

5 February 2020

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REF: OIA-6341

Dear [REDACTED]

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email to the Waka Kotahi, NZ Transport Agency on 28 January 2020 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Can I please ask you to add some additional data to the attached spreadsheet extract from CAS?*

*The extract is of the 137 crashes recorded in CAS for The Parade in Wellington City (2000 to 2019).*

*Can you please add the Vehicle Movement code(s) and description, and the Factor code(s) and description for each crash?*

I am withholding specific information relating to your request under section 9 (2)(a) of the Act as the withholding of the information in the format you have requested, is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons. Adding movement codes and factors to the crashes provided could breach the privacy of individuals involved in those crashes.

However, in order to provide reasonable assistance, I can provide the information you have requested in the form of summary tables of all the vehicle movement codes and cause factors, broken down into 5-year brackets between 2000 and 2019. This information is provided to you in the attached spreadsheet: OIA-6341.xlsx

It is important to note the following in relation to the data provided. This information is also provided to you in the attached spreadsheet:

- This data is provided from the road traffic crash database; Crash Analysis System (CAS) version 1.3.4.
- 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 years 2000 to 2019 as recorded in CAS to date - 3/02/2020.
- Data is limited to crashes in the spreadsheet attached to the request (crashes for The Parade in Wellington City 2000 to 2019).
- A crash, to be recorded in CAS has to 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.
- Not all crashes are reported to the NZ Police and the level of reporting increases with the severity of the crash. Due to the nature of non-fatal crashes it is believed that these are under-reported.

- The cause of a crash cannot necessarily be attributed to any one factor (eg fatigue) as a crash may have multiple factors.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz)

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, please contact Kerry Greig, Manager, Data Services, by email to [kerry.greig@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:kerry.greig@nzta.govt.nz) or by phone on ( [REDACTED] ).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan Boow', written in a cursive style.

**Jonathan Boow**  
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