

May Long Weekend Enforcement Statistics

Bighorn Backcountry Access Management Plan

Results - Enforcement

This year was very successful in regards to public engagement with a total of 5,874 individual contacts made (Figure 1), 4,105 vehicles through check stops (equates to approximately 12000 people), and approximately 607 OHV's checked (Table 1; Figure 2). Across the board, all agencies felt there was a rise in compliance and behavior with a total of approximately 533 violation tickets written, 38 written warnings, and 374 verbal warnings. Commercial Vehicle Enforcement also noted numerous dangerous speed violations. One of which was reported at a speed of 164 km/h.

The introduction of the OHV helmet law that came into effect in May 2017, still saw some users without helmets, but the majority were in compliance. Numerous 'Found Compliant' stickers were issued throughout the long weekend to OHV users. These stickers were only given when the user was found fully compliant (head light, tail light, license plate, muffler, spark arrester, registration, ID, etc.) and used as a guarantee that the operator did not need to be checked by enforcement again, thus preventing the lengthy process of being checked numerous times and therefore irritating the user.

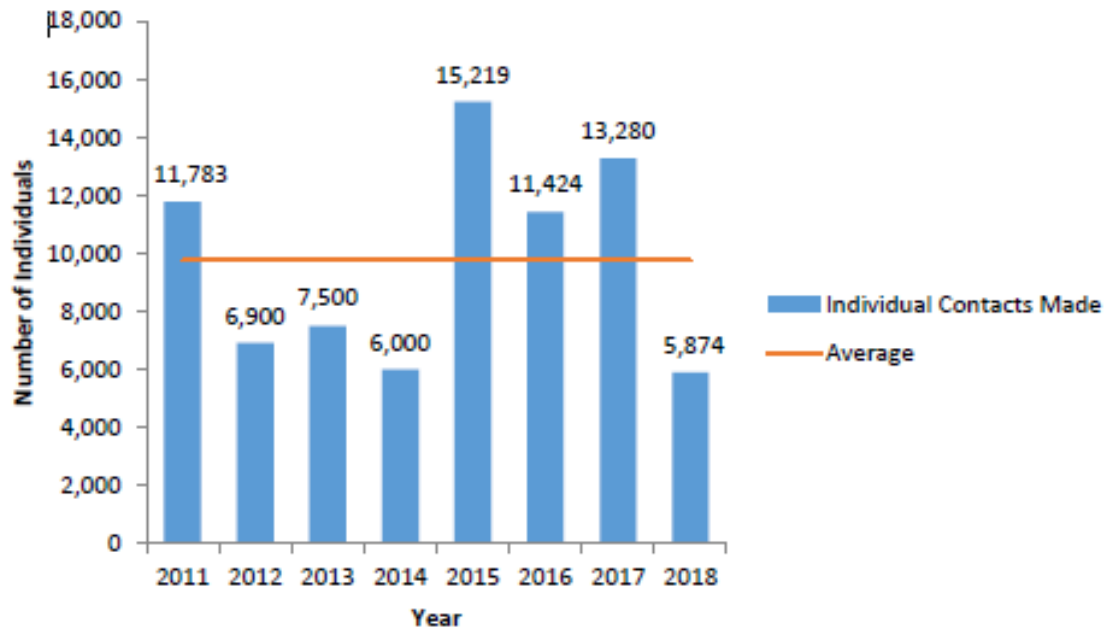
Throughout the course of the long weekend, it was found that law enforcement was approached more often than not by the user, for compliance stickers. This was a positive response from the public as more OHV users were found compliant than non-compliant and gladly sought out law enforcement members, which in turn created more interactions and conversations as to activities in the area.

