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RACQ reveals Queensland's worst intersections

RACQ has revealed the worst intersections for serious crashes across the State and has called on all levels of government to prioritise safety upgrades for these notorious junctions.

Data from the Department of Transport and Main Roads, and released by RACQ, ranked the intersection of Florence Street and Mulgrave Road in Cairns at number one, after nine major crashes and 18 serious casualties were recorded over a three-year period.

Intersections in Logan, Moreton Bay, Rockhampton, and Toowoomba were also identified as being among the worst due to issues with congestion and design.

RACQ Head of Public Policy Susan Furze said it was extremely concerning to see a number of major crashes occur in the same location and called for urgent action to help prevent any more serious casualties.

"A common issue with many of these intersections, such as Florence Street and Mulgrave Road, is they are tricky to safely navigate and are often heavily congested, which can prove to be a dangerous combination for drivers," Ms Furze said.

"Most of the crashes at the D'Aguilar Highway/Dances Road and Pumicestone Road intersection were caused by drivers failing to properly give way to oncoming traffic as they turned right onto the highway on-ramp. The good news is safety upgrades are going ahead in this area, to reduce these incidents.

"We want all levels of government to prioritise these intersections for safety upgrades. We know investing in infrastructure projects helps reduce congestion and, importantly, improves safety for all drivers in Queensland."

Ms Furze said while investment was crucial to future-proofing the State, it did not remove the need for drivers to take responsibility for their own safety.

"We know many Queenslanders will have to navigate one of these intersections or other potential danger spots in their daily travels. That's why it's vital to not rush, pay extra attention to traffic signs and signals, give way correctly, and always leave a safe distance between you and the vehicle in front."

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Queensland intersections recording the highest number of serious crashes (1 June 2018 - 31 May 2021):

Ranking	Serious crashes	Serious casualties	Intersection	Suburb, LGA
1	9	18	Florence St - Mulgrave Rd**	Parramatta Park, Cairns
2	8	10	D'Aguilar Hwy/Dances Rd - Pumicestone Rd*	Caboolture, Moreton Bay
3	7	12	Diamond Jubilee Way/Mineral Sizer Ct - Boundary Rd	North Lakes, Moreton Bay
4	7	11	Denison St - Derby St	Rockhampton
5	7	10	Taylor St - Tor St	Wilsonton, Toowoomba
= 6	7	9	Anzac Ave - Duffield Rd	Kallangur, Moreton Bay
= 6	7	9	Chambers Flat Rd - Waratah Dr	Crestmead, Logan
7	7	8	Beaudesert Beenleigh Rd - Tallagandra Rd***	Beenleigh, Logan
8	7	8	Wembley Rd - Mayes Ave***	Logan
= 9	7	7	City Rd - Logan St	Beenleigh, Logan
= 9	7	7	Fryar Rd/George St - Distillery Rd	Eagleby, Logan

*Intersection is being upgraded.

**Intersection may be considered for potential works as part of the Cairns Ring Road Project.

*** Rankings are ordered by number of serious crashes, serious casualties, fatal crashes, and fatalities. Rankings 7 and 8 had a different number of fatal crashes or fatalities.

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