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Dear Kathryn

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

As previously advised, part of your request of 7 July 2014 to the New Zealand Police for information on crashes involving cyclists has been transferred to the NZ Transport Agency to respond to.

The Transport Agency is responding to your requests for information on the number of crashes involving cyclists in the last five years in Taranaki, Whanganui and Palmerston North, and a breakdown of the types of injuries sustained in those crashes.

This information is provided as Attachment A. It is categorised by local government regions. As you will see, Manawatu and Whanganui are in the same local government region.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Transport Agency, 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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For Chief Executive

Attachment A

This table shows the number of crashes involving cyclists between 2009 and 2013 in the Manawatu/Whanganui and Taranaki local government regions.

	Crash type	Crash year					Total
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Manawatu/Whanganui	Fatal		2	1			3
	Serious	6	6	5	11	13	41
	Minor	30	38	54	41	42	205
	Non-injury	8	15	16	13	23	75
Manawatu/Whanganui total		44	61	76	65	78	324
Taranaki	Serious	6	5		9	4	24
	Minor	11	16	10	9	22	68
	Non-injury	2	5	3	3	2	15
Taranaki total		19	26	13	21	28	107

This table shows the number of cyclist injuries sustained in the crashes shown above. For some crashes there was more than one cyclist injury.

	Injury type	Crash year					Total
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Manawatu/Whanganui	Fatal		2	1			3
	Serious	6	5	5	11	13	40
	Minor	30	41	54	41	43	209
Manawatu/Whanganui total		36	48	60	52	56	252
Taranaki	Serious	6	5		9	4	24
	Minor	11	16	10	10	22	69
Taranaki total		17	21	10	19	26	93