

REPORT ON PHOTO SPEED MONITORING DEVICE USAGE BY LOCAL AND STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT

A Report to the Virginia General Assembly



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Data presented includes all information from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE OF REPORT

Effective July 1, 2020, the Virginia Department of State Police, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Uniform Crime Reporting Section began the collection of photo speed monitoring device civil penalty data, as required by the 2020 Virginia Acts of Assembly, Chapter 1232. The Act amended and reenacted §§ 46.2-208 and 46.2-882 of the Code of Virginia and added § 46.2-882.1 relating to use of photo speed monitoring devices in highway work zones and school crossing zones.

This statute authorizes state and local law-enforcement agencies to use photo speed monitoring devices in school crossing zones, highway work zones, and high-risk intersection segments to enforce speed limits. A high-risk intersection segment is defined as an area within 1,000 feet of school property at a marked crosswalk where a traffic fatality has occurred since January 1, 2014. Photo speed monitoring devices use radar or LIDAR to capture images or video of speeding vehicles. Civil penalties apply when a vehicle exceeds the posted speed limit by at least 10 mph, with fines capped at \$100. Penalties are civil, not criminal, and do not affect driving records or insurance unless a summons is issued in person by an officer. Revenue from penalties is allocated based on the issuing authority: localities retain local fines, State Police fines go to the Literary Fund, and fines from high-risk intersection segments fund the Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program.

This Act requires any state or local law-enforcement agency that places and operates a photo speed monitoring device pursuant to the provisions of this section to report to the Department of State Police by January 15th of each year, the number of traffic violations prosecuted, the number of successful prosecutions, and the total amount of monetary civil penalties collected. The Department of State Police shall aggregate such information and report it to the General Assembly by February 15th of each year. These provisions aim to improve safety in sensitive areas while ensuring transparency, privacy, and due process.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

[§ 46.2-882.1. Use of photo speed monitoring devices in highway work zones, school crossing zones, and high-risk intersection segments; civil penalty.](#)

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Total Agencies Reporting: **49**
- Total Violations Prosecuted: **957,780**
- Total Successful Prosecutions*: **607,899**
- Total Civil Penalties Collected*: **\$54,096,163.75**
- Number of School Zones: **228**
- Number of Highway Work Zones: **9**
- Number of High-Risk Intersection Segments: **0**

**Completion of prosecutions and receipt of funds from infractions may not be fully collected by year-end due to delays between the violation date, citation issuance, and payment submission.*

STATEWIDE TOTALS

Category	Violations	Successful Prosecutions	Civil Penalties
Highway Work Zones	301,512	200,253	\$19,637,092.42
School Crossing Zones	656,268	407,646	\$34,459,071.33
Grand Total	957,780	607,899	\$54,096,163.75

