

Driveway Runovers

FACT	REFERENCE
1. While reversing cameras and sensors are a great help when parking, they cannot detect or show things directly beneath the vehicle. They do not prevent driveway runovers. Injuries from driveway runovers tend to be severe with trauma to the head, chest and limbs. These injuries can be fatal and a significant number of children who survive, experience long term complications.	1. Safekids New Zealand (2011) Safekids New Zealand position paper: Child driveway run over injuries. Auckland: Safekids New Zealand.
2. About 4 deaths a year. Around 17 hospitalisations every year.	2. Unpublished Child Injury Data. Injury Prevention Research Unit. Dunedin. University of Otago. Accessed in May 2020.
3. The majority happen in the children's own home driveway or relatives and neighbours driveways. There have also been children run over in car parks.	3. Safekids New Zealand (2011) Safekids New Zealand position paper: Child driveway run over injuries. Auckland: Safekids New Zealand.
4. 68% of runovers happen when car is moving backwards. 32% of runovers happen when car is moving forwards.	4. Refer to 3. above
5. Who is driving the car? 49% child's parent; 21% visitors; 17% other relatives; 13% neighbours.	5. Refer to 3. above
6. Check, Supervise, Separate tips	https://www.starship.org.nz/safekids/resources-driveway-runovers