



Nebraska Agricultural Fatalities & Injuries

2012-2020

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Nebraska Agriculture Related Fatalities

Nebraska Tractor Related Fatalities*

May 20, 2012	Alvo , 34 year old male died when his tractor overturned into a burn pit.
August 26, 2012	Grand Island , 75 year old male died when pinned underneath an overturned tractor.
March 8, 2013	Ceresco , 80 year old male died after being pinned underneath an overturned tractor.
July 8, 2013	Rosenborg , 53 year old male died after falling from a tractor and being hit by plow.
July 16, 2013	Chadron , 65 year old male died after being run over while working on a tractor.
Sept 3, 2013	Clarkson , 77 year old male died after being run over while working on a tractor.
July 5, 2015	Springfield , 72 year old male died after being run over by tractor while mowing field.
August 5, 2015	Comstock , 72 year old male died after being pinned under overturned tractor.
August 6, 2015	Harrisburg , 60 year old male died after being run over by tractor while adding fluids.
August 20, 2015	Johnson , 62 year old male died after being crushed under tractor that overturned.
March 27, 2016	Scottsbluff , 47 year old male died after being ejected from tractor when lost control.
August 2, 2016	Newman Grove , 65 year old male died after falling from tractor in creek.
August 29, 2016	Bradshaw , male died in tractor rollover in roadside ditch.
Sept 29, 2016	Filley , 54 year old male died after tractor rollover incident.
Oct 24, 2016	Homer , 72 year old male died after tractor rolled over.
Dec 19, 2016	Lindsay , 30 year old male died in explosion while working on tractor.
May 13, 2017	Lincoln , 63 year old male died after being hit by a tractor.

July 1, 2017	York , 73 year old male died after being hit by a tractor.
Sep 5, 2017	Red Cloud , 87 year old male died after being ejected from tractor that went off the road.
Oct 25, 2017	Louisville , 87 year old male died following an unspecified tractor related incident.
May 15, 2019	Paxton , 45 year old male died after struck by tractor he was ground starting.
June 1, 2019	Imperial , male died after being pinned under an overturned tractor.
June 12, 2019	Mitchell , 77 year old male died after being run-over by tractor he had exited.
Nov 9, 2019	Wood River , 72 year old male died after being struck by tractor driven by co-worker.
July 26, 2020	Yutan , 66 year old male died after being pinned under tractor while mowing ditch.

**Tractor rollovers are the single deadliest type of farm incident. Tractor deaths due to rollover can be prevented by having roll over protective structures on tractors and wearing a seat belt.*

Nebraska Grain Bin Engulfment and Fall Related Fatalities

May 4, 2012	Wood River , 51 year old male died after falling off of a grain bin on which he was working.
March 11, 2014	Edgar , male died after becoming engulfed while scooping corn inside a grain bin.
August 5, 2014	Dixon , 60 year old male died after becoming engulfed while dislodging corn from grain bin.
June 29, 2015	Emerson , 53 year old male died from unspecified incident inside grain bin.
Sept 17, 2015	Albion , 79 year old male died after becoming engulfed after entering bin to clear auger.
2015	Hershey , 59 year old male died after falling while working on the exterior leg of an auger.
May 18, 2016	West Point , 52 year old male died while inside a grain bin that collapsed.
July 26, 2016	Gresham , 72 year old male died after becoming engulfed inside a grain bin that collapsed.
April 19, 2018	Atkinson , 68 year old male died after becoming engulfed in grain bin.
Sept 9, 2019	Unadilla , 69 year old male died after engulfment in soy beans while clearing auger.
Dec 19, 2019	Hartington , 60 year old male employee died after becoming engulfed in grain in bin.
Aug 23, 2020	Chappell , 13 year old male died after falling from grain bin at Co-op.
Dec 30, 2020	Nehawka , 72 year old male died after becoming engulfed in corn when door on bin failed.

