| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 23-3234  Responded to: 17 January 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## 1. The total number of car accidents (specifically involving cars, motorcyclists and cyclists, but not pedestrians) that happened between 1 December 2022 to 1 December 2023.

## 3. The number of accidents in which those involved suffered injuries

## Please break this data down for each month of the year.

In response to these two questions, please see the tables at the end of this letter.

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

You may also be interested in the Scottish Government’s published data:

[Reported Road Casualties Scotland 2022 | Transport Scotland](https://www.transport.gov.scot/publication/reported-road-casualties-scotland-2022/)

## 2. The causes of these accidents, such as speeding, drink-driving or icy roads etc. In response to this question, Police Scotland do not attribute causes to Road Traffic Collisions, rather we record contributory factors. As such we have provided data based on these:

| Contributory Factor | Count |
| --- | --- |
| Aggressive driving | 69 |
| Animal/object | 36 |
| Buildings/road signs/street furniture | 4 |
| Careless/reckless/in a hurry | 543 |
| Cyclist entering road from pavement | 8 |
| Cyclist with dark clothing | 3 |
| Dazzling headlights | 2 |
| Dazzling sun | 77 |
| Defective breaks | 14 |
| Defective road | 13 |
| Defective steering/suspension | 6 |
| Defective traffic signals | 5 |
| Defective lights | 2 |
| Deposit on road | 26 |
| Disobeyed automatic traffic signals | 22 |
| Disobeyed double white line | 5 |
| Disobeyed give way/stop | 78 |
| Disobeyed pedestrian crossing | 7 |
| Distraction in vehicle | 31 |
| Distraction outside vehicle | 12 |
| Driver using mobile phone | 4 |
| Driving too slow/slow vehicle | 2 |
| Emergency vehicle on call | 12 |
| Exceeding speed limit | 60 |
| Failed to judge others path/speed | 202 |
| Failed to look properly | 508 |
| Failed/misleading signalling | 11 |
| Fatigue | 29 |
| Following too close | 42 |
| Illegal turn/travel direction | 16 |
| Illegal tyres | 5 |
| Illness/disability | 54 |
| Impaired by alcohol | 77 |
| Impaired by drugs | 27 |
| Inexperience driving on left | 18 |
| Inexperience with vehicle type | 4 |
| Inexperienced/learner driver | 32 |
| Junction overshoot | 20 |
| Junction restart | 14 |
| Loss of control | 211 |
| Maked sign/marking | 12 |
| Nervous/uncertain/panic | 5 |
| Other | 64 |
| Overloaded | 3 |
| Passing too close to cyclist/rider/pedestrian | 17 |
| Careless/reckless/in a hurry | 82 |
| Crossed masked road | 44 |
| Dangerous action | 14 |
| Failed to judge others path/speed | 26 |
| Failed to look properly | 167 |
| Illness/disability | 18 |
| Impaired by alcohol | 39 |
| Impaired by drugs | 6 |
| Poor turn/manoeuvre | 140 |
| Pedestrian wearing dark clothing | 14 |
| Wrong use of pedestrian crossing | 10 |
| Rain/sleet/snow/fog | 30 |
| Road layout | 44 |
| Road layout (bends, winding) | 10 |
| Slippery road | 169 |
| Stationary/parked vehicle(s) | 26 |
| Stolen vehicle | 4 |
| Sudden breaking | 34 |
| Swerved | 19 |
| Temp road layout | 4 |
| Traffic calming | 2 |
| Travelling along pavement | 6 |
| Travelling too fast for conditions | 47 |
| Uncorrected/defective eyesight | 3 |
| Vegetation | 1 |
| Vehicle blind spot | 7 |
| Vehicle in course of crime | 8 |
| Grand Total | 3386 |

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.

Recorded Road Traffic Collisions, Broken on Pedestrian Involvement. 1st December 2022 to 30th November 2023, Inclusive.

No Pedestrian Involved:

| Collison Severity | Dec 22 | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Fatal | 6 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 14 | 9 | 11 | 2 |
| Serious | 77 | 81 | 82 | 86 | 107 | 122 | 132 | 125 | 110 | 115 | 86 | 49 |
| Slight | 162 | 142 | 130 | 164 | 143 | 177 | 173 | 163 | 176 | 150 | 134 | 90 |
| Total | 245 | 232 | 215 | 257 | 256 | 307 | 314 | 297 | 300 | 274 | 231 | 141 |

At least 1 x Pedestrian Involved

| Collison Severity | Dec 22 | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Fatal | 4 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 |
| Serious | 27 | 57 | 31 | 43 | 23 | 22 | 28 | 22 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 24 |
| Slight | 41 | 51 | 42 | 34 | 28 | 25 | 35 | 14 | 25 | 20 | 30 | 34 |
| Total | 72 | 111 | 81 | 81 | 55 | 50 | 66 | 40 | 52 | 53 | 63 | 58 |

Recorded Road Traffic Casualties, Broken on Pedestrian Casualty Classification. 1st December 2022 to 30th November 2023, Inclusive.

| Casualty Class | Casualty Severity | Dec 22 | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Driver/Rider | Fatal | 6 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 14 | 8 | 11 | 2 |
|  | Serious | 68 | 73 | 70 | 75 | 96 | 110 | 119 | 117 | 98 | 102 | 73 | 40 |
|  | Slight | 179 | 155 | 154 | 194 | 162 | 195 | 203 | 198 | 207 | 172 | 155 | 118 |
| Passenger/Pillion | Fatal | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | Serious | 26 | 26 | 29 | 27 | 25 | 31 | 30 | 33 | 42 | 32 | 33 | 12 |
|  | Slight | 73 | 82 | 63 | 66 | 84 | 105 | 75 | 108 | 83 | 64 | 67 | 42 |
| Pedestrian | Fatal | 4 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 |
|  | Serious | 27 | 57 | 31 | 43 | 26 | 23 | 28 | 22 | 25 | 28 | 32 | 25 |
|  | Slight | 43 | 54 | 43 | 35 | 30 | 28 | 39 | 15 | 29 | 22 | 31 | 38 |
| Total |  | 426 | 459 | 401 | 452 | 433 | 503 | 506 | 506 | 503 | 434 | 404 | 277 |

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 03/12/2023.

Note - the data is subject to change and will be updated on the next extract of data from CRaSH on 3rd February 2024.