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#### 2023 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY TRAVEL ENFORCEMENT PERIOD CONCLUDED

**Jackson, Miss** -The Mississippi Highway Patrol (MHP) concluded the 2023 Labor Day Holiday Travel Period on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, at midnight. The enforcement period began on Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 a.m. The Mississippi Highway Patrol issued a total of 9,186 citations, made 141 arrests for impaired driving, and cited 698 motorists for occupant restraint violations. MHP also investigated 147 crashes resulting in 43 injuries, with four fatal crashes and four deaths. The fatal crashes occurred in Leake, Hinds, and Lamar Counties.

#### FATAL CRASH, LEAKE COUNTY, 9/1/2023:

On Friday, September 1, 2023, at approximately 10:01 p.m., the Mississippi Highway Patrol responded to a fatal crash on Highway 487 in Leake County.

A 2008 Jeep Patriot driven by 27-year-old Isabella Comby of Carthage, MS, traveled east on Reservation Road when the vehicle crossed Highway 487 and struck an embankment. Isabella Comby received fatal injuries from the crash and was pronounced dead on the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the Mississippi Highway Patrol.

#### FATAL CRASH, HINDS COUNTY, 9/1/2023:

On Friday, September 1, 2023, at approximately 10:47 a.m., the Mississippi Highway Patrol responded to a fatal crash on Interstate 20 in Hinds County.

A tractor-trailer driven by 35-year-old Quinton A. Lane of Houston, TX, traveled west on Interstate 20 when it collided with an unoccupied Acura TLX parked on the westbound shoulder of Interstate 20. Quinton A. Lane received fatal injuries from the crash and was pronounced dead on the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the Mississippi Highway Patrol.

#### FATAL CRASH, LAMAR COUNTY, 9/2/2023:

On Saturday, September 2, 2023, at approximately 3:40 a.m., the Mississippi Highway Patrol responded to a fatal crash on Highway 589 in Lamar County.

A 2007 Nissan Altima driven by 21-year-old Janiyah Jackson of Picayune, MS, traveled north on Highway 589 when the vehicle left the roadway and collided with a tree. Janiyah Jackson received fatal injuries from the crash and was pronounced dead on the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the Mississippi Highway Patrol.

#### FATAL CRASH, HINDS COUNTY, 9/3/2023:

On Sunday, September 3, 2023, at approximately 11:47 a.m., the Mississippi Highway Patrol responded to a fatal crash on Highway 49 in Hinds County.

A 2022 Chrysler Pacifica driven by 51-year-old Robert L. Shorter of Shelby, MS, traveled south on Highway 49 when the vehicle left the roadway and overturned. Robert L. Shorter received fatal injuries from the crash and was pronounced dead on the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the Mississippi Highway Patrol.

## **Labor Day Holiday Travel Enforcement Period Statistics (Overview)**

### **2023** Labor Day Holiday Enforcement Totals

Citations - 9186 Seatbelt and Child Restraint - 698 DUI's - 141 Crashes - 147 Fatal Crashes - 4

Fatalities - 4

Motorist Assist - 109

## **2022 Labor Day Holiday Enforcement Totals**

Citations - 10,026

Seatbelt and Child Restraint - 1089

**DUI's - 270** 

Crashes - 143

Fatal Crashes - 3

Fatalities - 3

Motorist Assist - 106