

Week ended 25 May – COVID-19 Related Health & Safety Issues

Overview:

The Health & Safety (H&S) team continue to capture COVID-19 related events using Synergi for case-management purposes. Synergi cases relating to AT employees are created in bulk on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays using information obtained from the Covid Tracker and also the Covid mailbox – external contractors and operator events are also captured within Synergi although these events are not represented in the Covid Tracker. A graphical representation of the tracking of the various categories for the current week is available upon request.

Notes for Synergi Data captured for week ending 25 May 2020:

1. Figures across all areas being managed via Synergi remain fairly consistent but instances of Threats and Aggression continue to rise.
2. A number of Synergi cases remain open for people in self-isolation due to travel history or as a result of being in the vulnerable person category – these will remain open until the individuals return to active work.

H&S Covid-19 Inputs:

The H&S team have continued working on reviewing Start Up Plans for Project Management area of Portfolio Delivery department (Projects and Strategic projects) and have also managed to review other (non-project) plans within the Integrated Network areas.

As previously indicated, the Start Up Plans have been reviewed against the requirements laid down by the regulator (WorkSafe) – with 61 out of 62 projects having currently been reviewed along with all the maintenance activities. Capitalising on the recommencement of construction activities, a further 8 Authorisations to Work were processed in the last fortnight for new construction work.

With the restart and ramping up of construction activities, the requirement for inspections has also increased and a timetable has been developed to facilitate these along with ELT and Board member site visits.

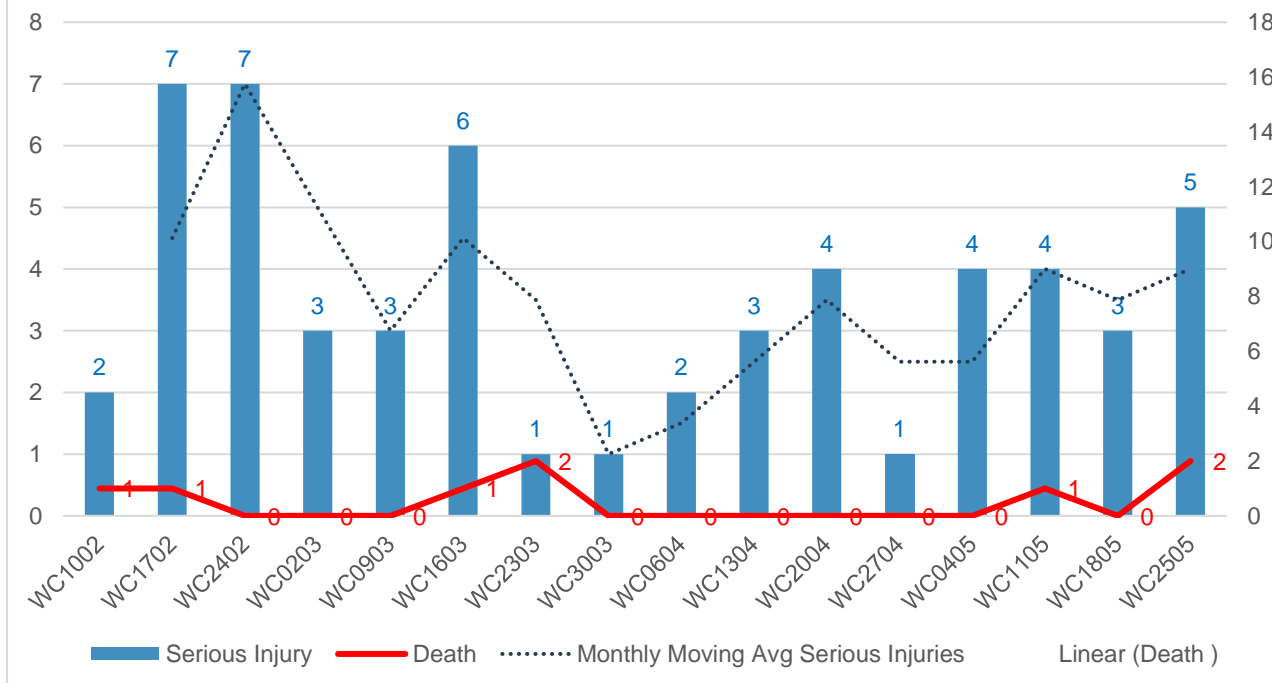
The planning work conducted by Jeremy Cooper & Michelle Wittwen from the H&S team and Andrew Marshall and other members of the Culture and Transformation team, regarding Level 2 Return to Office has allowed for a graduated return to the office for a number of workers. Numbers are still currently at the lower end of the scale but has been gradually building since 18 May; as confidence returns.

