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SOUTHERN COMMAND

Department of Public Safety

Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

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## Overview

Southern Command personnel handled 1118 crashes in February 2011. Of these, 797 were property damage, 317 were injury, and 3 were fatal. The total crashes increased by 24.4% compared to last year. When compared to last year, fatalities decreased by 40%. 44 of these crashes involved commercial vehicles 8 resulted in injuries, 36 were property damage, and 0 resulted in fatalities. Crashes involving commercial vehicles represented 3.9% of the total crashes handled by the Southern Command. Impaired drivers were responsible for 3.04% of all crashes in the Southern Command.

The Southern Command is driven to provide this community with a professional and effective law enforcement presence. The Southern Command extends a thank you to all those who assisted us in gaining success in our law enforcement services this past month.

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**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

	Feb 11	Feb 10	% Change	Jan. 10	% Change
Total crashes	1118	899	24.4%	995	12.4%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	797	660	20.8%	711	12.1%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	317	235	34.9%	282	12.4%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	3	4	-25.0%	3	0.0%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	34	36	-5.6%	145	-76.6%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3	5	-40.0%	3	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2	3	-33.3%	1	100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	1	2	-50.0%	0	100.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	44	29	51.7%	40	10.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	36	22	63.6%	33	9.1%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	8	7	14.3%	7	14.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	1	-100.0%	0	0.0%

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ◆ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes .26%
- ◆ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 3.04%
- ◆ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0%
- ◆ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 3.9 %
- ◆ Total crashes increased 24.4% compared to last year.
- ◆ Commercial vehicle crashes increased 51.7 % from last year.
- ◆ Fatality crashes decreased 25 % from the same time as last year

## FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Analysis and review of current reporting period, versus same period in previous fiscal year, versus previous reporting period]

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	Feb 11	Feb 10	% Change	Jan 11	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	34	36	-5.6%	145	-76.6%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	171	136	25.7%	109	56.9%
Other arrests	1011	588	71.9%	919	10.0%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	422	287	47.0%	448	-5.8%
Speed violations	3891	3331	16.8%	4381	-11.2%
Hazardous moving violations	2123	1684	26.1%	2254	-5.8%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	385	409	-5.9%	442	-12.9%
Total violations [above violations included]	10647	8952	18.9%	12247	-13.1%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	26	77	-66.2%	62	-58.1%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	104	156	-33.3%	170	-38.8%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	678	658	3.0%	693	-2.2%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	259	342	-24.3%	281	-7.8%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1518	1808	-16.0%	1778	-14.6%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	58	83	-30.1%	50	16.0%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	51	66	-22.7%	60	-15.0%
Total school buses inspected	305	428	-28.7%	317	-3.8%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	59	96	-38.5%	35	68.6%
Total trucks weighed	2004	728	175.3%	108	1755.6%
Total overweight citations	10	4	150.0%	6	66.7%
Total dyed fuel inspections	431	410	5.1%	358	20.4%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

\*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Urban Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections		20	
Safety Violations Citation		5	
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>		27	
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"		2	
Dyed Fuel Inspections		10	
Dyed Fuel Citations		0	

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✿ Average BAC .139 %
- ✿ Average age of DUI arrests: 31.9 years old.
- ✿ None of the DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance.
- ✿ 3 drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	Feb 11		Feb 10	% Change		Jan 11	% Change
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>							
Radio Transmissions Consoles From	309,429		305,682	1.2%		361,953	-14.5%
Radio Transmissions & Receptions	1,878,570		1,349,804	39.2%		2,488,052	-24.5%
CAD Incidents	24,006		22,135	8.5%		27714	-13.4%
Telephone Calls	27,517		32,717	-15.9%		36936	-25.5%
Call Box Incidents (Las Vegas only)	13		38	-65.8%		broken	1300.0%
<b>Accident Reports Processed</b>							
Accident Reports Processed	918		967	-5.1%		1,176	-21.9%
Arrest Reports Processed	372		213	74.6%		337	10.4%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	16		20	-20.0%		19	-15.8%
Vehicle Impound Releases	88		101	-12.9%		111	-20.7%
Visitors at Counter	633		692	-8.5%		815	-22.3%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	1,080		2,473	-56.3%		1,644	-34.3%
<b>Warrants Received</b>							
Warrants Received	654		779	-16.0%		733	-10.8%
Warrants Entered	538		330	63.0%		617	-12.8%
Warrants Cleared	284		456	-37.7%		237	19.8%
Warrants Validated	2,542		2,334	8.9%		2,486	2.3%
Extradition / Transports	13		16	-18.8%		18	-27.8%
<b>New Cases Submitted</b>							
New Cases Submitted	196		63	211.1%		221	-11.3%
New Items Submitted	321		164	95.7%		300	7.0%
Items Disposed	28		12	133.3%		17	64.7%
<b>CONTRACT SERVICES</b>							
Number of Contracts	5		8	-37.5%		6	-16.7%
Hours Worked	180.5		1290.5	-86.0%		120.5	49.8%
Amount Billed	\$12,284.91		\$92,007.12	-86.6%		\$8,352.46	47.1%

