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SOUTHERN COMMAND  
Department of Public Safety  
Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

*Nevada Highway Patrol*  
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## Overview

Southern Command personnel handled 1098 crashes in April 2011. Of these, 778 were property damage, 319 were injury, and 1 was fatal. The total crashes increased by 9.7% compared to last year. When compared to last year, fatalities decreased 80%. 34 of these crashes involved commercial vehicles 4 resulted in injuries, 30 were property damage, and 0 resulted in fatalities. Crashes involving commercial vehicles represented 3% of the total crashes handled by the Southern Command. Impaired drivers were responsible for 3.8% 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**

	Apr 11		Apr 10	% Change		Mar 11	% Change
Total crashes	1098		1001	9.7%		1054	4.2%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	778		712	9.3%		747	4.1%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	319		283	12.7%		304	4.9%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1		5	-80%		3	-66.7%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	42		35	20.0%		46	-8.7%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3		5	-40.0%		3	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1		2	-50.0%		2	-50.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	2		0	200.0%		0	200.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0		3	-300.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	34		26	30.8%		38	-10.5%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	30		21	42.9%		30	0.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	4		3	33.3%		8	-50.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		2	-200.0%		0	0.0%

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ◆ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes .09%
- ◆ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 3.8%
- ◆ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100%
- ◆ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 3 %
- ◆ Total crashes increased 9.7% compared to last year.
- ◆ Commercial vehicle crashes increased 30.8 % from last year.
- ◆ Fatality crashes decreased 80% as 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]

<b>TRAFFIC OPERATIONS</b>	Apr 11	Apr 10	% Change	Mar 11	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	42	35	20.0%	46	-8.7%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	164	113	45.1%	148	10.8%
Other arrests	1056	745	41.7%	980	7.8%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	438	343	27.7%	452	-3.1%
Speed violations	4279	4351	-1.7%	4365	-2.0%
Hazardous moving violations	2231	1872	19.2%	2338	-4.6%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	497	512	-2.9%	563	-11.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	11371	10740	5.9%	12665	-10.2%
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	139	28	396.4%	10	1290.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	205	86	138.4%	46	345.7%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	863	654	32.0%	645	33.8%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	1	2	-50.0%	2	-50.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	368	345	6.7%	112	228.6%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1841	1861	-1.1%	754	144.2%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	60	53	13.2%	26	130.8%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	59	73	-19.2%	27	118.5%
Total school buses inspected	344	118	191.5%	390	-11.8%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	61	17	258.8%	61	0.0%
Total trucks weighed	90	2608	-96.5%	35	157.1%
Total overweight citations	29	7	314.3%	1	2800.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	632	429	47.3%	200	216.0%
Total dyed fuel citations	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%

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

<b>COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]</b>	Urban Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections		36	
Safety Violations Citation		13	
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>		71	
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"		7	
Dyed Fuel Inspections		17	
Dyed Fuel Citations			

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✿ Average BAC .15 %
- ✿ Average age of DUI arrests: 30.8 years old.
- ✿ None of the DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance.
- ✿ 7 drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	Apr 11		Apr 10	% Change		Mar 11	% Change
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>							
Radio Transmissions Consoles From	341,696		343,760	-0.6%		379,059	-9.9%
Radio Transmissions & Receptions						2,414,048	
CAD Incidents	25784		26,836	-3.9%		24,668	4.5%
Telephone Calls	28589		32,064	-10.8%		29,473	-3.0%
Call Box Incidents (Las Vegas only)	broken		18			broken	
<b>ACCIDENT REPORTS</b>							
Accident Reports Processed	1,020		957	6.6%		1,507	-32.3%
Arrest Reports Processed	460		175	162.9%		373	23.3%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	17		6	183.3%		26	-34.6%
Vehicle Impound Releases	110		101	8.9%		95	15.8%
Visitors at Counter	710		759	-6.5%		842	-15.7%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	1,350		1,599	-15.6%		2,145	-37.1%
<b>WARRANTS</b>							
Warrants Received	611		791	-22.8%		792	-22.9%
Warrants Entered	533		856	-37.7%		654	-18.5%
Warrants Cleared	250		520	-51.9%		161	55.3%
Warrants Validated	2,340		2,964	-21.1%		3,248	-28.0%
Extradition / Transports	7		29	-75.9%		16	-56.3%
<b>NEW CASES</b>							
New Cases Submitted	189		85	122.4%		187	1.1%
New Items Submitted	284		184	54.3%		294	-3.4%
Items Disposed	11		29	-62.1%		13	-15.4%
<b>CONTRACT SERVICES</b>							
Number of Contracts	11		8	37.5%		11	0
Hours Worked	562.75		374	50.5%		1259.53	-55.3%
Amount Billed	\$39,622.03		\$26,590.29	49.0%		\$91,114.76	-56.5%