Work has continued regarding supporting those individuals working from home with specialist ergonomic needs. As previously mentioned, the process involves an ergonomic assessment, albeit carried out remotely, utilising the skills of the Safety departments resident Occupational Health & Safety Specialist. Currently 25 Auckland Transport employees have utilised this service with 18 cases now closed and 7 still active.

As part of working in the office coupled with Level 2, protocols are being developed to cater for larger meetings and gatherings and will continue to evolve over the coming days and weeks.

Week ending 24 May – Deaths / Serious Injuries on AT Network											
Reported by	Day, Time	Date,	Incident Type	Description	Location	Road Type	Road Crash-risk rating	Death	Serious Injury	Urban/Rural	Speed Limit (km/h)
ATOC	Mon	18.5.20	Single Car Crash	Crash	Whangaripo Valley Rd, Wellsford	Arterial	Low-Medium		1	Rural	100 km/h
ATOC	Tue	19.5.20	Car v Car	Crash	Great South Rd/McNab St, Penrose	Arterial	Medium		1	Urban	50 km/h
ATOC	Thur	21.5.20	Truck V Motorcyclists	Crash	East Coast/Awanohi	Arterial	Medium	Male Rider	Female Pillion passenger	Rural	80 km/h
ATOC	Sat	23.5.20	Car v Motorcyclist	Crash	23 Titirangi Rd, New Lynn	Arterial	Medium		1	Urban	50 km/h
SCU	Fri	22.5.20	Car v Person walking	Crash	Off 100 Pah Road, Royal Oak	Warehouse Carpark	Low-Medium	87 yr old man		Urban off-road	10 km/h
SCU	Sat	23.5.20	Car v Tree	Crash	Matua Place, Manurewa	Arterial	Low-Medium		1	Urban	50 km/h

Auckland ATOC & SCU Death & Serious Injuries - by week
 (16 weeks data)



*ATOC Reported – ATOC assisted road crash incidents ONLY. It does not include serious road crashes not assisted by ATOC (i.e. police reported serious crashes recorded in the NZTA Crash Analysis System, due to a 3-months lag)

ATOC road deaths and serious injuries have returned to pre-Covid Lockdown levels similar to the week ending 16 March 2020.

There were five reported serious injury crashes and two deaths in the week ending 24 May on our Auckland Road Network.

One serious crash involved a vehicle travelling on Finlayson Ave (50km/hr residential road) losing control rounding a bend, mounting the kerb, flipping over and hitting a tree in front of 2 Matua Place.

An 87 year old man walking was killed by a vehicle accelerating and reversing out of a car park at an off-road shopping centre.

A second serious injury crash involved a vehicle driving erratically along Great South Road (a 50km/hr urban arterial), Penrose. The vehicle swerved to the right on a moderate left turn and mounted the central traffic island before entering the opposing lanes, striking two oncoming vehicles before coming to a rest.

One serious crash involved a vehicle exiting a petrol station eastbound onto Titirangi Road (a 50km/hr urban arterial) and into the path of a westbound motorcycle rider who collided with the moving vehicle. The rider was taken to the hospital with serious injuries. This location has a number of vulnerable road user crashes and requires further investigation by AT.

One death and one serious injury occurred when a Tip Truck turning right onto East Coast Road (100km/hr rural arterial) collided with a motorcycle and passenger travelling down East Coast Road towards it. The rider and pillion passenger were thrown off the motorcycle, landing 6-8m away. Both the rider and the pillion were taken to the hospital with serious injuries, and the rider has died from the injuries. The driver of the truck was uninjured. This fatal crash will be investigated by AT.

One serious injury involved the driver of a vehicle losing control while driving on Whangaripo Valley Rd (100km/hr rural road) with the vehicle crossing the centreline and landing in a ditch on its side.