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Dear Joel

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 18 January 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

How many people have died along SH1 between Linden and MacKays Crossing since 2000?

There have been 41 deaths along State Highway 1 (SH1) between Linden and Mackays Crossing recorded in the Crash Analysis System as at 25/01/2022.

A breakdown by year is shown in the following table:

Year	Deaths	Year	Deaths
2000	11	2012	2
2001	3	2013	1
2002	1	2014	0
2003	1	2015	0
2004	11	2016	1
2005	2	2017	0
2006	2	2018	1
2007	1	2019	1
2008	1	2020	0
2009	0	2021*	1
2010	1	2022*	0
2011	0	Total	41

* 2021 and 2022 data is incomplete and is current from CAS as at 25/01/2022

12 of the 41 fatalities included in this table occurred on the Centennial Highway section of SH1 prior to the installation of the wire rope median barrier in 2005. Four fatalities occurred on this section of SH1 in 2000, one fatality occurred in 2001, and seven fatalities occurred in 2004. No fatalities have been recorded on this corridor since the safety improvements work was undertaken in 2005.

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 2.2.0
- 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 limited to fatal crashes for the years 2000 to 2022 as recorded in CAS to date - 25/01/2022.
- Data is limited to crashes on SH 1N between Linden (Collins Avenue) and Mackays Crossing (Whareroa Road).
- "SH 1N" on the requested route is mostly now designated SH 59.
- 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.
- 2021 and 2022 data is incomplete.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Andy Knackstedt, Senior Manager, Media, by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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