

North Dakota Agricultural Fatalities & Injuries

2012-2020



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North Dakota Tractor Related Fatalities*

July 18, 2012	Hampden , 51 year old male injured when tractor he was driving fishtailed and overturned.
August 27, 2012	Killdeer , 81 year old male died after being struck by tractor as he was working on it.
July 12, 2013	Erie , 72 year old male died after being stuck by tractor as he was working it.
July 17, 2013	Cayuga , 1 year old male died after falling out and being struck by tractor.
August 26, 2013	Minto , Male found dead in tractor that had caught on fire.
April 11, 2014	New England , 29 year old male died when tractor he was driving overturned.
April 28, 2015	Lisbon/Ulen , 65 year old male crushed under tractor bucket when hydraulic hose was cut.
May 3, 2015	Courtenay , 80 year old male struck by fertilizer cart/tractor & died.
June 20, 2015	Mott , 68 year old male struck by tractor when it slipped into gear.
August 17, 2015	Lignite/Stanley , 11 year old died when tractor he was driving overturned & pinned him.
September 25, 2015	Ashley , 88 year old male pinned between tractor and hay trailer.
October 17, 2015	Dickinson , 67 year old male's tractor struck culvert & overturned.
September 19, 2017	Souris , 3 year old male passenger in tractor fell out cab door and was struck by rear wheels
May 24, 2018	Cavalier , 59 year old male died after being backed over by tractor he was working on.
July 12, 2019	Portland , 77 year old male died after his tractor overturned while mowing hay in roadside ditch.
May 28, 2020	LaMoure , 74 year old male died after tractor overturned and ejected him.

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

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North Dakota Grain Bin Related Fatalities

- February 10, 2014 **Napoleon**, 39 year old male engulfed by corn while trying to dislodge it.
- June 16, 2014 **Wilton**, 27 year old male engulfed by corn in grain bin.
- July 26, 2014 **Napoleon**, 83 year old male engulfed by corn he was trying to dislodge from bin.
- June 12, 2019 **Brampton**, 71 year old male died after becoming engulfed in a grain bin.
- February 26, 2020 **Devils Lake**, 80 year old male died after becoming engulfed in a grain bin.
- June 10, 2020 **Pingree**, 56 year old female died after becoming engulfed in bin of sunflower seeds.
- June 15, 2020 **Adams**, 50 year old male died after becoming engulfed after entering bin to break-up canola.

North Dakota Roadway Agricultural Related Fatalities

- September 21, 2012 **Tolley**, 20 year old male died after his tractor was hit by a car.
- October 14, 2012 **East Grand Forks**, 59 year old died when the potato truck he was driving hit a beet truck.
- July 20, 2013 **Northwood**, 58 year old male died after his farm truck left the road and crashed into a tree.
- May 28, 2016 **Rugby**, 53 year old male died after his tractor and wagon was rear-ended by pickup truck.
- June 12, 2016 **Garrison**, 57 year old male died when pickup truck struck him while he was spraying.
- September 18, 2018 **Camp Grafton**, 59 year old male died after his livestock trailer entered ditch and overturned.
- October 23, 2018 **Hankinson**, 59 year old male died after the tractor he was driving was struck by an auto.
- April 7, 2019 **Leeds**, male died after his tractor was rear-ended by a semi.
- October 20, 2020 **Fairmount**, 71 year old male died after colliding with a tractor towing an cultivator.

North Dakota Agriculture ATV Related Fatalities

- April 20, 2012 **Berlin**, 8 year old male died when pinned under overturned ATV.
- June 21, 2012 **Adams**, 15 year old female died when ATV hit truck & overturned.
- August 5, 2012 **Turtle Lake**, 10 year old male died in unspecified ATV accident.
- July 19, 2014 **Tolna**, 8 year old male died when ATV rolled.
- April 24, 2016 **Park River**, 45 year old male died after ATV overturned.
- May 12, 2018 **Streeter**, 66 year old crushed by ATV - overturned after striking a tree root on farm.
- August 2, 2018 **Linton**, 69 year old male died after being injured on ATV while returning from pasture.
- October 18, 2018 **Leeds**, 84 year old male died after ATV overturned while trimming trees on farm property.
- June 25, 2020 **Grassy Butte**, 78 year old male died after becoming pinned by overturned ATV while spraying.

