

1969
Fatal Farm Accidents in Wisconsin

Year	Number Fatalities
1945	168
1946	156
1947	145
1948	134
1949	128
1950	124
1951	115
1952	114
1953	102
1954	99
1955	89
1956	95
1957	94
1958	81
1959	89
1960	103
1961	93
1962	86
1963	100
1964	85
1965	81
1966	93
1967	75
1968	65
1969	77

This graph [table] shows a gradual decrease in the number of fatal farm accidents in Wisconsin through 1953. Since then, there has been a leveling off to a point considerably lower than the average for that early period. Indications are that the permanent injury and lost-time accidents have shown a corresponding decrease.

A further reduction in farm accidents is the goal. However, a continuing active safety program in which all segments of agriculture participate is necessary to even maintain the present level of farm accident fatalities.

The ultimate goal of agriculture should be to further reduce the number of unnecessary accidents to the point where we compare favorably with other industries.

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Wisconsin Fatal Farm Accident Summary

Fatal Farm Accidents in Wisconsin have shown a gradual decrease through 1953. In the sixteen years since then, they have leveled off to an average of a little less than 100.

Yearly summaries of fatal farm accidents are based on newspaper clippings from all Wisconsin daily and weekly newspapers, with further verification and details obtained from agricultural teachers, county agents, and other similar sources. In addition, there are hundreds of permanent-injury and thousands of lost-time accidents each year.

Individual county statistics will be made available upon request to those promoting community or county-wide safety programs.

Total	Type of Accident	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
47	Machinery	2	1	1	4	6	3	8	8	2	7	4	1
8	Fire & Burns	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Animals	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
5	Traffic	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	1
2	Drowning	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
2	Suffocation	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
2	Woodcutting	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1	Explosion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
1	Falling Object	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	Fall	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
1	Motorcycle	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
1	Motor Vehicle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1	Strangulation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
7	All Types	9	3	3	4	8	4	13	12	3	11	5	2

Breakdown

Machinery

Tractor	42
Wagon	2
Hay Crimper	1
Hay Elevator	1
Manure Spreader	1
Total	47

Animals

Bull	3
Cow	1
Horse	1
Total	5

Fire & Burns

House	7
Straw Pile	1
Total	8

Drowning

Liquid Manure Pit	1
Milk Cooler Tank	1
Total	2

Fall

Down Hay Chute	1
Total	1

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Fatal Tractor Accidents in Wisconsin

Of the 47 fatal machinery accidents recorded from newspaper clippings, 42 were fatal tractor accidents.

Fatal Tractor Accidents by Type and Age

Total	Sex	Not Known	65-Over	45-64	25-44	20-24	15-19	10-14	5-9	Under 5
39	Male	1	5	10	3	0	8	8	1	3
3	Female	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0

Fatal Tractor Accidents by Months

January	2	July	7
February	1	August	7
March	1	September	2
April	4	October	6
May	6	November	3
June	2	December	1

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