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## **Illinois State Police Announce Results of Occupant Restraint Patrol in Cook and Kane Counties**

Downers Grove, IL – Illinois State Police District 15 Commander Dominic Chiappini announced today enforcement figures for Occupant Restraint Enforcement Patrols (OREP) conducted during the month of September on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80) in Cook County and on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Cook and Kane counties.

<b>Violation</b>	<b>Enforcement Activity</b>
Occupant restraint citations	55
Speeding citations	3
Driver's license offenses citations	4
All other citations	17
<b>Total citations issued</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Total written warnings issued – all violations</b>	<b>9</b>

In 2017, nearly one in four of the 1,090 people killed in traffic crashes in Illinois were not wearing seatbelts, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation. The goal of the OREP program is to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries by strictly enforcing all occupant restraint laws in Illinois. This project is funded through the IDOT Division of Traffic Safety.

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