

Introduction of double penalty points for inexperienced drivers, campains and education







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Three things that may has contributed to a reduction in injury accidents among young drivers!



Campaigns, targeting young drivers, especially boys.

Driver education

Double penalty points for novice drivers

the demerit point system, background and how it works.



- From january 1. 2004.
- Changed in 2011
 - Increased number of dots.
 - Increased number of violations that gives dots
 - 8 points in three years, lose driver licence for 6 months
- It is the police that can give an penalty, either by stopping you or detected in an ATK (automatic traffic control)
- The points are ruled out after three years from the date given.

Conditions that cause dots(The demerit point system)



Infringement	Number of dots		
Speed limit up to 60 km/h, measured speed 10 km/h to 15 km/h above speed limit	2		
Speed limit up to 60 km/h, measured speed 16 km/h and more above speed limit	3		
Speed limit from 70 km/h measured speed 16 km/h to 20 km/h above speed limit	2		
Speed limit from 70 km/h measured speed 21 km/h and more above speed limit	3		
Don't stop for red light	3		
Illegal passing	3		
Give-way violation	3		
Driving on confined area	3		
Driving to close to the driver in front of you	3		
Driving a trimmed MC	3		
Driver has not secured passengers under the age of 15	2		

- Double points for novice drivers (2 years)
- If you are caught for multiple offenses at once, you get as many dots as the offenses add up
- Notification letters are sent after four dots

Evaluation of the demerit point system after the changes in 2011

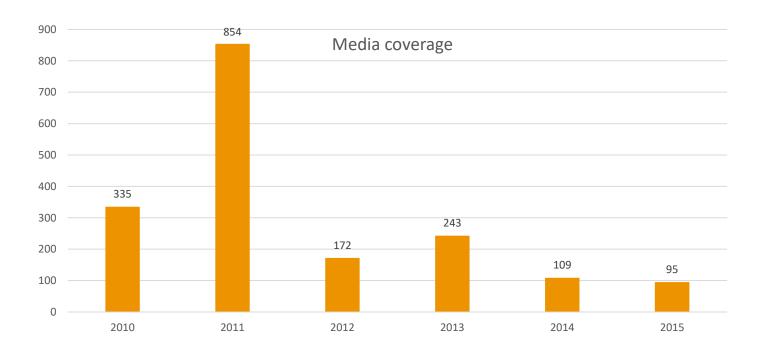


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- 1. Analysis of media coverage of the new demerit point system
- 2. Analysis of the national demerit point register
- 3. Analysis of crash data
- 4. Questionnaires among drivers in general and drivers having incurred demerit points

1 Analysis of media coverage of the new demerit point system(TØI 1523/2016)



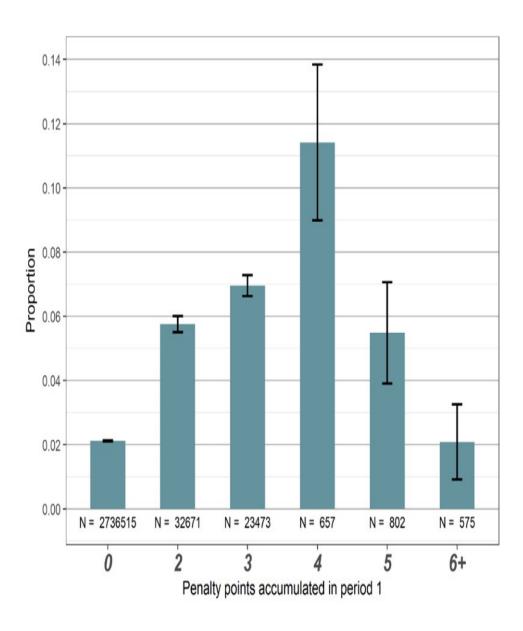


- News database «Retriver»
- Not surprisingly a peak in 2011
- NPRA also informed on the WWW



2 Analysis of the national demerit point register (TØI 1523/2016)

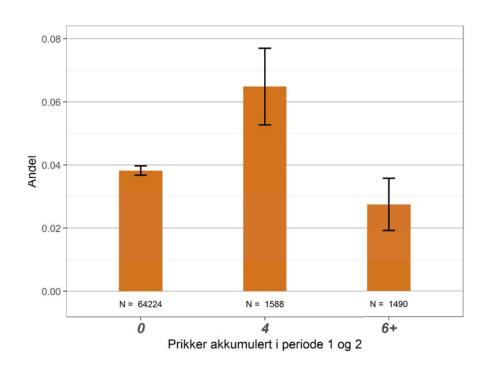




- 2 797 696 persons with driving licence
- No «dots» in the period 1/7-2008 1/7-2011
- Figure shows how many dots they got in period 1 and the proportion of drivers with new dots in period 2.
- The result shows that the probability of additional demerit point violations decreases significantly when a driver has incurred four or more dots.
- For probationary-license drivers with four or more points have a lower probability of additional points than drivers with no points.

2 Analysis of the national demerit point register (TØI 1523/2016)





- 68191 young drivers
- The figure shows the proportion of drivers in each group with new dots, grouped after number of dots they had in period 1
- This result indicates that drivers that are in a position to loose their lisence, change behavior.

Analysis of crash data; (TØI 1523/2016)



Police reported injurie accidents

Aldersgruppe	Kjønn	Førperiode (2004 – 2010)	Etterperiode (2012 – 2014)	Endring før-etter (%)
	Menn	20,1	11,0	-45,3
18 – 19 år	Kvinner	10,0	6,2	-38,2
	Begge kjønn	15,6	8,8	-43,8
	Menn	4,5	2,9	-35,3
20 år og over	Kvinner	2,2	1,4	-33,8
	Begge kjønn	3,4	2,2	-35,2

Accidents reported to Insurance companies

_	Aldersgruppe	Kjønn	Førperiode (2004 – 2010)	Etterperiode (2012 – 2015)	Endring før-etter (%)
	18 – 24 år	Menn	141,8	106,0	- 25,3
		Kvinner	72,0	65,9	- 8,4
		Begge kjønn	109,7	87,4	- 20,3
	0	Menn	98,3	95,3	- 3,0
	25 år og over	Kvinner	58,4	61,6	5,4
		Begge kjønn	79,7	79,3	- 0,5

Result;

- The decrease in police reported crashes per licence was significantly larger among 18- and 19-years old drivers than among the remaining driver population (44% vs. 35% decrease)
- The decrease in insurance reported accidents was significantly larger among 18- and 19-years old drivers than among the remaining driver population (20% vs. 0,5% decrease)
 - There may be alternative explantations but these results are consistent with a positive effect of the demerit point system, and even better results for the novice drivers.

Questionnaires among drivers in general and drivers having incurred demerit points (TØI 1523/2016)



- Majority of the drivers know that certain specified violations result in dots
 - Few could tell the correct number of dots.

- Survey confirm the results from the analysis of register data regarding the tendency that drivers with four or more demerit points change behaviour.
- Even among drivers without dots there is a considerable share who report that their driving is influenced by a fear of demerit points.