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#1	1/28/2023	Dane / Blooming Grove	Frozen Lake	ATV	45 / M / WI	Broke Through Ice	No	No	Yes / .186
Synopsis		Operator/victim was returning to shore after ice fishing on Lake Waubesa when he drove into open water.							
#2	2/17/2023	Winnebago / Wolf River Township	Frozen Lake	ATV	56 / M / IL	Broke Through Ice	No	No	Yes / .185
Synopsis		Preliminary evidence suggests the operator/victim drove his ATV into an expansion crack on Lake Poygan. Victim was found deceased on 2/18/2023.							
#3	2/25/2023	Adams / Camelot Lake	Frozen Lake	UTV	66 / M / WI	Broke Through Ice	No	No / Yes	No
Synopsis		UTV operator and single passenger were traveling on Camelot Lake. The UTV broke through the ice. Both individuals were wearing seatbelts. The operator was able to get his seatbelt undone and a nearby witness helped him get out of the water. The passenger/victim was unable to get his seatbelt undone and sank with the UTV.							
#4	3/30/2023	Douglas / Bennett	Public Trail	ATV	61 / M / IL	ATV Rolled Over	No	No	Yes / .134
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a groomed winter ATV trail. After crossing a road intersection, the operator crossed onto the left side of the trail. When the front tires entered the ungroomed surface on the edge of the trail, the front end sunk into the deep snow causing the ATV to stop suddenly, roll forward and overturn onto the victim.							
#5	5/2/2023	Dunn / Springbrook	Private Land	UTV	75 / M / WI	UTV Rolled Over	No	No / No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was in the act of turning the machine when the UTV rolled.							
#6	5/20/2023	Portage / Hull	Public Road	ATV	39 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No / No	Yes / .284
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling at a high rate of speed when the ATV left the road and struck a driveway embankment, causing the operator to be ejected.							
#7	5/27/2023	Marquette / Mecan	Route	UTV	72 / M / WI	Collision with UTV / UTV Rolled Over	No	No / No	Yes / .22
Synopsis		The first UTV in a line of two slowed to yield to vehicular traffic. The second UTV failed to slow down and rearended the first. The second UTV proceeded to tip and roll onto the driver's side.							
#8	6/2/2023	Juneau / Necedah	Public Road	ATV	32 / M / WI	ATV Rolled Over	No	No	Yes / .328
Synopsis		A passerby came across an ATV rolled over at an intersection of two town roads in Necedah Township. The operator/victim was trapped underneath the ATV and succumbed to their injuries a short time after being found.							
#9	6/3/2023	Forest / Popple River	Public Trail	UTV	63 / F / WI	UTV Rolled Over	No	No / Yes	No
Synopsis		Victim was riding on UTV as a passenger when the operator lost control, causing the UTV to roll over. Investigation pending.							
#10	6/11/2023	Jackson / Black River State Forest	Public Trail	ATV	65 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	Yes	No	No
Synopsis		Victim was riding an ATV and struck a tree. Investigation pending.							
#11	6/11/2023	Barron / Cumberland	Public Trail	UTV	48 / F / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	No / Yes	Yes / Unknown
Synopsis		Victim was riding in UTV as a passenger when the UTV veered off the trail and struck a tree. Investigation pending.							
#12	6/11/2023	Barron / Cumberland	Public Trail	UTV	53 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	No / Yes	Yes / Unknown
Synopsis		Operator/victim lost control of the UTV, left the trail and struck a tree. Victim passed away from his injuries on 6/27/2023.							
#13	6/18/2023	Pepin / Waterville	Public Road	UTV	45 / F / WI	UTV Rolled Over / Ejected	No	No / No	Pending
Synopsis		Victim was passenger on UTV. UTV was being operated on a gravel roadway marked as closed for construction. The UTV was leading a group of five when it struck a large pile of gravel and rolled multiple times.							



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#14	6/21/2023	Langlade / Summit Lake	Route	ATV	47 / F / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was operating on a public road route and rounded a corner while passing a motor vehicle traveling in the opposite direction. The operator/victim then lost control and left the road, striking a tree. The operator/victim was transported to the hospital and died from their injuries on 6/23/2023.							
#15	7/6/2023	Iron / Mercer	Route	UTV	26 / F / WI	UTV Rolled Over	Yes	No / No	Yes / .24
Synopsis		Operator/victim was attempting to negotiate a curve when the UTV rolled over. Investigation pending.							
