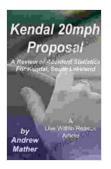
# Accident Statistics for Kendal South Lakeland: A Comprehensive Review



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Road accidents are a major public health concern, causing significant human and economic losses worldwide. Understanding the causes and trends of road accidents is crucial for developing effective prevention strategies. This article presents a comprehensive review of accident statistics for Kendal South Lakeland, providing insights into the patterns and characteristics of road accidents in the area.

#### **Data and Methodology**

The data used in this review was obtained from the Department for Transport's STATS19 database, which contains detailed information on all road accidents reported to the police in the United Kingdom. The data covers the period from 2015 to 2021 and includes information on accident location, time, severity, and contributing factors.

## **Accident Trends**

Over the period 2015-2021, Kendal South Lakeland experienced a total of 1,254 road accidents. The majority of these accidents (65%) were minor, resulting in slight injuries only. However, there were also a significant number of serious accidents (20%) and fatal accidents (5%).

The number of accidents has fluctuated over the years, with a peak in 2017 and a decline in 2020 and 2021. This decline is likely due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which led to reduced traffic volumes.

## Accident Locations

The most common location for accidents in Kendal South Lakeland is the A590, which accounted for 20% of all accidents. Other high-risk locations include the A6 and the M6 motorway.

## **Accident Times**

Accidents are most likely to occur during the evening peak period (4pm-7pm) and the early morning peak period (7am-9am). There is also a slight increase in accidents during the weekends.

## **Accident Severity**

The majority of accidents in Kendal South Lakeland are minor, with 65% of accidents resulting in slight injuries only. However, there is a significant number of serious accidents (20%) and fatal accidents (5%).

The severity of accidents is influenced by a number of factors, including the type of road, the speed of vehicles, and the presence of vulnerable road users.

### **Contributing Factors**

The most common contributing factor to accidents in Kendal South Lakeland is driver error (55%). This includes factors such as speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and distracted driving.

Other contributing factors include road conditions (15%) and vehicle defects (10%).

This review of accident statistics for Kendal South Lakeland provides valuable insights into the patterns and characteristics of road accidents in the area. The data shows that the majority of accidents are minor, but there is a significant number of serious accidents and fatal accidents.

The most common location for accidents is the A590, and the most common contributing factor is driver error.

This information can be used by policymakers, road safety advocates, and the general public to develop effective prevention strategies.



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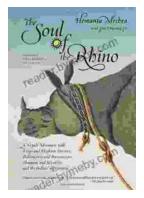
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