



Quick Notes

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Fatalities for 2013 = 121

Hi Highway Safety Partners:

Today I believe almost all students in elementary school understand that a red light at an intersection means stop. At times I wonder if adults have lost the meaning of this simple concept.

Red-light running is a serious problem in Idaho – one that is fatal. In Idaho, as well as the United States, red-light running is a leading cause of urban collisions. In fact, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that more than 8,700 people in the United States were killed in intersection or intersection-related in 2009. More than 2/3 of the victims of these collisions at signalized intersections are pedestrians, bicyclists, and other drivers – someone other than the careless driver who chose to speed through a red light. Red-light running has a horrendous impact on those who are involved in the crashes as this action greatly impacts families, friends, and entire communities.

I was chatting with member of the Boise Police Department the other day and they shared with me their strategy to combat red-light runners. The strategy is intense, is truly a team effort, and points to the fact red-light running is serious.

As highway safety partners we must promote a community approach to eliminate red-light running year round – one that combines the proven technology available to us, increased driver awareness programs, and elevating the red-light running issue throughout our state as well as the rest of the nation. Changing the culture that running red-lights is not acceptable can take time, but is worthy of the effort in order to achieved sustained results.

Idaho must continue to develop driver awareness programs that includes the impacts associated with red-light running. These efforts must include sharing the facts, advocating for strict enforcement of intersection laws and remind drivers of the consequences of red-light running. Working with local communities to elevate the serious issue of red-light running is the key as together we all work Towards Zero Deaths.

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BIKE/PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



As the weather turns nice and most schools will be starting back up, Idaho will see an influx of bikers and pedestrians on the roads and in school zones. This is a good time to remind everyone that there are laws and rules of the road to follow. Many children rely on walking, riding a bicycle, or catching a school bus to travel to and from school. Fewer daylight hours can make it harder for motorists to see these young students. Remember, when riding a bike, helmets are the single most important piece of safety equipment for riders. While they can't prevent a crash from happening, they can prevent a crash from resulting in a serious injury. Biking to school involves much more skill than walking. Take time to practice riding skills with your child. Work on important skills such as starting and stopping, riding in a straight line, looking over your shoulders, and signaling to vehicles. Ride along streets with low traffic volume and slower speeds. Always ride in the same direction as motorized traffic, and stop at all stop signs and signals. Use your eyes and ears to stay alert to traffic, and NEVER use headphones or cell phones while riding.

When walking to school, choose safe routes that are walkable and accessible. Use sidewalks or paths that are provided and always look for traffic when crossing at the street corner or marked intersection. It is important to recognize and obey all traffic signals and markings and never enter the street from

between parked cars or from behind bushes or shrubs. Darting into the street accounts for the majority of child pedestrian fatalities.

As a motorist, use caution in school bus zones. Be aware and know the proper laws and procedures for sharing the road safely with school buses. Be alert. Children are unpredictable when walking to or from their bus. Generally, pedestrians have the right-of-way at all intersections; however, regardless of the rules of the road or right-of-way, you as a driver are obligated to exercise great care and extreme caution to avoid striking pedestrians.

If we all take the time to watch out for each other, be alert to our surroundings and obey the rules of the road, everyone will benefit by arriving at their destinations safe.

Child Passenger Safety Week Campaign Materials Now Available

Use this [toolkit](#) for information and ideas on how to generate awareness about child car safety in your community during Child Passenger Safety Week, National Seat Check Saturday, and throughout the year.



Should We Be Worried? Teens Are Waiting to Get Their Licenses

[AAA Foundation Study Looks at Why Teens Are Delaying Rite of Passage.](#)