Nebraska Roadway Agricultural Related Fatalities

March 2, 2012	Columbus , 29 year old female died after rear-ending a tractor with no warning lights.
July 21, 2012	Lindsay , 20 year old male died after his pickup collided with cow.
May 13, 2013	Broken Bow , 30 year old male motorcyclist died after rear-endering farm equipment.
July 23, 2013	Snyder , 68 year old male tractor operator died after collided with a pickup.
May 22, 2013	Elgin , 27 year old male died after his farm truck overturned.
August 14, 2013	Foster , 73 year old male died when his tractor collided with fuel truck.

Nebraska Roadway Agricultural Related Fatalities (cont)

July 12, 2014	Stromsburg , 20 year old male died after his auto was struck by corn detasseler.
Oct 18, 2014	Omaha , 75 year old male died after his farm tractor was rear ended by SUV.
Oct 21, 2014	Hebron , 62 year old male died after his farm truck was struck by semi -truck.
Nov 12, 2015	Syracuse , 18 year old female died after rear-ending a grain truck.
Nov 15, 2015	Royal , 63 and 87 year old males died when their auto collided with cows on the road.
May 11, 2018	Red Cloud , 61 year old male died after his tractor hit guardrail and fell off a bridge.
Sept 11, 2018	Wisner , 28 year old female died during a collision with farm semi.
Sept 24, 2018	Shickley , 83 year old female died during tractor/semi/auto collision.
Nov 20, 2018	Norfolk , 68 year old female died when the vehicle she was driving hit a combine.
March 24, 2019	Western , 74, 18 and 16 year old males died in farm vehicle/auto collision.
July 1, 2019	Beatrice , 82 year old male died after tractor he was driving was side-swiped by semi.
Sept 5, 2019	Heartwell , 49 year old male died after tractor he was driving was rear-ended by semi.
June 5, 2020	Cheney , 63 year old male died after tractor he was driving was side-swiped by auto.
June 8, 2020	DuBois , 86 year old male died after tractor he was driving collided with semi.
Sept 7, 2020	Ashton , 61 year old female died when her motorcycle hit a tractor towing a baler.

Nebraska Agriculture ATV and UTV Related Fatalities

May 25, 2012	Belgrade , 68 year old male killed when his ATV overturned in a pasture.
June 13, 2013	Broken Bow , 64 year old male farm employee died after he was pinned under an ATV.
July 15, 2013	Neligh , 66 year old female died after being pinned under UTV while checking cattle.
March 4, 2014	Chadron , 77 year old male died after being trapped under a four-wheeler in a pasture.
May 1, 2014	Anselmo , 82 year old male died after being pinned under ATV while moving cattle.
March 16, 2015	Dunning , 68 year old male died while riding a UTV that collided with a semi -trailer.
June 19, 2017	O'Neill , 72 year old male died after being thrown from an ATV driving through a ravine.
July 10, 2017	Red Cloud , 56 old male died after UTV collided with pickup.
July 12, 2017	Imperial , male died after being "clotheslined" by rope while riding ATV checking cattle.
July 16, 2017	McCool Junction , 65 year old male died after being pinned under ATV while spraying.
July 14, 2018	Hebron , 37 year old male died after being pinned under UTV while checking cattle in field.
Jan 30, 2020	Greeley , 96 year old male died after UTV he was driving was struck by auto.
Feb 3, 2020	Prague , 61 year old male died when UTV he was driving was struck by minivan.
July 22, 2020	Elgin , 55 year old male died after being pinned under ATV that struck mound in field.

Nebraska Agriculture Related Entanglement Fatalities

July 3, 2012	York , 21 year old male died after becoming entangled in sweep auger in a grain bin.
Feb 28, 2014	Crete , 33 year old male died after becoming entangled in sweep auger in a grain bin.
Nov 21, 2014	Waverly , 34 year old male died after becoming entangled in a grain auger.
March 16, 2016	Prosser , 41 year old male died in grain bin from auger accident.
Nov 5, 2016	Callaway , 62 year old male died by entanglement while feeding livestock.
July 9, 2018	Clearwater , 52 year old male died in grain bin following entanglement with sweep auger.