Table 1: Summary of the May long weekend statistics from 2010 to 2018

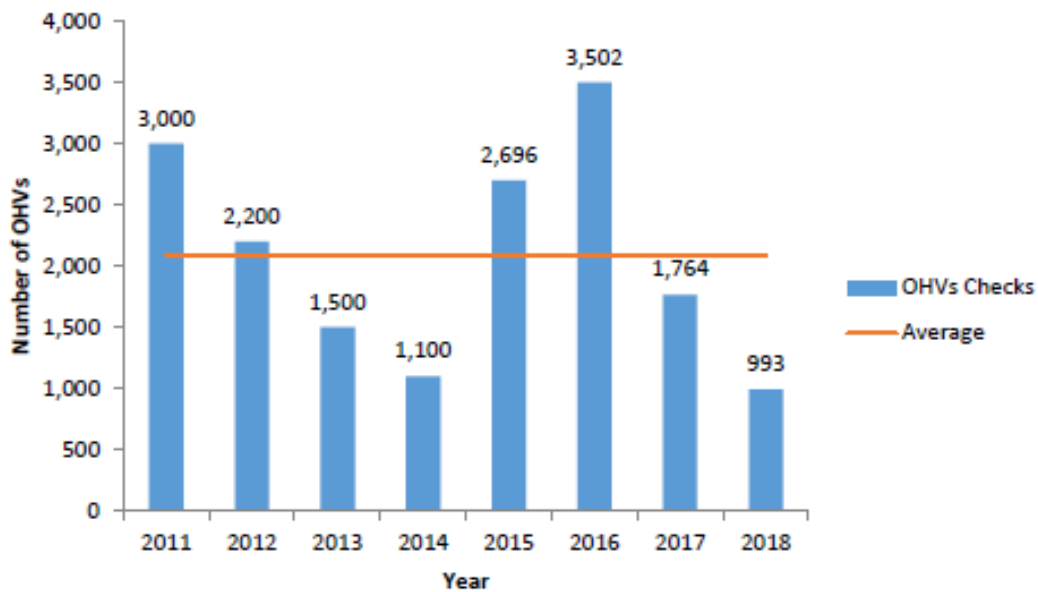
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Taskforce Officers	112	127	128	100+	80+	70+	70+	65+	60+
People Checked	8,250+	11,783+	6,900+	7,500+	6,000+	15,219	11,424	13,280	5874*
Vehicles through check-stops	NM	NM	NM	2,000	2,315	4,270	2,214	2,736	4,105
OHVs Checked	3,300+	3,000+	2,200+	1,500+	1,100+	2,696	3,502	1,764	607*
Monster Trucks	30+	12+	10+	10+	NM	20+	5+	NM	NM
Horses	50+	10+	15+	10+	10+	NM	NM	NM	NM
Jet Boats	0	2	4	4	0	0	0	8	NM
Canoes	0	0	12+	NM	0	0	0	20	NM
Written Tickets	1,071	846	694	1,099	815	957	627	1,108	533*
Written Warnings	151	26	20	20	149	NM	NM	33	38*
Verbal Warnings	NM	477	250+	200+	200+	290	252	496	374*
Impaired Drivers	5	4	9	7	9	5	6	6	11
24 HR Suspensions	16	4	12	NM	5	10	9	10	8
Arrests	36	41	34	7+	23	29	28	10	28
MVC Injury	NM	NM	NM	NM	1	5	1	1	2
MVC Non-injury	NM	NM	NM	NM	5	11	8	5	8
Fatalities	NM	NM	NM	NM	0	1	1	0	1
Abandoned/Damaged Vehicles	NM	NM	NM	NM	5	12	6	8	4
Abandoned Fires	25	4	6	12	3	26	0	0	NM
STARS Missions	NM	NM	NM	5	1	3	2	1	5

NM = No Measure/No Data

*The number for 2018 will be less as not all agencies submitted data

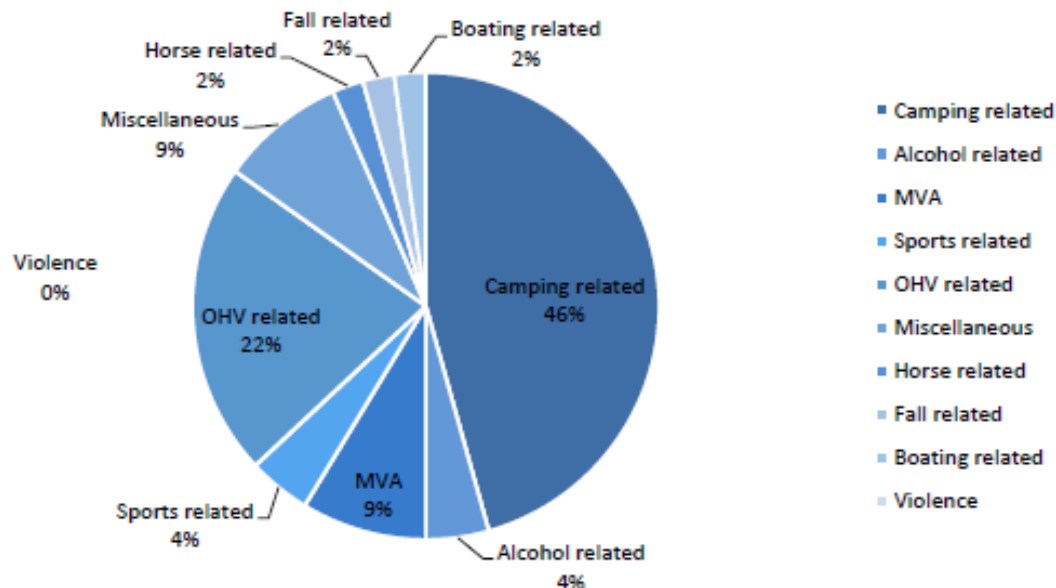


*Figure 1: Individual Contacts made by the Taskforce agencies



*Figure 2: Number of OHV's checked by Taskforce agencies

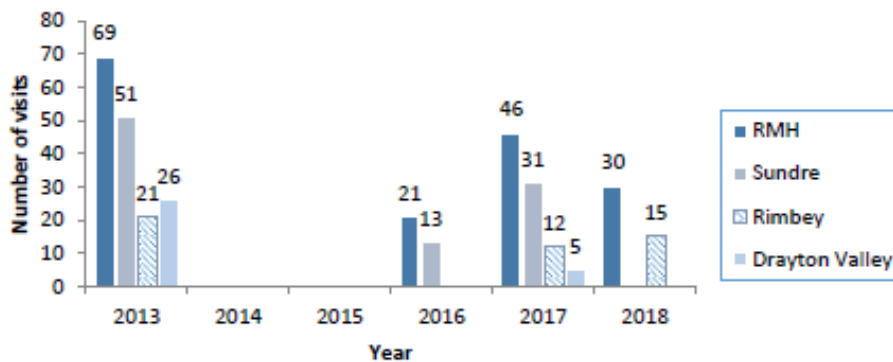
Causes of Hospital Visits



*Figure 3: Reasons for hospital visits during the May long weekend.

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Comparison of Hospital Visits



*Figure 4: Data for 2014 and 2015 not available. No data measure provided for Sundre and Drayton Valley hospitals for 2018.