AGENCY SUMMARY

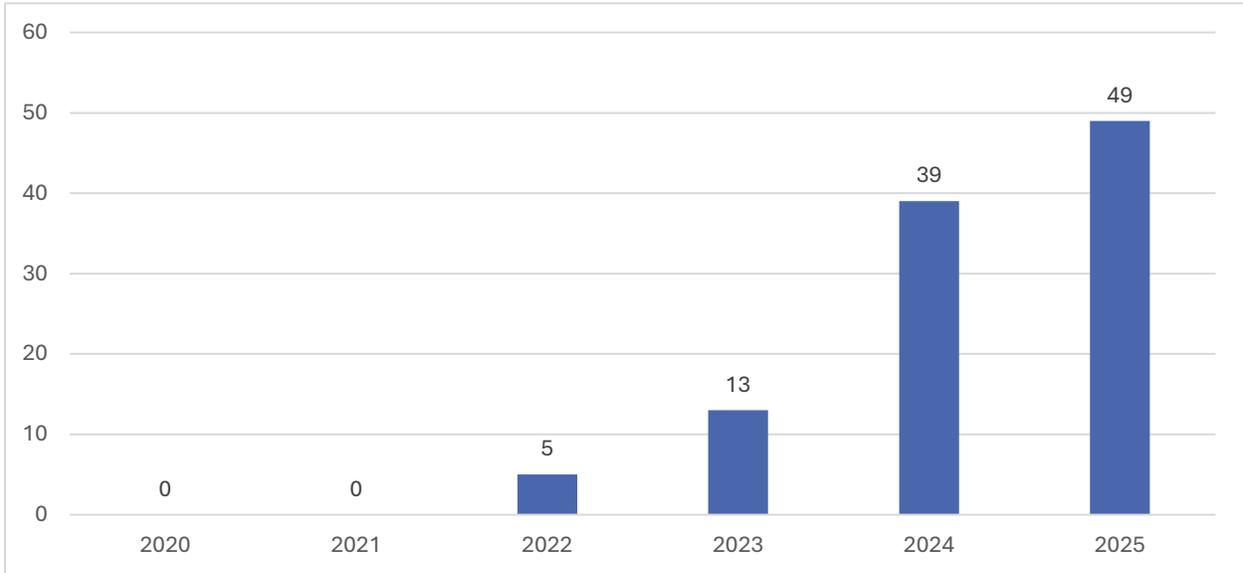
Agency Name	Zones	Devices	Violations	Successful	Civil Penalties
Albemarle County Police Department	2	4	10,988	8,819	\$ 879,216.00
Alexandria Police Department	5	12	29,873	19,176	\$ 1,916,359.00
Altavista Police Department	2	3	1,126	796	\$ 83,745.00
Arlington County Police Department	21	30	47,914	36,153	\$ 3,612,755.00
Bland County Sheriff's Office	1	1	8,316	9,339	\$ 932,812.55
Bluefield Police Department	1	2	487	367	\$ 36,700.00
Bridgewater Police Department	1	4	893	621	\$ 62,100.00
Bristol Police Department	3	6	788	551	\$ 55,100.00
Buckingham County Sheriff's Office	1	4	1,872	1,268	\$ 126,800.00
Charles City County Sheriff's Office	1	2	493	325	\$ 32,500.00
Chesapeake Police Department	10	10	30,646	18,330	\$ 1,833,000.00
Chesterfield County Police Department	16	32	25,722	16,311	\$ 1,621,548.28
Fairfax City Police Department	5	10	44,920	19,443	\$ 1,039,383.00
Fairfax County Police Department	20	22	55,510	47,175	\$ 1,980,247.00
Falls Church Police Department	1	4	8,525	6,717	\$ 671,136.00
Fauquier County Sheriff's Office	11	26	22,724	16,362	\$ 1,617,600.00
Fredericksburg Police Department	3	5	9,551	6,753	\$ 672,618.70
Front Royal Police Department	4	10	7,463	4,766	\$ 476,600.00

Agency Name	Zones	Devices	Violations	Successful	Civil Penalties
Glade Spring Police Department	1	2	677	386	\$ 38,600.00
Gloucester County Sheriff's Office	2	6	0	0	-
Greene County Sheriff's Office	3	6	3,343	2,611	\$ 260,701.00
Hampton Police Division	13	1	45,627	26,069	\$ 2,606,167.00
Harrisonburg Police Department	1	2	35,681	29,472	\$ 2,938,971.00
Hopewell Police Department	3	6	17,676	8,465	\$ 831,895.00
Hurt Police Department	1	2	222	123	\$ 11,650.00
James City County Police Department	7	20	6,363	3,968	\$ 396,800.00
King William County Sheriff's Office	2	4	1,772	983	\$ 98,300.00
Leesburg Police Department	3	6	1,676	1,327	\$ 145,908.00
Manassas Park Police Department	1	2	3,513	3,202	\$ 401,700.01
Manassas Police Department	3	4	4,014	2,661	\$ 266,100.00
Martinsville Police Department	4	9	6,904	4,056	\$ 405,600.00
Montgomery County Sheriff's Office	4	10	8,416	6,122	\$ 612,200.00
New Kent County Sheriff's Office	4	11	106,113	71,118	\$ 7,111,900.00
Norfolk Police Department	9	19	21,399	9,759	\$ 973,770.00
Petersburg Bureau Of Police	2	4	21,011	8,837	\$ 866,804.30
Portsmouth Police Department	7	16	19,521	9,144	\$ 897,948.15
Prince William County Police Department	6	11	32,728	24,750	\$ 2,002,265.00
Rappahannock County Sheriff's Office	2	8	394	189	\$ 18,900.00
Remington Police Department	1	2	176	130	\$ 13,000.00
Richmond Police Department	13	26	102,350	52,253	\$ 2,962,235.00
Saltville Police Department	1	2	181	82	\$ 8,200.00
Smyth County Sheriff's Office	2	4	787	440	\$ 44,000.00
Southampton County Sheriff's Office	1	4	13,847	9,239	\$ 923,900.00
Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office	4	8	8,660	5,857	\$ 320,538.00
Suffolk Police Department	15	30	116,806	65,782	\$ 6,533,276.79

