

## Thousands Of Drivers Over Age 90 in Nebraska

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It turns out there are thousands of Nebraska drivers over the age of 90. Lyle Stevens is one of them. He got his first driver's license in 1937.

"When I was 16 my mother took me down to the old courthouse and I got my license. I have been driving ever since," said Stevens, as he stands next to the two vehicles he owns.

Most should hope to be as spry and active as Stevens if they ever get to age 92.

"I am just [learning](#) where all the buttons and gadgets on it," said Stevens as he gets in his newer Buick sedan.

As he backs out of the driveway, Stevens said he got his driver's license renewed in 2011 at the ripe old age of 90.

"When I went in and passed it without glasses, and the gal gave me the eye test couldn't believe someone 90 years old could take the test and pass it without glasses," said Stevens.

And it may come as a surprise, but in Nebraska there are 7,069 people over the age of 90 licensed to drive. But an old driver doesn't mean a bad driver.

In fact, drivers age 65 and older on average have the lowest crash [rate](#).

The way the state has handled senior drivers has changed over the years. Today, after the age of 70 when a person's license expires they must renew the license in person. Then the senior must take a vision test and in certain situations also have to take a written test as well.

This is a law Steven's is happy is in place.

"I think we should have a drivers test. I have no problem with driving," said Stevens. "But there are people who are driving that shouldn't be."

Stevens said he knows his limits and while he still can, he plans to put the pedal to the open road when ever he wants.

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