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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

Could you please tell me the number of road traffic collisions on the A96 in the last three years please. Can this be broken down to:

1 - Between Aberdeen and Huntly

2 - Between Huntly and Inverness

Could you also tell me the number of people injured in these collisions?

In response to your request, please see the following data for the period 1st January 2019 - 31st August 2022 (Calendar Years):

Road Traffic **Collisions** on the A96 (Aberdeen to Huntly), Broken by Collision Severity

Collision Severity	2019	2020	2021	2022*
Fatal	1	0	1	0
Serious	7	5	9	3
Slight	14	3	4	4
Total	22	8	14	7

Road Traffic **Casualties** on the A96 (Aberdeen to Huntly), Broken by Casualty Severity

Casualty Severity	2019	2020	2021	2022*
Fatal	1	0	1	0
Serious	8	6	10	3
Slight	22	4	7	7
Total	31	10	18	10

Road Traffic **Collisions** on the A96 (Huntly to Inverness), Broken by Collision Severity

Collision Severity	2019	2020	2021	2022*
Fatal	5	3	2	1
Serious	8	5	5	4
Slight	15	4	9	8
Total	28	12	16	13

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Road Traffic **Casualties** on the A96 (Huntly to Inverness), Broken by Casualty Severity

Casualty Severity	2019	2020	2021	2022*
Fatal	5	3	2	1
Serious	12	7	7	6
Slight	25	8	18	14
Total	42	18	27	21

All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 12/10/2022.

Please note that a reportable collision is defined under Section 170 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and describes the legal responsibility on those drivers involved to report the matter to the police. Where those involved exchange personal details, there is no legal requirement to report a collision to the police and this applies particularly to non-injury collisions.

As such, there may have been other collisions within the location of your request, which were not reported to Police Scotland, nor which required a collision report to be created, and will therefore not be included within the statistics.

Please be advised that the number of casualties may vary from the number of collisions, as each collision may have multiple casualties.

Note - the data is subject to change and will be updated on the next extract of data from CRaSH on 3rd November 2022.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee at foidundee@scotland.police.uk quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to foi@scotland.police.uk or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

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