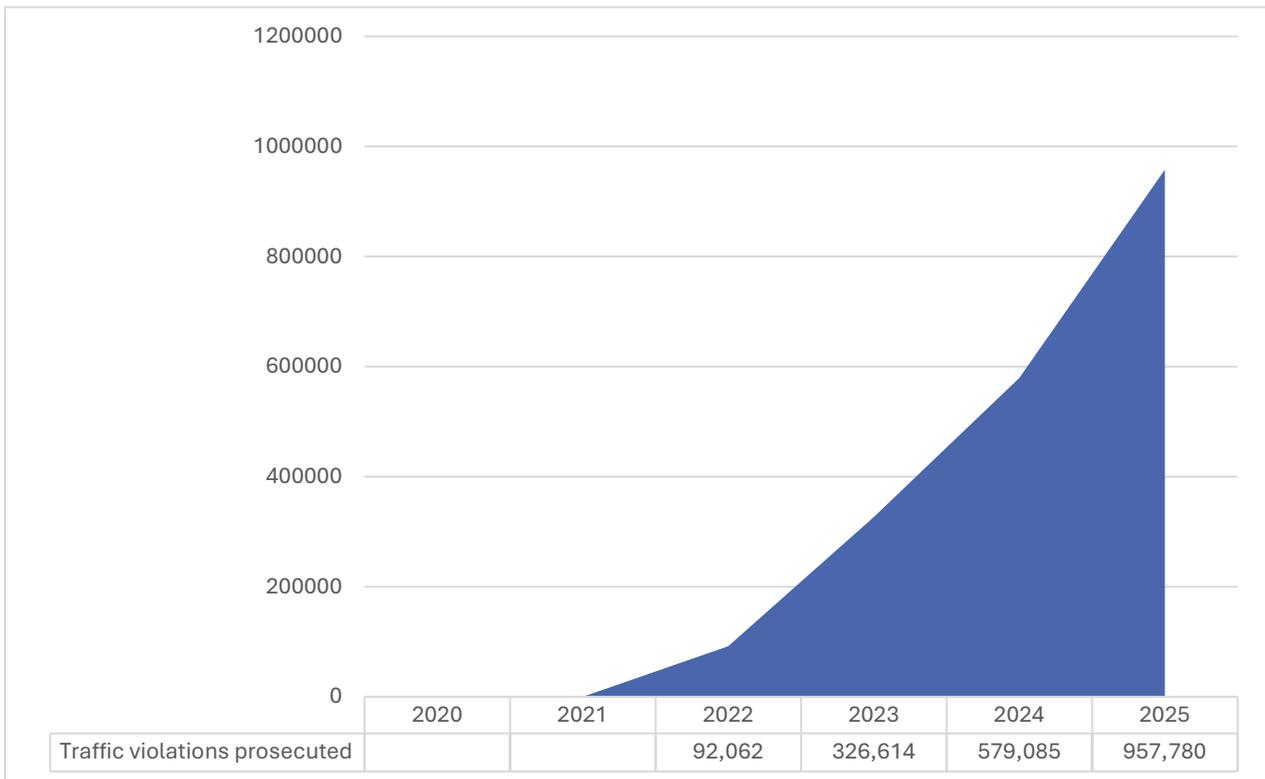
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Sussex County Sheriff's Office	2	6	12,695	7,882	\$ 788,200.00
Winchester Police Department	2	4	7,163	5,913	\$ 588,095.00
Wythe County Sheriff's Office	5	10	44,905	28,951	\$ 2,895,200.00
York - Poquoson Sheriff's Office	5	10	5,349	4,856	\$ 483,118.97