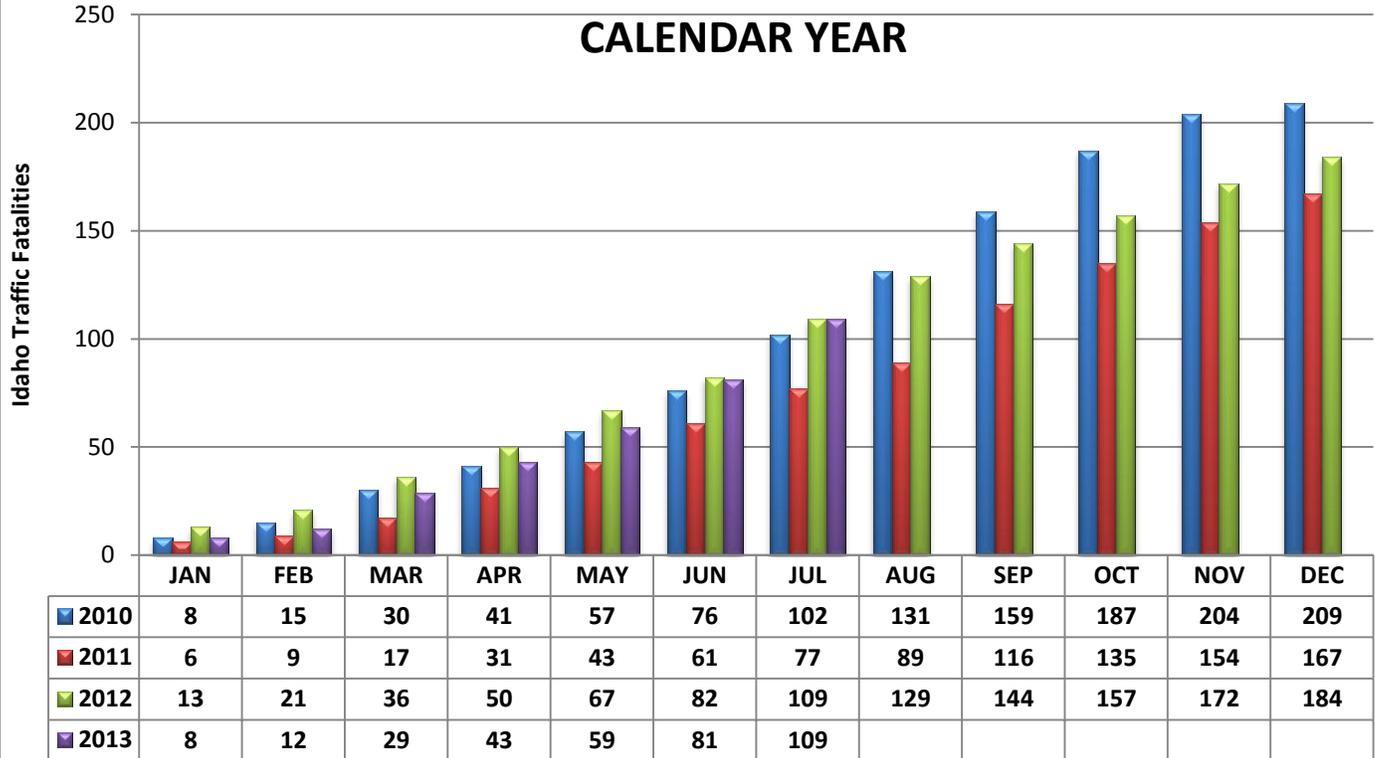
WASHINGTON, D.C. (August 1, 2013) – The majority of American teens today delay getting a driver’s license, according to new study by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. Less than half (44 percent) of teens obtain a driver’s license within 12 months of the minimum age for licensing in their state and just over half (54 percent) are licensed before their 18th birthday, causing concern among safety experts that young adult drivers are missing the benefits intended by graduated drivers licensing (GDL). These findings mark a significant drop from two decades ago when data showed more than two-thirds of teens were licensed by the time they turned 18.

IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY Fatalities By the Month* July 2013

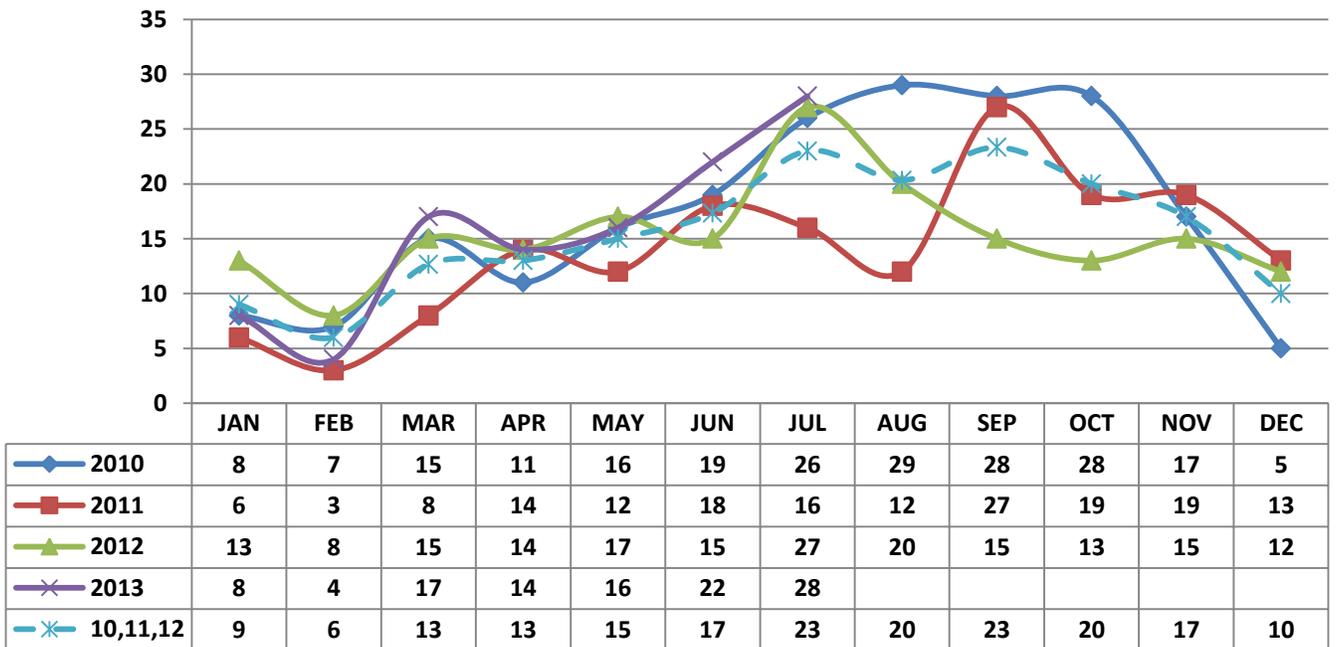
MONTH						CUMULATIVE TOTALS			
	Actual	Actual	Actual	10,11,12	Actual	Cummulative (10,11,12,13)			
	2010	2011	2012	AVERAGE	2013	2010	2011	2012	2013
JAN	8	6	13	9	8	8	6	13	8
FEB	7	3	8	6	4	15	9	21	12
MAR	15	8	15	13	17	30	17	36	29
APR	11	14	14	13	14	41	31	50	43
MAY	16	12	17	15	16	57	43	67	59
JUN	19	18	15	17	22	76	61	82	81
JUL	26	16	27	23	28	102	77	109	109
AUG	29	12	20	20		131	89	129	
SEP	28	27	15	23		159	116	144	
OCT	28	19	13	20		187	135	157	
NOV	17	19	15	17		204	154	172	
DEC	5	13	12	10		209	167	184	
YEAR TO DATE	209	167	184	187	109				

*Data limitations: This report is based on information provided by law enforcement agencies on crashes resulting in a death that occurs within 30 days of the crash. Data is preliminary and is subject to change. Totals of this report are the number of persons killed. Averages are rounded. Totals of this report are the number of persons killed. Averages are rounded.

ACCUMULATIVE IDAHO TRAFFIC FATALITIES BY CALENDAR YEAR



IDAHO MONTHLY TRAFFIC FATALITIES



ALCOHOL BEVERAGE SELLER / SERVER TRAINING

FREE TRAINING!!!

