

7 November 2024

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Kia ora Joshua

***Request for information***

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request dated 12 August 2024, in which you requested:

*Please provide any evidence, analysis or work done by the Hamilton Police to assess the need for a retail crime unit or work related to investigating and prosecution of retail offenders in Hamilton.*

*I'm specifically looking at if Hamilton Police have analysed the retail crime trends in Hamilton and what they are doing to work on it.*

*Please provide any correspondence to and from the prevention team sergeant/managers, Bruce Bird and any other unit associated with the management of retail crime in the last 24 months.*

Firstly, I apologise sincerely for the delay in responding to your request.

Please find attached information identified as within scope of your request. Note that some information within these documents has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of individuals.

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review of my decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Blow  
Sergeant - Waikato OIA team  
New Zealand Police

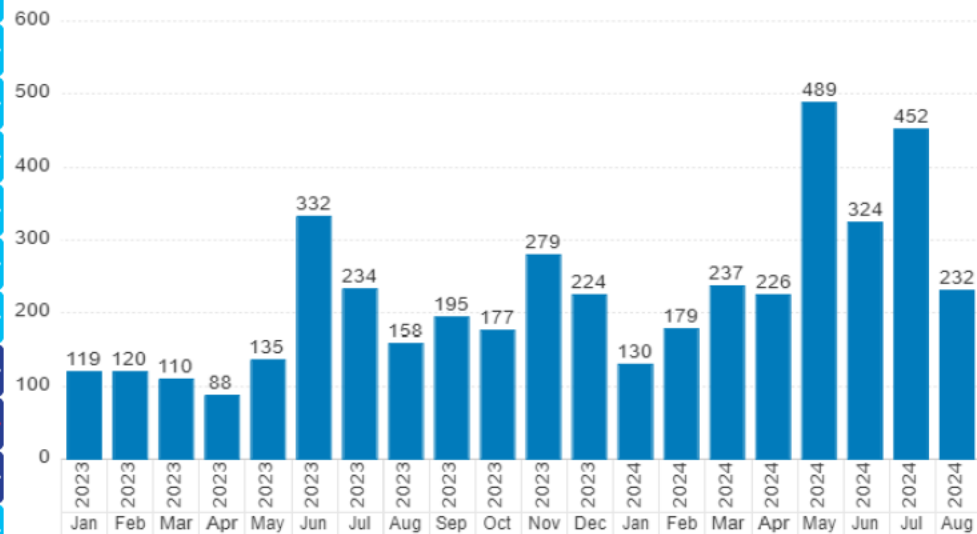
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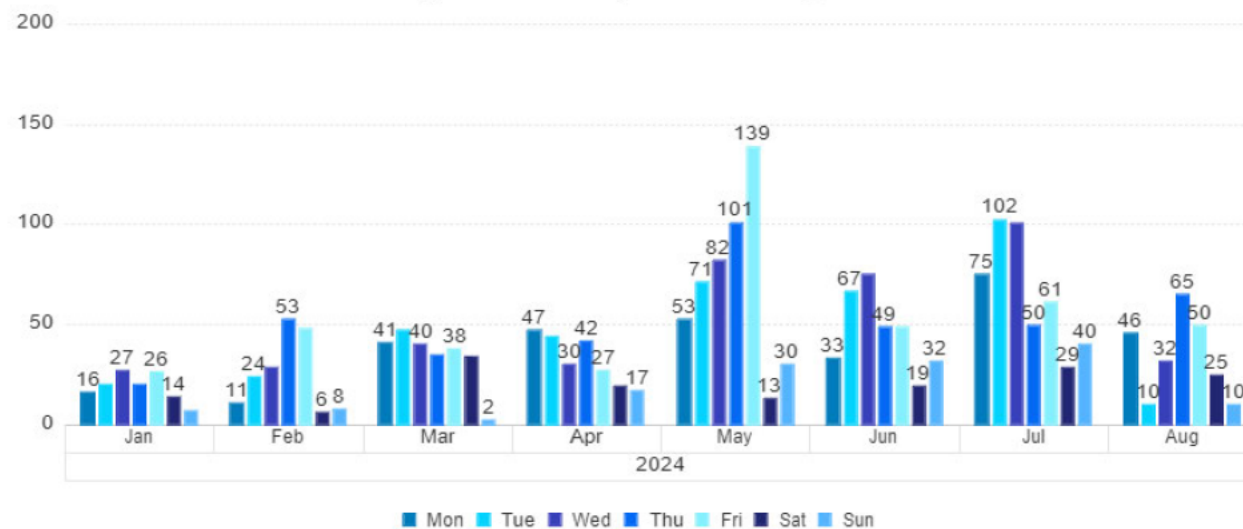
# 3F Foot Patrols

## Hamilton City

Hamilton City 3Fs 2023 & 2024



Hamilton City Foot Patrols by Month and Day of Week 2024



\*August 2024 is not a full month. Data pulled 13 August.

