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SPEED LIMITS AND ROAD SAFETY IN REGIONAL NSW

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In Scandinavia, the speed limits on similar country roads as to where Australia currently have 100km/hr, are between 70 and 80 km/hr.

Comparing the hazards of Scandinavia's and Australia's similar country roads are enormous. Number 1; road surface is far better in Scandinavia, 2; Wildlife in Scandinavia is minimal compared to Australia. 3; The average car is more modern compared to Australia's country vehicles.

Country road's speed limits in Australia needs to be reduced to better accommodate the hazards drivers are facing.

Often, city drivers venturing out to the country have very little experience of how to safely handle Australia's country roads.