

TAC answers to questions sent 23 November 2020

At the hearing you said 8 people are day are hospitalised from crashes, which is a total of 2,920 serious injuries a year. The TAC website states that there were 8,124 people admitted to hospital in 2018 and 7,766 in 2017. Could you please clarify that?

- This figure of 8 hospitalisations from crashes a day is incorrect and was incorrectly printed in the TAC annual report. There are actually an average of 21 hospitalisations a day from crashes. Please see attached updated slide pack (slide 16 and 17) which I believe has already been sent through.

Also, is there a definition of 'serious injury' that are used by all road safety agencies in Victoria?

- Yes, an admission to hospital as the result of a crash, is the current measure of a serious injury for all the road safety agencies in Vitoria. This lines up nationally also. Additionally, the road safety agencies in Victoria also measure a more severe serious injury as a person with a MASI3+ (Maximum Abbreviated Injury Score of 3 or above) injury as a result of a crash. This is so we can more effectively target the more severe serious injuries in our prevention strategy.