Commercial Vehicle Safety Team

Inspector Scott Richardson



"Our Goal – Safe Roads preventing death & injury with our partners"



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Tēnā koutou katoa.

The Road to Zero

- CVST (Commercial Vehicle Safety Team)
- 125 staff across NZ
- 28 Vehicle Safety Officers to report on vehicle defects
- 90 Constabulary staff

NATIONAL ROAD

CVST's 4 Areas

- Area 1 includes Auckland and Northland
- Area 2 includes Hamilton, Tauranga, Rotorua and Taupo
- Area 3 Includes New Plymouth, Gisborne, Napier, Hastings and lower North Island
- Area 4 Includes all of the South Island



Crash Trends - National



Number of HMV crashes 1989 - 2023

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Crash Trends - National



Number of HMV fatal and serious

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Crash Trends



Crash Factors - National



COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY CENTRE

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PROGRAMME BENEFITS

- · A level playing field for the transport industry.
- Improved road safety.
- Operators pay their fair share of road maintenance.
- · Targeted weight enforcement.
- Increased weight compliance without impacting productivity.
- A heavy vehicle permits system that is easy for our customers to use.



ABC123 DEF456 GHI789 STOP 500m



Technical inspections of heavy goods vehicles

Research from 1985-1997 and 2008-2020 showed that where there is an increase of technical inspections, there was an associated reduction in the number of accidents and vice versa.

The data suggests that a 20% increase in inspections is associated with a 4-6% reduction in the number of accidents involving HMVs.











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National % pass rate (no action)





Single HMV fatal and serious crashes by crash factor



Infringements Trend



Figure 6 – Number of IONs issued by offence type



Police Mobile Roller Brake Machine

In transport mode and in operation

The opportunity to test commercial vehicles brakes anytime and anyplace.



Thermal Imaging Camera real world example:

Deflated <u>inner</u> tyre (red = cold) Imminent failure of <u>outer</u> tyre (yellow = very hot)



Partnerships to Save Lives

Example of dashcam footage received from transport operators to assist Police in holding dangerous offenders to account.

Standards and Training

New staff

- Standards and training consists of a Senior Sergeant as Manager and two very experienced Sergeants.
- To ensure enforcement consistency across the country standards and training maintain the standard operating procedures for CVST and ensure that they respond to all staff enquiries for service.
- All staff training and workplace assessments are moving to an electronic platform to ensure that supervisors and staff are able to effectively manage staff development





Police thank-you for your continued support to make our roads safe.

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279 Men killed in Road Deaths last year (women 95)

411 men committed suicide last year (153 women)

710 men died of Prostate / Testicular cancer (same as Breast / Cervical combined)

6c – the amount spend by Govt on Men's only Cancer research for every dollar spent on Woman's only cancers!

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