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Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-032479

Thank you for your email of 17 May 2024, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I am seeking available statistics regarding which New Zealand hiking/tramping tracks resulted in the largest volume of ACC injury claims over the 2023 calendar year, and the related number of injury claims for these tracks.

We do not keep injury statistics about tracks or walks

ACC records the location of injuries by the territorial local authority (TLA), rather than by specific addresses or places (such as tracks or walks). We are therefore refusing your request as we do not hold the information you've requested. This decision is made under section 18(g) of the Act.

However, in the hope that is useful to your enquiries, we have attached claims information for hiking and tramping related injuries, by TLA and region. Please refer to the notes provided when reviewing this information.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public

ACC may decide to release a copy of this response on ACC's website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available www.acc.co.nz/resources/#/category/12.

If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch

You can email me at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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Description:

Claims related to tramping injuries between 2019 and present

Caveats and Notes:

- All included claims are accepted for cover.
- Claims managed by an accredited employer are not included.
- Claims are identified as tramping related where the sport name is Tramping.
- Region and territorial authority are based on the location of the accident and is not necessarily where the client resides or sought treatment.
- New claims are counted where the claim was lodged with ACC between 1 January 2019 and 22 May 2024. A claim may be lodged immediately following an accident or at any later stage.
- Data are displayed in calendar years, i.e. 1 January to 31 December.
- Active claims are counted where at least one payment was made by ACC between 1 January 2019 and 22 May 2024. A claim was not necessarily lodged or had the accident occur within this time period.
- A claim may be active in more than one calendar year and, in table 2, will be counted once for each year in which at least one payment was made.
- Costs are exclusive of GST and are based on payment date which is not necessarily the date of service.
- Costs do not include Public Health Acute Services (PHAS) payments. These costs are for treatment in a public hospital during the acute phase of an injury and are covered by bulk payments made by ACC to the Crown. As such, these payments cannot be attributed to individual claims.
- Data were extracted 23 May 2024 and may differ if re-run later.

Table 1: New tramping related claims lodged between 1 January 2019 and 22 May 2024 broken down by accident region and territorial authority and calendar year

			Lodgement Calendar Year						
Region	Territorial Authority	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD		
Northland Region	Far North District	77	61	78	90	90	29		
	Kaipara District	24	12	20	23	14	11		
	Whangārei District	111	115	104	117	125	57		
Auckland Region	Auckland	768	987	1,217	1,349	1,269	729		
Waikato Region	Hamilton City	121	122	100	121	111	76		
· ·	Hauraki District	18	27	22	25	26	14		
	Matamata-Piako District	43	32	43	34	34	22		
	Ōtorohanga District	5	6	3	7	5	1		
	South Waikato District	9	10	10	20	13	9		
	Taupō District	107	136	139	163	143	96		
	Thames-Coromandel District	99	133	170	144	122	99		
	Waikato District	106	146	199	211	182	87		
	Waipā District	35	39	53	47	50	22		
	Waitomo District	8	9	9	13	10	7		
Bay of Plenty Region	Kawerau District	14	3	4	5	1	4		
	Ōpōtiki District	11	7	3	11	9	2		
	Rotorua District	95	80	100	75	78	52		
	Tauranga City	170	179	208	223	219	117		
	Western Bay of Plenty District	57	52	55	51	60	38		
	Whakatāne District	42	38	34	31	30	23		
Gisborne Region	Gisborne District	61	50	53	59	47	15		
Hawke's Bay Region	Central Hawke's Bay District	20	33	35	27	24	16		
	Hastings District	86	67	91	101	53	44		
	Napier City	55	51	72	55	41	22		
	Wairoa District	9	20	30	11	6	6		
Taranaki Region	New Plymouth District	129	155	177	169	177	101		
	South Taranaki District	40	48	40	39	32	26		
	Stratford District	8	13	12	15	7	4		
Manawatū-Whanganui Region	Horowhenua District	13	25	26	22	19	10		
3 3	Manawatū District	43	46	43	52	45	29		
	Palmerston North City	108	82	87	84	78	30		
	Rangitīkei District	10	8	6	7	6	4		
	Ruapehu District	103	86	128	159	142	81		
	Tararua District	58	50	42	50	50	21		
	Whanganui District	31	59	52	37	42	16		
Wellington Region	Carterton District	11	16	9	13	15	5		
3	Kāpiti Coast District	77	66	60	50	79	27		