<b>OTHER ANALYSIS</b>							
<b>EVIDENCE</b>	Apr 11		Apr 10	% Change		Mar 11	% Change
Cases submitted by the Nevada Highway Patrol:	94.18%		84.50%	11.5%		94.65%	-0.5%
Cases submitted by Parole and Probation:	4.76%		7.50%	-36.5%		4.28%	11.2%
Cases submitted by Division of Investigation:	0.53%		4.50%	-88.2%		0	0.5%
Cases submitted by Fire Marshall:	0		0	0		0.53%	-0.5%
Cases submitted by OPR:	0.53%		0	0.5%		0.53%	0
<b>OPERATIONS ANALYSIS</b>							
Average BAC	.15		.15	0		.14	7.1%
Average age of DUI arrests:	30.82		32.85	-6.2%		32.06	-3.9%
DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance:	0		0	0		UNK	
DUI drivers arrested that had prior DUI convictions:	7		3	133.3%		7	0

## CONTRACT SERVICES

- 11 Contracts using 562.75 hrs, billed in the amount of \$39,622.03

## PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
360	6	6		

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
646	310	13	21	4	23

### PIO Projects:

Safety speech at Simplex Granell  
 Petapalooza OTS  
 Nellis Air Force Base FTAC.  
 Career day at Lomie Herd ES  
 Tip-A-Cop at Claim Jumper  
 Legacy HS drivers ed  
 Baker to Vegas  
 Safety Talk to Las Vegas Day Elementary School  
 Lomie Heard at Nellis AFB  
 Licoln County Tour x2

## PATROL FLIGHT OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

The Southern Command Aircraft flew 14 missions during the month of April for a total of 3508 flight hours. Below is a breakdown of activities.

Total Missions	Flight Hours	Flight Time %	Description
8	22.9	64	Speed Enforcement
4	8.9	25	Personnel Transports
2	4	11	Line Patrol

The Southern Command aircraft assisted the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office in searching for a missing person- Patrick Carnes and his dog "Lucky". Mr. Carnes was traveling from Ohio to Reno. His vehicle was found 20 miles east of Winnemucca in good condition. In response, the aircraft patrolled along I-80 between Independence Valley and Lovelock. The subject has not been located. Mr. Carnes has been missing since April 13.

Line Patrol operations were flown over the month. The aircraft covered several state routes and highways looking for stranded motorists along the way. Several vehicles were spotted, one driver stopped in the travel lane to take pictures along SR 164 near the town of Nipton. One was assisted along US95 near Searchlight. A semi truck was located near Gold Field. In addition, the aircraft came upon a vehicle rollover on US95 south of SR 267.

Our aircraft was on public display at the North Las Vegas Airport on April 9<sup>th</sup> for an annual open house.

4 enforcement missions were scheduled for the month, 5 were added. 1 mission was cancelled due to weather, making 8 missions flown. Our top speed for the month was 95 mph, a white Honda traveling near Hidden Valley along US95.

As a result 131 enforcement actions were taken. The chart below provides a categorical breakdown.

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	112
Hazardous Moving	2
Non-Hazardous Moving	14
Seatbelts	3