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NORTHERN COMMAND EAST

Department of Public Safety

Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

*Nevada Highway Patrol*

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## Overview

There were 95 crashes that occurred in March 2012. This is an increase of 50.8% compared to last month's 63 crashes, and an increase of 110.5% for crashes investigated in March 2011. Property crashes increased by 40% compared to February 2012. Injury crashes increased by 70.6% as compared to February 2012. There were three fatal accident investigations this month compared to one fatal accident in February 2012 and one in March 2011. In these crashes there were three persons that sustained fatal injuries; two restrained drivers and one restrained passenger. There were four crashes involving impaired drivers, which was one less when compared to last month and four more compared to last year. Of the 95 accidents, 15 or 15.8% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in ten or 71.3%, of these accidents. Eight of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity for March 2012 was 2028 cited violations. This was an increase of 200 violations or 10.9% as compared to February 2012. Compared to March of 2011, the command showed a decrease of 110 violations or 5.1%. Speed violations increased by 102 or 13.6%, as compared to February 2012 and decreased 22.4% compared to March 2011. Hazardous moving violations increased 25.9% from the prior month and decreased of 13.0%, compared to March 2011. Occupant restraint violations increased by 59.3% compared to February 2012; and they declined by 3.4% compared to March 2011. There were nine arrests of impaired drivers made in March 2012. Of those nine arrests, four were from accident investigations. The total arrests for March 2012 showed an increase of one person arrested compared to February 2012 and an increase of two compared to March 2011.

Commercial vehicle inspections decreased by 12.8% or 86 inspections as compared to February 2012 and there were 101 fewer safety violations written in March 2012 than in February 2012. Commercial operations showed 41 fewer citations issued, compared to February 2012 and a decrease of 46 citation or 56.8% compared to March 2011. Officers placed 12 vehicles and 16 drivers, "Out of Service", in March 2012. Vehicles placed out of service decreased by 55.6% while drivers decreased by 20% compared to February 2012. Vehicles placed out of service fell by 50% and drivers placed out of service decreased by 5.9%, compared to March 2011. Traffic personnel conducted 239 commercial inspections during March 2012 and issued 49 safety violation citations and 159 safety repair order violations. Additionally, 11 drivers and 7 vehicles were placed out of service by traffic personnel during March 2012.

Front office staff processed 49 more accident for an increase of 102% compared to February 2012. Arrest reports processed increased by 20 or 44.4% compared to February 2012. Processed incident reports decreased by 3 compared to February 2012. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased by 8.85% compared to February 2012. Computer Aided Dispatch incidents also increased by 2.62%. Telephone calls were not counted or compared to February 2012 (There was a recorder failure that counts the calls, it has been sent for repairs).

Warrant office staff saw increases in warrants entered compared to February 2012. Warrants cleared, validated and received decreased compared to February 2012. Extraditions and transports increased compared to last month.

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**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

Northern Command East Totals	March-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
Total Crashes	95	86	10.5%	63	50.8%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	63	69	-8.7%	45	40.0%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	29	16	81.3%	17	70.6%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	3	1	200.0%	1	200.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	4	0	400.0%	5	-20.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3	1	200.0%	1	200.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2	1	100.0%	1	100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	15	15	0.0%	13	15.4%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	8	11	-27.3%	10	-20.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	5	4	25.0%	2	150.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	2	0	200.0%	1	100.0%

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 3.2%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 4.2%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 15.8%
- ✱ Total crashes up 50.8% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes are up 15.4% from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes are up by 2 as compared to last year.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Total Contacts	3301
Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) (No ICE Team in Central Command.)	N/A
Total Traffic Safety Program Operations OTS Joining Forces (34 hours)	1

**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>	March-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	4	0	400.0%	5	-20.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	5	12	-58.3%	20	-75.0%
Other Arrests	128	112	14.3%	107	19.6%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	58	56	3.6%	57	1.8%
Speed violations	852	1098	-22.4%	750	13.6%
Hazardous moving violations	107	123	-13.0%	85	25.9%
Occupant restraint violations *	172	178	-3.4%	108	59.3%
Total violations [above violations included]	2028	2138	-5.1%	1828	10.9%
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>					
Hazardous moving violations -citations/arrests	14	34	-58.8%	10	40.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	13	29	-55.2%	18	-27.8%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	586	673	-12.9%	672	-12.8%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	20	-2000.0%	1	-100.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	35	81	-56.8%	76	-53.9%
Total safety violations -- repair order	272	483	-43.7%	373	-27.1%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	12	24	-50.0%	27	-55.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	16	17	-5.9%	20	-20.0%
Total school buses inspected	38	0	3800.0%	53	-28.3%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	2	0	200.0%	3	-33.3%
Total trucks weighed	139	659	-78.9%	127	9.4%
Total overweight citations	0	3	-300.0%	0	0.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	575	623	-7.7%	771	-25.4%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

\*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	0	239	0
Safety Violations Citation	0	49	0
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>	0	159	0
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0	11	0
Dyed Fuel Inspections	0	212	0
Dyed Fuel Citations	0	0	0

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Average BAC 0.136% on breath tests.
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 42.3 years old.
- ✱ 66% of the DUI drivers arrested are pending blood draw results for controlled substance or BAC.
- ✱ 22% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	March-12		Same month prior year	% Change		Prior Reporting Period	% Change
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>							
Radio Transmissions from Console	45563		58928	-22.68%		41860	8.85%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	N/A		N/A	#VALUE!		N/A	#VALUE!
CAD Incidents	3726		8213	-54.63%		3631	2.62%
Telephone Calls	0		7214	-721400.00%		942	#####
Call Box Incidents	N/A		N/A	#VALUE!		N/A	#VALUE!
[Las Vegas only]							
<b>FRONT OFFICE</b>							
Accident Reports Processed	97		100	-3.00%		48	102.08%
Arrest Reports Processed	65		62	4.84%		45	44.44%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	11		30	-63.33%		14	-21.43%
Vehicle Impound Releases	6		N/A	#VALUE!		7	-14.29%
Visitors at Counter	77		N/A	#VALUE!		55	40.00%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	72		N/A	#VALUE!		20	260.00%
<b>COURT / WARRANT</b>							
Warrants Received	192		146	31.51%		198	-3.03%
Warrants Entered	234		146	60.27%		159	47.17%
Warrants Cleared	132		301	-56.15%		137	-3.65%
Warrants Validated	1615		1414	14.21%		1681	-3.93%
Extradition / Transports	7		5	40.00%		3	133.33%
<b>CONTRACT SERVICES</b>							
Total Contracts	11		3	266.67%		7	57.14%
Total Hours	632.68		167	278.85%		411.5	53.75%
Total Billed	\$54,972.98		\$14,449.87	280.44%		\$37,954.30	44.84%

## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
55	2	25	2	2

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
2	30	3	7	4	0

### Community service appearances:

Atlas Copco CDL presentation- Discussed log books, CDL laws, and vehicle inspections. The presentation was for approximately 30 employees.

### Additional Appearances and Meetings:

NHP received award from the Boy & Girls Club for our participation in traffic safety presentations.

Trp. Stewart completed two in studio TV interviews on winter driving strategies and vehicle dynamics.

### PIO Projects:

Great Basin College—Displayed patrol car, seatbelt convincer, and rollover simulator for the college driver's education program. Other students also attended the event (approx 70 throughout the day).

Trp. Stewart conducted a media education event at the I-80 W/B check site (NBC TV); discussing CMV safety, hours of service, and vehicle safety inspections.

NHP is schedule for the yearly appearance at the annual Mining Expo.