### July Update:

- Foot Patrols for July 2024 have increased by 40% from June (from 324 to 452).
- For June there was an average of 15 foot patrols a day.
- *These are the numbers with HNB units removed.*

Data is for result codes 1,3,6 & 9 only.

# 3F Foot Patrols - Timings

Hamilton City

Hamilton City July 3F Timings

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Sum:
00:00 - 00:59						2	3	5
01:00 - 01:59						2	1	3
02:00 - 02:59						2	1	3
07:00 - 07:59		4			1		1	6
08:00 - 08:59		2	1		5	1		9
09:00 - 09:59	1	4	6	3	4		3	21
10:00 - 10:59	5	16	18	8	2	3		52
11:00 - 11:59	9	12	29	6	8	2	10	76
12:00 - 12:59	9	5	4	3	7	4	6	38
13:00 - 13:59	5	11	2	8	3	1		30
14:00 - 14:59	7	33	22	11	7	2	12	94
15:00 - 15:59	17	6	8	2	8	7	1	49
16:00 - 16:59	11	4	4	5	9	1	1	35
17:00 - 17:59	10			2	3	1		16
18:00 - 18:59	1	1	5					7
19:00 - 19:59		4		2	1			7
20:00 - 20:59			2		2			4
21:00 - 21:59					1			1
22:00 - 22:59						1		1
23:00 - 23:59							1	1
Sum:	75	102	101	50	61	29	40	458

**July Update:**

- The average time it took for 3Fs in July for Hamilton City was 27 minutes.
- *These are the numbers with HNB units removed.*

*Data is for result codes 1,3,6 & 9 only.*

# 3F Times

Hamilton City – July 2024



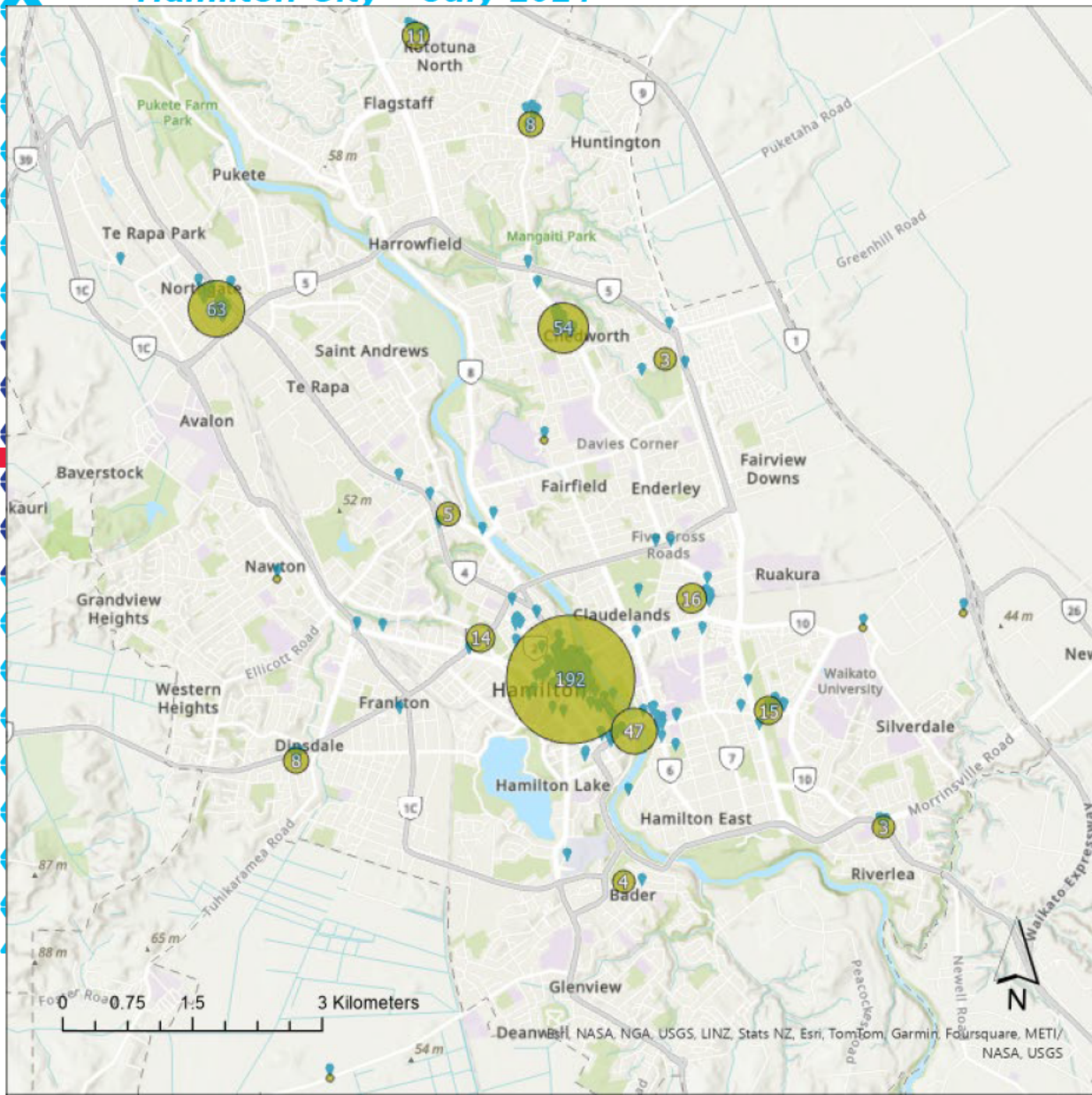
3Fs July 2024								
Time/Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals
00:00						2	3	5
01:00						2	1	3
02:00						2	1	3
03:00								
04:00								
05:00								
06:00								
07:00		4			1		1	6
08:00		2	1		5	1		9
09:00	1	4	6	4	4		3	22
10:00	5	16	10	8	2	3		44
11:00	12	12	11	6	8	2	10	61
12:00	9	5	4	3	7	4	6	38
13:00	5	11	2	8	3	1		30
14:00	7	33	19	11	7	2	12	91
15:00	17	6	8	2	8	7	1	49
16:00	11	4	4	5	11	1	1	37
17:00	10			2	3	1		16
18:00	1	1	5					7
19:00		4		3	1			8
20:00			2		2			4
21:00					1			1
22:00						1		1
23:00							1	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>436</b>

3Fs June 2024								
Time/Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals
00:00						2		2
01:00								
02:00						1	1	2
03:00							2	2
04:00								
05:00		2						2
06:00			1					1
07:00								
08:00			4		1			5
09:00	2	10	9	4	4			29
10:00		7	14	2	8			31
11:00	5	15	13	9	12	1	3	58
12:00		8	3	2	4	1	1	19
13:00	2	5	10	9	4	1		31
14:00	5	13	6	6	6	2	1	39
15:00	4	1	2	6	3	2	4	22
16:00	10	4	5	4	1	3	1	28
17:00	2	2	5	5				14
18:00	3		1		3			7
19:00			2	3				5
20:00							4	4
21:00					1			1
22:00					1	2		3
23:00					1			1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>306</b>

3Fs May 2024								
Time/Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals
00:00	1				1			2
01:00						3	2	5
02:00								
03:00							1	1
04:00								
05:00								
06:00								
07:00	1			1				2
08:00	1				2			3
09:00	1		1	6	9		1	18
10:00	5	10	7	8	16			46
11:00	6	9	11	12	9		4	51
12:00	6	6	9	14	17	4	4	60
13:00	4	3	8	4	10		6	35
14:00	10	12	19	8	26	2	5	82
15:00	3	8	4	15	18	4	7	59
16:00	7	7	11	13	7			45
17:00	7	8	8	14	8			45
18:00			4	3	1			8
19:00		5		1	7			13
20:00		3		1	6			10
21:00	1				2			3
22:00				1		1		2
23:00								
<b>Totals</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>490</b>

# 3F Locations

## Hamilton City – July 2024



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This map shows the 3F patrol locations for July 2024 clustered into nearby groups (green), overlaid on pins (blue) showing the actual patrol locations. Concentrations are clearly visible in the areas centred on the Centreplace, Chartwell and Te Awa malls. Note that the size of the circles symbolises the number of patrols aggregated not the area patrolled.



# 3F Locations/Retail Crime

## Hamilton City – July 2024

3Fs July 2024								
Time/Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals
00:00						2	3	5
01:00						2	1	3
02:00						2	1	3
03:00								
04:00								
05:00								
06:00								
07:00		4			1		1	6
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18:00	1	1	5					7
19:00		4		3	1			8
20:00			2		2			4
21:00					1			1
22:00						1		1
23:00							1	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>436</b>

Hot Times - Retail Theft Occurrences July 2024								
Time/Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals
00:00							1	1
01:00								
02:00								
03:00		2					1	3
04:00								
05:00		1						1
06:00			1				1	2
07:00	2		1	1	1	1	1	7
08:00	3	4	1		1			9
09:00	2	3	3		3	2	3	16
10:00	2	7	3	3	3	2	3	23
11:00	6	3	3	4	2	2	5	25
12:00	8	7	4	1	6	6	8	40
13:00	10	8	4	2	6	8	6	44
14:00	6	7	10	4	7	7	9	50
15:00	9	11	4	3	5	12	5	49
16:00	6	8	4	2	7	6	9	42
17:00	11	6	6	5	6	7	3	44
18:00	3	5	7	4	6	6	4	35
19:00	3	1	2	2	6	4	3	21
20:00	5	2	3	8		3	5	26
21:00	1	1	2	1		4	3	12
22:00	1	1						2
23:00						1		1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>453</b>

These charts which have appeared on previous slides compare how the timings of 3F deployments compare to reported retail crime.





