

Forum: Road safety in Cairns now and in the future

Queensland Road Safety Week 2019

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Queensland Government's objectives for the community

Road safety



Our vision: zero deaths and serious injuries

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Developing the next Queensland road safety action plan

- All roads, all road users – regional engagement
 - 2018: Townsville & Toowoomba
 - 2019: Maryborough & Rockhampton
- Safer Roads, Safer Queensland Forum: 16 July 2019
- Developing of the next Queensland Road Safety Action Plan
- Looking ahead to the next Queensland Road Safety Strategy



Queensland Police Service Road Policing Command

Assistant Commissioner Michael Keating





QPS expectations of road users



- We need to respond to what we know
 - We can all make a contribution
 - **Speed kills**
 - Being patient can be a life saver
 - **Driving when impaired by alcohol or drugs increases our risk**
 - Changes will occur in who accesses and uses roads
 - **Seat Belts save lives**
 - Calmness can be a life saver
 - **Driving while fatigued is dangerous**
 - Courtesy and respect are critical to road safety
 - **That driving while distracted does not improve your road safety**
 - Model behaviours
 - Parents – Friends – Colleagues - Workplaces

Road Safety Everybody Everyday





QPS



- Are not going to enforce our way to a zero road toll
- Are not going to accept that road deaths and injuries are an inevitable cost of our lifestyle
- Need some people to accept their responsibility, have them be accountable for the risks they take and for which others are compromised
- Need to make the most use of the resources they have
- Need to be open to adopt ideas and options as they evolve
- Need to work cooperatively to achieve the best outcomes
- Have to do all of these everyday
- Must continue to be a world leader in road safety



Future

- Led by evidence not intuition
 - Research and appropriate strategies
 - Not every idea is going to make a difference
 - Some benefits will be incremental

- Acknowledge
 - Likely to be much more use of technology in enforcement and maintaining compliance
 - Different models of road use will evolve and have to be accommodated
 - No one person or agency has all of the answers
 - There will be competing tensions about access and use of roads
 - The diversity in our country will make some innovations appear disjointed and unconnected

