



## Bridge - Dutton park

A cyclist died after a truck struck an overpass and rolled in Brisbane's inner south. At this particular bridge there have been 23 strikes recorded between 2002 and 2013. The truck goes easily under one bridge, yet the second bridge (the newer bridge) is lower. The truck hits the second bridge and with speed and due to the camber on the road, the truck falls right over, flat against the footpath between the footpath and the upright to the two bridges.

There is warning signage in place, but it is quite clear that the signage is struck on numerous occasions.

The Brisbane Council is working with the Queensland University of Technology to develop a smart phone app that will map each of the low rail, road and pedestrian bridges across Brisbane, thus allowing schedulers and drivers to check the route they are taking with warning tones if they are approaching a low bridge.

Transport and Main Roads Minister Scott Emerson said the Annerley Rd rail bridge was one of the most frequently struck bridges in south east Queensland, with 23 strikes recorded between 2002 and 2013.

There were 60 reported bridge strikes across the Queensland Rail network in the last financial year and since the start of 2012, the government has successfully settled six claims totalling more than \$200,000 with motorists who have damaged rail bridges.

Motorists, who damage Queensland Rail infrastructure, including bridges, also face penalties of up to \$8,800.

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