

- (2) How many juvenile bicyclists have been killed in bicycling accidents in each financial year since 1985?
- (3) How many in (1) were wearing a bicycle helmet when they had their accident in each financial year since 1985?
- (4) How many in (2) were wearing a bicycle helmet when they had their accident in each financial year since 1985?
- (5) How many bicyclists in (1) died of head injuries?
- (6) How many bicyclists in (2) died of head injuries?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

(1) Financial Year	Adult Cyclists (Aged 16 and over)
1985/86	4
1986/87	4
1987/88	2
1988/89	5
1989/90	6
1990/91	6
1991/92	3
1992/93	2
1993/94	5
1994/95	5
1995/96	5
1996/97	6
1997/98	2
July-December 1998	4
Unallocated	1
Total	60

(source: Hospital Morbidity Data Base)

* Information for 1999 is not available.

* It is likely that some of these fatalities were first admitted to hospital and later died from their injuries. Hence there may be some overlap between these numbers and the numbers of hospital admissions.

(2) Financial Year	Juvenile Cyclists (Aged 15 or under)
1985/86	9
1986/87	4
1987/88	2
1988/89	1
1989/90	3
1990/91	4
1991/92	2
1992/93	1
1993/94	0
1994/95	0
1995/96	3
1996/97	3
1997/98	1
July-December 1998	1
Unallocated	2
Total	36

(source: Hospital Morbidity Data Base)

* Information for 1999 is not available.

* It is likely that some of these fatalities were first admitted to hospital and later died from their injuries. Hence there may be some overlap of these numbers and the numbers of hospital admissions.

- (3)-(6) It is not possible to obtain information on helmet wearing head injuries from available data. Head injuries are not mentioned in death registration data. Cause of death is coded as 'bicycle accident'.

CYCLISTS, HEAD INJURIES

1951. Hon MARK NEVILL to the Minister for Transport:

- (1) How many adult bicyclists have received serious head injuries from bicycling accidents in each financial year since 1985?
- (2) How many juvenile bicyclists have received serious head injuries from bicycling accidents in each financial year since 1985?
- (3) How many in (1) were wearing a bicycle helmet when they had their accident in each financial year since 1985?
- (4) How many in (2) were wearing a bicycle helmet when they had their accident in each financial year since 1985?
- (5) How many bicyclists in (1) died of serious head injuries?

(6) How many bicyclists in (2) died of serious head injuries?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

(1) Financial Year	Adult Cyclists (Aged 16 and over)
1986/87	5
1987/88	16
1988/89	24
1989/90	13
1990/91	23
1991/92	16
1992/93	10
1993/94	9
1994/95	9
1995/96	30
1996/97	16
1997/98	10
July-December 1998	8
Total	189

(source: Hospital Morbidity Data Base)

- * Injury severity scores could not be calculated prior to September 1987.
- * Information for 1999 is not available.
- * It is likely that some of these cyclists admitted to hospital later died from their injuries. Hence there may be some overlap between these figures and the death data.
- * Cyclists were included in this table if they had a head injury that was classified as serious, severe or critical.

(2) Financial Year	Juvenile Cyclists (Aged 15 or under)
1986/87	5
1987/88	18
1988/89	18
1989/90	10
1990/91	15
1991/92	8
1992/93	5
1993/94	8
1994/95	9
1995/96	14
1996/97	12
1997/98	8
July-December 1998	6
Total	136

(source: Hospital Morbidity Data Base)

- * Injury severity scores could not be calculated prior to September 1987.
- * Information for 1999 is not available.
- * It is likely that some of these cyclists admitted to hospital later died from their injuries. Hence there may be some overlap between these figures and the death data.
- * Cyclists were included in this table if they had a head injury that was classified as serious, severe or critical.

(3)-(4) It is not possible to obtain information on helmet wearing from available data.

(5)-(6) It is not possible to obtain information on deaths as a result of head injuries from available data. Head injuries are not mentioned in death registration data. Cause of death is coded as 'bicycle accident'.