Nebraska Livestock Related Fatalities

August 6, 2013	Mitchell , male employee died after being run over by a steer that he was sorting.
Feb 5, 2019	DeWeese , 40 year old male died after being attacked by bull while checking cows in field.
Oct 18, 2020	Lakeside , unspecified cause of death while moving cows.

Nebraska Agricultural Fatalities (Various Causes or Unspecified)

March 15, 2012	Dakota City , 37 year old male died after being crushed when equipment fell on him.
July 18, 2012	Ruskin , 33 year old male died after being crushed when an auger buckled and collapsed.
Oct 2, 2012	Geneva , 58 year old male died after being backed over by a combine.
Jan 26, 2012	Leigh , 52 year old female died after falling from scaffolding inside farm building.
Jan 29, 2013	Talmage , 69 year old male employee died after being backed into by a grain trailer.
Oct 21, 2013	Norfolk , 53 year old male died when he was buried by a silage pile.
Oct 21, 2013	Newman Grove , 58 and 60 year old men died after becoming entrapped in dirt.
January 31, 2014	Greeley , 61 year old male died after becoming pinned underneath a feed mixer.
March 20, 2014	Palmyra , 88 year old male died after his clothes caught on fire.
April 26, 2014	Maxwell , 52 year old male died after becoming trapped underneath a round hay bale.
June 17, 2014	Shelby , Male died after being struck by front end loader hauling hay.
July 18, 2014	Stanton , 87 year old male died after drowning in livestock water tank.
August 18, 2014	Winnetoon , 89 year old man died after drowning when his pickup entered a pond.
Jan 13, 2015	Spencer , 65 year old male died after being struck by large hay bales.
Nov 4, 2015	Imperial , 65 year old male died while putting rifle away.
Dec 12, 2015	Sutherland , 81 year old male died from burns sustained during controlled burn.
April 5, 2016	Auburn , 3 year old male died after drowning in a farm pond.
May 15, 2016	Fairmont , 20 year old female died after car went into a farm pond.
June 19, 2016	Kennard , 60 year old male died after becoming pinned between bulldozer & truck.

Nebraska Agricultural Fatalities (Various Causes or Unspecified) (continued)

July 26, 2016	23 year old male Marine died of unspecified injuries while working on Nebraska ranch.
Aug 22, 2016	Clatonia , 68 year old male died after falling in a farm pond.
Oct 4, 2016	Wauneta , 63 year old male died while working with cattle.
Oct 17, 2016	Tekamah , 59 year old male rancher died while investigating cloud of anhydrous ammonia
Dec 19, 2016	Lindsay , 30 year old male killed in unspecified farm related incident.
March 13, 2017	Dixon , 63 year old male died after being struck by a farm implement.
May 23, 2017	Mead , 68 year old male died after becoming pinned under a mower.
July 5, 2017	Brunswick , 19 year old male died after a loader-related incident.
Aug 31, 2017	Pilger , 76 year old male died after being crushed by farm machinery he was working on.
Sept 12, 2017	North Platte , 57 year old male died after becoming trapped in a potato barge.
May 4, 2018	Battle Creek , 54 year old male died after electrocution while working on irrigation pivot.
May 29, 2018	South Sioux City , male died in fire following explosion near a grain dryer.
July 11, 2019	Grand Island , 52 year old male died in unspecified incident while detassling corn.
Sept 24, 2018	Murray , 61 year old male died after being pinned between tractor tire and crimper.
Sept 27, 2018	Inland , 60 year old male died when tractor he was driving was struck by a train.
Nov 18, 2018	Angora , 42 year old male died following electrocution by fence line hitting power line.
Feb 9, 2019	West Point , 53 year old male died after being struck by a tree that he was cutting on farm.
Sept 22, 2020	Elgin , 74 year old male died in unspecified farm incident.
Dec 8, 2020	Cozad , 65 year old male died after becoming pinned under bales that fell off of semi.



