.
November 1, 2013 Stephen, 41 year old male ran over tractor/implement when working.
February 2, 2014 North Branch, 81 year old male pinned under rolling tractor.
March 3, 2014 Kensington, 72 year old male pinned between tractor bucket and gate.
May 23, 2014 Goodhue, 56 year old male’s tractor overturned and pinned due to tire.
July 8, 2014 **Brainerd**, 86 year old male pinned against 5th wheel & tractor.

July 25, 2014 **Hayfield**, 73 year old male’s tractor overturned and pinned trimming trees.

August 16, 2014 **Askov**, Male pinned under overturned tractor.


September 15, 2014 **Clear Lake**, 61 year old male’s tractor flipped and pinned underneath.

October 20, 2014 **Hanska**, 78 year old male slipped trying to get back on moving tractor.

October 27, 2014 **Maynard**, 65 year old male struck by combine and died.

March 21, 2015 **Bird Island**, 53 year old male crushed by wheel trying to put on tractor.

May 20, 2015 **Miltona**, 62 year old male’s tractor overturned on incline moving livestock.

August 6, 2015 **St. Peter**, 14 year old female died when tractor hit bump and thrown off.

September 29, 2015 **Nevus**, 81 year old male’s tractor overturned & pinned on embankment.

September 1, 2016 **Cloquet**, male died after tractor accident.

January 28, 2017 **Stewart**, 70 year old male died while mowing near a ditch when vehicle rolled over

February 28, 2017 **Krain**, 46 year old male died when tractor became submerged in an ice covered pit.

March 30, 2017 **Motley**, 72 year old male fell out of tractor and become trapped under rear wheel.

May 10, 2017 **Detroit Lakes**, 77 year old male was trapped between tree and tractor that was still running.

June 27, 2017 **Buffalo Lake**, 70 year old male was operating skid steer with mower that overturned in a ditch.

October 28, 2017 **Farwell**, 58 year old dead after being dragged by chisel plow.

* **Tractor rollovers are the single deadliest type of farm incident.**

**Total: 38**

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**Minnesota Grain Bin Related Fatalities**

February 11, 2012 **St. Rosa**, 18 year old male died when pinned inside silo.

September 11, 2012 **Janesville**, 19 year old male engulfed in bin removing corn.

February 3, 2014 **Granite Falls**, 77 year old male engulfed in corn while emptying it.

April 26, 2016 **St. James**, 68 year old male died after falling into grain bin filled with corn.

January 30, 2017 **Nicollet**, 27 year old male died when a hydraulic lift failed, pinning him between a grain bin and frame.

August 29, 2017 **Grygla**, 80 year old male became trapped in chute of small grain truck box while cleaning it.
Minnesota Roadway Agricultural Related Fatalities

August 31, 2013 Kellogg, 65 year old male’s tractor rear-ended by car.
September 8, 2013 Olivia, 76 and 74 year old females dead in tractor-car crash.
June 22, 2014 Roosevelt, 36 year old female died in sprayer-motorcycle collision.
August 12, 2014 Hayfield, 57 year old male died in tractor-motorcycle collision.
September 30, 2015 Park Rapids, male died when potato truck overturned.
October 3, 2015 Felton, 23 year old male and another male in semi-beet truck crash.
April 23, 2016 Leigh Township, 14 year old male’s dirt bike hit back of tractor.
October 15, 2016 Leonard, 55 year old male operator injured after being pinned underneath overturned tractor.
May 10, 2017 Elba, 75 year old male became trapped under utility vehicle when it overturned.
July 28, 2017 Franklin, 59 year old male dead after being ran over on farm.

Total: 11

Minnesota Agriculture ATV Related Fatalities

October 13, 2012 Mora, 77 year old female’s ATV overturned in water filled ditch.
August 12, 2015 Badger, 77 year old male’s ATV started and struck combine in shop.
July 28, 2017 Darwin, 66 year old male was spraying weeds with ATV when it overturned.
August 17, 2017 Millerville, 9 year old male dead after being involved in unspecified ATV accident.

Total: 5
Minnesota Livestock Related Deaths

December 15, 2017 Dennison, 69 year old male dead after attending livestock in pasture.

April 8, 2018 Hewitt, 85 year old male dead after being trampled by cow.

Total: 2

Minnesota Entanglement Agriculture Related Fatalities

September 20, 2013 Cokato, 54 year old male dislodging stalks caught in corn head.

