

May 2013

NORTHERN COMMAND  
Department of Public Safety  
Nevada Highway Patrol

# SAFESTAT REPORT

*Nevada Highway Patrol*  
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## Overview

This month the Northern Command West participated in 11 special enforcement assignments. In addition, the area completed a total of 8,229 public contacts. Our region also provided over 1,000 hours of training by 6 staff members in support of the cadets in training at the Academy. Three sergeants graduated from the Police Staff and Command School offered by the Northwestern University for Public Safety on May 10, 2013. All NHP Command Staff attended the Chief's Spring Summit in Reno from May 20-22, 2013.

In continued support of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan, all commanders in both the Northern Command West and East participated in committees in the five critical emphasis areas: impaired driving, seatbelts, pedestrians, lane departures, and intersections. We presented three DRIVE classes to a total of 40 students and three parents.

This month we experienced a 12.4% increase in overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of April 2013. Northern Command West officers handled 280 crashes in May. An overview of the crashes showed 163 were property damage, 116 were classified as injury crashes, and one was classified as a fatal crash. As compared to May of 2012, we experienced a 6.7% decrease in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 14 for the month. In our overall May 2013 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 20 crashes in the Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 72 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers as 0.14%, nearly twice the legal limit of 0.08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 33 years old and 8% had prior DUI convictions. Our officers arrested an additional 165 people on 406 various charges over the month of May. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 2,402 speeding citations, 718 hazardous moving citations, and 290 seatbelt citations.

Force on Force Training began in May. ARIDE training will begin in June until all sworn staff has been trained.

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**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

	May 2013	May 2012	% Change	April 2013	% Change
Total crashes	280	241	16.2	249	12.4%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	163	149	9.4	165	-1.2%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	116	91	27.5	78	48.7%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1	1	0%	6	-83.3%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	20	20	0%	21	-4.8%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1	1	0%	7	-85.7%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1	1	0%	1	0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0	0	0%	1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0	0	0%	4	-400.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0	0	0%	0	0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0	1	-100.0%	1	-100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	14	15	-6.7%	20	-30.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	12	11	9.1%	17	-29.4%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	2	4	-50.0%	3	-33.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	0	0%	0	0%

**CRASH ANALYSIS**

- ✦ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.4%
- ✦ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 7.1%
- ✦ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100%
- ✦ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 5.0%
- ✦ Total crashes increased by 16.2% compared to last year.
- ✦ Commercial vehicle crashes decreased by 6.7% as compared to last year.
- ✦ Fatality crashes remained the same as compared to last year.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Total Contacts - 8137

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) – 92

**Total Traffic Safety Programs and Enforcement Operations:**

CTM – 3 saturation details for Hazardous / DUI / Cell Phone

290 hours instructing at the Training Division

Trooper Kaplan spent 160 hours preparing for the Pre- Academy

2 DRIVE classes

RUT - Swing Shift conducted 1 roving DUI assignment with 2 Troopers

258 hours instructing at the Training Division

Motors – Motor squad spent 3 days in Winnemucca for the Run-A-Mucca event and participated in a DEM exercise. 207.8 hours instructing at the Training Division

MAIT – None Reported

Rural –

2 Troopers worked a DUI strike force operation and traffic control for Jim Butler Days in Tonopah. Lt. McAfee, Sgt.'s Cox and Plowman and Trooper Barnes attended a State emergency planning seminar for rural areas (two days).

Trp. Darold Kassebaum completed an OTS seatbelt assignment in Reno.