PRESENTED BY

IDAHO STATE POLICE

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL

- CURRENT IDAHO LAWS
- PENALTIES & SANCTIONS
- ON AND OFF PREMISES SERVICE
- PREVENTION OF OVER-SERVICE
- ALCOHOL & MINORS
- IDENTIFYING FALSE IDENTIFICATION
- PROHIBITED ACTS/GAMBLING



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

All licensees and employees of:

- Grocery stores
- Convenience Stores
- Restaurants
- Bars
- Golf Courses
- Airports
- Resorts
- Wine Shops
- Idaho State Liquor Dispensary
- Certificate of attendance will be issued

Tuesday, August 20, 2013 @ 1 PM

(typically last 3 hours)

(This training is not associated with TIPS)

National Guard Armory

10210 Hwy 12

Orofino, ID

If you need any additional information, feel free to contact Detective Bryce Scrimsher:

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LE Training Video: 18 Wheels and BUSTed

"18 Wheels and BUSTed" training video by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA)

A law enforcement training video titled "18-Wheels & BUSTed," intends to raise awareness of the need to enforce traffic laws when violations are committed by drivers of trucks and buses and provide tips on making these traffic stops safely. This video, produced under the guidance of AAMVA, was funded by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and was made possible in large part because of support from the Colorado State Patrol. More than 14,000 copies of the DVD have been mailed to the chief executives of state, county and local law enforcement agencies throughout the United States that are current members of either the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) or the National Sheriffs Association (NSA). The video has been posted on AAMVA's YouTube Channel (www.youtube.com/aamvacommunications). For information on getting a copy of "18-Wheels & BUSTed," please contact Brian Ursino at 703-350-5103 or bursino@aamva.org.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

If you would like to add an event to the calendar, please send an e-mail with the event details to lisa.losness@itd.idaho.gov

Date	Event Description, Location
2013	
Aug 17	Alive at 25 , Kootenai County Fire Station #2, www.idsafedriver.org
Aug 19	Alive at 25 , Boise Police Dept., www.idsafedriver.org
Aug 20	Alive at 25 , Meridian Police Dept., www.idsafedriver.org
Aug 24	Alive at 25 , Gem County Emergency Services, www.idsafedriver.org
Aug 25 – Sept 8	Impaired Driving - Statewide Traffic Enforcement Mobilization
Aug 31	Alive at 25 , Meridian Police Dept., www.idsafedriver.org
Sept 14	Alive at 25 , Boise Police Dept., www.idsafedriver.org
Sept 23	Alive at 25 , Blackfoot City Hall, www.idsafedriver.org
Sept 24	Alive at 25 , Orofino High School, www.idsafedriver.org
Sept 28	Alive at 25 , Gem County Emergency Services, www.idsafedriver.org
Dec 3	Alive at 25 , Orofino High School, www.idsafedriver.org

Quick Reference Guide – click on the topic to go directly to website.

[OHS](#), Office of Highway Safety

[ITD](#), Idaho Transportation Department

[NHTSA](#), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[FHWA](#), Federal Highway Administration

[2011 Idaho Crash Report](#)

Program Area	Idaho State Links	Federal Links
Impaired Driving		http://www.nhtsa.gov/Impaired
Distracted Driving	http://www.itd.idaho.gov/ohs/DistractedDriving.htm	http://distraction.gov/
Teen Drivers	http://www.idaho-teendriving.org/	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Teen-Drivers

Bike & Pedestrian Safety	http://www.itd.idaho.gov/bike_ped/index_new2.htm	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Pedestrians http://www.nhtsa.gov/Bicycles
Seat Belt Safety	http://www.itd.idaho.gov/ohs/ClickIt/ClickIt2.htm	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Driving+Safety/Occupant+Protection
Child Passenger Safety	http://www.itd.idaho.gov/ohs/ChildSafety/index.html	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Safety/CPS
Aggressive Driving	http://itd.idaho.gov/ohs/Aggressive.htm	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Aggressive
Motorcycles	www.idahostar.org	http://www.nhtsa.gov/Safety/Motorcycles
Senior/Mature Drivers		http://www.nhtsa.gov/Senior-Drivers
Lane Departure	http://itd.idaho.gov/info/home_articles/safety_plan.htm	http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadway_dept