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Dear Aaron

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 3 April 2013 requesting information on crashes in the Waikato involving vehicle faults under the Official Information Act 1982. The NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) wrote to you on 29 April 2013 to extend the time available to respond to your request.

Please note that some crashes in the recent past may not yet be captured.

I have responded to each of your questions in turn below.

How many fatal and serious crashes in the Waikato involved vehicle faults in the past six years? I would like this broken down on a yearly basis, i.e 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007.

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	5	13	18
2008	7	6	13
2009	3	4	7
2010	4	6	10
2011	1	10	11
2012	4	10	14
Grand Total	24	49	73

Of fatal and serious road crashes in the Waikato between 2007 and 2012, how many were attributed to vehicle faults as the sole cause? I would like this broken down on a yearly basis.

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	0	0	0
2008	0	1	1
2009	0	0	0
2010	0	2	2
2011	0	4	4
2012	1	1	2
Grand Total	1	8	9

Nationwide, how many fatal and serious crashes between 2007 and 2012 involved vehicle faults? I would like this broken down on a yearly basis.

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	15	99	114
2008	21	81	102
2009	22	59	81
2010	26	53	79
2011	8	57	65
2012	12	41	53
Grand Total	104	390	494

Nationwide, how many fatal and serious crashes were attributed to vehicle faults as the sole cause? I would like this broken down on a yearly basis.

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	1	18	19
2008	0	12	12
2009	1	12	13
2010	1	12	13
2011	1	8	9
2012	2	7	9
Grand Total	6	69	75

Between 2007 and 2012, of the fatal and serious crashes in the Waikato involving vehicle defects, how many related to unsafe tyres? I would like this broken down on a yearly basis.

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	3	11	14
2008	5	1	6
2009	3	3	6
2010	3	3	6
2011	1	5	6
2012	4	8	12
Grand Total	19	31	50

Nationwide, between 2007 and 2012, of the fatal and serious crashes in the involving vehicle defects, how many related to unsafe tyres?

Crash Year	Fatal	Serious	Grand Total
2007	6	41	47
2008	13	35	48
2009	12	27	39
2010	14	26	40
2011	6	23	29
2012	10	21	31
Grand Total	61	173	234

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZTA, please contact Andy Knackstedt, National Media Manager, by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (04) 894 6285.

Yours sincerely



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