CHARTS & VISUALS

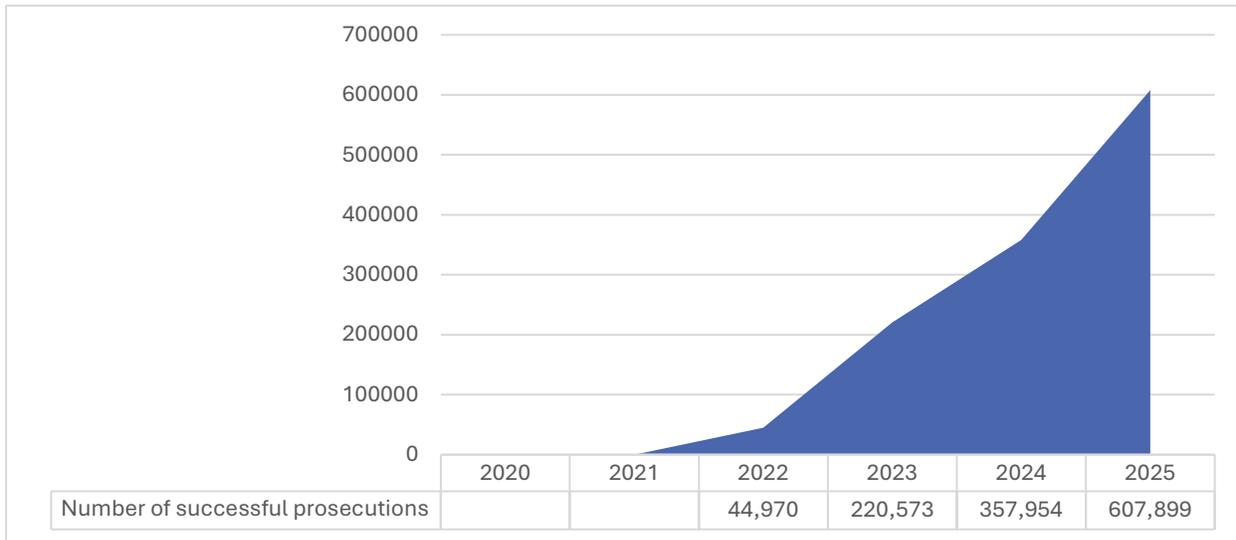
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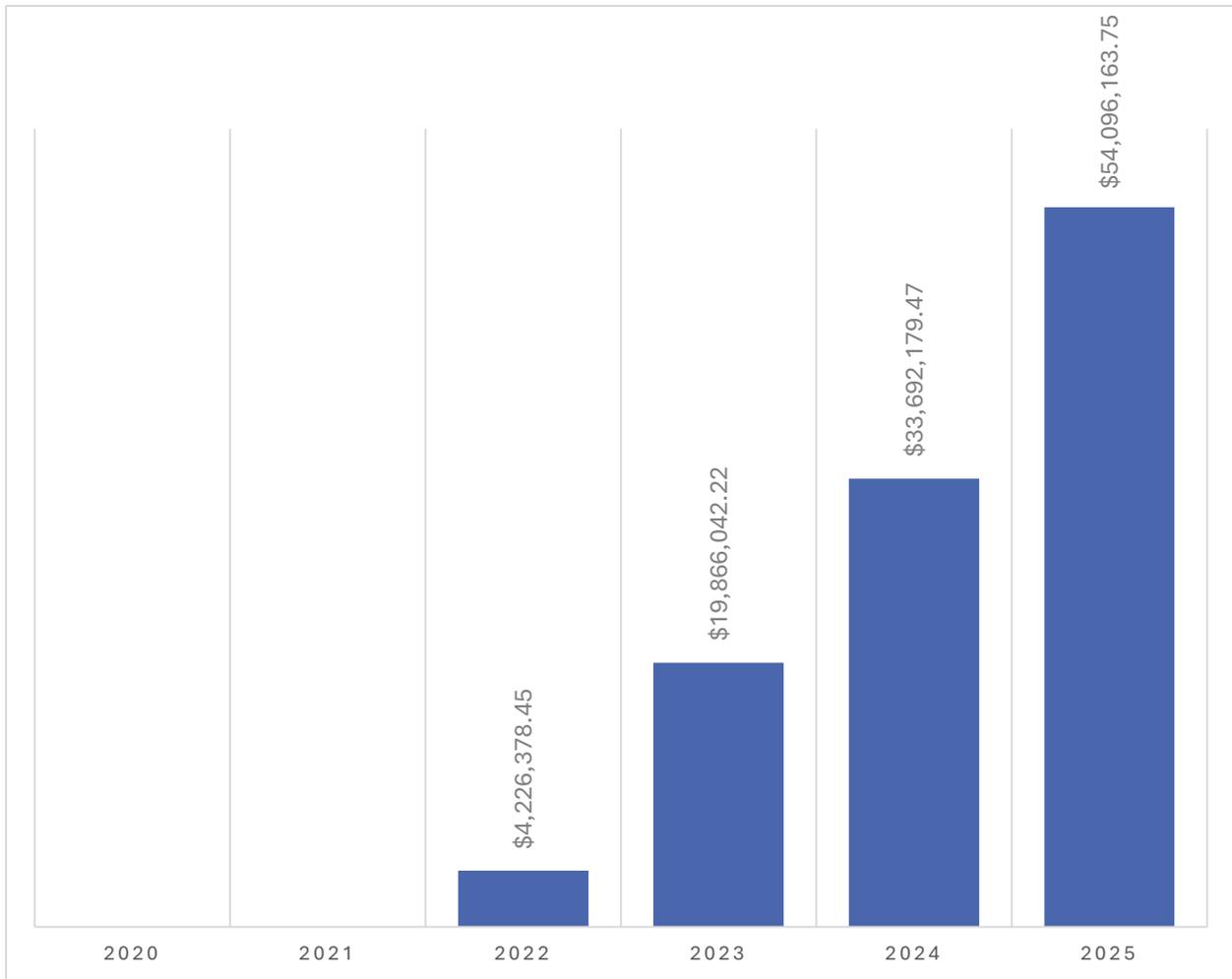
TREND: ANNUAL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS PROSECUTED



TREND: ANNUAL SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTIONS



TREND: TOTAL MONETARY CIVIL PENALTIES



DEFINITIONS

Agency Name: name of law enforcement agency

Zone Category: applicable type of zone; includes School Crossing Zone, Highway Work Zone, High-Risk Intersection Segment

Zone Name: generic name assigned to the location in which enforcement occurs (e.g. Town High School, Interstate 64)

Number of Devices in Zone: a count of photo speed enforcement devices within the zone

Violations - Number of traffic violations prosecuted: total number of citations issued with no regard to conviction/prepayment/challenges presented in court

Prosecutions - Number of successful prosecutions: citation resulted in a conviction or paid in lieu of appearance; due to the limited ability to collect information from court payment, these prosecutions may not be included

Civil Penalties - Total amount of monetary civil penalties collected: includes monies paid at the time of data submission; it is understood that monies for infractions may not be collected by the end of the calendar year

CONTACT INFORMATION

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For questions pertaining to local disbursement of funds, please contact the reporting law enforcement agency.

For questions pertaining to the effectiveness of automated speed enforcement or subsequent analysis, please contact Virginia Department of Transportation.