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Dear [Name removed under the Data Protection Act]

FOI REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 22 July addressed to [Name removed under the Data Protection Act] requesting information about the number, type and dates of accidents that have occurred on the A282 between Junctions 1a and 31, which has been passed to this office for response.

We responded to a similar request from you on 21 July providing figures for Junction 30 to 31 from 1994 to 2006 in both directions and from junction 1a to 30 as a total figure. In that response we explained that we were investigating to see if we had the earlier figures. You telephoned me on receipt of that email and I agreed to continue looking for earlier figures, and to provide the data for junctions 1a to 30 by direction of travel.

We are now able to provide the Killed and Serious Injured (KSI) figures for the A282 between junctions 1a and 30 by direction of travel. However, the data for slight injuries and the KSI's for 2002 and 2003, as we hold it, gives limited detail and we are therefore not able to break them down by direction of travel. Prior to 2002 there was not a requirement within the contract to hold this information and we are therefore unable to provide the figures for earlier years.

Since our last email of 21 July the validated data for personal injury accidents for 2007 has been authorised for release.

Severity	KSI two-way	KSI Northbound	KSI Southbound
Year			
2002	3		
2003	6		
2004	7	2	5
2005	4	3	1
2006	5	3	2
2007	2	1	1

Please note that we cannot be certain that all incidents and locations are recorded accurately, that the direction of travel and severity is correct or that a single incident has not been recorded more than once.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. We will, therefore, be releasing to the public the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context via our website: <http://www.highways.gov.uk/>

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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