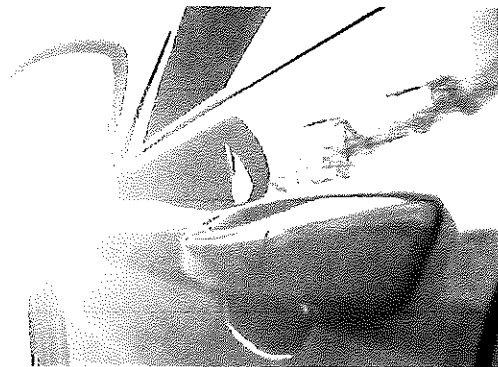
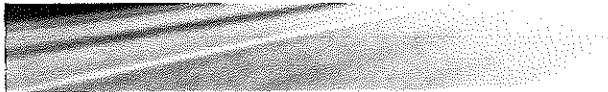


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Happy holidays—this is truly the most wonderful time of the year! December should be a special and magical time to celebrate with family and friends and a time to reconnect, refresh, and look forward with hopes and dreams for the new year. Unfortunately, for some, this time of year goes from joyful to sorrowful because of impaired driving crashes, which are 100% preventable. As a result, December is recognized as **National Impaired Driving Prevention month**. [Read President Biden's official proclamation.](#)

According to 2021 data (latest available) from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA):

- 3,498 people were killed on our nation's roadways in December 2021, including 29% who were killed in a drunk driving crash.
- Drunk driving fatalities accounted for 36% of all traffic fatalities over the Christmas holiday period.
- Of the 142 people killed in a drunk driving crash over the Christmas holiday period, 72% involved a driver with a BAC of .15 or higher, nearly two times the legal limit.
- High BAC drivers (.15 and above) accounted for a disproportionate share of drunk driving fatalities in December, including 72% over the Christmas holiday period and 66% on New Year's Eve.

This year, regardless of the holiday you celebrate, celebrate responsibly, because there is no excuse for impaired driving.

[Responsibility.org](#) continually works to eliminate drunk driving and works with others to eliminate all forms of impaired driving, as evidenced by our work outlined below. Simply stated, our mission remains steadfast to encourage responsibility and save lives.