

CAUSATIVE AND CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS

FACTORS PROBABLY CONTRIBUTING TO CRASHES (VERSION 4.0 FOR USE ON CRASHES OCCURRING FROM 1 JANUARY 2016)

ALL ROAD USER FACTORS

Alcohol

101 Alcohol suspected

102 Alcohol test below limit

103 Alcohol test above limit or test refused

105 Impaired non-driver (pedestrian /cyclist/passenger, etc)

100 Other alcohol

Drugs

108 Drugs suspected

109 Drugs present

221 Impaired non-driver (pedestrian / cyclist / passenger, etc)

220 Other drugs

Misjudged speed, distance, size or position of

381 Another vehicle

383 Pedestrian

385 Size or position of fixed object or obstacle

386 Own vehicle

387 Misjudged intentions of another party

380 Other misjudged speed, distance, size or position

132 Lost control under braking

133 Lost control under acceleration

134 Lost control while returning to seal from unsealed shoulder

135 Lost control - road conditions

136 Lost control - vehicle fault

137 Lost control avoiding another party

130 Other lost control

Appropriate signalling

141 Failed to signal in time

145 Incorrect signal

140 Other failed to signal

Overtaking

151 Overtaking line of traffic or queue

152 Overtaking in the face of oncoming traffic

156 With insufficient visibility

157 Overtaking at an intersection

158 On left without due care

159 Cut in after overtaking

160 Vehicle signalling turn

150 Other overtaking

Wrong lane or turned from wrong position

300 Other failed to give way

Attention diverted by: inside vehicle

351 Passengers

354 Animal or insect in vehicle

357 Emotionally upset / road rage

359 Cell phone

361 Navigation device

362 Non cell communication device

364 Vehicle console inbuilt features: radio / heater, etc

365 Objects under driver's pedals

366 Food, cigarettes, beverages, etc

Attention diverted by: outside vehicle

352 Scenery or persons outside vehicle

353 Other traffic

355 Trying to find intersection, house number, destination, etc

356 Advertising or signs

363 Driver dazzled

350 Other attention diverted by (inside/outside vehicle)

Failed to notice

331 Vehicle slowing, stopping or stationary in front

332 Bend in road

512 Intentional collision

514 Evading enforcement

515 Object thrown (at / by / from)

518 Over the speed limit

510 Other intentional or criminal

PEDESTRIAN FACTORS

Walking along road

701 Not keeping to footpath

702 Not keeping to side of road

703 Not facing oncoming traffic

704 Not on outside of blind curve

705 Wheeled pedestrian behaviour

700 Other pedestrian walking along the road

Crossing road

711 Walking heedless of traffic

712 Stepping out from behind vehicles

713 Running heedless of traffic

714 Failed to use pedestrian crossing when one within 20 metres

715 Waiting on carriageway / confused by traffic

717 Stepping suddenly onto crossing

643 Rear vision mirror

640 Other windscreen / mirror

Mechanical

651 Engine failure

652 Transmission failure /broken axle

653 Accelerator or throttle jammed

650 Other mechanical

Chassis / running gear

661 Body, chassis or frame (cycle / motorcycle) failure

662 Suspension failure

665 Inadequate tow coupling

666 Inadequate or no safety chain

668 Wheel off

660 Other chassis / gear

Body / doors

667 Door / bonnet catch failed, defective or not shut

670 Inconspicuous colour

671 Blind spot

664 Other body / doors

Load

681 Load interferes with driver

682 Not well secured

849 Traffic signs

Visibility limited by: other feature

833 Building

834 Trees

835 Hedge or fence

836 Scrub, long grass or foliage

838 Temporary obstruction, dust or smoke

839 Parked vehicle

829 Signs / billboards / hoardings

830 Other road feature limit visibility

Signs and signals

841 Damaged, removed or malfunction

842 Badly located

843 Ineffective / inadequate / obscured

844 Necessary

845 Signals off

840 Other signs or signals

Markings / Islands / Barriers

851 Faded

852 Difficult to see due to weather or geometry

Illness

- 501 Sudden illness
- 504 Medical illness
- 505 Mental illness
- 506 Attempted suicidal
- 500 Other illness

Disability

- 502 Physical impairment
- 503 Defective vision
- 507 Impaired ability due to old age
- 508 Other disability

Driver or passenger boarding, leaving or in vehicle

- 521 Intentionally leaving / boarding moving vehicle
- 523 Riding in insecure position
- 524 Interfered with driver
- 525 Opened door inadvertently
- 527 Child playing in parked vehicle
- 520 Other driver or passenger boarding, leaving or in vehicle

Reason for death/injury

- 531 Casualty drowned
- 532 Casualty thrown from vehicle
- 535 Electrocution
- 536 Unsecured child seat
- 537 Child restrained failure/inappropriate
- 672 Seatbelt failed / defective
- 673 Air bag failed / defective
- 530 Other reasons for death/injury

DRIVER ONLY FACTORS

Inappropriate speed

- 111 Entering/on curve
- 112 On straight
- 113 Approaching a traffic control

- 171 Turned from incorrect lane
- 173 Travelled straight from turning lane or flush median
- 174 Turned from incorrect position on road
- 176 Turned into incorrect lane
- 177 Weaving or cut in on multilane roads
- 179 Long vehicle tracked outside lane
- 184 Incorrect merging / diverging
- 170 Other wrong lane or position

Following too close

- 181 Following too closely
- 183 Motorist crowded cyclist
- 180 Other following too close

Sudden action

- 191 Suddenly braked
- 192 Suddenly turned left/right
- 194 Swerved to avoid pedestrian
- 195 Swerved to avoid animal
- 196 Swerved to avoid crash or broken down vehicle
- 197 Swerved to avoid vehicle
- 199 Swerved avoiding emergency Vehicle
- 190 Other sudden action

<mark>Forbidden movements</mark>

- 201 Wrong way on road / motorway
- 202 Non-compliance with regulatory device with sign or marking
- 204 Driving / riding in pedestrian space
- 208 Motor vehicle in special purpose lane
- 200 Other forbidden movements

- 333 Indication of vehicle in front
- 334 Failed to notice control
- 336 Failed to notice signs
- 339 Failed to notice road works
- 340 Failed to notice markings
- 341 Obstructions on roadway
- 534 Another party wearing dark clothing
- 330 Other inattentive

Did not see or look for other parties until too late

- 371 Did not check / notice another party behind
- 375 Did not check / notice another party
- 377 When visibility obstructed by other traffic
- 370 Other did not see or look

Lack of experience

- 401 In driving in fast complex or heavy traffic
- 402 New driver / under instruction
- 403 Driving unfamiliar with vehicle/towing
- 404 Overseas / migrant driver fails to adjust to NZ road rules and road conditions
- 407 Driver over-reacted
- 400 Other lack of experience

Fatigue (drowsy, tired or fell asleep)

- 411 Long trip
- 412 Lack of sleep
- 414 Long day (working / recreation)
- 415 Exceeded driving hours
- 410 Other fatigue

Vehicle control mistakes

421 Started in gear / stalled

- 718 Not complying with traffic signals or school patrols
- 719 Misjudged speed and/or distance of vehicle
- 740 Looking the wrong way
- 710 Other pedestrian crossing the road

Miscellaneous

- 533 Equestrian not keeping to verge
- 721 Pushing, working on or unloading vehicle
- 722 Playing / unnecessarily on road
- 723 Working on road
- 725 Vision obscured by umbrella or hood
- 726 Child escaped from supervision
- 727 Unsupervised child
- 729 Pedestrian from or to school bus
- 730 Pedestrian behind reversing / manoeuvring vehicle
- 731 Overseas pedestrian
- 732 Pedestrian attention diverted by cigarette, cell phone, music player
- 733 Pedestrian from or to scheduled service
- 720 Other pedestrian

VEHICLE FACTORS

Running lights

- 601 Dazzling headlights
- 602 Headlights inadequate / no headlights or failed suddenly
- 604 Brake lights or indicators faulty or not fitted
- 605 Tail lights inadequate or no tail lights
- 606 Reflectors inadequate or no reflectors

- 683 Over-hanging
- 684 Load obscured vision
- 686 Over-dimensional vehicle or load
- 687 Load too heavy
- 688 Towed vehicle or trailer too heavy or incompatible
- 680 Other load

Miscellaneous vehicle

- 691 Emergency vehicle
- 692 Vehicle caught fire
- 693 Being towed
- 697 Vehicle software failure
- 690 Other vehicle

ROAD FACTORS

Slippery road surface

- 801 Rain
- 802 Frost or ice
- 803 Snow or hail
- 804 Loose material on seal
- 806 Oil / fuel

805 Mud / effluent

- 807 Painted markings808 Recently graded
- 809 Surface bleeding / defective
- 813 Deep loose metal
- 828 Steel / iron covers and joints
- 800 Other slippery road condition

Surface condition

- 811 Potholed
- 812 Uneven
- 814 High crown
- 815 Curve not well banked

- 853 Markings necessary
- 872 Traffic island(s) ineffective, badly located or designed
- 856 Barriers necessary
- 857 Island necessary
- 850 Other markings / islands / barriers