	Lower Hutt City	106	97	82	84	71	43
	Masterton District	36	35	49	43	50	18
	Porirua City	26	35	27	33	33	23
	South Wairarapa District	34	38	55	52	54	33
	Upper Hutt City	31	33	44	35	31	21
	Wellington City	215	262	356	319	370	172
Marlborough Region	Marlborough District	149	182	239	176	225	106
Nelson Region	Nelson City	155	183	244	227	226	176
Tasman Region	Tasman District	224	274	340	280	297	217
Canterbury Region	Ashburton District	30	45	63	61	65	48
	Christchurch City	393	466	641	660	687	397
	Hurunui District	26	37	76	58	79	43
	Kaikōura District	17	23	20	20	24	9
	Mackenzie District	29	59	72	62	80	41
	Selwyn District	76	86	93	100	94	62
	Timaru District	24	48	46	47	38	26
	Waimakariri District	54	65	77	72	63	35
	Waimate District	2	3	4	7	4	
West Coast Region	Buller District	48	40	67	53	42	32
	Grey District	26	39	43	38	44	38
	Westland District	74	92	114	143	155	110
Otago Region	Central Otago District	100	100	183	204	225	138
	Clutha District	6	14	10	15	18	8
	Dunedin City	115	118	159	145	157	70
	Queenstown-Lakes District	328	388	627	606	727	498
	Waitaki District	18	9	19	19	21	17
Southland Region	Gore District	13	5	13	19	18	10
	Invercargill City	20	32	37	43	31	19
	Southland District	242	209	465	394	385	255
Area Outside Region	Area Outside Territorial Authority	77	22	14	56	126	29
	Chatham Islands Territory	1	3	1	2	2	
No Location Selected	No Location Selected	16	10			23	21
Total		5,493	6,121	7,829	7,799	7,919	4,667

Table 2: Active tramping related claims paid between 1 January 2019 and 22 May 2024 broken down by accident region and territorial authority and calendar year

			Payment Calendar Year						
Region	Territorial Authority	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD		
Northland Region	Far North District	90	71	92	100	110	45		
	Kaipara District	27	15	22	32	15	11		
	Whangārei District	118	128	134	137	152	87		
Auckland Region	Auckland	915	1,119	1,451	1,608	1,554	977		
Waikato Region	Hamilton City	132	143	121	132	139	95		
	Hauraki District	20	31	29	29	37	23		
	Matamata-Piako District	45	43	55	45	42	29		
	Ōtorohanga District	4	7	5	8	6	2		
	South Waikato District	8	10	9	18	19	11		
	Taupō District	118	144	170	179	169	111		
	Thames-Coromandel District	121	137	200	184	151	120		
	Waikato District	117	161	233	259	235	127		
	Waipā District	44	47	59	58	59	28		
	Waitomo District	8	13	10	14	11	8		
Bay of Plenty Region	Kawerau District	13	7	5	6	1	4		
	Ōpōtiki District	11	10	5	11	13	2		
	Rotorua District	97	89	109	88	89	66		
	Tauranga City	199	207	245	256	277	152		
	Western Bay of Plenty District	54	57	63	65	75	48		
	Whakatāne District	38	40	41	36	34	28		
Gisborne Region	Gisborne District	53	54	61	62	59	27		
Hawke's Bay Region	Central Hawke's Bay District	26	37	43	34	29	18		
	Hastings District	105	85	102	122	73	62		
	Napier City	70	64	81	69	60	32		
	Wairoa District	14	17	36	13	10	7		
Taranaki Region	New Plymouth District	148	181	220	205	214	121		
	South Taranaki District	39	45	54	44	42	31		
	Stratford District	11	16	20	17	12	6		
Manawatū-Whanganui Region	Horowhenua District	16	26	28	26	22	15		
3 3	Manawatū District	48	55	54	58	59	34		
	Palmerston North City	114	102	102	95	97	49		
	Rangitīkei District	15	14	11	11	8	4		
	Ruapehu District	125	97	152	168	170	102		
	Tararua District	67	61	52	67	64	32		
	Whanganui District	34	67	61	43	55	26		
Wellington Region	Carterton District	11	18	14	15	22	8		
	Kāpiti Coast District	94	90	76	60	88	44		

