

PANAMA

Population: **3 343 374**

Income group: **Middle**

Gross national income per capita: **\$5 510**



INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK	
Lead agency	Traffic and Ground Transport Authority
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	—
Measurable targets	—
Funded	—

DATA
Reported road traffic fatalities (2007) 425^b (82% males, 18% females) ^c
Reported non-fatal road traffic injuries (2005) 11 383^d
Costing study available No

^b Comptroller General of the Republic data, defined as died within 30 days of the crash.

^c 2005, Comptroller General of the Republic data.

^d Comptroller General of the Republic data.

NATIONAL LEGISLATION	
Speed limits set nationally	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	No
Maximum limit urban roads	80 km/h
Enforcement ^a	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Drink-driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	0.01 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	0.01 g/dl
Random breath testing and/or police checkpoints	Yes
Road traffic deaths involving alcohol	—
Enforcement ^a	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Applies to all riders	Yes
Helmet standards mandated	No
Helmet wearing rate	—
Enforcement ^a	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Seat-belt law	Yes
Applies to all occupants	Yes
Seat-belt wearing rate	—
Enforcement ^a	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Child restraints law	Yes
Enforcement ^a	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

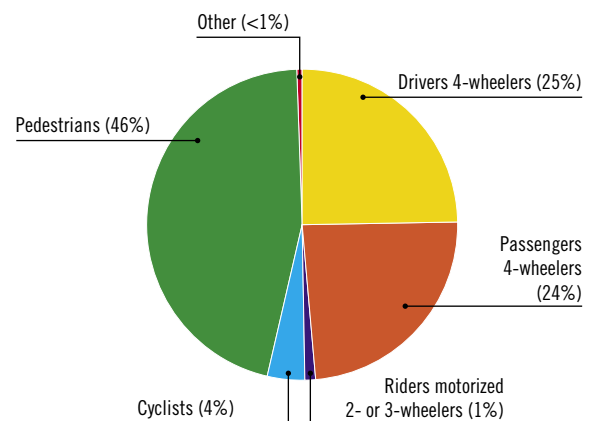
^a Enforcement score represents consensus based on professional opinion of respondents, on a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is not effective and 10 is highly effective.

VEHICLE STANDARDS	
<i>No car manufacturers</i>	
ROAD SAFETY AUDITS	
Formal audits required for major new road construction projects	Yes
Regular audits of existing road infrastructure	Yes
PROMOTING ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT	
National policies to promote walking or cycling	No
National policies to promote public transportation	No

POST-CRASH CARE	
Formal, publicly available pre-hospital care system	Yes
National universal access number	No

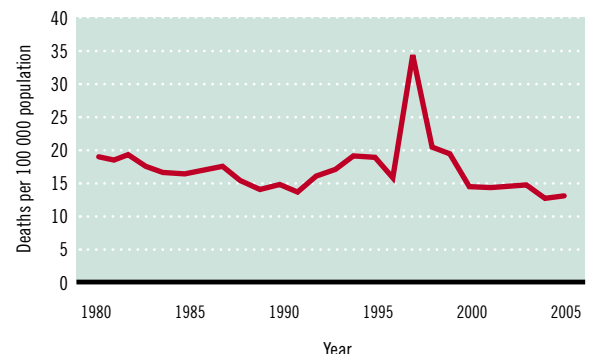
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DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2005, Comptroller General of the Republic

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: Comptroller General of the Republic

REGISTERED VEHICLES	
671 085 total (2007)	
Motorcars	65%
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	3%
Minibuses, vans, etc. (seating <20)	17%
Trucks	9%
Buses	3%
Non-motorized vehicles	3%
Other	<1%

Data cleared by the Ministry of Health.