North Dakota Agriculture Related Entanglement Fatalities

- March 20, 2012 **Eldridge**, 53 year old male entangled in PTO of implement.
- October 26, 2016 **Edgeley**, 59 year old male died after stock trailer entanglement incident.
- December 15, 2018 **Palermo**, 64 year old male died after becoming entangled in driveline between tractor and grinder.
- November 12, 2019 **Maxbass**, 16 year old male died after becoming entangled in a baler while baling corn stalks.
- September 30, 2020 **Westhope**, 41 year old male died after becoming entangled in grain cart auger.

North Dakota Livestock Related Fatalities

- June 10, 2013 **Amidon**, 81 year old male attacked by cow and thrown over fence.
- July 5, 2013 **Norwich**, 47 year old male died in unspecified horse incident.

North Dakota Agricultural Fatalities (Various Causes or Unspecified)

- October 13, 2012 **Litchville**, 87 year old male driving tractor died after tractor caught on fire.
- June 10, 2013 **Mott**, 19 year old male struck electrical line while spraying field.
- June 17, 2013 **Bowbells**, 55 year old male struck and killed by agricultural sprayer.
- August 23, 2013 **Milnor**, 2 year old female died when backed over by forklift.
- October 21, 2013 **Ruso**, 49 year old male pinned between pickup and car at farm.
- October 27, 2013 **McClusky**, 82 year old female pinned between pickup & garage.
- June 15, 2015 **Niobe**, 5 year old male run over by grain truck.
- February 14, 2016 **Napoleon**, 60 year old male pinned underneath truck in farm shed.
- August 2, 2016 **Fairfield**, 10 year old male died in unspecific farm-related accident.
- October 3, 2016 **Niagara**, 34 year old male found dead near combine in field.
- October 13, 2016 **Hettinger**, 56 year old male died in unspecific farming incident.
- March 13, 2017 **Norwich County**, 49 year old male died after being pinned under a bale processor.
- June 29, 2017 **Lisbon**, 45 year old male died after crop spraying plane crashed.
- September, 2017 Female of unknown age died in unspecific farming incident.
- March 30, 2018 **Alexander**, 89 year old male died after being pinned between livestock trailer and fence post.
- May 27, 2018 **Tappen**, 66 year old male died after unspecified farm incident.
- November 16, 2018 **Minot**, 64 year old male died in unspecified farm incident while working around equipment.
- March 18, 2019 **Minto**, male died after tractor he was driving was struck by a train.
- February 9, 2020 **Oakes**, 25 year old male crushed to death by feed while unloading a semi.
- April 5, 2020 **Flasher**, 75 year old male died after unspecified farm related injuries.
- April 20, 2020 **New Town**, 56 year old male died after his skid steer overturned (rearward) pinning him with grain.
- October 28, 2020 **New Salem**, 62 year old male died after unspecified farm incident.

Agricultural Injuries

North Dakota Tractor Related Injuries

- June 8, 2017 **Hankinson**, 62 year old male injured after being run over by a tractor.
- August 30, 2020 **Cooperstown**, 32 year old male injured after being run-over by a tractor while working on fences.
- October 9, 2020 **Velva**, male hospitalized after a bridge collapsed that he was crossing on tractor with implement.

North Dakota Grain Bin Related Injuries

- September 5, 2012 **Honeyford**, 59 year old male caught foot in bin auger while shoveling.
- October 23, 2017 **Wahpeton**, Male injured after falling from upper level of grain dryer when door hinges failed.
- November 21, 2017 **Northwood**, 52 year old male entangled in grain bin augur while cleaning bin.
- December 8, 2019 **Lankin**, male injured after becoming entrapped by corn that gave-way.