	Lower Hutt City	85	94	97	90	90	62
	Masterton District	40	43	55	53	70	30
	Porirua City	29	37	35	38	37	34
	South Wairarapa District	33	34	58	65	68	45
	Upper Hutt City	30	31	52	40	36	23
	Wellington City	252	304	409	383	431	261
Marlborough Region	Marlborough District	178	200	271	197	249	155
Nelson Region	Nelson City	183	201	288	271	273	227
Tasman Region	Tasman District	243	296	392	330	349	284
Canterbury Region	Ashburton District	36	53	73	66		57
	Christchurch City	478	545	728	795	827	554
	Hurunui District	36	41	83	69	106	63
	Kaikōura District	20	28	28	29		9
	Mackenzie District	33	61	85			54
	Selwyn District	95	98	109	118	114	82
	Timaru District	22	39	43	49	50	29
	Waimakariri District	57	75	92	88	82	49
	Waimate District	3	2	6	9	-	1
West Coast Region	Buller District	54	49	75			43
	Grey District	22	35	53	45	_	41
	Westland District	80	103	144	165	185	136
Otago Region	Central Otago District	127	116	210	252	267	172
	Clutha District	10	13	15	19	20	9
	Dunedin City	144	128	178	165		103
	Queenstown-Lakes District	383	412	681	710		624
	Waitaki District	19	14	25	26		23
Southland Region	Gore District	15	5	15	21	19	12
	Invercargill City	16	31	38	44	42	20
	Southland District	282	243	510	466	460	327
Area Outside Region	Area Outside Territorial Authority	119	65	32	64	155	74
	Chatham Islands Territory	1	4	1	2	2	
No Location Selected	No Location Selected	17	16	16	21	25	29

Table 3: Active tramping related claim costs lodged between 1 January 2019 and 22 May 2024 broken down by accident region and territorial authority and calendar year

			Payment Calendar Year				
Region	Territorial Authority	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD
Northland Region	Far North District	\$36,575	\$36,505	\$58,984	\$118,935	\$93,488	\$89,926
	Kaipara District	\$13,961	\$30,509	\$47,533	\$8,717	\$4,324	\$13,889
	Whangārei District	\$64,343	\$70,945	\$156,382	\$125,159	\$158,850	\$83,321
Auckland Region	Auckland	\$531,183	\$713,349	\$1,054,431	\$1,330,891	\$1,272,167	\$508,084
Waikato Region	Hamilton City	\$104,815	\$64,913	\$47,547	\$134,369	\$78,036	\$42,899
	Hauraki District	\$5,581	\$8,821	\$19,878	\$40,385	\$45,017	\$6,481
	Matamata-Piako District	\$19,377	\$26,317	\$34,780	\$36,046	\$16,534	\$14,743
	Ōtorohanga District	\$1,107	\$10,915	\$1,283	\$7,025	\$3,236	\$319
	South Waikato District	\$9,749	\$2,391	\$4,924	\$6,365	\$19,776	\$12,949
	Taupō District	\$100,399	\$293,765	\$215,604	\$233,894	\$342,816	\$82,579
	Thames-Coromandel District	\$119,932	\$100,624	\$179,800	\$205,541	\$129,724	\$134,960
	Waikato District	\$50,136	\$150,991	\$265,313	\$357,868	\$297,386	\$72,855
	Waipā District	\$18,225	\$7,139	\$43,981	\$27,293	\$28,049	\$16,220
	Waitomo District	\$7,651	\$4,202	\$21,288	\$17,697	\$5,030	\$3,138
Bay of Plenty Region	Kawerau District	\$6,341	\$1,498	\$7,550	\$9,786	\$2,134	\$4,265
, , ,	Ōpōtiki District	\$3,154	\$6,625	\$2,377	\$8,185	\$2,169	\$9,464
	Rotorua District	\$117,537	\$60,045	\$131,565	\$77,340	\$113,580	\$43,521
	Tauranga City	\$181,009	\$137,171	\$154,787	\$168,511	\$209,012	\$60,391
	Western Bay of Plenty District	\$22,103	\$43,078	\$22,441	\$25,925	\$53,188	\$28,998
	Whakatāne District	\$33,205	\$26,662	\$23,213	\$47,819	\$19,690	\$26,482
Gisborne Region	Gisborne District	\$15,571	\$16,235	\$25,941	\$23,594	\$24,806	\$9,913
Hawke's Bay Region	Central Hawke's Bay District	\$12,572	\$7,238	\$11,254	\$68,929	\$31,358	\$14,293
	Hastings District	\$83,883	\$66,721	\$66,104	\$54,252	\$75,573	\$25,473
	Napier City	\$18,413	\$15,763	\$24,251	\$45,813	\$17,037	\$9,600
	Wairoa District	\$3,793	\$3,450	\$8,977	\$2,774	\$4,310	\$3,848
Taranaki Region	New Plymouth District	\$185,138	\$117,826	\$311,452	\$221,191	\$95,873	\$51,496
	South Taranaki District	\$16,555	\$30,705	\$44,936	\$37,050	\$55,635	\$52,726
	Stratford District	\$1,918	\$11,702	\$18,697	\$6,168	\$4,463	\$863
Manawatū-Whanganui Region	Horowhenua District	\$2,739	\$13,584	\$5,991	\$24,395	\$64,930	\$20,429
5 5	Manawatū District	\$17,141	\$48,008	\$28,370	\$24,201	\$67,312	\$40,068
	Palmerston North City	\$64,236	\$88,426	\$114,491	\$81,842	\$75,145	\$20,083
	Rangitīkei District	\$55,584	\$13,348	\$17,637	\$69,383	\$46,589	\$263
	Ruapehu District	\$54,651	\$40,541	\$69,842	\$89,301	\$156,395	\$76,275
	Tararua District	\$49,418	\$57,628	\$89,409	\$100,331	\$45,954	\$61,685
	Whanganui District	\$26,455	\$44,278	\$36,030	\$15,528	\$51,216	\$8,212
Wellington Region	Carterton District	\$2,326	\$18,270	\$13,792	\$20,055	\$6,133	\$8,621
	Kāpiti Coast District	\$46,644	\$85,230	\$44,733	\$43,814	\$30,892	\$9,298

