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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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The removal of the mobile speed camera warning signs has not seen a reduction in speeding. The numbers caught show an increase. The government ads showing a speed camera saving the life of a family citizen from a speeding related accident are no longer true. In practise now, you can go sailing past unknowingly as fast as you like and have that accident still.

The removal of signs has done the opposite to what the target of the mobile speed camera operation has set out to do.

The statistics do not show large reductions in the speeding death toll, nor is there a general reduction of speeding offences that is proportionate to the revenue raised. Therefore the measure of removing signs has had no measurable effect on speeding.

Mobile speed Cameras also disproportionately effect those simply driving safely on our roads, but may have unknowingly slid a few KMs over the speed limit. This see the average driver doing everything right(using indicators, being in correct lanes, courtois to others) suddenly get a fine for a few KMs of speed they weren't aware they were doing at the time.

More general public are being fined, in proportion to the population it will effect those on low incomes and low socioeconomic status and see those that need help accidentally get further into debt.

Mobile speed Cameras have now lost their target ability to be visible at a black spot location as a visible deterrent.

Mobile speed Cameras have lost their ability to target a specific area of known speeding problems as a deterrent.