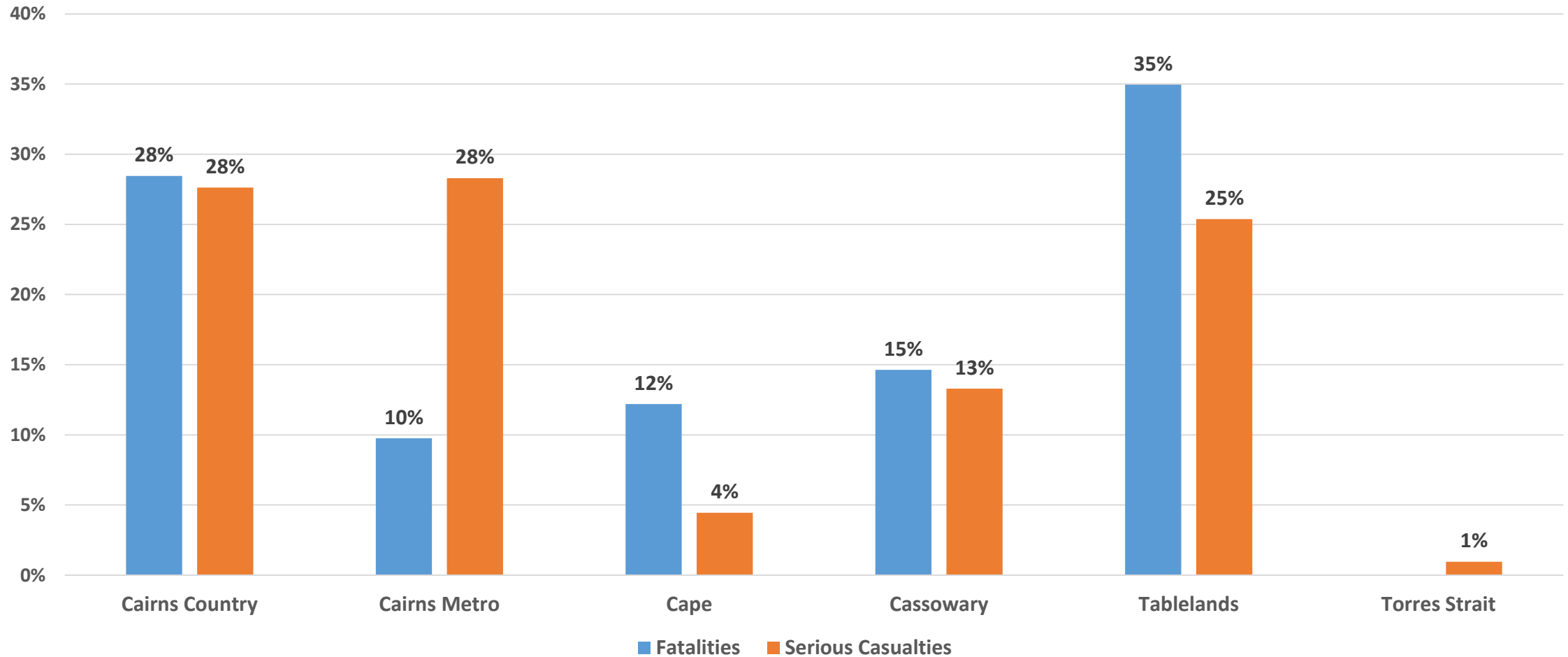


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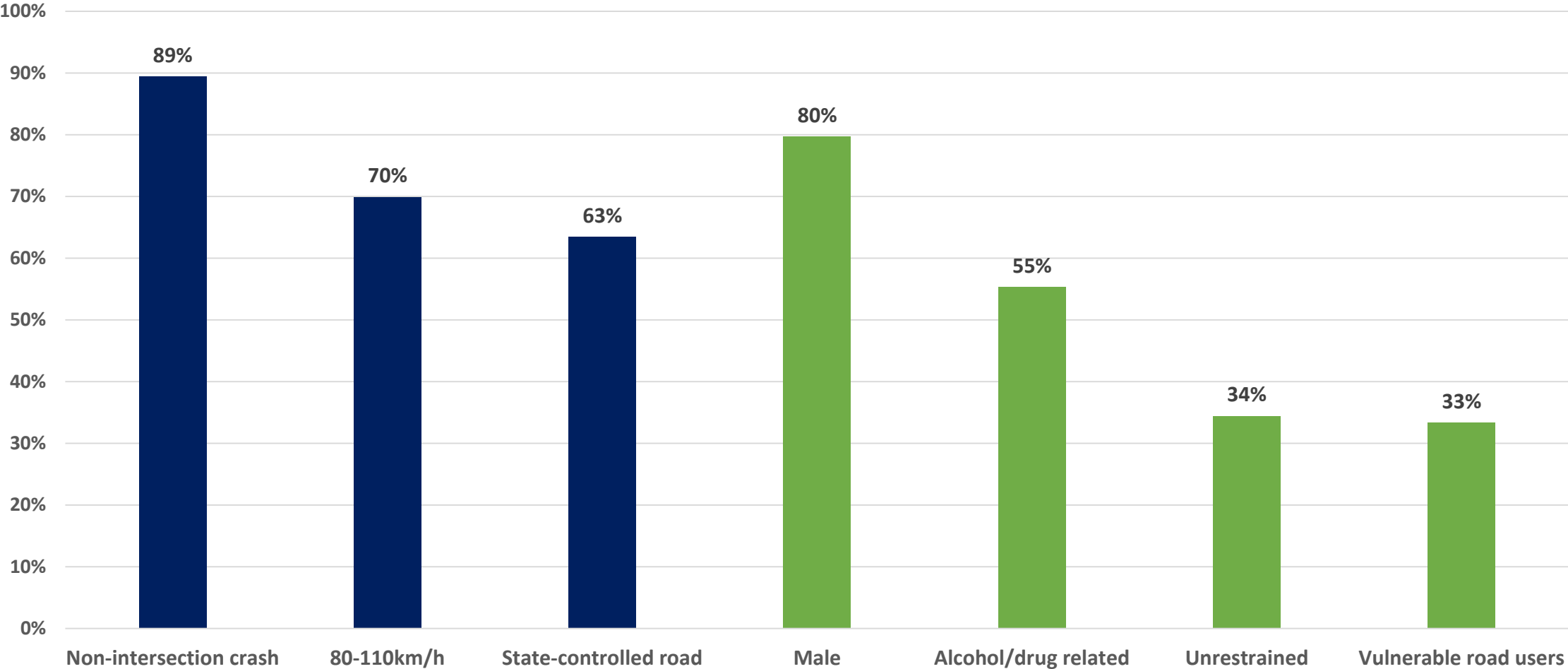
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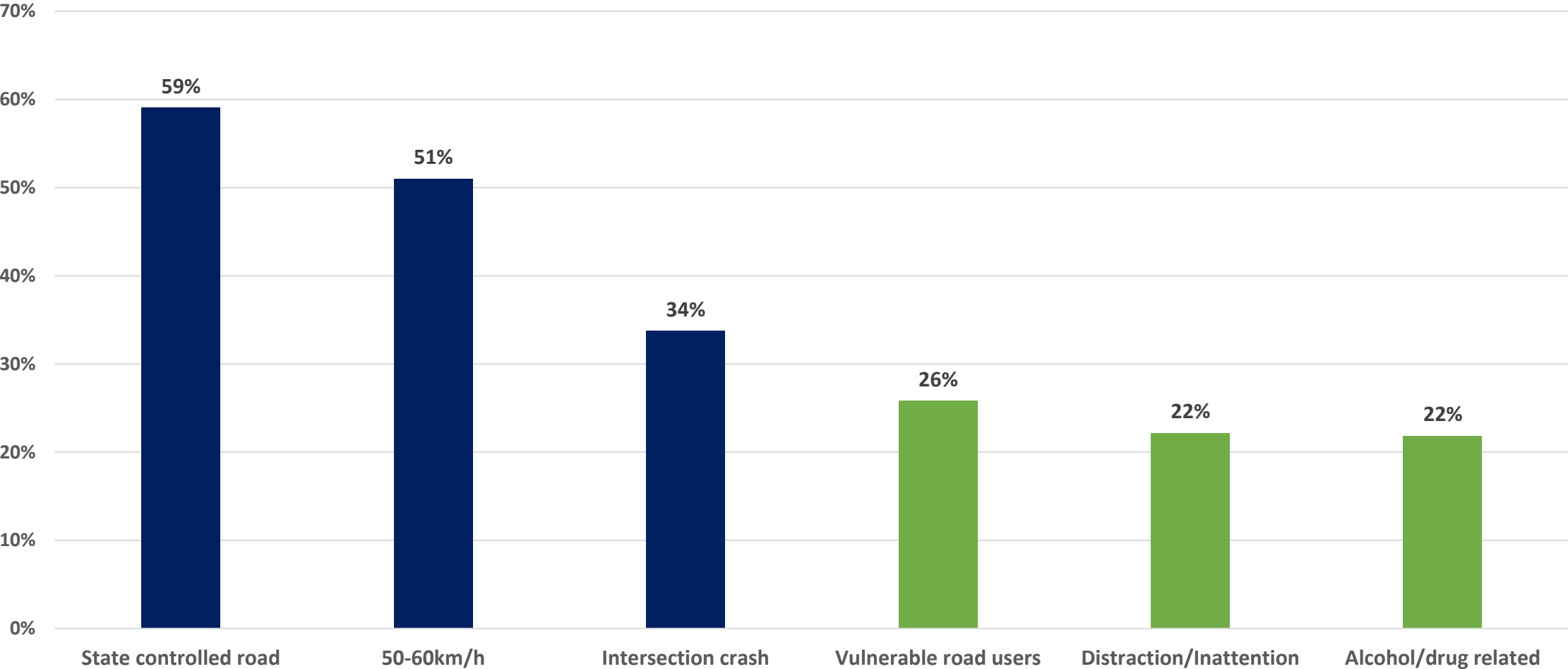
Proportion of road fatalities and serious injuries: Far North District – Police Patrol Groups, 2014 – 2018



Environmental and human factors as a proportion of road fatalities: Far North Police District, 2014 – 2018



Environmental and human factors as a proportion of serious road casualties: Far North Police District, 2014 – 2018



What might affect road safety in Cairns in the future?

- Growth
- Population ageing
- Changing transport modes and choices
- Technology

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