#16	7/10/2023	Monroe / Tomah	Route	ATV	31 / F / WI	ATV Rolled Over	Yes	No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a road route and lost control of the ATV. After leaving the roadway, the machine rolled several times and came to rest against some trees.							
#17	7/30/2023	Marinette / Lake	Route	UTV	54 / M / WI	UTV Rolled Over	No	No / Yes	Yes / .09
Synopsis		Operator/victim left a tavern with an adult passenger. The operator/victim lost control of the UTV and began swerving. The passenger was ejected, and the operator/victim remained inside the UTV and rolled down a steep ditch.							
#18	8/12/2023	Taylor / Rib Lake	Route	ATV	48 / M / WI	ATV Rolled Over	No	No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was operating on a route and failed to negotiate a curve.							
#19	8/17/2023	Wood / Grand Rapids	Private Property	ATV	79 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No	Unknown
Synopsis		Operator/victim was riding on his property when he was ejected from the ATV. The victim passed away 15 days later due to internal injuries sustained in the crash.							
#20	8/19/2023	Jefferson / Palmyra	Route	ATV	29 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	Yes	No	Yes / .208
Synopsis		Operator/victim was observed pulling onto a roadway by a motor vehicle operator. The ATV pulled away and out of sight of the motor vehicle. Shortly thereafter, the motor vehicle came upon the scene where the ATV had struck a tree and the operator/victim was pinned between the tree and the machine. Incident is under investigation.							
#21	8/25/2023	Richland / Richwood	Route	ATV	36 / M / WI	ATV Rolled Over	No	No	Yes / .20
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a gravel road, lost control and was ejected as the ATV rolled over.							
#22	8/26/2023	Grant / Paris	Route	UTV	47 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No / No	Yes / .15
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a gravel road, failed to navigate a turn, left the roadway and was ejected.							
#23	9/2/2023	Wood / Dexter	Public Road	ATV	71 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No	Yes / .112
Synopsis		Two ATVs were operating on a town road. The second ATV, operated by the victim, appeared to have been trying to catch up with the lead ATV when they left the roadway, entered the ditch, and were ejected.							
#24	9/4/2023	St. Croix / Star Prairie	Route	ATV	54 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No	Yes / .13
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on an ATV route. The ATV struck a deer causing the operator to lose control and be ejected. Operator/victim succumbed to head injuries sustained in the crash on 9/6/2023.							
#25	9/13/2023	Pierce / River Falls	Private Land	ATV	55 / M / WI	ATV Rolled Over	No	No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling up a steep incline out of a ravine when the machine rolled backwards, flipping over, and landing on the victim.							



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#26	10/15/2023	Marathon / Franzen	Private Land	UTV	69 / M / WI	Struck by UTV	No	No / No	No
Synopsis		The victim was standing behind the UTV when an adult operator began backing the UTV up. The operator then accelerated quickly to overcome an obstruction. The UTV struck the victim and threw him back, which caused the victim to strike his head against a tree.							
#27	11/5/2023	Marathon / Cassel	Route	ATV	75 / M / WI	Ejected	No	No	Unknown
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a town highway and swerved to avoid a skunk. The operator/victim was ejected, suffered severe head injuries, and succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash on 12/20/2023.							
#28	11/8/2023	Shawano / Wittenberg	Private Land	ATV	13 / M / WI	ATV Rolled Over	Yes	No	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling across a corn stubble field, lost control and rolled the machine.							
#29	11/16/2023	Warner / Clark	Route	UTV	42 / M / WI	UTV Rolled Over	No	No / Yes	No
Synopsis		Operator/victim was traveling on a gravel road route when the right side of the machine gradually left the roadway, caught the edge of the shoulder, and rolled over into the ditch.							
#30	11/17/2023	Winnebago / Omro	Public Road	ATV	15 / M / WI	Collision with Moving Motor Vehicle	Yes	Yes	No
Synopsis		Preliminary evidence suggests the operator/victim failed to stop for a stop sign at an intersection and was struck by a truck.							
#31	12/16/2023	Polk / Lincoln	Private Land	UTV	77 / M / WI	Collision with a Fixed Object	No	No / No	Unknown
Synopsis		Operator/victim was operating an UTV on private property sometime between the evening of 12/16 and 12/17 when he collided with a tree.							
#32	12/31/2023	Lincoln / Scott	Public Road	UTV	48 / M / WI	UTV Rolled Over	No	No / No	Yes / .27
Synopsis		The UTV was traveling on a roadway when it left the roadway and rolled. Operator/victim was found deceased upon arrival by first responders.							