North Dakota Roadway Agricultural Related Injuries

- June 16, 2012 **Velva**, 43 year old male injured when in motorcycle-horse trailer crash.
- April 26, 2012 **Park River**, 54 year old male and 20 year old female in tractor-car crash.
- August 13, 2012 **Park River**, Male fractured pelvis and knee in payload-car accident.
- October 1, 2012 **Bismarck**, Male semi driver injured after hitting the back of a hay rake on the highway.
- October 14, 2012 **Cando**, 81 and 73 year old males, 69 year old female, injured in farm truck-car collision.
- July 14, 2013 **Wahpeton**, 34 year old male and 31 year old male in SUV-pickup hauling hay collision and injured.
- July 26, 2013 **Michigan**, 67 year old male and 26 yea old male in grain hopper-car crash.
- August 19, 2014 **Berthold**, 63 year old male's leg injured in tractor-semi collision.
- June 10, 2015 **Fessenden**, 41 year old female and 8 year old female in tractor-car crash.
- July, 2017 **Salem**, male of unknown age injured in unspecified farming-related incident.
- July 8, 2017 **Lidgerwood**, 49 year old male injured when driving a motorcycle after colliding with tractor.
- October 20, 2017 **Litchville**, 40 and 49 year old males injured when tractor was struck by a semi.
- October 21, 2017 **Enderlin**, 15 and 27 year old males were injured when a SUV rear-ended a combine.
- June 26, 2018 **Insker**, 47 year old female injured after the tractor she was driving was rear-ended by pick up.
- October 23, 2018 **Oakes**, 39 year old male was injured when combine he was driving was struck by a semi.

North Dakota Agriculture ATV Related Injuries

- April 20, 2012 **Berlin**, 5 year old male injured when pinned under overturned ATV.
- July 6, 2016 **Killdeer**, male injured after being pinned underneath ATV.
- July 7, 2016 **Woodworth**, 51 year old male injured after ATV rollover accident.

North Dakota Entanglement Agriculture Related Injuries

- July 6, 2012 **Buchanan**, Male injured when entangled in auger in grain bin.
- November 9, 2013 **Kathryn**, 30 year old male's arm and hand entangled in baler.

June 26, 2017 **Linton**, Male of unknown age injured after arm was entangled in a baler.
May 13, 2018 **New England**, Male had hand amputated after reaching into a grain vacuum transfer auger.
May 19, 2018 **Golden Lake**, Female in serious condition after becoming entangled in reel type rock picker.
October 25, 2018 **Drayton**, 61 year old male in critical condition after becoming entangled in beet lifter.
January 30, 2019 **Binford**, 25 year old male in critical condition after becoming entangled in the drive of mixer wagon.
October 31, 2019 **Buffalo**, male injured foot after becoming entangled in the auger of a combine.
August 20, 2020 **Fargo**, male hospitalized after becoming entangled in a grain bin auger.
September 16, 2020 **Langdon**, 18 year old male injured (leg) after becoming entangled in an auger.

North Dakota Livestock Related Injuries

April 28, 2012 **East Grand Forks**, Female paralyzed when fell off horse while working livestock.
April 2013 **Washburn**, Male fractured jaw, shoulders, & ribs when struck by birthing cow.

North Dakota Agriculture Related Injuries (Various Causes or Unspecified)

February 21, 2012 **Dwight**, 60 year old male trapped under truck that fell off blocks.
June 2012 **Edmore**, Male fractured leg when sprayer wheel fell on his legs when repair.
June 12, 2012 **Wyndmere**, Male fractured neck when missed step off of farm semi.
September 26, 2012 **Walcott**, 57 year old male crushed between pickup & farm truck.
January 28, 2013 **South Heart**, Male burned in incident with propane and well.
May 25, 2015 **Casselton**, 70 year old male crop duster struck overhead line & crashed.
December 11, 2015 **Regent**, Male was injured after falling 30 ft when cleaning seed machine.
July 1, 2016 **Valley City**, 45 year old male injured during landing while crop dusting.
August 23, 2017 **Makoti**, male of unknown age, operator of combine injured after it caught on fire.
April 1, 2018 **Wahpeton**, female had pelvis crushed by tire after jumping from farm truck to herd cattle.
September 21, 2018 **Napolean**, 38 year old male injured when the plane he was spraying with hit an electric line.
April 23, 2019 **Glenburn**, male received burns after working with torch on the farm that exploded causing a fire
July 8, 2020 Male injured during unspecified incident on farm.
September 23, 2020 **Crosby**, 57 year old male in critical condition after attempting to extinguish combine fire – wheat.
October 31, 2020 **Napolean**, female damaged fingers during unspecified farming incident.

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