Agricultural Injuries

Nebraska Tractor Related Injuries

May 13, 2012	Stanton , 63 year old male suffered minor injuries when his tractor entered a ditch.
June 2012	Baldwin , Male suffered a punctured lung and fractured ribs when he fell off tractor.
June 15, 2012	Sutherland , 24 year old male suffered injuries when his tractor collided with a train.
July 17, 2014	Avoca , Male fractured ribs and got abrasions when he fell off his tractor.
Sept 21, 2014	Nelson , 56 year old male suffered laceration when he fell off and was struck by tractor.
Sept 22, 2015	Platte Center , 57 year old male injured when struck by tractor tire he was mounting.
Nov 5, 2015	McCook , 19 year old male and 43 year old male injured when tractor fell off trailer.
May 22, 2017	Lashara , 70 year old male was injured after being pinned under the tractor he was driving.
June 7, 2017	Bradshaw , 61 year old male injured after being pinned under the loader of a tractor.
Sept 2, 2017	Newport , 28 year old male injured in unspecified farm tractor incident.
June 7, 2017	Bradshaw , 61 year old male injured after being pinned loader bucket- hydraulic failure.
August 10, 2017	Peru , male injured after being pinned under tractor that overturned while mowing.
August 30, 2017	North Platte , 70 year old male injured after losing control of tractor, fell off and was runover.
Sept 2, 2017	Newport , 28 year old male was injured in unspecified tractor incident in farm yard.
April 19, 2018	Beatrice , male injured after being pinned under tractor while moving dirt.
August 2, 2018	Clearwater , male injured after slipping off drawbar and being runover by towed wagon.
August 2, 2018	Morse Bluff , male injured in unspecified tractor incident.
August 30, 2018	Norfolk , 61 year old male injured after becoming pinned under tractor while removing trees.
Jan 4, 2019	Sarpy County , male injured after being thrown for tractor after hitting a log.
Aug 20, 2020	Stapleton , male in serious condition after log chain recoiled into tractor cab hitting operator.

Nebraska Grain Bin Related Injuries

June 15, 2012	Chariton , 2 males injured when they fell off grain bin while painting due to fumes.
July 5, 2013	Sedan , 2 males were injured in grain elevator explosion.
August 2013	Arapahoe , 5 males suffered burns in grain elevator explosion.
August 31, 2015	Plattsmouth , 76 year old male injured when entrapped in grain bin.
Sept 16, 2016	Neligh , 53 year old male injured after being trapped in grain bin.
May 4, 2017	Raymond , 55 year old male injured after being trapped waist deep in grain bin.
August 2, 2018	Cedar Bluffs , 65 year old male injured after becoming engulfed up to neck in grain bin.
June 11, 2019	Juniata , male injured after becoming engulfed in grain in bin.
Aug 3, 2020	Hartington , male injured in unspecified incident involving grain bin.

