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Dear Mr Stonehouse

INFRINGEMENTS ISSUED TO CYCLISTS FOR NOT WEARING A HELMET

Thank you for your letter dated 25 February 2019 requesting information on the above matter.

Please find attached (Appendix One) a table outlining the number of people who were issued with an infringement notice for contravening sections 222, 223A and 223 of the *Road Traffic Code 2000 (WA)* for calendar years 2013 to 2018.

This table also includes the number of people issued a Final Demand Notice, infringements paid, infringements referred to the Fine Enforcement Registry, and people who elected to have the matter heard in court.

Yours sincerely

CHRIS DAWSON
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

20 March 2019

Att.

APPENDIX ONE

The number of distinct persons issued an infringement notice for contravening sections 222, 223A and 223 of the *Road Traffic Code 2000* (WA) for calendar years 2013 to 2018:

| Section | Infringement Status | Year Infringement Issued | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| 222 | Court Elected | 15 | 17 | 12 | 5 | 12 | 7 |
| | Final Demand Issued | - | - | - | - | - | 43 |
| | Paid | 463 | 290 | 129 | 159 | 251 | 237 |
| | Registered at Fines Enforcement Register | 545 | 391 | 311 | 292 | 431 | 390 |
| Section 222 Sub Total | | 1,021 | 694 | 449 | 456 | 689 | 670 |
| 223A | Registered at Fines Enforcement Register | 1 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - |
| 223 | N/A | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total Distinct Persons | | 1,022 | 694 | 450 | 456 | 691 | 670 |

Caveats

Statistics are provisional and subject to revision.

Figures exclude infringements which have been cancelled or withdrawn.

Infringement statistics are correct at the time of data extraction.

Figures are a distinct count of persons. Note that one person may have received more than one infringement and if those infringements have different statuses, that person will be counted in each applicable status row but only once in the totals.

Infringement statuses are defined as:

- 'Court Elected' is where a cyclist has opted to have the matter determined in Court.
- 'Final Demand Issued' is where a cyclist has not paid for the infringement within the initial 28 days given so is issued a final demand which must be paid within an additional 28 days and contains added costs.
- Where a 'Final Demand Issued' is not paid within 28 days it then escalated to the Fines Enforcement Registry or Court Elected. Therefore there are no 'Final Demand' notices outstanding for 2013 to 2017.
- 'Paid' is where the cyclist has paid for the infringement.
- 'Registered at Fines Enforcement Register' is where the cyclist has still not paid for the initial infringement or the final demand and the infringement is registered with Fines Enforcement Register for police action.

Source

Data was extracted from the Image and Infringement Processing System (IIPS) on 03 March 2019.