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NORTHERN COMMAND WEST

Department of Public Safety

Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

*Nevada Highway Patrol*  
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## Overview

In the month of February 2012, we experienced an increase in our overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of January. Northern Command officers handled 296 crashes in the month of February. An overview of the crashes showed 211 were property damage and 81 were classified as injury crashes. There were no reported fatality crashes for our region in February. As compared to February of 2011, our regional commercial vehicle crashes remained the same, at a total of 19. In our overall February 2012 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 20 DUI crashes in the Northern Command.

The officers in our command arrested 114 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of these intoxicated drivers was .15%, almost twice the legal limit of .08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated drivers was 35 years old. Our officers arrested an additional 87 people on various charges over the month of February. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 3,119 speeding citations, 1,432 hazardous moving citations and 557 seat belt citations.

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**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

	Current Month	Same Month prior Year	% Change	Prior month	% Change
Total crashes	296	382	-22.5%	223	32.7%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	211	292	-27.7%	168	25.6%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	85	90	-5.6%	54	57.4%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]				1	-100%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	20	10	100.0%	9	122.2%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes				1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts					
Total passengers killed without seatbelts					
Total drivers killed with seatbelts					
Total passengers killed with seatbelts					
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable				1	-100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	19	19		20	-5.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	17	18	-5.6%	17	
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	2	1	100.0%	3	-33.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle					

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 6.7%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 6.4%
- ✱ Total crashes down -22.5% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes down 0% from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes up 0% as compared to last year.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Total Contacts	12,998
Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE)	297
Total Traffic Safety Program Operations	5

**FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY**

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

		Current month	Same month prior year	% Change	Prior month	% Change
<b>TRAFFIC OPERATIONS</b>						
DUI arrests from crashes	##	20	10	100.0%	9	122.2%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	##	94	103	-8.7%	88	6.8%
Other arrests		424	464	-8.6%	446	-4.9%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	##	201	203	-1.0%	202	-0.5%
Speed violations		3119	2213	40.9%	3495	-10.8%
Hazardous moving violations		1432	835	71.5%	957	49.6%
Occupant restraint violations *	##	557	478	16.5%	485	14.8%
Total violations [above violations included]		8690	5601	55.2%	8650	0.5%
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>						
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests		50	38	31.6%	32	56.3%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests		41	27	51.9%	46	-10.9%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]		762	484	57.4%	620	22.9%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only		7	1	600.0%		700.0%
Total safety violations -- citation		178	172	3.5%	159	11.9%
Total safety violations -- repair order		1520	970	56.7%	11346	12.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"		77	46	67.4%	55	40.0%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"		59	29	103.4%	48	22.9%
Total school buses inspected		78	63	23.8%	29	169.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"		36	10	260.0%	12	200.0%
Total trucks weighed		12	341	-96.5%	22	-45.5%
Total overweight citations		3	14	-78.6%	3	
Total dyed fuel inspections		265	180	47.2%	173	53.2%
Total dyed fuel citations						

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

<b>COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]</b>	Cid Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections		78	
Safety Violations Citation		44	
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>		79	
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"		10	
Dyed Fuel Inspections		29	
Dyed Fuel Citations			

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Average BAC 0.15%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 35 years old.
- ✱ 5.10% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	<b>Current month</b>		<b>Same month prior year</b>	<b>% Change</b>		<b>Prior month</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>							
Radio Transmissions from Console	303774		246016	23.5%		798503	-62%
Radio Tx and Receive totals							
CAD Incidents	13390		18771	-28.7%		13075	2.4%
Telephone Calls	14016		12333	13.6%		14067	-.04%
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]							
<b>FRONT OFFICE</b>							
Accident Reports Processed	323		301	7.31%		226	42.92%
Arrest Reports Processed	235		204	15.20%		211	11.37%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	18		25	-28.0%		13	38.46%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0		0	0.00%		0	0.00%
Visitors at Counter	181		176	2.84%		179	1.12%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	204		148	37.84%		254	-19.69%
<b>COURT / WARRANT</b>							
Warrants Received	503		315	59.7%		603	-16.6%
Warrants Entered	241		557	-56.7%		267	-9.7%
Warrants Cleared	1114		481	131.6%		315	253.7%
Warrants Validated	2552		2601	-1.9%		1148	122.3%
Extradition / Transports	2920		18	11.1%		29	-31%

**CONTRACT SERVICES**

- 4 Contracts using 49.15 hours, billed in the amount of \$3,351.64.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
289	6	37	0	6

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
28	336	6	42	4	38

Community service appearances:

- Trooper Allen delivered a traffic safety presentation at a neighborhood advisory board meeting in northwest Reno
- Sgt Scott Farmer and Trooper Allen participated in a pedestrian and traffic safety event hosted by the University of Nevada-Reno (UNR)
- Trooper Allen gave a presentation to a group of ham radio enthusiasts and covered the state's cell phone law

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Trooper Allen provided a two-hour safety presentation to a class of driver's education students at Spanish Springs High School
- Trooper Allen completed several live television interviews during the month when winter weather affected the morning commute in the Reno-Sparks area

PIO Projects:

- Trooper Allen continues to provide live traffic reports each weekday on KRNV, Channel 4, in Reno
- Trooper Allen assisted the public information officers from NHP-Southern Command at a national troopers conference in Las Vegas
- Trooper Allen and several DPS employees are planning on participating in the 2012 Polar Plunge® event benefiting Special Olympics Nevada on March 17<sup>th</sup>, at Zephyr Cove-Lake Tahoe

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