

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Transport inspectors drive for safe roads

Transport inspectors will be on the road from 16-24 March conducting roadside safety checks of private vehicles ahead of the school holidays.

Transport and Main Roads Director-General Neil Scales said Operation Safe Vehicle – Holiday aimed to keep Queensland road users safe during a busy time on the roads.

“We run these operations four times a year, generally in the lead-up to school holidays when many people are considering travelling on our road network,” Mr Scales said.

“This operation is about reducing mechanical-related crashes by making drivers aware of any safety concerns with their vehicle they can address before travelling.”

Mr Scales said more than 5500 vehicles were inspected last year as part of the Operation Safe Vehicle.

“This operation provides an invaluable opportunity for our transport inspectors to educate drivers about vehicle safety,” he said.

“They will ensure vehicles are compliant with safety standards, focusing on windscreens, lights, tyres, brakes, steering and suspension.

“Safety checks also include condition and visibility of number plates.

“While transport inspectors will be doing their part, keeping Queensland roads safe is up to all road users.

“Road safety is everyone’s responsibility and performing regular safety checks is the best, and often cheapest, way to maintain a safe vehicle.”

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