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NORTHERN COMMAND EAST

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Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

There were 92 crashes that occurred in June 2012. This is an increase of 31.4% compared to last month's 70 crashes, and an increase of 4.5% for crashes investigated in June 2011. Property crashes increased by 47.8% compared to May 2012. Injury crashes were unchanged compared to May 2012. There were two fatal accident investigations this month, two fatal accidents in May 2012 and four in June 2011. In these crashes there were two persons that sustained fatal injuries; one restrained driver and one motorcycle driver. There were two crashes involving an impaired driver, which was six fewer when compared to last month and two less compared to last year. Of the 92 accidents, 18 or 19.6% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in ten or 58.8%, of these accidents. Five of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity for June 2012 was 2,530 cited violations. This was an increase of 8 violations or 0.3% as compared to May 2012. Compared to June of 2011, the command showed a decrease of 249 violations or 9%. Speed violations increased by 97 or 8.8%, as compared to May 2012 and decreased 23% compared to June 2011. Hazardous moving violations increased 25.7% from the prior month and decreased of 4.3%, compared to June 2011. Occupant restraint violations decreased by 7.9% compared to May 2012; and they fell by 7.6% compared to June 2011. There were 30 arrests of impaired drivers made in June 2012. Of those 30 arrests, two were from accident investigations. The total arrests for June 2012 showed no change of persons arrested compared to May 2012 and a decrease of 3 compared to June 2011.

Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 16.3% or 100 inspections as compared to May 2012. There were 31 fewer safety violations written in June 2012 than in May 2012. Commercial operations showed six fewer citations issued, compared to May 2012 and a decrease of 28 citations or 35.4% compared to June 2011. Officers placed 19 vehicles and 18 drivers, "Out of Service", in June 2012. Vehicles placed out of service decreased by 29.6% while drivers placed "Out of Service" increased by 12.5% compared to May 2012. Vehicles placed out of service fell by 26.9% and drivers placed out of service fell by 28% compared to June 2011. Traffic personnel conducted 334 commercial inspections during June 2012 and issued 51 safety violation citations and 206 safety repair order violations. Additionally, 11 drivers and six vehicles were placed out of service by traffic personnel during June 2012.

Front office staff processed 29 more accident reports for an increase of 48.3% compared to May 2012. Arrest reports processed increased by 21 or 39.6% compared to May 2012. Processed incident reports increased by one compared to May 2012. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased by 1.63% compared to May 2012. Computer Aided Dispatch incidents also increased by 6.71%. Telephone calls were not counted or compared to May 2012. (The recorder equipment that counts the calls is still out for repairs).

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

NCE Troopers assisted allied law enforcement agencies in Elko with the 2012 Motorcycle Jamboree. During the three day event, Troopers made 366 traffic stops, issued 192 violations, made 13 arrests of which, nine were for DUI. Total wage costs for personnel assigned to the event were reduced from \$30,952 in 2011 to \$24,968 in 2012.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

Northern Command East Totals	June-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
Total Crashes	92	88	4.5%	70	31.4%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	68	51	33.3%	46	47.8%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	22	33	-33.3%	22	0.0%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2	4	-50.0%	2	0.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	2	4	-50.0%	8	-75.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	2	4	-50.0%	2	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	1	-100.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1	2	-50.0%	1	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	2	-200.0%	0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	1	0	100.0%	0	100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	18	13	38.5%	12	50.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	14	10	40.0%	9	55.6%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	4	3	33.3%	2	100.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	0	0.0%	1	-100.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 2.2%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 2.2%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 19.6%
- ✱ Total crashes were up 4.5% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes are up 38.5% from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes are down by two as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts	3,731
Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) (No ICE Team in Central Command.)	N/A
Total Traffic Safety Program Operations OTS Joining Forces (90 hours); Strike Force (290 hours)	4

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	June-12	Same Period Previous Year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	2	4	-50.0%	8	-75.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	30	31	-3.2%	19	57.9%
Other Arrests	129	131	-1.5%	115	12.2%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	64	67	-4.5%	64	0.0%
Speed violations	1203	1563	-23.0%	1106	8.8%
Hazardous moving violations	132	138	-4.3%	105	25.7%
Occupant restraint violations *	244	264	-7.6%	265	-7.9%
Total violations [above violations included]	2530	2779	-9.0%	2522	0.3%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations -citations/arrests	35	31	12.9%	19	84.2%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	17	27	-37.0%	15	13.3%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	714	686	4.1%	614	16.3%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	51	79	-35.4%	57	-10.5%
Total safety violations -- repair order	342	477	-28.3%	373	-8.3%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	19	26	-26.9%	27	-29.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	18	25	-28.0%	16	12.5%
Total school buses inspected	0	17	-1700.0%	14	-1400.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0	3	-300.0%	3	-300.0%
Total trucks weighed	611	189	223.3%	228	168.0%
Total overweight citations	0	5	-500.0%	0	0.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	647	530	22.1%	615	5.2%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Cid Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections	0	334	0
Safety Violations Citation	0	51	0
Safety Violations Repair Order	0	206	0
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0	11	0
Dyed Fuel Inspections	0	264	0
Dyed Fuel Citations	0	0	0

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✿ Average BAC 0.137% on breath tests.
- ✿ Average age of DUI arrests: 34 years old.
- ✿ 45.8% of the DUI drivers arrested are pending blood draw results for controlled substance or BAC.
- ✿ 20.8% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	June-12	Same month prior year	% Change	Prior Reporting Period	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions from Console	52285	60622	-13.75%	51448	1.63%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	N/A	N/A	#VALUE!	N/A	#VALUE!
CAD Incidents	4598	9312	-50.62%	4309	6.71%
Telephone Calls	0	7056	-705600.00%	0	0.00%
Call Box Incidents	N/A	N/A	#VALUE!	N/A	#VALUE!
[Las Vegas only]					
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	89	80	11.25%	60	48.33%
Arrest Reports Processed	74	57	29.82%	53	39.62%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	10	1	900.00%	9	11.11%
Vehicle Impound Releases	5		500.00%	4	25.00%
Visitors at Counter	90		9000.00%	149	-39.60%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	43		4300.00%	53	-18.87%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	188	187	0.53%	96	95.83%
Warrants Entered	163	184	-11.41%	100	63.00%
Warrants Cleared	127	123	3.25%	230	-44.78%
Warrants Validated	1354	1409	-3.90%	1576	-14.09%
Extradition / Transports	2	7	-71.43%	4	-50.00%
CONTRACT SERVICES					
Total Contracts	14	18	-22.22%	21	-33.33%
Total Hours	782.08	797.42	-1.92%	532.02	47.00%
Total Billed	\$67,138.67	\$71,691.07	-6.35%	\$45,344.33	48.06%

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
60	6	20	5	1

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
5	25	5	8	2	0

Community service appearances:

NHP personnel participated in the annual Elko Mining Expo. An estimated 10,000 attended the event.

NHP personnel presented a CDL safety class to Great Basin College students.

NHP personnel present a pilot car safety class to BLM staff.

NHP Troopers attended a multi-state "Joining Forces" media event in Jackpot, NV. This included law enforcement personnel from Nevada, Idaho and Utah.

PIO Projects:

The NCE PIO worked with media and NDOT personnel on motorcycle safety for the annual Elko Motorcycle Jamboree. Four radar trailers and two media sign boards were deployed in the Elko area during the event.