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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/03082**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 9th May. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Seat Belt Information: -**

**I would like to request the following information: How many road fatalities did police forensic collision investigators (or an equivalent position) from your police force investigate in 2018, 2017 and 2016? Of the fatalities investigated, how many were wearing a seat belt? How many were not wearing a seat belt? In how many cases was seat belt status not known?**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

**RESPONSE** - Following enquiries conducted by Bedfordshire Police and their Cameras, Tickets & Collisions Unit, please see our response below: -

	<b><u>2016</u></b>
Number of Fatal Collisions Investigated	18
Number of fatalities	20
	6
Number not wearing seatbelts	3
Number seatbelts not known	2
Number seat belts not required e.g. Pedestrians	9

	<b><u>2017</u></b>
Number of Fatal Collisions Investigated	19
Number of fatalities	19
Number wearing seatbelts	6
Number not wearing seatbelts	3
Number seatbelts not known	0
Number seat belts not required e.g. Pedestrians	10

	<b><u>2018</u></b>
Number of Fatal Collisions Investigated	18
Number of fatalities	18
Number wearing seatbelts	4
Number not wearing seatbelts	1
Number seatbelts not known	2
Number seat belts not required e.g. Pedestrians	11

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.