

**NUMBER OF LIGHTNING DEATHS
BY STATE FROM 2013 TO 2022**

State	Deaths 2013-2022	Rank of Deaths	State	Deaths 2013-2022	Rank of Deaths
Florida	51	1	Iowa	2	26
Texas	19	2	Massachusetts	2	26
Alabama	13	3	New Jersey	2	26
North Carolina	11	4	Utah	2	26
Arizona	10	5	Virginia	2	26
Colorado	9	6	Kansas	1	31
Georgia	9	6	Maryland	1	31
Missouri	7	8	Minnesota	1	31
Pennsylvania	7	8	Montana	1	31
New York	7	8	North Dakota	1	31
California	6	11	Oregon	1	31
Louisiana	6	11	South Dakota	1	31
Arkansas	5	13	West Virginia	1	31
Ohio	5	13	Wyoming	1	31
Wisconsin	5	13	Alaska	0	40
Kentucky	4	16	Connecticut	0	40
Mississippi	4	16	Delaware	0	40
South Carolina	4	16	Hawaii	0	40
Tennessee	4	16	Idaho	0	40
D.C.	3	20	Maine	0	40
Illinois	3	20	Nebraska	0	40
Indiana	3	20	Nevada	0	40
Michigan	3	20	New Hampshire	0	40
New Mexico	3	20	Oklahoma	0	40
Puerto Rico	3	20	Rhode Island	0	40
			Vermont	0	40
			Washington	0	40
			United States	223	

The lightning fatality data were collected by the National Weather Service of NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). They come from monthly and annual summaries compiled by the National Weather Service and published in monthly issues of *Storm Data*. Data for recent years are available at two sites:

- <https://www.weather.gov/safety/lightning-victims>
- <http://lightningsafetycouncil.org/LSC-LightningFatalities.html>

A similar table for the period from 1959 to 1994 is included in the following article:

Curran, E.B., R.L. Holle, and R.E. López, 2000: Lightning casualties and damages in the United States from 1959 to 1994. *Journal of Climate*, **13**, 3448-3453.

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