

15 December 2023

Dear

**ATISN 19301**

Thank you for your request which I received on 17 November 2023. You asked for the following information:

*For Wales in 2022*

- a) the total number of road casualties on 20mph roads.*
- b) the total number of road casualties on 30mph roads.*
- c) the total length of roads where the speed limit was 20mph.*
- d) the total length of roads where the speed limit was 30mph.*

*Using those figures, please provide the average number of road casualties per kilometre of 20mph roads and the average number of road casualties per kilometre of 30mph roads.*

We routinely publish the [number of casualties of police recorded road collisions](#) on our website. We have also recently published an [estimate of road length by speed limit](#).

We only have an estimate of road length by road speed by speed limit for 2020/21 and 2023. We do not currently have an estimate of road length by road speed for 2022.

As a number of 20mph pilot areas were rolled out throughout 2022, the 2020/21 road lengths figure does not provide an accurate representation of the length of 20mph roads during 2022. It would be inaccurate to produce a rate of the average number of road casualties per kilometre using this information.

When producing casualty rates, there are also a number of important factors that should be considered to provide full context. For example, the volume of traffic on roads will impact the number of collisions. We do not currently have data on the volume of traffic on roads by speed limit. For a meaningful comparison to be made, typically at least three years' worth of collision data would be required post-implementation to compare with at least a three year pre-implementation period.

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Welsh Government  
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Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely