

## Winnebago County Sheriff's Department



## **News Release**

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Winnebago County Sheriff's Department announces "Click It or Ticket" campaign numbers

Rockford, IL — The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department today announced it issued 66 citations during the recent Memorial Day "Click It or Ticket" enforcement period.

"Through the Memorial Day enforcement campaign, we helped make Illinois roads safer and spread the word that seat belts and child safety restraints save lives," said Sheriff Gary Caruana.

While Illinois' 2021 seat belt compliance rate was 93.5%, unbelted occupants still account for over half of those killed in traffic crashes. The "Click It or Ticket" campaign aims to change the behavior of the millions of people who don't buckle up. Thousands of lives could be saved each year if every vehicle occupant was properly restrained when traveling.

During the enforcement period, **Winnebago County Sheriff's Department** wrote 66 citations for various traffic violations and took the following additional actions:

- 2 DUI arrests
- 2 felony arrests
- 2 fugitives apprehended
- 3 suspended/revoked licenses
- 5 uninsured motorists
- 41 speeding citations
- 1 drug arrests

The Illinois "Click It or Ticket" campaign is administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation with federal highway safety funds.