

July 2012

NORTHERN COMMAND WEST

Department of Public Safety

Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

*Nevada Highway Patrol*  
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## Overview

In the month of July 2012, we experienced a 19.5% increase in our overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of June. Northern Command West officers handled 289 crashes in the month of July. An overview of the crashes showed 190 were property damage, 97 were classified as injury crashes, and two were classified as fatal crashes. As compared to July 2011, we remained the same number in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 15. In our overall July 2012 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 10 DUI crashes in Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 79 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was .15%, nearly twice the legal limit of .08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 35 years old. Our officers arrested an additional 90 people on various chargers over the month of July. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 2,524 speed citations, 853 hazardous moving citations, and 226 seat belt citations.

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**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

	July 2012	July 2011	% Change	June 2012	% Change
Total crashes	289	281	2.5%	282	19.5%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	190	182	4.4%	211	27.5%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	97	91	6.6%	70	6.6%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2	8	-87.5%	1	
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	10	19	-47.4%	15	-50.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1	9	-88.9%	1	
Total drivers killed without seatbelts		0		0	
Total passengers killed without seatbelts		1	-100.0%	0	
Total drivers killed with seatbelts		5	-500.0%	0	
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	1	1		0	100.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable		2	-200.0%	1	-100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	15	24	-37.5%	15	
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	13	16	-18.8%	19	18.2%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	2	5	-60.0%	3	-50.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle		3	-300.0%	0	

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.3 %
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 3.5 %
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 5.2 %
- ✱ Total crashes up 2.5 % compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes down 37.5 % from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes down 87.5 % as compared to last year.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Total Contacts 10,360

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) 553

Total Traffic Safety Program Operations

Motors - 6

Commercial - 6

**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>	July 2012	July 2011	% Change	June 2012	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	10	9	11.1%	9	11.1%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	69	62	11.3%	27	155.6%
Other arrests	302	260	16.2%	187	61.5%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	169	125	35.2%	82	106.1%
Speed violations	2524	1391	81.5%	1015	148.7%
Hazardous moving violations	853	328	160.1%	472	80.7%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	226	233	-3.0%	105	115.2%
Total violations [above violations included]	5696	3147	81.0%	2641	115.7%
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	89	76	17.1%	56	58.9%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	66	49	34.7%	49	34.7%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	424	822	-48.4%	496	-14.5%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0	4	-400.0%	6	-600.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	111	460	-75.9%	141	-21.3%
Total safety violations -- repair order	935	2326	-59.8%	1152	-18.8%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	31	106	-70.8%	56	-44.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	20	91	-78.0%	32	-37.5%
Total school buses inspected	87	117	-25.6%	2	4250.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	15	28	-46.4%	1	1400.0%
Total trucks weighed	2550	1396	82.7%	12	21150.0%
Total overweight citations	18	19	-5.3%	8	125.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	101	303	-66.7%	329	-69.3%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	8	-800.0%	0	

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

<b>COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]</b>	TOTAL			
Level 2/3 Inspections	27			
Safety Violations Citation	3			
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>	30			
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	4			
Dyed Fuel Inspections	13			
Dyed Fuel Citations				

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Average BAC .15%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 35 years old.
- ✱ 5% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	July 2012	July 2011	% Change	June 2012	% Change
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>					
Radio Transmissions from Console	713062	259100	175.2%	693035	2.9%
Radio Tx and Receive totals					
CAD Incidents	11538	19251	-40.1%	11162	3.4%
Telephone Calls	15786	17210	-8.3%	15228	3.7%
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]					
<b>FRONT OFFICE</b>					
Accident Reports Processed	287	194	47.9%	309	-7.1 %
Arrest Reports Processed	197	210	-6.2%	203	-3.0%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	8	9	-11.1%	9	-11.1%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Visitors at Counter	196	243	-19.3 %	201	-2.5%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	177	201	-11.9%	233	-24.0%
<b>COURT / WARRANT</b>					
Warrants Received	465	551	-15.6 %	543	-14.4 %
Warrants Entered	963	638	50.9%	326	195.4%
Warrants Cleared	357	430	-17.0%	276	29.3%
Warrants Validated	3958	2767	43.0%	1602	147.1%
Extradition / Transports	27	20	35.0%	20	35.0%

**CONTRACT SERVICES**

- Contracts using 271.5 hours, billed in the amount of \$ 14,430.67

**PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
140	2	27	1	4

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
24	124	3	8	2	6

Community service appearances:

- Trooper Mike Edgell filled in as the primary public information officer or spokesperson for NHP-Northern Command West for most of July while Trooper Allen was on annual leave
- Several members of the NHP were present at the "Rush to Washoe" community event on July 28th and handed out safety materials and fielded questions. This was the single largest bicycle event in the Silver State to date.
- Trooper Dan Gordon and several other NHP troopers delivered safety presentations at the 4-day "Driver's Edge" event at the Regional Public Safety Training Center in Reno

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Trooper Gordon completed several interviews with multiple television and radio stations for the annual 4-day "Driver's Edge" event
- Trooper Gordon also delivered traffic safety presentations to three area high schools this month

PIO Projects:

- The Nevada Highway Patrol will be attending the annual "National Night Out" event hosted by the Carson City Sheriff's Office on Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at Mills Park in Carson City
- Trooper Edgell delivered the live daily traffic reports on KRN TV at 6:34 each weekday morning this month

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