May 4, 2015 Cosmos, 49 year old male died when caught in unspecified machinery.


November 3, 2015 Winthrop, 24 year old male caught hand in corn picker auger.

June 29, 2016 Melrose, 65 year old male died after being entangled in hay merger.

July 31, 2016 Morris, 37 year old male died after being entangled inside barn.

December 7, 2017 Isanti, 71 year old dead after being entangled in power takeoff shaft.

Total: 7

Minnesota Fatalities (Various Causes Related to Agriculture)

January 6, 2012 Lakefield, 20 year old male trapped when ditch trench caved in.

February 22, 2012 Perham, 64 year old female’s skid loader rolled over against fence.

May 29, 2012 Sauk Centre, 74 year old male pinned between frame and box of rock wagon.

July 25, 2012 Corcoran, 11 year old male drowned in farm pond.

October 3, 2012 Lamberton, 43 year old male’s tractor with grain wagons collided with train.

November 12, 2012 Lake Jefferson, 90 year old male overcome with CO2 when attaching snow blower to tractor.

August 22, 2013 Goodhue, 5 year old male fell out of skid loader bucket & was crushed.

August 29, 2013 Sleepy Eye, 77 year old male’s legs pinned under skid steer in burn pit.

August 25, 2017 Fairfax, Operator pinned underneath ride-on lawn mower while mowing near ditch.

September 25, 2013 Zion Township, 69 year old male hit by front end loader.

October 25, 2013 Clara City, 74 year old male died in unspecified farming incident.

November 29, 2013 Henderson, 53 year old male struck by tree when clearing field.
February 1, 2014 Hill City, 46 year old male struck by tree when cutting down.
May 1, 2014 Wolf Lake, 5 year old male pinned between skid loader arms and frame.
June 4, 2014 Dodge Center, 26 year old male pinned under hay merger and impaled.
June 30, 2017 Richwood, 25 year old male died after being trapped under a trench which had collapsed.
June 21, 2014 Litchfield, 23 year old male fell 28 feet when installing roof on barn.
October 19, 2014 Chaska/Norwood, 78 year old male buried in dirt when drainage tile ditch collapsed.
October 20, 2014 Gaylord, 62 year old male drowned in ditch doing fieldwork.
November 23, 2014 Hillman, 61 year old male crushed in skid steer doing work.
April 15, 2015 Gaylord, 81 year old male ran over by pickup in the field working.
May 2, 2015 Chokio, 9 year old female ran over by farm vehicle when picking rocks.
May 11, 2015 Jasper, 50 and 32 year old female burned in barn fire.
November 14, 2015 Lyle, 27 year old male struck by skid loader when building.
January 7, 2016 Hazel Run, 34 year old male died in tanker incident.
April 26, 2016 Corcoran, 2 year old male drowned in farm pond.
April 26, 2016 Long Lake Township, 68 year old male trapped in grain truck.
May 25, 2016 Arlington, 62 year old male died after tree fell on top of him.
June 13, 2016 Madelia, 28 year old male died after trench collapse while inside.
July 4, 2016 Wanamingo, 58 year old male died after falling off hitch tongue between wagons.
October 16, 2016 Jordan, 25 and 53 year old males died after being electrocuted.
November 11, 2016 Garfield, 62 year old male died after being ran over by a combine.
December 16, 2016 Nicollet County, 59 year old male injured when a round hay bale fell on him.
December 24, 2016 Fayette, 46 year old male died in a tree-trimming incident.
January 27, 2017 Courtland, male dead after accident while working on end-dump grain.
June 28, 2017 Stewart, 70 year old man died after skid loader rolled near a ditch.
June 30, 2017 Richwood, 25 year old man died after being trapped under a collapsed trench.
July 2, 2017 Breckenridge, male dead after spray plane accident, hitting a light pole at low altitude.
March 23, 2018 Blooming Prairie, male found dead on farm with multiple gunshot wounds.

Total: 39

Minneapolis Tractor Related Injuries*

January 6, 2012 Waite Park, 67 year old male injured after falling off tractor.
**July 1, 2012** Erhard, 8 year old male injured when tractor overturned mowing ditch.