Street lighting

- 861 Failed
- 862 Inadequate for road and pedestrian crossing
- 860 Other street lighting factors

ENVIRONMENT FACTORS

Weather

- 901 Heavy rain
- 902 Dazzling sun
- 903 Strong wind 904 Fog or mist
- 905 Snow, sleet or hail
- 900 Other weather

Animals

- 911 Household pets rushed out or playing
- 912 Farm animals straying
- 913 Farm animals attended, but inadequate warning or unexpected
- 914 Farm animals attended, but out of control
- 915 Wild animal
- 910 Other animal factors

NO IDENTIFIABLE FACTORS

999 Unknown

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- 115 When passing school bus
- 116 At temporary speed limit
- 117 At crash or emergency
- 118 For road conditions
- 119 For weather conditions
- 182 Travelling unreasonably slowly
- 110 Other inappropriate speed conditions

Position on road

- 121 Swung wide on bend
- 122 Swung wide at intersection
- 123 Cutting corner on bend
- 124 Cutting corner at intersection
- 125 Too far right
- 126 Vehicle crossed flush median
- 129 Too far left
- 120 Other positions on road

Lost control

131 Lost control when turning

Did not stop

- 321 At stop sign
- 322 At full red traffic signal
- 324 At amber traffic signal
- 326 At flashing red signals (railway crossing, fire stations, etc)
- 327 For traffic controller
- 328 For school patrol / kea crossing
- 320 Other did not stop

Failed to give way

- 301 At a priority traffic control
- 303 When turning to non-turning traffic
- 304 When priority defined by road markings
- 306 To a pedestrian
- 308 When entering roadway from driveway
- 309 To traffic approaching or crossing from the right
- 312 Entering roadway not from driveway or intersection
- 313 Failed to give way to emergency vehicle
- 314 Driver waved through
- 315 When turning right to opposing left turning traffic
- 316 To traffic approaching or crossing from the left

- 423 Wrong pedal / foot slipped
- 426 Lights not switched on
- 428 Parking brake not fully applied
- 429 Trailer coupling or safety chain not secured
- 420 Other vehicle controls

Parking

- 441 Parked vehicle is not visible
- 443 Incorrectly parked vehicle
- 447 Not clear of rail crossing
- 440 Other parking

Intentional action: Showing off

- 431 Racing
- 432 Playing 'chicken'
- 433 Wheel spins / wheelies / doughnuts / drifting etc
- 434 Intimidating driving
 Intentional
- 430 Other intentional actions

Intentional or criminal

511 Homicide/suicide (successful)

- 607 Lights or reflectors obscured
- 608 Confusing / dazzling lights
- 609 Lights or reflectors at fault or dirty
- 600 Other lights or reflectors

Brakes

- 611 Parking brake failed / defective
- 613 Service brake failed
- 614 Service brake defective
- 615 Jack-knifed uneven braking
- 610 Other brakes

Steering

- 621 Defective
- 622 Failed suddenly
- 620 Other steering

Tyres

- 631 Puncture or blowout
- 632 Worn tread on tyre
- 633 Incorrect tyre type
- 634 Mixed types (tread) / space savers
- 630 Other tyres

Windscreens, mirrors, visors

- 641 Shattered windscreen
- 642 Vehicle windows / helmet visors / goggles / glasses / misted / dirty / windscreen wipers

- 816 Edge badly defined or gave way
- 817 Under construction or maintenance
- 818 Unusually narrow
- 810 Other surface condition

Obstructions and objects

- 821 Fallen tree or branch
- 822 Slip or subsidence
- 823 Flood waters, large puddles and fords
- 824 Road works not adequately lit/sign posted
- 826 Roadside object fell on vehicle
- 827 Object flicked by other vehicle
- 820 Other road obstructed

Visibility limited by: road feature

- 831 Curve
- 832 Crest
- 837 Bank

- gave <u>RETIRED CODES DO NOT USE</u>
 - 106 Alcohol not suspected, tested and -ve (MOT use only)
 - 305 When turning left, to opposing right turning traffic (old road rule)
 - 358 Cigarette, radio, heater, AC, glove box, object under drivers feet/pedals etc
 - 517 Stolen vehicle
 - 920 Other entering or leaving land use
 - 921 Roadside stall
 - 922 Service station
 - 923 Specialised liquor outlet
 - 924 Take-away food outlet
 - 925 Shopping complex
 - 926 Car parking building / area
 - 927 Other commercial activity
 - 928 Industrial site
 - 929 Private house or farm
 - 930 Non-commercial activities
 - 931 Mobile shop or vendor

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