

# Sheriff



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## SPRING BREAK 2010

Okaloosa County Sheriff's deputies issued at least 566 citations to underage drinkers during the Spring Break session that ran from March 7th to April 11th. That compares to 542 notices- to- appear for underage possession of alcohol issued in Spring Break of last year.

Of those notices to appear, 196 were issued to high school students from various states, including Florida - and 370 were issued to college students.

Deputies increased patrols of beaches and other hot spots in an effort to prevent alcohol-induced problems, including other crimes and injuries. OCSO Special Operations Commander Lt. Ted Pecot says overall, there were no significant alcohol-related Spring Break incidents.

Here is a breakdown of some of the states with the highest number of offenders cited during Spring Break 2010:

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| MISSISSIPPI: | 67 college students | 21 high school students |
| ALABAMA:     | 49 college students | 30 high school students |
| GEORGIA:     | 55 college students | 26 high school students |
| TENNESSEE:   | 43 college students | 24 high school students |
| LOUISIANA:   | 38 college students | 29 high school students |
| LOCALS:      | 3 college students  | 10 high school students |

In addition to the citations for underage drinking, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Deputies also made at least eight arrests for possession of marijuana and for retail theft, battery on a law enforcement officer, larceny and criminal mischief and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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