Nebraska Roadway Agricultural Related Injuries

Feb 12, 2012	Arapahoe , 3 injured when truck horse trailer tipped due to ice.
Febr 15, 2012	David City , 72 year old male injured when his semi struck a bull.
Feb 22, 2012	Octavia , 25 year old female was injured when her vehicle rear-ended a tractor.
March 2, 2012	Columbus , 29 year old female was injured when her vehicle rear-ended a tractor.
March 6, 2012	Byron , Male suffered back injury when his farm vehicle left roadway and struck pivot.
July 6, 2012	Lexington , 7 y.o. male, 9 and 11 y.o. females injured when their vehicle struck by sprayer.
Oct 24, 2012	Burchard , Male tractor driver suffered cuts to head when hit by semi.
Jan 27, 2013	Fremont , Male and female suffered injuries in tractor - car collision.
May 8, 2013	Cedar Bluffs , Male injured in tractor-car collision.
July 12, 2013	2 males and 1 female were injured in tractor-car collision.
August 14, 2013	Foster , 60 year old male injured when his tractor collided with fuel truck.
Oct 11, 2013	Reynolds , 2 males injured when farm semi struck SUV.
Oct 14, 2013	Tilden , 62, 63 and 68 year old males suffered serious injuries in tractor-car collision.
May 1, 2014	Grand Island , 42 year old male and 61 year old male injured in tractor-car-truck collision.
Oct 7, 2014	Grafton , Male and female injured in when their car rear-ended a tractor.
Oct 16, 2014	Richland , 60 y.o. male and 18 y.o. female injured when their car rear-ended tractor.
Oct 21, 2014	Hebron , Male injured when his farm truck broadside a semi.
Jan 29, 2015	Woodland Park , Female injured when her pickup struck a tractor.
Jan 29, 2015	Humphrey , 26 year old male suffered critical injuries when his car struck a tractor.
Feb 3, 2015	Laurel , Male seriously injured when a semi struck his tractor.
May 21, 2015	Norfolk , 79 y.o. male critically injured and 21 y.o female injured when car struck tractor.
June 19, 2015	Stapleton , Two 17 year old males were injured when a pickup struck a tractor.
Oct 19, 2015	Trenton , 33 year old male injured in tractor-car collision.
Oct 29, 2015	Culbertson , 73 year old male injured in tractor-semi collision.
Nov 3, 2015	Howells , 52 year old male injured in grain truck-semi collision.
Nov 12, 2015	Syracuse , 60 year old male injured in grain truck-SUV collision.
Nov 15, 2015	Royal , Female injured when her car collided with cattle on the road.
Jan 12, 2016	Mitchell , 25 year old male suffered injuries when his car collided with a farm truck.
March 16, 2016	Clay Center , 24 year old male and 62 year old male injured in tractor-SUV collision.
May 5, 2016	Melbeta , 60 year old male injured when his tractor went over the side of a bridge.
Dec 28, 2016,	Superior , 66 year old man injured in car-combine crash.
Aug 30, 2017	North Platte , 70 year old male injured after losing control of tractor and collision.
April 25, 2018	Blair , 74 and 19 year old females injured when their vehicle collided with tractor and disc.

Nebraska Roadway Agricultural Related Injuries (continued)

July 8, 2019	Cozad , 2 males were injured after tractor was rear-ended by a semi.
Aug 3, 2018	Bottineau , 56 and 49 year old males injured in tractor/vehicle collision.
Oct 16, 2019	Madison , 29 year old man had face and arm injuries after his auto rear-ended combine.
Feb 5, 2020	Wheeler City , male injured after his farm truck was rear-ended by semi in foggy conditions.
Sep 20, 2020	Unadilla , 65 and 45 year old males injured in tractor/semi collision.
Dec 22, 2020	Humphrey , 33 and 31 year old males injured in tractor/semi collision.

Nebraska Agriculture ATV Related Injuries

April 7, 2012	Spalding , 14 year old male pinned under ATV suffered internal injuries and head trauma.
April 22, 2012	Leigh , 29 year old female pinned under ATV suffered leg injury.
Oct 2013	Duncan , 49 year old male injured when ATV overturned.
Jan 4, 2014	Elgin , 85 year old male injured when ATV crashed in pasture.
July 19, 2014	Ithaca , Male injured his shoulder when ATV overturned on gravel.
Feb 24, 2015	Greeley , Male injured when ATV flipped while tending cattle.
June 14, 2015	Mitchell , 15 and 14 year old males were injured pinned by ATV while checking on cattle.
May 13, 2017	Danbury , 55 year old male sustained head and neck injuries after being pinned under ATV.
June 2, 2017	Table Rock , 90 year old male injured when ATV was pushed off the road by cattle.
July 10, 2017	Red Cloud , 60 year old male injured after UTV collided with a pickup.
July 26, 2017	72 year old male injured after UTV went off canyon edge and rolled while spraying.
March 21, 2018	Brady , 29 year old male in serious condition after being pinned by ATV – moving cattle.
Dec 28, 2018	Clarkson , 42 year old male had internal injuries after losing control and pinned by ATV.
June 10, 2019	Lamar , male injured when he was pinned under ATV that hit washout in a field.

Nebraska Agriculture Entanglement Related Injuries

Sept 1, 2016	Litchfield , male injured in auger accident.
Jan 9, 2017	Saline County , male injured when his hand was caught in an auger.
July 20, 2017	Bennet , male injured after entanglement in stirrator auger while clearing beans in bin.
Jan 20, 2018	Kearney , males arm amputated after entanglement in unspecified farm equipment.
April 19, 2019	Pender , 63 year old male had leg amputated after being entangled in modified grain auger.
Aug 6, 2020	Ord , 55 year old male had arm amputated after becoming entangled in sweep auger.

