

HOW DO WE GET FROM B TO C? IS ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION STILL A PART OF THE ANSWER TO ROAD SAFETY?

Is looking in the rear-view mirror no longer a valuable source of information? Could the objects not only be “nearer than they appear”, but also quite blurry?

- Norway has the world’s lowest number of traffic fatalities per capita.
- Since 2005, all road traffic accidents with fatalities on Norwegian roads have been subject to accident investigation.
- Interdisciplinary groups of professionals carry out investigation and analysis based on data related to the road, the vehicles and the people involved.
- The findings are categorized and recorded in a database.

- The entire picture is rarely available, but with more data, i.e. crash data from involved vehicles and videos, we can spend less time answering *what* happened, more time finding answers to *why*.
- Those answers are part of the knowledge needed to find effective measures and improve road safety.

- Accident investigation provides us with the possibility to get a clearer picture and better understanding of road safety.
- Accident investigation and analysis is still an important part of moving from B to C and closer to the Vision Zero.

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