

**1.2 Million**  
Annual Weather  
Related Traffic **Crashes**  
in the U.S. \*

**5,897**  
Annual Weather  
Related Traffic **Deaths**  
in the U.S.

**1,836**

Annual Traffic Deaths Caused  
By **Winter Weather** in the U.S.

**448**

Annual Deaths Caused By All  
**Bad Weather Events** in the U.S.  
(Floods, Lightning, Tornadoes,  
Hurricanes, Heat, etc.)\*\*

## *Be a Safe Winter Driver*



Light snow (inch or less)  
typically causes more  
crashes than heavier snows.



Four wheel drive vehicles  
move better in snow, but steer  
and stop just like any other car.



On clear, calm nights  
watch for frost on bridges  
in winter. Frost is ice!



Snow plows use de-icing materials to  
allow the plow to work and remove  
the snow. Give them room to work.



(\*) Ten year averages - Courtesy of the FHWA

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