

New Report Shows Red Lights Cameras Changing Behavior of Florida Drivers

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As lawmakers prepare to consider whether to prohibit the use of controversial red-light cameras in Florida, new evidence continues to emerge regarding their effectiveness. The latest report, prepared by [American Traffic Solutions](#), shows that the cameras are changing driver behavior.

As we previously reported on this Florida Injury Blog, legislative efforts are currently underway in Tallahassee to ban red-light cameras. Supporters of SB-144 argue that the systems are only used to generate revenue and fail to keep our roads safer.

Meanwhile, safety officials are worried about the potential safety implications for Florida's intersections. An estimated 165,000 people suffer injuries every year in accidents caused by red-light runners.

The latest report lends for support to their arguments. Below are a few key findings:

- Overall, 90 percent of the vehicle owners who received one red-light running violation between July 2010 and May 2013 did not receive a second violation, while 8 percent received two tickets and less than 2 percent received three or more.
- In the three years since the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act became law, the average number of citations issued per camera per month statewide has decreased by 40 percent.

The latest report adds to prior research regarding red-light cameras in other parts of the country. An Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) [study](#) of red-light cameras in 14 large U.S. cities in 2011 concluded that the systems reduced the rate of fatal red-light running collisions by 24 percent.

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