**September 8, 2012** Perham, 47 year old male’s tractor overturned & pinned going uphill.

**February 8, 2013** Claremont, 59 year old male ran over by tractor wheel while repairing.

**May 16, 2013** Lafayette, 19 year old female ran over by tractor and injured.

**June 17, 2013** Little Falls, 11 year old male struck by tractor when picking rocks.

**July 6, 2013** Hinckley, 7 year old female injured after tractor tire injured her face.

**July 18, 2013** Melrose, 59 year old male’s tractor overturned on incline and injured.

**July 22, 2013** Watkins, 64 year old male struck by tractor overturned in ditch mowing.

**October 15, 2013** Blue Earth, 50 year old male’s tractor overturned and pinned.

**November 2, 2013** Montgomery, 70 year old male’s tractor overturned in ditch.

**May 24, 2014** Paynesville, 17 year old male pinned under tractor while dumping rocks.

**July 1, 2014** St. Rosa/Freeport, 13 year old male ran over by tractor when rolled back.

**July 5, 2014** Parkers Prairie, 72 year old male’s tractor tipped and overturned.

**July 16, 2014** Underwood, 49 year old male’s leg & hip injured when backed over.

**August 15, 2014** Rochester, 2 year old male fell off tractor & tire pinned chest & leg.

**September 14, 2014** Underwood, 71 year old male hurt knee when he jumped to miss tractor.

**September 27, 2014** East Grand Forks, 69 year old male pinned under tractor.

**October 22, 2014** East Gull Lake, 20 year old male’s tractor overturned and suffered serious injuries.

**November 7, 2014** Litchfield, Male injured leg tire came off combine and veered in ditch.

**January 20, 2015** Brainerd, Male pinned against tractor steering wheel when tree fell.

**August 6, 2015** St. Peter, 16 year old male injured when tractor hit bump & thrown off.

**August 22, 2016** Rice County, 2 males injured after tractor rollover.

**September 9, 2016** Little Falls, 62 year old male injured after falling off tractor.

**October 4, 2016** New Ulm, male tractor operator injured after rollover accident.

**January 23, 2017** Upsala, 80 year old male injured after being rolled over by rear wheel.

**April 14, 2017** Belle Plaine, 15 year old male was run over by tractor and injured.

**August 1, 2017** Lonsdale, 83 year old male injured after being ran over by backhoe.

**August 18, 2017** Erhard, 69 year old male injured after tractor rolled over.

**October 13, 2017** Taunton, 81 year old female injured in unspecified tractor incident.

**October 31, 2017** Morris, person injured in combine accident.

**November 9, 2017** Miltona, 52 year old man injured after tractor entanglement incident.

**December 7, 2017** Pierz, 80 year old male injured after being ran over by tractor.

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Minnesota Roadway Agricultural Related Injuries

March 5, 2012 Preston, 37 year old male's semi with corn overturned and fell in field.

September 19, 2012 Sauk Rapids, Person injured in tractor/mower-motorcycle collision.

September 22, 2012 St. George, 27 year old male injured in tractor-semi collision.

October 27, 2012 Freeborn, 23 year old male's truck overturned & fractured collarbone.


March 2013 Rockville, 73 year old female's car hit an SP applicator (Rogator).

August 31, 2013 Kellogg, 18 year old male injured when car rear-ended tractor.

September 5, 2013 Little Falls, 59 year old male injured when motorcycle hit tractor.

September 8, 2013 Olivia, 54 year old female injured in car-tractor collision.

October 26, 2013 Clear Lake, 87 year old male 's minivan collided with combine header.

May 1, 2014 Winona, 84 year old female and 83 year old male injured in tractor-car crash.

May 27, 2014 Eagle Bend, Female’s pickup hit tractor/manure spreader with faulty lights.

June 22, 2014 Roosevelt, 46 year old male injured in sprayer-motorcycle collision.

June 22, 2014 Little Falls, 42 year old female injured in baler-car collision.

August 12, 2014 Hayfield, 55 year old male injured in tractor-motorcycle collision.

August 26, 2014 Perham, 20 year old male suffered facial injuries in tractor/wagons-semi crash.

September 6, 2014 Cambridge, 63 year old male injured in tractor-motorcycle collision.


September 8, 2014 New Auburn, 53 and 63 year old males injured in tractor-SUV crash.


October 6, 2014 Mayer, 33 and 20 year old males injured in tractor-pickup collision.

October 11, 2014 Kenyon, 83 year old male injured after hitting grain cart with car.