	Lower Hutt City	\$40,642	\$49,289	\$35,521	\$43,358	\$51,371	\$33,184
	Masterton District	\$13,561	\$34,397	\$25,850	\$47,250	\$53,740	\$38,144
	Porirua City	\$15,035	\$33,344	\$29,879	\$39,001	\$43,335	\$45,510
	South Wairarapa District	\$44,078	\$32,538	\$32,319	\$36,164	\$93,319	\$71,143
	Upper Hutt City	\$32,333	\$68,532	\$31,062	\$66,000	\$7,695	\$8,157
	Wellington City	\$177,860	\$117,461	\$215,216	\$402,082	\$460,117	\$177,132
Marlborough Region	Marlborough District	\$220,887	\$113,636	\$143,277	\$159,680	\$230,327	\$146,784
Nelson Region	Nelson City	\$152,757	\$230,266	\$183,267	\$179,987	\$364,055	\$223,354
Tasman Region	Tasman District	\$100,511	\$230,773	\$351,357	\$274,555	\$275,484	\$245,833
Canterbury Region	Ashburton District	\$17,339	\$41,376	\$44,758	\$51,450	\$124,641	\$154,685
	Christchurch City	\$268,718	\$409,626	\$652,403	\$607,611	\$815,631	\$379,552
	Hurunui District	\$75,015	\$114,132	\$28,503	\$122,336	\$126,086	\$69,737
	Kaikōura District	\$16,640	\$54,083	\$79,477	\$55,816	\$43,893	\$40,031
	Mackenzie District	\$8,845	\$18,238	\$52,784	\$59,681	\$100,881	\$21,950
	Selwyn District	\$55,111	\$90,367	\$51,100	\$69,935	\$78,826	\$88,284
	Timaru District	\$6,880	\$10,765	\$16,405	\$31,085	\$43,273	\$25,632
	Waimakariri District	\$19,934	\$94,917	\$67,719	\$85,832	\$227,270	\$76,519
	Waimate District	\$264	\$125	\$9,759	\$1,888	\$1,553	\$44
West Coast Region	Buller District	\$21,267	\$36,732	\$38,861	\$57,218	\$57,836	\$62,007
	Grey District	\$5,422	\$41,963	\$25,259	\$67,601	\$152,706	\$66,187
	Westland District	\$63,966	\$145,416	\$103,651	\$226,312	\$229,838	\$82,369
Otago Region	Central Otago District	\$43,951	\$54,091	\$115,125	\$200,141	\$189,573	\$78,836
	Clutha District	\$2,898	\$2,796	\$11,168	\$30,583	\$24,401	\$32,587
	Dunedin City	\$96,347	\$60,162	\$75,463	\$83,598	\$293,138	\$49,806
	Queenstown-Lakes District	\$71,724	\$265,040	\$622,323	\$746,003	\$747,704	\$644,197
	Waitaki District	\$8,933	\$4,053	\$49,359	\$23,679	\$26,088	\$15,679
Southland Region	Gore District	\$3,856	\$1,696	\$9,776	\$22,642	\$4,189	\$5,723
Ğ	Invercargill City	\$5,670	\$29,037	\$36,857	\$8,947	\$13,437	\$11,735
	Southland District	\$230,988	\$462,170	\$310,491	\$401,102	\$383,274	\$279,837
Area Outside Region	Area Outside Territorial Authority	\$234,760	\$91,771	\$29,614	\$71,103	\$196,344	\$64,197
_	Chatham Islands Territory	\$32	\$730	\$74	\$232	\$522	
No Location Selected	No Location Selected	\$9,801	\$8,678	\$14,677	\$29,445	\$40,153	\$16,732