

December 2012

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 62 special enforcement assignments. In addition, the area completed a total of 9,579 public contacts.

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.

This month we experienced a 45.5% increase in overall traffic crashes when compared to the month of November. Northern Command West officers handled 480 crashes in December. An overview of the crashes showed 352 were property damage, 121 were classified as injury crashes, and 7 were classified as fatal crashes. As compared to December of 2011, we experienced a 72.7% increase in our regional commercial vehicle crashes at 38 for the month. In our overall December 2012 totals, intoxicated drivers were responsible for 16 crashes in the Northern Command West.

The officers in our command arrested 66 intoxicated drivers this month. The average blood alcohol level of those intoxicated drivers was 0.16%, twice the legal limit of 0.08% blood alcohol content. The average age of the intoxicated driver was 31 years old. Our officers arrested an additional 164 people on various charges over the month of December. In other areas of enforcement, our officers wrote 1,815 speed citations, 861 hazardous moving citations and 176 seatbelt citations.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	December 2012	December 2011	% Change	November 2012	% Change
Total crashes	480	267	79.8%	330	45.5%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	352	189	86.2%	245	43.7%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	121	75	61.3%	83	45.8%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	7	3	133.3%	2	250.0%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	16	16		15	6.7%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	7	6	16.7%	2	250.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1		100.0%	1	
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		100.0%		100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	4	2	100.0%		400.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts		2		1	-300.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	1	2	-50.0%		100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	38	22	72.7%	10	280.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	35	18	94.4%	9	288.9%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3	4	-25.0%	1	200.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle					

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 1.5%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 3.3%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 33.3%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 7.9 %
- ✱ Total crashes are up 79.8% compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes are up 72.7% from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes are up 133.3% as compared to last year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total Contacts 9,579

Total Interdiction Contacts (ICE) 428

Total Traffic Safety Program Operations:

Motors - 57

Commercial - None Reported

Rural - None reported

CTM - 2

RUT- 3

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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

	December 2012	December 2011	% Change	November 2012	% Change
TRAFFIC OPERATIONS					
DUI arrests from crashes ##	16	16		15	6.7%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	66	87	-24.1%	49	34.7%
Other arrests	399	377	5.8%	380	5.0%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	180	171	5.3%	157	14.6%
Speed violations	1815	3361	-46.0%	2180	-16.7%
Hazardous moving violations	861	807	6.7%	940	-8.4%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	176	504	-65.1%	278	-36.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	5537	7881	-29.7%	6128	-9.6%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS					
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	30	29	3.4%	28	7.1%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	26	25	4.0%	24	8.3%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	1084	1219	-11.1%	460	135.7%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	20	20		2	900.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	174	207	-15.9%	169	3.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	2197	2311	-4.9%	1127	94.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	87	84	3.6%	59	47.5%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	69	72	-4.2%	30	130.0%
Total school buses inspected	106	106		102	3.9%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	8	8		4	100.0%
Total trucks weighed	26	26		670	-96.1%
Total overweight citations	10	10		7	42.9%
Total dyed fuel inspections	247	265	-6.8%	160	54.4%
Total dyed fuel citations	1			1	-100.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	TOTAL			
Level 2/3 Inspections	27			
Safety Violations Citation	4			
Safety Violations Repair Order	25			
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	1			
Dyed Fuel Inspections	1			
Dyed Fuel Citations	0			

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC .16%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests 31 years old.
- ✱ 17% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	December 2012	December 2011	% Change	November 2012	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions from Console	1639511.0	305156.0	437.27%	1120382.0	46.34%
Radio Tx and Receive totals					
CAD Incidents	11429.0	11484.0	-0.48%	10243.0	11.58%
Telephone Calls	19830.0	13698.0	44.77%	15248.0	30.05%
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]					
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	250	269	-7.1%	2	12400.0%
Arrest Reports Processed	132	113	16.8%	117	12.8%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	2	0	200.0%	0	200.0%
Vehicle Impound Releases	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Visitors at Counter	237	79	200.0%	147	61.2%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	256	174	47.1%	242	5.8%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	436	667	-34.63%	710	-38.59%
Warrants Entered	142	244	-41.80%	533	-73.36%
Warrants Cleared	412	322	27.95%	389	5.91%
Warrants Validated	2839	1345	111.08%	2570.0	10.47%
Extradition / Transports	20	21	-4.76%	19	5.26%

CONTRACT SERVICES

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

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
312	20	23	1	4

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
29	347	7	22		22

Community service appearances:

- Troopers Allen and Stapleton each delivered a safety presentation at a local pre-school
 - Troopers Allen lectured at two driver's education classes
 - Trooper Allen represented NHP at the Sparks Rotary Club annual holiday luncheon
 - Trooper Allen participated in the annual KTVN food drive at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno
 - Several DPS employees volunteered their time for the Salvation Army on December 15th for the annual law enforcement bell ringing event in Reno at Sam's Club and Wal-Mart
 - Trooper Allen volunteered 20 hours of continuous time in a dog kennel at the Nevada Humane Society on December 15th and 16th as part of the "In Their Paws" event
- Several DPS employees volunteered their time at the Carson City Wal-Mart as part of the "Shop with a Hero" event hosted by the Carson City Sheriff's Office

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Troopers Allen attended a meeting at the Regional Emergency Operations Center in Reno with other public information officers
- Trooper Allen completed several live interviews during the month with various radio and television media outlets regarding the winter storms and traffic issues in our region

PIO Projects:

- Trooper Allen and other back-up public information officers are delivering a total of 10 daily traffic reports on 107.3 FM, K-News, in Reno in the morning and afternoon time frames
- Trooper Allen continues to deliver the live daily traffic reports on KRN TV at 6:34 each weekday morning
- Trooper Allen taped several pre-holiday safety messages with several radio and television stations

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