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RE Official information request CDHB 10319

I refer to your email dated 26 May 2020 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

Could you please provide me with the number of patients presenting at the CDHB emergency department
or who were admitted to hospital, during the period from 1 October 2018 to 1 May 2020, and who were
pedestrians injured through interaction with e-scooters, broken down into interaction that was with an escooter being ridden and with an e-scooter left stationary on the footpath. (To save you trouble and cost, if
you provide me with the anonymised (no name, date of birth, address etc) records, I am happy to peruse
them myself to obtain the information.)

Please refer to **Fig 1** below and **Table one** (overleaf) for presentations to Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department confirmed as relating to E-scooters. We are declining to break this information down into specific detail i.e. pedestrians injured through interaction with e-scooters, broken down into interaction that was with an e-scooter being ridden and with an e-scooter left stationary on the footpath pursuant to section 18(f) of the Official Information Act as to provide the information at this level of detail would require a manual review of triage assessments and other medical records which would entail substantial collation and research.

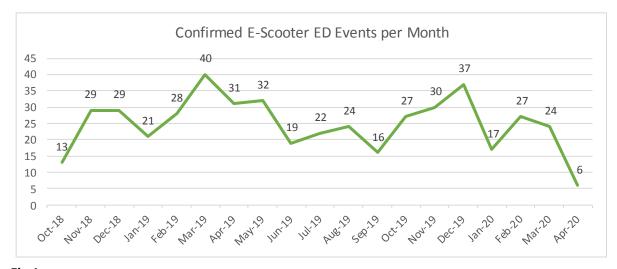


Fig.1

Table one: Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department – events October 2018 – April 2020

Month E-Scooter – Confirmed event

Oct-18	13
Nov-18	29
Dec-18	29
Jan-19	21
Feb-19	28
Mar-19	40
Apr-19	31
May-19	32
Jun-19	19
Jul-19	22
Aug-19	24
Sep-19	16
Oct-19	27
Nov-19	30
Dec-19	37
Jan-20	17
Feb-20	27
Mar-20	24
Apr-20	6
Total	472

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

You may, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, seek a review of our decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz; or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Canterbury DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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