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Dear Chris

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your e-mail dated 24 May 2021 to NZ Police requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). On 25 May 2021, your request was transferred to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency. I understand that you have requested the following information:

[...] a rundown on vehicle accidents reported for the intersection of Kiddle Drive/Arrowsmith Ave where it crosses Napier Road in Taupo – since the change of the right of way priority in early October 2019.

And say the number of accidents reported for the intersection in the two years before the change to traffic priority at the same intersection?

The information that you have requested is as follows:

Crashes at the intersection of Kiddle Drive/Arrowsmith Ave Taupō two years prior to 1 October 2019.								
Road	Fatal crashes	Serious crashes	Minor crashes	Non-injury crashes	Total crashes			
01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018				2	2			
01/10/2018 to 30/09/2019			1	2	3			
Total	0	0	1	4	5			

Crashes at the intersection of Kiddle Drive/Arrowsmith Ave Taupō from 1 October 2019 to 26 May 2021.								
Road	Fatal crashes	Serious crashes	Minor crashes	Non-injury crashes	Total crashes			
01/10/2019 to 30/09/2020*			5	12	17			
01/10/2020* to 26/05/2021*		1	3		4			
Total	0	1	8	12	21			

^{*2020} and 2021 data is incomplete and is current from CAS as at 26/05/2021

It is important to note the following in relation to the information provided:

- This data is provided from the road traffic crash database; Crash Analysis System (CAS) version 2.1.0
- Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency maintains the Crash Analysis System which is updated once a Traffic Crash Report (TCR) is received from NZ Police sometime after the crash.
- Data is for all crashes for the period 1/10/2017 to 26/05/2021 as recorded in CAS to date -26/05/2021.
- Data is limited to within 30m of the intersection of Kiddle Drive/Arrowsmith Ave where it crosses Napier Road in Taupō.
- A crash, to be recorded in CAS must have occurred on a road. The CAS definition of a road is
 any street, motorway or beach, or a place to which the public have access with a motor
 vehicle, whether as of right or not e.g. a public car park.
- Due to the police reporting time frame and subsequent data processing there is a lag from the time of a crash to full and correct crash records within CAS.
- Due to the nature of non-fatal crashes it is believed that these are under-reported, with the level of under-reporting decreasing with the severity of the crash.
- 2020 and 2021 data is incomplete.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Megan Heffield, Media Manager, by e-mail to megan.heffield@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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