

25 January 2023



REF: OIA-11837

Dear 

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

I write concerning your Official Information Act request sent to NZ Police on 12 December 2022, which was transferred in part to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency for response on 12 January 2023. This letter will address the following aspect of your request:

Data regarding near misses, personal injury, death, and accidents on Egmont Street in Taranaki. You stated "The precise location of 'Site NO0071 (Note; Egmont Street is 2.2kms long)"

Waka Kotahi does not hold information relating to near misses, and therefore this aspect of your request is refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act.

We have interpreted the 2.2 kms referred to in your request to be the part of Egmont Street that runs along SH 3 and includes 231 Egmont Street.

Information on the number of crashes on Egmont Street between 2013-2022 is included in the below table.

Year	Fatal crashes	Serious injury crashes	Minor injury crashes	Non-injury crashes	Total crashes
2013				1	1
2014					0
2015					0
2016	1			1	2
2017				1	1
2018				3	3
2019			3		3
2020			1	2	3
2021				2	2
2022*		1			1
Total	1	1	4	10	16

Information on the number of injuries that occurred in crashes on Egmont Street between 2013-2022 is included in the table below. Please note that there may be more than one injury in a crash, so the crash and injury tables may have different numbers.

Year	Deaths	Serious injury crashes	Minor injury crashes	Total injuries
2013				0
2014				0
2015				0
2016	3	1		4
2017				0
2018				0
2019			3	3
2020			1	1
2021				0
2022*		1		1
Total	3	2	4	9

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 2.2.9
- 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 2013 to 2022 as recorded in CAS to date - 18/01/2023.
- * 2022 data is incomplete and is current from CAS as at 18/01/2023.
- Data is limited to crashes on Egmont Street, Patea, Taranaki SH 3 from Livingstone Ln to Bedford Street.
- 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 increasing severity of the crash.
- Crash severity is determined by the severity of the worst injury in the crash. There may be more than one injury in a crash, so the crash and injury tables may have different numbers.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision on this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Ministerial Services, by email at official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

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