

NARROWS BRIDGE, VEHICLE NUMBERS

1392. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

What was the daily average number of vehicles travelling across the Narrows Bridge -

- (a) in a southerly direction; and
- (b) in a northerly direction,

for each of the years 1994 to 2003?

Hon KEN TRAVERS replied:

The average annual weekday traffic volumes for The Narrows Bridge are as follows:

Year	Daily total	North-bound	South-bound
1994/95	154,250	74,248	80,002
1995/96	154,873	74,356	80,517
1996/97	155,877	74,588	81,289
1997/98	155,287	74,538	80,749
1998/99	156,203	74,977	81,226
1999/2000	149,582		
2000/01	153,752		
2001/02	160,338		

Up to 1998/99, directional traffic data was recorded by a computer system linked to The Narrows Bridge peak flow lane. This system was decommissioned as part of the construction of the duplicate Bridge and only total daily vehicle count data is available for 1999/2000 to 2001/02. Bi-directional data will again be available from 2004.

Historically, North-bound traffic accounts for some 48 per cent of the total daily volume, and South-bound accounting for some 52 per cent of total daily traffic.