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NORTHERN COMMAND
Department of Public Safety
Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

Nevada Highway Patrol
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Overview

During the month of January 2012, we experienced a slight decrease in our overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of December 2011. Northern Command officers handled 223 crashes in the month of January. An overview of the crashes showed 168 were property damage, 54 were injury, and one was fatal. When compared to January of last year, fatal crashes remained the same. As compared to January of 2011, our regional commercial vehicle crashes increased from 18, to 20 crashes. In our overall January 2012 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 9 of our total crashes in the Northern Command.

The officers in our command arrested 97 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 105 people on various charges over the month of January. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 3,495 speeding citations, 957 hazardous moving citations and 485 seat belt citations.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	January 2012	January 2011	% Change	December 2011	% Change
Total crashes	223	235	-5.1%	267	-16.5%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	168	168		189	-11.1%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	54	66	-18.2%	75	-28.1%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1	1		3	-66.7%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	9	16	-43.8	16	-43.8
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1	1		6	-83.3%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts					
Total passengers killed without seatbelts					
Total drivers killed with seatbelts				2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts		1	-100.0%	2	-200.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	1		100.0%	2	-50.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	20	18	11.1%	22	-9.1%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	17	7	142.9%	18	-5.6%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3	11	-72.7%	4	-25.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle					

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.4 %
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 4.0%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 9.0%
- ✱ Total crashes decreased 5.1% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes increased 11.0% compared to last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes showed no change as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts	13,396
Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE)	206
Total Traffic Safety Program Operations	7

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	January 2012	January 2011	% Change	December 2011	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	9	16	-43.8%	16	-43.8%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	88	108	-18.5%	87	1.1%
Other arrests	446	489	-8.8%	377	18.3%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	202	222	-9.0%	171	18.1%
Speed violations	3495	2578	35.6%	3361	4.0%
Hazardous moving violations	957	620	54.4%	807	18.6%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	485	525	-7.6%	504	-3.8%
Total violations [above violations included]	8650	6550	32.1%	7881	9.8%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	32	29	10.3%	29	10.3%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	46	32	43.8%	25	84.0%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	620	567	9.3%	1219	-49.1%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only				20	-2000.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	159	177	-10.2%	207	-23.2%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1346	1149	17.1%	2311	-41.8%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	55	54	1.9%	84	-34.5%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	48	24	100.0%	72	-33.3%
Total school buses inspected	29	69	-58.0%	106	-72.6%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	12	18	-33.3%	8	50.0%
Total trucks weighed	22	15	46.7%	26	-15.4%
Total overweight citations	3	9	-66.7%	10	-70.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	173	268	-35.4%	265	-34.7%
Total dyed fuel citations					

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Cid Ops	Rural Ops	Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections		83	
Safety Violations Citation		36	
Safety Violations Repair Order		101	
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"		9	
Dyed Fuel Inspections		14	
Dyed Fuel Citations		0	

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✿ Average BAC 0.15%
- ✿ Average age of DUI arrests: 33 years old.
- ✿ 4.74% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	January 2012		January 2011	% Change		December 2011	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
CAD Incidents	13075		20298	35.6%		13492	-3.1%
Telephone Calls	14067		15135	-7.17%		11115	26.6%
Radio Transmissions	798503		242585	229.2%		756837	5.5%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	226		393	-42.50%		269	-15.99%
Arrest Reports Processed	211		252	-16.27%		136	55.15%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	13		17	-23.53%		14	-7.14%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0		0	0		0	0
Visitors at Counter	179		182	-1.65%		241	-25.73%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	254		148	71.62%		141	80.14%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	603		598	0.8%		546	10.4%
Warrants Entered	267		423	-40.5%		649	-58.9%
Warrants Cleared	315		730	-56.8%		305	3.3%
Warrants Validated	1148		69	-16.1%		3620	-68.3%
Extradition / Transports	29		19	52.6%		19	52.6%

CONTRACT SERVICES

- 5 Contracts using 104 hours, billed in the amount of \$5,238.62

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
168	8	38	1	3

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
27	305	9	36	5	31

Community service appearances:

- Trooper Dan Lopez participated in a taped town hall-style television news show at Fox Studios in Reno with other public and traffic safety stakeholders
- Trooper Dan Lopez gave a traffic safety presentation at the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Northern Nevada
- Five citizens were recognized by the Nevada highway Patrol in Fallon this month for their unselfish and heroic efforts displayed last June following the collision between an Amtrak passenger train and a commercial motor vehicle. 3 were presented with commendation certificates while the other two each received a medal of valor. One award was presented posthumously to the recipient's mother.

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Troopers Mike Edgell and Dan Lopez assisted with the media during the multiple-day event involving the Washoe Fire by completing numerous interviews and ride-along opportunities

PIO Projects:

- Trooper Allen continues to provide live traffic reports each weekday on KRNV, Channel 4, in Reno
- Sergeant Scott Farmer and Trooper Chuck Allen produced a power point presentation for a town hall-style meeting planned for the University of Nevada-Reno on Monday, February 6th
- Several television and radio interviews were completed at the beginning of the month concerning the cell phone law
- A media advisory was sent out at the first of the month detailing our stepped up enforcement efforts concerning pedestrian and crosswalk safety and awareness through our region

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