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Dear Brendan

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 5 October 2012 requesting information concerning On-road Safety Tests (ORST) for older drivers under the Official Information Act 1982.

Your four questions and my responses are detailed below:

1. *Please provide me with the most recent figures on how many referrals have been made to the New Zealand Transport Agency for on-road safety tests for older drivers.*

The NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) is unable to provide you with this information as we do not report on the number of referrals received for on-road safety tests (ORST). Therefore, this part of your request is declined under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 because the information requested does not exist.

2. *Please distinguish whether these referrals were by doctors, police officers or members of the public.*

Please refer to the response provided to your first question.

3. *Please provide both a national breakdown, and also specific figures on the following areas: Northland, Eastern Bay of Plenty, Western Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Rotorua, Wanganui, Wairarapa, Christchurch and Oamaru.*

On 11 October 2012 Alex McMinn of the NZTA phoned you to clarify your third and fourth requests. You confirmed that you would like national data for on-road safety tests for older drivers sat by Territorial Local Authority (TLA) as they could not be provided by regions from 1 January 2012.

Please refer to Table 1 for figures on the number of ORST sat between 1 January 2012 - and 5 October 2012.

4. *What is the success rate of these tests? Please provide the same regional breakdown.*

Please refer to Table 2, which shows the pass rate for ORST sat between 1 January 2012 and 5 October 2012.

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to apply to an Ombudsman for an investigation and review of the decision to decline parts of your request. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen
PO Box 10152
Wellington

If you would like to discuss this reply further, please contact Andrew Knackstedt, National Media Manager by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on 04 894 6285.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan Montgomery', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Alan Montgomery

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Table 1:

Territorial Local Authority	Month test sat - 2012												Total
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October			
Ashburton District	11	7	3	6	13	4	9	15	7	2			77
Auckland	9	10	12	9	12	17	28	11	12	2			122
Central Otago District	2	2						1					5
Christchurch City	4	7	8	8	8	3	2	3	7	3			53
Clutha District			1		3	2	1	1					8
Dunedin City	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	3	1				13
Far North District	2	1		1	3	3		1	1				9
Gisborne District			2	3					2	2			9
Gore District		1	1					2					4
Grey District				2	2		1		1				6
Hamilton City				2	4		2	1	1				10
Hastings District	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	4				15
Hauraki District	1	1											2
Invercargill City	3	2		1	7	1	1		1	1			17
Kapiti Coast District		1	3	7	4	1	1	4					21
Lower Hutt City			1	2	5	5	2	1	2				18
Manawatu District			2	1	1	1	1		5				11
Marlborough District		1	3	1	5	1	1	4					15
Masterton District			1	1									2
Matamata-Piako District			1	1		1			1				4
Napier City	1				2			3					6
Nelson City		1	2	1	3	2	5	4	2				20
New Plymouth District	4	3	9	4	8	5	8	6		1			48
Opotiki District	2	1											3
Palmerston North City		3	1		1	2	2	2		1			12
Porirua City		1			3	1	2	5	1				13
Queenstown-Lakes Dist.										2			2
Rotorua District		4	2	1	1	2		5	3	1			19
South Taranaki District					3	1			1				5
South Waikato District		1		1									2
Stratford District	1	1											2

Territorial Local Authority	Month test sat - 2012											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	Total	
Taupo District	1		2	1	3		1	1	1		10	
Tauranga City	3	4	6	9	7	5	7	3	7	1	52	
Thames-Coromandel Dist.				4	4	1	2				11	
Timaru District	1	1	2	2	1		3		3	1	14	
Waimakariri District	1		2	2		1			1		7	
Waimate District		1									1	
Waipa District			1		1	2		3			7	
Waitaki District	1	1		1							3	
Wanganui District	1		6	2	1	2		1			13	
Wellington City			1	1	7	5	2		2		18	
Western Bay of Plenty Dist.								2			2	
Whangarei District				1		1	2		1		5	
Total	51	57	77	78	111	69	86	83	70	17	699	

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- Data is limited to ORST sat between 1 January 2012 and 5 October 2012
- 'Sat' refers to tests resulted as Pass, Fail or Stopped only
- Data is limited to drivers aged 74 and over at the time of their test date
- Data is regionalised to the test site location
- Figures are as at 5 October 2012

Territorial Local Authority	Pass rate - 2012												Total
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	October	October	
Tasman District									67%				67%
Taupo District			50%		100%		100%		100%				60%
Tauranga City		100%	67%	33%	57%	40%	43%		71%				48%
Thames-Coromandel Dist.				75%	25%								36%
Timaru District	100%			50%			33%		33%		100%		36%
Waimakariri District	100%			50%					100%				43%
Waimate District													0%
Waipa District			100%			50%		33%					43%
Waitaki District	100%	100%		100%									100%
Wanganui District	100%		83%	100%	100%	50%		100%					85%
Wellington City					29%		50%		50%				22%
Western Bay of Plenty Dist.								50%					50%
Whangarei District				100%									20%
Total	57%	67%	55%	49%	50%	48%	52%	47%	67%	71%			54%

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