

## Accident Counts on Highway 16 Less Than Expected

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Ask anybody who drives highway 16 daily in La Crosse and they'll tell you about the constant traffic back-ups caused by accidents.

As often as it happens, however, we've found that the number of intersection accidents on highway 16 have actually dropped significantly over a five year stretch. In 2005 highway 16 and Gillette street was the most accident-prone in the city, with 29 reported that year. Last year, there was only 8 at that intersection. Number two crash-prone intersection was at 16 and 157. 24 accidents in 2005. 22 last year. Number three that year; 16 and 157. That intersection dropped from 23 crashes to 7 last year. Police numbers show several intersections in the city now are much more likely to have accidents than those on highway 16.