October 29, 2014 Lewiston, 44 year old female's van collided with tractor near stop sign.

November 8, 2014 Hayfield, 85 year old male injured in tractor-dump truck collision.

November 20, 2014 New London, 58 year old male, 33 year old male, & 19 year old male injured tractor with equipment struck by semi and pickup.


May 5, 2015 Wahton, 59 year old male, 61 year old male, and 14 year old female injured when tractor
June 2, 2015 Ellendale, 60 year old male injured when pickup hit manure spreader.

June 23, 2015 Roscoe, 13 year old male injured when tractor was struck by semi.

August 31, 2015 Motley, 80 year old male’s tractor towing baler rear-ended by pickup.

September 29, 2015 Little Falls, 31 year old female injured neck & 41 year old male injured when car rear-ended tractor/haybine.

October 3, 2015 Winnebago, Male’s hand injured in semi-tractor/manure spreader crash.

October 3, 2015 Felton, 55 year old male injured in pickup-beet truck collision.

October 6, 2015 Borup, 50 year old male’s loaded beet truck overturned and rolled.

October 6, 2015 St. Paul, 21 year old female ran car into another car and farm vehicle.

October 22, 2015 Sauk Centre, 30 year old male’s head injured in car-tractor collision.

November 24, 2015 Blue Earth, 67 year old male’s tractor with wagons hit by car.

December 2, 2015 Rock Creek, 28 year old female injured when SUV hit tractor/trailer.

January 8, 2016 Hayward, 61 year old male injured in tractor rollover.

April 3, 2016 Morristown, male and female injured when vehicle collided with tractor on roadway.

December 6, 2016 Jackson, 3 males injured in vehicle crash.

April 18, 2017 Lamberton, two males, ages 65 and 84, injured when tractor overturned after colliding with automobile.

May 15, 2017 Milford, 32 year old male rear ended by pick-up truck while operating tractor.

June 18, 2017 Lake Crystal, 52 year old male driver of SUV collided with combine.

August 11, 2017 Cedar Falls, 64 year old male was towing a tractor with SUV when it collided with another vehicle.

October 16, 2017 Willmar, 2 persons injured in tractor – vehicle crash.

October 19, 2017 North Branch, 2 persons injured in motorcycle – combine collision.

November 1, 2017 Lester Prairie, 38 year old male injured in vehicle – tractor collision.

November 15, 2017 59 year old male injured in vehicle – tractor collision.

November 29, 2017 Lewiston, 2 males injured in vehicle – tractor collision.

November 30, 2017 Hitterdal, 57 year old female injured in vehicle – tractor collision.

Total: 51

Minnesota Livestock Related Injuries

May 10, 2013 Amor, Two 3 year old males trampled by buffalo when wandered in fence.
April 23, 2018 Chandler, 55 year old male injured after being assaulted by a bull.

**Total: 2**

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**Minnesota Entanglement Agriculture Related Injuries**


