

The **National ROPS Rebate Program** helps farmers install lifesaving Rollover Protective Structures (ROPS) on unprotected farm tractors. ROPS installation protects communities from the most frequent cause of death on U.S. farms - **tractor overturns**.

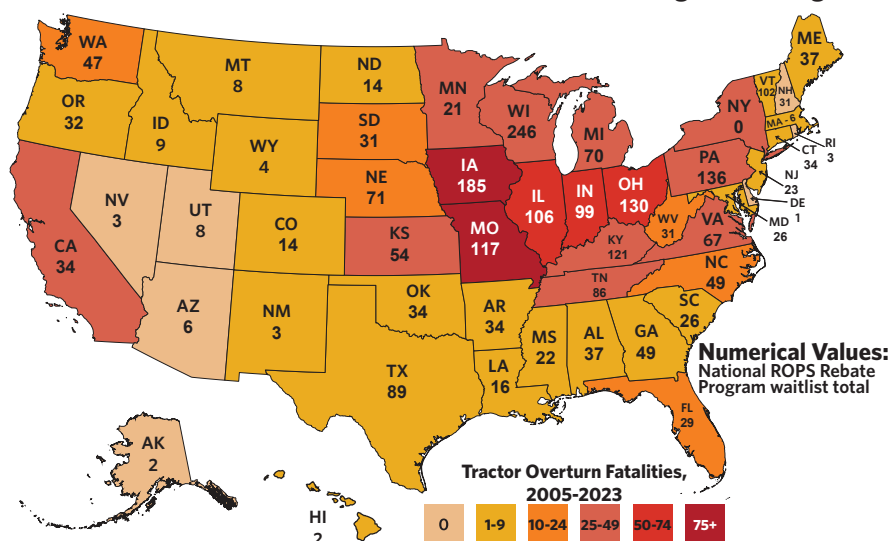


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Work-related death rates on farms are **five times greater** than the average occupational fatality rate. **Tractor overturns are the most frequent source of agricultural fatalities, injuries, and associated costs**, but can be easily prevented with the installation of ROPS.

The ROPS Rebate Program was established in 2006 to provide farmers with crucial financial assistance to install lifesaving ROPS on unprotected tractors. Since then, the program has expanded, installing ROPS on over **3,600 tractors** and preventing the death or serious injury for at least **28 farmers**. While limited state funding is available for a small number of states, **stable national funding is critically important to ensure farmers in high-risk states and nationwide have access to these life saving devices**. Prior research also demonstrates the cost effectiveness of this approach (Myers et al, 2018).*

Tractor Overturn Fatalities and the National ROPS Rebate Program Waiting List



Tractor overturns are the most frequent cause of death on farms. For every rollover fatality there are five non-fatal injuries, with 13% resulting in permanent disability.

A single tractor rollover fatality, in addition to the tragic loss of life, has a nearly one million dollar financial impact on local farming communities.

Installing a ROPS and seatbelt is 99% effective in preventing death from a tractor rollover.

Roughly half of the tractors in the U.S. are unprotected.

2,411 farmers in 49 states are currently on a waitlist to receive funding for ROPS rebates.

99% of farmers would recommend the ROPS rebate program to other farmers.

Since retrofitting through the Program, participants have reported at least 28 events in which death or permanent disability were likely prevented, as well as many close calls. These are the lives that your support help save.

