

US 41 highway safety

Safety. Our top priority.

Increased traffic volume and outdated 1950s construction on US 41 contributed to above-average crash rates in Winnebago and Brown counties. From 2007 to 2011 there were 4,256 crashes with 24 fatalities in the US 41 project area of northeast Wisconsin. The US 41 Project is making the road safer by better accommodating larger volumes of traffic and taking advantage of a great new safety feature — the roundabout.

Roundabout safety statistics

At locations where roundabouts have replaced stop signs and/or traffic signals:

- Crashes decreased 39 percent
- Injuries decreased 76 percent
- Fatalities and/or incapacitating injuries decreased 90 percent

Source: [Insurance Institute for Highway Safety](#)

Construction zone safety

Safe for workers. Safe for you.

To make things safer for everyone, WisDOT is taking some extra precautions in US 41 construction areas including:

- Providing additional law enforcement from the State Patrol
- Providing extra signage to guide motorists
- Reducing speed limits through work zones
- Coordinating with local police and fire departments
- Providing traffic mitigation plans as construction progresses

Additional law enforcement is assisting with nighttime lane closures, traffic incidents and speed enforcement. A [Freeway Service Team](#) is reducing congestion on highway 41 during peak hours and holiday events by helping to fix stalled vehicles, or towing them to designated drop-off points when necessary. We are doing everything possible to minimize the impact of construction on your travels. But please remember, it's important to continue to slow down, keep a cool head and give your full attention to the road when traveling through construction zones. Your safety, and that of everyone around you, depends on you.