**April 18, 2012 Unknown**, Male’s hand amputated after being entangled in auger.

**May 31, 2012 Mountain Lake**, 18 year old male’s leg amputated when caught in auger.

**September 5, 2012 Unknown**, Male’s hand injured when stuck in beet lifter.

**November 6, 2012 Wanamingo**, 53 year old male entangled in sweep auger in corn bin.

**January 9, 2013 Fosston**, Male’s hand injured when caught in auger doing soil testing.

**March 2013 Luverne**, Male lacerated leg when entangled in auger in grain bin.

**March 7, 2013 Darwin**, 60 year old male injured by auger working with cutting torch.

**May 30, 2013 Pine City**, 30 year old male’s leg amputated when caught in auger inside bin.

**July 19, 2013 Verndale**, Male’s hand injured and entangled while trying to clear clog.


**September 21, 2013 Stockholm Township**, 57 year old male pulled into husking machine.

**November 13, 2013 Little Falls**, 32 year old male caught in picker suffering amputation.

**August 23, 2014 Gibbon**, Male entangled in grain auger transferring grain between wagons.

**August 26, 2014 Litchfield**, 26 year old female’s hair entangled & suffer serious scalp injury.

**November 9, 2014 Ellendale**, 10 year old female’s arm amputated when stuck in auger.

**November 17, 2014 Le Roy**, Male’s foot entangled in auger causing compound fracture.

**May 13, 2015 Gilbert**, 26 year old male’s hand entangled in spinning shaft of spreader.

**May 26, 2015 Sturgeon Lake**, 28 year old male fractured leg when caught in broke PTO.

**July 23, 2015 Rockwood Township**, Male’s arm entangled with baler when removing hay.

**August 3, 2015 Grey Eagle**, Male’s leg amputated when entangled riding up bale elevator.

**July 28, 2016 Montgomery**, 44 year old male died after fence falls on her.

**October 1, 2016 Watkins**, 37 year old male operator’s hand entangled in husking rolls of corn picker.

**October 16, 2016 Janesville**, male seriously injured in farm equipment entanglement.

**November 10, 2016 Grand Meadow**, 19 year old male injured in combine entanglement.

**November 22, 2017 Arlington**, 20 year old male entangled while cleaning out grain auger.

**November 24, 2017 Litchfield** 61 year old male suffered entanglement accident.
March 27, 2018 Randall, 52 year old male injured after being pinned underneath manure spreader.

Total: 28

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**Minnesota Grain Bin Related Injuries**

May 19, 2014 Medford, Male entrapped in corn checking on auger blockage.
June 13, 2014 Lewiston, 80 year old male entrapped in corn in bin and injured.
September 5, 2014 Blooming Prairie, Male entrapped in beans keeping auger clean.
October 16, 2014 Rochester, Male fell 10 feet in bin working on machine & got fractures.
May 20, 2015 Ellendale, 65 year old male engulfed in corn trying to break up crust.
August 8, 2017 Unknown, male of unknown age injured when he became engulfed in a corn bin.
March 2, 2018 Conger, 60 year old male injured after falling from grain bin.

Total: 7

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**Minnesota ATV-Related Injuries**

June 27, 2015 Watson, 8 year old male injured when ATV crashed and rolled.
May 22, 2016 Clare, male injured when ATV slid off course into barbed wire fence.
August 15, 2017 Brainerd, 4 and 8 year old males injured in ATV accident.
August 17, 2017 Millerville, 10 year old female injured in unspecified ATV accident.
May 3, 2018 Richmond, 82 year old male injured after being caught under ATV.

Total: 5

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**Minnesota Injuries (Various Causes Related to Agriculture)**

January 29, 2012 Park Rapids, 52 year old male’s head & back struck by falling hay bale.
February 8, 2012 St. Charles, 4 year old Amish male fell striking wheel mounting manure spreader when horses moved and suffered facial injuries.
September 9, 2012 Courtland, 34 year old male slips, wagon ran over & head/chest hurt.

September 24, 2012 Richville, 57 year old male, 36 year old male, and 35 year old male burned when using cutting torch to dismantle combine when fuel tank exploded.

September 29, 2012 Dodge Center, 17 year old male crushed by wagon & head/leg hurt.

October 2012 Unknown, Male’s hand injured in unspecified farm accident.

October 8, 2012 Unknown, 17 year old male’s leg pierced when truck hitch hit in field.

October 14, 2012 Argyle, 49 year old male ran over by farm truck and leg caught in axle.

October 16, 2012 Grand Rapids, 72 year old female burned trying to put out farm fire.

November 6, 2012 Hardwick, Male working on plow when it collapsed on him.

November 12, 2012 Lake Jefferson, 83 year old male overcome with CO2 when attaching snow blower to tractor.

June 15, 2013 Unknown, Male injured in unspecified farm accident.

August 25, 2014 Buffalo Lake, 56 year old male fell 10 ft. when working on roof at farm.

May 4, 2015 Campbell, Male injured when his sprayer collided with a train.

June 16, 2015 Forest Lake, Teen male pinned between tractor & trailer transporting hay.

September 20, 2015 Finlayson, Male suffered head/neck injuries when bale struck him.

September 28, 2015 Unknown, 13 year old female’s arm amputated in unspecified incident.

January 7, 2016 Hazel Run, 34 year old male injured in tanker incident.

May 2016 Easton, 33 year old male fractured hip, etc. when sprayer fell on him working.

August 22, 2016 Henning, 5 year old female crushed between hitch and haybine.

December 10, 2016 St. Peter, 59 year old male injured after bale fell on top of him.

December 16, 2016 Lake Prairie, 59 year old male injured after hay fell on him.

October 21, 2017 Belview, 29 year old male suffered serious injuries after unspecified farming incident.

April 9, 2018 male suffered burns after tractor caught on fire.

Total: 24