142.75 hours instructing at the Training Division

One DRIVE class in Fallon

Commercial – Rural Strike Operation-Fallon

Operation Brake Check-12 hour checksite

120 hours instructing at the Training Division

Administrative – N/A

**TOTAL ENFORCEMENT / SPECIAL OPERATIONS: 11**

**TOTAL ACADEMY TRAINING HOURS: 1018.55 HOURS**

**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>	May 2013	May 2012	% Change	April 2013	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	20	20	0.0%	21	-4.8%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	52	70	-25.7%	57	-8.8%
Other arrests	406	386	5.2%	430	-5.6%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	165	175	-5.7%	168	-1.8%
Speed violations	2402	2765	-13.1%	2405	-0.1%
Hazardous moving violations	718	1255	-42.8%	882	-18.6%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	290	499	-41.9%	246	17.9%
Total violations [above violations included]	5701	9039	-36.9%	5853	-2.6%
<b>COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS</b>					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	63	105	-40.0%	126	-50.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	77	18	327.8%	91	-15.4%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	992	568	74.6%	816	21.6%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	12	0	1200.0%	4	200.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	204	104	96.2%	171	19.3%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1942	1702	14.1%	1633	18.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	112	76	47.4%	83	34.9%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	63	54	16.7%	49	28.6%
Total school buses inspected	108	72	50.0%	98	10.2%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	22	2	1000.0%	6	266.7%
Total trucks weighed	39	52	-25.0%	18	116.7%
Total overweight citations	13	9	44.4%	10	30.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	278	211	31.8%	249	11.6%
Total dyed fuel citations	2	5	-60.0%	2	0.0%

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

<b>COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]</b>	NCW OPS			
Level 2/3 Inspections	9			
Safety Violations Citation	3			
Safety Violations <b>Repair Order</b>	3			
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0			
Dyed Fuel Inspections	2			
Dyed Fuel Citations	0			

**DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ✱ Average BAC 0.14%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 33 years old.
- ✱ 8% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES</b>	May 2013	May 2012	% Change	April 2013	% Change
<b>COMMUNICATION CENTER</b>					
CAD Incidents	12944.0	13033	-0.7%	11018	17.5%
Telephone Calls	16434.0	15772.0	4.2%	15463	6.3%
Radio Transmissions	1639511.0	262634.0	524.3%	1408222	16.4%
<b>FRONT OFFICE</b>					
Accident Reports Processed	228	163	39.9%	182	25.3%
Arrest Reports Processed	154	190	-18.9%	160	-3.8%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	2	4	-50.0%	1	100.0%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Visitors at Counter	170	32	431.3%	162	4.9%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	264	136	94.1%	239	10.5%
Telephone Calls	837	1187	-29.5%	877	-4.6%
<b>COURT / WARRANT</b>					
Warrants Received	761	275	176.7%	517	47.2%
Warrants Entered	442	195	126.7%	412	7.3%
Warrants Cleared	473	338	39.9%	370	27.8%
Warrants Validated	2782	3151	-11.7%	4506	-38.3%
Transports / Extraditions	1	1	4.8%	17	29.4%

**CONTRACT SERVICES**

- May 2013, NCW had contracts for a total of \$

**PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
248	4	31	1	3

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
29	379	6	24	3	21

Community service appearances:

- Trooper Barbara Stapleton filled in for Trooper Allen for two weeks during the month while he completed a portion of his annual military training with the Nevada Air National Guard
- Trooper Allen represented NHP at the annual "Walk for Animals" at the Sparks Marina on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Trooper Allen attended the safety day at Pershing County High School on May 21<sup>st</sup>, and provided a safety presentation about distracted driving and DUI awareness and utilized the Seat Belt Convincer trailer at the event.
- Trooper Allen met with a representative of Mothers Against Drunk Driving at NHP to discuss the anticipated new chapter being formed in Sparks

PIO Projects and Services:

- Trooper Allen continues to provide live traffic reports each weekday on KRNV, Channel 4, in Reno
- Trooper Allen is making final preparations for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual "Cops & Burgers" fundraiser benefiting Special Olympics Nevada and taking place on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Victorian Plaza in Sparks
- Troopers Allen and Stapleton continue to deliver morning and afternoon traffic reports on 107.3 FM each weekdays

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