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Ohio's new distracted-driving law requires every law enforcement agency in the state to provide bimonthly data to the Ohio Attorney General's Office specifying both the number and the race of offenders who received a ticket, citation or summons under division (C)(2) of Section 4511.204 and division (C) of Section 4511.991.

Likewise, the law requires the Ohio Attorney General's Office to compile the agency data into a comprehensive annual report on the total number of violations by race under both Sections 4511.204 and 4511.991. In addition, the AGO is statutorily required to provide an agency-by-agency breakdown by race of violations under both sections.

This report marks the first such Distracted-Diving Report. The new law took effect on April 4, 2023. This report covers the first year of the law — from April 4, 2023, through April 3, 2024. It is important to note that the distracted-driving law provided a six-month grace period for enforcement, so the data in this first report is likely to reflect delayed enforcement.

For the year covered by this report, the total number of reporting agencies was 249.

ORC 4511.204

For the year covered by this report, the total number of reported violations under ORC 4511.204 was 5,860. Here's a monthly breakdown of that total:

| Date | 4511.204 |
|--------------|--------------|
| April 2023 | 13 |
| May 2023 | 10 |
| June 2023 | 8 |
| July 2023 | 17 |
| Aug. 2023 | 8 |
| Sept. 2023 | 24 |
| Oct. 2023 | 111 |
| Nov. 2023 | 1,006 |
| Dec. 2023 | 642 |
| Jan. 2024 | 746 |
| Feb. 2024 | 1,676 |
| March 2024 | 1,585 |
| April 2024 | 14 |
| Total | 5,860 |

To see an agency-by-agency breakdown by race, [click here](#).

ORC 4511.991

For the year covered by this report, the total number of reported violations under ORC 4511.991 was 2,180. Here's a monthly breakdown of that total:

| Date | 4511.991 |
|--------------|--------------|
| April 2023 | 7 |
| May 2023 | 13 |
| June 2023 | 26 |
| July 2023 | 8 |
| Aug. 2023 | 19 |
| Sept. 2023 | 14 |
| Oct. 2023 | 21 |
| Nov. 2023 | 431 |
| Dec. 2023 | 356 |
| Jan. 2024 | 340 |
| Feb. 2024 | 443 |
| March 2024 | 492 |
| April 2024 | 10 |
| Total | 2,180 |

To see an agency-by-agency breakdown by race, [click here](#).

NOTE: The data in this report and the accompanying charts was reported by each law enforcement agency; it has not been independently verified by the Attorney General's Office.

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