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Tēnā koe Anthony

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: 0053964**

Thank you for your request of 25 March 2019, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1 Please provide information that would disclose the number of claims made due to injuries in the back seats of Police Cars for the period January 2010 to date*
- 2 Please provide information that would disclose the cost to the Accident Compensation Corporation for these claims per respective years (Rather than in Banks of Collective years)*
- 3 Please provide information that would disclose the number of injuries that resulted as a Concussion/Cranial Contusion/Traumatic Brain Injury (all levels of severity)*
- 4 Please provide information that would disclose the number that was Police Staff*

**Information provided on the ACC45 injury claim form is the basis of the data set available to ACC**

The data set available to ACC is reliant on the information a person provides on their ACC45 injury claim form, which is completed when a person seeks medical treatment for an injury. There are multiple fields on this form, some of them mandatory to complete and others that are not.

There is a free-text field where a person can provide a brief description of how their accident occurred. This is not mandatory to complete and not every client does so. When accident descriptions are included on the ACC45 forms, there is significant variation in the nature and quality of the details provided. Such inconsistencies mean any data identified cannot be considered to have a high degree of accuracy.

**We have not identified any claims related to injuries in the back seat of Police cars**

We conducted a free-text search of the accident descriptions of accepted claims to identify claims with the terms 'Police car' and 'back seat'. No claims were identified. Therefore, we are unable to provide you any information related to your requests.

**ACC is happy to answer your questions**

If you have any questions, you can email me at [GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz](mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz).

Nāku iti noa, nā



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