<b>OTHER ANALYSIS</b>							
<b>EVIDENCE</b>	Feb 11		Feb 10	% Change		Jan 10	% Change
Cases submitted by the Nevada Highway Patrol:	91.33%		68.3%	33.7%		95.02%	-3.9%
Cases submitted by Parole and Probation:	8.16%		29.3%	-72.1%		3.62%	125.4%
Cases submitted by Division of Investigation:	0.51%		1.2%	-58.2%		0.90%	-43.3%
Cases submitted by Fire Marshall:						0.45%	-0.5%
Cases submitted by OPR:			1.2%	-1.2%			
<b>OPERATIONS ANALYSIS</b>							
Average BAC	.139		.13	6.9%		.16	-13.1%
Average age of DUI arrests:	31.9		32	-0.3%		32	-0.3%
DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance:	UNK		UNK			UNK	
DUI drivers arrested that had prior DUI convictions:	3		3	0%		8	-62.5%

## CONTRACT SERVICES

- 5 Contracts using 180.5 hrs, billed in the amount of \$12,284.91

## PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
361	6	7	4	1

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
711	226	8	21	3	18

### PIO Projects:

North Las Vegas Victim Impact Panel MADD  
 SCA Committee Meeting  
 Nellis Air Force Base FTAC.  
 Rifle Class Instructor  
 Tip a Cop at Famous Dave's  
 Safe Stats  
 JIC Meeting  
 Speedway Conference/Luncheon  
 SHSP Meeting  
 DiCast Car Show

## PATROL FLIGHT OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

The Southern Command Aircraft flew 17 missions during the month of January for a total of 41.4 flight hours. Below is a breakdown of activities.

Total Missions	Flight Hours	Flight Time %	Description
3	11	41	Training
1	3.4	12	Speed Enforcement
1	4.5	16	Prisoner Transport-Instate
4	11	41	Line Patrol

Majority of flight time was concentrated on patrolling Nevada's rural roads. From Tonopah southbound, the aircraft spotted a total of 7 vehicles either left abandoned or requiring assistance along the highway. A semi was located near Coyote Springs on US 93; a vehicle occupied by a couple was spotted stopping numerous times in the travel lane on US 6, east of Tonopah. An approaching vehicle traveling west around a curve had to brake heavily to avoid an accident with this vehicle. It was determined that this couple was involved with GEO Cashing. They would stop every 200 feet in the travel lane, exit and place souvenirs/cash off the roads edge for others to find.

Sgt. Sabino and Trooper Slayton completed their night currency training this month. Trooper Slayton also meet with Sgt. Brown in Elko for a Cessna 172RG checkout.

With the Central Command Pilot sick, the southern command pilot was asked to fly a prisoner to Eureka from Tonopah. The subject had a No-BAIL warrant. Coordination was made between regions and the prisoner was flown that day.

A scheduled 50 hour maintenance check was performed on February 25 by Lone Mountain Aviation. Sunrise Mountain Avionics also recertified our aircraft's altimeter and transponder equipment. This is done every 2 years to meet FAA standards. Leaks were found and corrected.

3 enforcement missions were scheduled for the month, 1 was flown. Cancellations were due to manpower and weather. Our top speed for the month was a black Acura sedan traveling at 92 mph on I-215 near Cheyenne.

As a result 24 enforcement actions were taken. The chart below provides a categorical breakdown.

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	19
Hazardous Moving	0
Non-Hazardous Moving	5
Seatbelts	0