		Where it was taken from		
		Inside private dwelling	Other place on property	Public place
<b>Types of Property</b>	<b>Personal Private</b>	Revictimisation Value Lines of enquiry	Revictimisation Value Lines of enquiry	Lines of enquiry
	<b>Vehicles</b>	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry
	<b>Organisational equipment</b>	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry
	<b>Retail goods</b>	Recidivist Offenders	Recidivist Offenders	

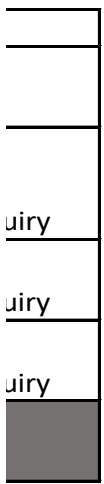
Higher  
impact on victim

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	<b>Vehicles</b>	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry
	<b>Organisational equipment</b>	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry	Lines of Enquiry
	<b>Retail goods</b>	Recidivist Offenders	Recidivist Offenders	

Higher  
impact on victim

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Lower  
impact on  
victim



Lower  
impact on  
victim

## Waikato OIA

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**From:** FAULKNER, Neil  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 April 2024 12:08 PM  
**To:** SHANKS, Wayne; MCKENZIE, Scott; MCBETH, Andrea; PITKETHLEY, Graham  
**Subject:** FW: volume retail crime in Hamilton

Wayne can you please catch up with Moose and help include the ISU component into the HN city retail crime vipers plan.

Regards

Neil

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**From:** MCBETH, Andrea <Andrea.McBeth@police.govt.nz>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 April 2024 8:40 AM  
**To:** PITKETHLEY, Graham <Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz>; FAULKNER, Neil <Neil.Faulknex@xxxxxx.xxxt.nz>  
**Subject:** RE: volume retail crime in Hamilton

Thanks. I will add this to the VIPERS plan.

**Inspector Andrea McBeth** LLB  
**Area Commander: Hamilton City**

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**From:** PITKETHLEY, Graham <[Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz](mailto:Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 April 2024 8:35 AM  
**To:** MCBETH, Andrea <[Anxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx](mailto:Anxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx)>; FAULKNER, Neil <[Neil.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx](mailto:Neil.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx)>  
**Subject:** RE: volume retail crime in Hamilton

I am satisfied with the priority offender matrix, prior to your original email Intel (tony) was conducting checks to ensure none of the offenders were being missed from the report as a checking mechanism, a couple of them I am aware have been assigned out on POTAC etc which is the right mechanism .

Apart from Priority offenders which we are undertaking for retail crime I can't offer much more than that or take it further, for example focus on all offenders offending at location/victim is beyond capability.

**Graham Pitkethley**  
*Detective Inspector*  
*District Manager: Criminal Investigations*  
*Waikato Police District*

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**From:** MCBETH, Andrea <[Andrea.McBeth@police.govt.nz](mailto:Andrea.McBeth@police.govt.nz)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 April 2024 7:52 AM  
**To:** PITKETHLEY, Graham <[Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz](mailto:Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz)>; FAULKNER, Neil <[Neil.Faulkner@police.govt.nz](mailto:Neil.Faulkner@police.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** RE: volume retail crime in Hamilton

Just a follow reminder on the email below.

**Inspector Andrea McBeth** LLB  
**Area Commander: Hamilton City**

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**From:** MCBETH, Andrea  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 9 April 2024 4:07 PM  
**To:** PITKETHLEY, Graham <[Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz](mailto:Graham.Pitkethley@police.govt.nz)>; FAULKNER, Neil <[Neil.Faulkner@police.govt.nz](mailto:Neil.Faulkner@police.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** volume retail crime in Hamilton

Kia ora Tiny and Neil,

I have received the latest Auror report which is an interesting read.  
We are doing some work at present with [s9\(2\)\(a\)](tel:0757831000) but with ISU and TCU owning different parts of retail crime I think it is time to ensure that we have the retail crime response in Hamilton City aligned. My questions are really whether the information we receive via 105,111, Auror is being directed to the right people for follow up (or not when appropriate) and that our victim, offender, location focus is aligned given we have ownership for different parts of this.

The easiest way to ensure this is probably a theft/retail VIPERS plan for the city, or similar. With ATAC acting as a mechanism to maintain oversight.  
Keen for your thoughts / views. Happy to meet if required.

Regards  
McB

**Inspector Andrea McBeth** LLB  
**Area Commander: Hamilton City**

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