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Dear

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your online request of 15 July 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

2/How many pedestrians were injured or killed on pedestrian crossings in Lower Hutt over the past15 years?

The data you requested is outlined in the following table:

Year	Deaths	Serious injuries	Minor injuries	Total injuries
2009		1	2	3
2010		1	6	7
2011			2	2
2012			3	3
2013			1	1
2014		2	10	12
2015		1		1
2016			3	3
2017			3	3
2018		1	3	4
2019		1	6	7
2020			4	4
2021		1	6	7
2022		2	5	7
2023*		6	2	8
2024*		1	4	5
Total	0	17	60	77

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 2.11.0. NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) maintains the CAS which is updated once a Traffic Crash Report (TCR) is received from New Zealand Police sometime after the crash.

• 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.

 2023 and 2024 data is not yet complete in CAS, but these are the current figures from CAS as at 31 July 2024.

• Data is for all fatal and Injury crashes for the years 2009 to 2024 as recorded in CAS to date – as at 31 July 2024.

• Data is limited to crashes involving pedestrians on pedestrian crossing in the Lower Hutt City, Territorial Local Authority (TLA).

Pedestrians includes skateboarders, wheeled pedestrians, and people on foot.

 Fatal crash report data is usually recorded in CAS within one working day of NZTA receiving it from New Zealand Police. Serious Injury and Minor injury crash report data is usually recorded in CAS within four weeks.

• 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 the severity of the worst injury in the crash.

• Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, New Zealand had a 4-level Alert system in place from 21 March 2020 until this changed to a Traffic Light system in December 2021. The amount of traffic on the roads during Level 4 lockdowns was greatly reduced, which consequently reduced the number of road crashes. Road movements under the Orange and Red levels of the Traffic Light system would also be reduced due to the restrictions in place, and data from these periods will therefore not align with previous trends.

In line with NZTA policy, this response will soon be published on our website with personal details removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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