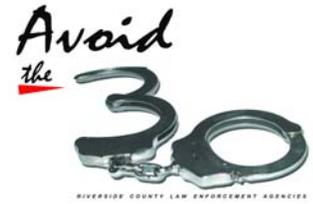




# Avoid the 30 Riverside County PRESS RELEASE



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## **Major Enforcement Effort by Riverside County Avoid the 30 is Successful** *Police kept vow and arrested 517 drivers for being 'Over the Limit'*

**Riverside, California** – The Summer/Labor Day DUI crackdown on drinking drivers has resulted in a record number of DUI arrests from Checkpoints, Special Saturation Patrols, and routine patrols in the Riverside County “AVOID” DUI Campaign.

From 12:01 a.m., Friday, August 21, 2009, through midnight, Monday, September 7, 2009, officers representing 30 county law enforcement agencies have arrested **517** individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and no fatal traffic collisions have been reported. This is up from 390 arrests made during the same time period last year.

(\*NOTE: These numbers are only provisional with many agencies yet to report\*\*)

A total of 14 DUI Checkpoints and 54 coordinated DUI Saturation Patrols were held countywide for this Summer/Labor Day period.

The summer months are among the most dangerous days of the year to be injured or killed in an Alcohol Involved crash. Our message remains simple and unwavering: *Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest.* “Driving impaired is simply not worth all the consequences.” said Riverside Police Department Supervisor Karen Haverkamp, AVOID the 30 Riverside County coordinator. “So don’t take the chance. Remember, if you are caught over the limit, you will be placed under arrest.”

For more information, visit [www.californiaavoid.org](http://www.californiaavoid.org), and [www.avoidthe30.org](http://www.avoidthe30.org).

**Police, Sheriff and the CHP encourage all motorists to help make your community safer:  
Report Drunk Drivers – Call 9-1-1.**

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