Nebraska Livestock Related Injuries

August 8, 2013	Male attacked by bull while on ATV causing facial injuries and fractured vertebrae.
April 26, 2014	Gretna , 3 year old male injured when kicked by horse.
March 20, 2017	Saline County , 80 year old male injured when leg was trampled by a bull.
March 22, 2017	Stanton , 60 year old male injured after he was entrapped under the gates of a trailer.
March 31, 2017	Campbell , male injured by cow while tending new born calves in pasture.
June 2, 2017	Table Rock , 90 year old male injured when cow pushed ATV off roadway.
June 11, 2018	Whitney , 56 year old male was injured when bull charged and flipped over his ATV.
Nov 19, 2019	Webster County , 58 year old female hospitalized after being attacked by mule deer.
May 23, 2020	Omaha , 2 females injured when horses they were riding spooked.

Nebraska Agriculture Related Injuries (Various Causes or Unspecified)

October 2014	Burwell , Female injured in unspecified farm accident.
April 10, 2012	Humboldt , Male injured when bridge collapsed and tractor fell through.
July 15, 2012	Orchard City , Female amputated finger while repairing wagon.
Nov 8, 2012	Paul , 19 year old male suffered fractures and back injuries when tractor hit by train.
Jan 26, 2013	Leigh , Female suffered head injury when fell off scaffolding.
April 19, 2013	Stromsburg , Male injured after being struck by large hay bale when lifting it up with tractor.
April 20, 2013	Ulysses , 17 year old male was run over by forklift causing chest and ankle injuries.
Sept 28, 2013	Emerson , Male suffered electrical burns when tractor contacted overhead electrical lines.
Oct 19, 2013	Hooper , 66 year old male operator of a combine was hit by a train and critically injured.
Oct 21, 2013	Norfolk , 60 year old male was injured after being buried by a silage pile.
Oct 29, 2013	Imperial , Male suffered burns in explosion while using saw.
Nov 12, 2016	Edgar , male suffered anhydrous burns while applying.
March 22, 2017	Stanton , 60 year old male injured after being trapped under farm gate.
June 28, 2017	Grant , 18 year old male injured after being caught between the frame and tire of a planter.
Jan 31, 2014	Greeley , 61 year old male pinned under feed mixer suffered hip fracture and later a stroke.
March 29, 2014	Neligh , Female fractured ribs and pelvis when struck by a farm truck.
March 29, 2014	Roca , 55 year old male burned by anhydrous ammonia spray.
July 31, 2014	Concord , 56 year old male injured when crop dusting plane struck power lines.
Oct 2014	St. Libory , 70 year old male injured back in unspecified farm incident.
June 24, 2015	Washington County , Male injured when struck by framework at hog confinement farm.
Jan 6, 2016	Dorchester , Male's arm crushed and fractured when he tried to stop loaded grain truck.

Nebraska Agriculture Related Injuries (Various Causes or Unspecified) (continued)

April 13, 2016	Kennard , 76 year old male injured when he fell off a trailer.
April 14, 2016	Greeley , male injured in unspecified accident with farm equipment.
June 6, 2017	Long Island , male employee injured in fire involving farrowing barn.
June 28, 2017	Grant , 18 year old male suffered compressive asphyxia after being pinned by planter.
July 20, 2017	Wauneta , males injured during farm related event resulting in burns.
2018	Gering , 4 year old female burned in unspecified farming incident.
May 8, 2018	Beemer , male injured when sprayer he was driving tipped over when it fell through bridge.
June 1, 2018	Venago , male's foot, leg and abdomen was injured after being backed over by planter.
July 27, 2019	Blair , male injured after crop dusting helicopter he was piloting crashed near airport.
Nov 6, 2019	North Platte , teenager injured after unspecified incident involving combine header.
Aug 18, 2020	Male injured after the crop dusting plane he was flying crashed.

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