

## **PRESS RELEASE**

**ROAD ACCIDENTS: March 2018** 

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional data on Road Accidents for March 2018. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, increased by 19.0% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2017 (870 road accidents in March 2018, against 731 road accidents in March 2017).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in March 2018 were as follows: 72 deaths, 50 serious injuries and 942 slight injuries. In contrast, in March 2017 the corresponding figures were: 41 deaths, 42 serious injuries and 839 slight injuries. Therefore, road accident casualties in March 2018 increased by 75.6% for deaths, by 19.0% for serious injuries and by 12.3% for slight injuries.

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Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, January 2011 - March 2018

Provisional data: May 17 –Mar 18

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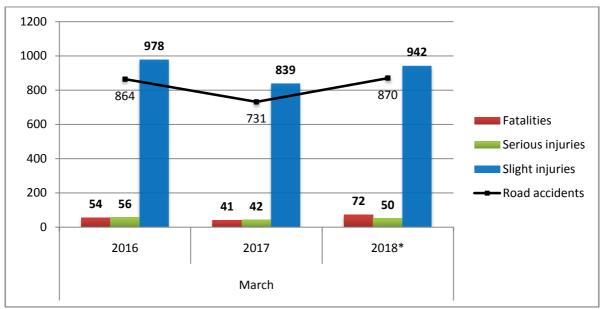
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data for the reference year are provisional until the finalisation of the annual data, which become final 10 months after the end of the reference year. During these 10 months the provisional data are updated on the basis of the data of the Road Accident Forms which are transmitted to ELSTAT by Police Authorities.

Table 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, March 2016-2018\*

	March									
	2016	2017	2017/2016 (%)	2018*	2018*/2017 (%)					
Road accidents	864	731	-15.4%	870	19.0%					
Fatalities	54	41	-24.1%	72	75.6%					
Total injuries	1,034	881	-14.8%	992	12.6%					
Serious injuries	56	42	-25.0%	50	19.0%					
Slight injuries	978	839	-14.2%	942	12.3%					

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional data

Graph 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, March 2016-2018\*



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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, March 2017 – 2018\*

Region and	Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries		Slight injuries				
Department	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%
Greece Total	731	870	19.0%	41	72	75.6%	42	50	19.0%	839	942	12.3%
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	27	27	0.0%	0	1	-	2	2	0.0%	27	30	11.1%
Drama	4	7	75.0%	0	0		0	0		4	7	
Evros	5	7	40.0%	0	0		0	0		5	9	
Kavala	8	5	-37.5%	0	1		1	1		7	4	
Xanthi	5	3	-40.0%	0	0		1	1		4	4	
Rodopi	5	5	0.0%	0	0		0	0		7	6	
Kentriki Makedonia (Central Macedonia)	150	152	1.3%	5	10	100.0%	3	7	133.3%	187	174	-7.0%
Imathia	4	2	-50.0%	1	0		0	0		3	4	
Thessaloniki	139	138	-0.7%	4	5		2	2		177	154	
Kilkis	3	3	0.0%	0	4		1	3		3	4	
Pella	0	2	-	0	1		0	0		0	2	
Pieria	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Serres	3	1	-66.7%	0	0		0	1		3	0	
Chalkidiki	1	6	500.0%	0	0		0	1		1	10	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	7	4	-42.9%	0	2	-	1	0	-100.0%	7	3	-57.1%
Grevena	1	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		1	0	
Kastoria	0	2	-	0	1		0	0		0	1	
Kozani	6	1	-83.3%	0	0		1	0		6	1	
Florina	0	1	-	0	1		0	0		0	1	
lpeiros (Epirus)	5	9	80.0%	0	5	-	0	0	-	5	7	40.0%
Arta	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Thesprotia	4	2	-50.0%	0	0		0	0		4	2	
Ioannina	1	5	400.0%	0	3		0	0		1	4	
Preveza	0	1	-	0	2		0	0		0	0	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	11	11	0.0%	4	2	-50.0%	3	1	-66.7%	4	10	150.0%
Karditsa	1	4	300.0%	1	1		0	0		0	4	
Larissa	6	3	-50.0%	2	1		2	0		2	2	
Magnissia	4	1	-75.0%	1	0		1	0		2	2	
Trikala	0	3	-	0	0		0	1		0	2	
Ionioi Nisoi (Ionian Islands)	6	7	16.7%	1	2	100.0%	1	0	-100.0%	5	6	20.0%
Zakynthos	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Kerkyra	3	1	-66.7%	0	0		1	0		2	1	
Kefallinia	2	2	0.0%	1	2		0	0		1	1	
Lefkada * Provisional data	1	3	200.0%	0	0		0	0		2	3	

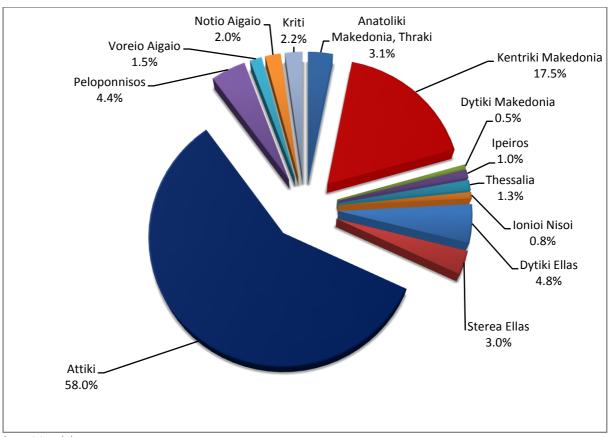
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, March 2017 – 2018\* (Continued)

Region and	Road accidents			Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries		
Department	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%	2017	2018*	%
Dytiki Ellas (West Greece)	36	42	16.7%	3	8	166.7%	4	3	-25.0%	43	47	9.3%
Etolia & Akarnania	13	15	15.4%	1	3		1	1		17	18	
Achaia	22	21	-4.5%	2	5		2	0		26	25	
Ilia	1	6	500.0%	0	0		1	2		0	4	
Sterea Ellas	25	26	4.0%	1	4	300.0%	5	4	-20.0%	25	26	4.0%
Viotia	5	4	-20.0%	1	0		1	0		3	6	
Evia	10	10	0.0%	0	1		1	2		11	12	
Evrytania	1	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		1	0	
Fthiotida	9	9	0.0%	0	3		3	1		10	6	
Fokida	0	3	-	0	0		0	1		0	2	
Attiki (Attica)	394	505	28.2%	14	20	42.9%	13	12	-7.7%	465	558	20.0%
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	31	38	22.6%	5	6	20.0%	4	2	-50.0%	35	46	31.4%
Argolida	5	6	20.0%	0	2		1	1		8	6	
Arkadia	6	10	66.7%	1	3		1	0		8	10	
Korinthia	6	10	66.7%	0	0		1	0		5	16	
Lakonia	5	4	-20.0%	0	0		1	0		7	4	
Messinia	9	8	-11.1%	4	1		0	1		7	10	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	13	13	0.0%	0	0	-	2	5	150.0%	14	9	-35.7%
Lesvos	5	8	60.0%	0	0		0	2		5	7	
Samos	1	3	200.0%	0	0		0	1		1	2	
Chios	7	2	-71.4%	0	0		2	2		8	0	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	14	17	21.4%	2	4	100.0%	3	4	33.3%	12	13	8.3%
Dodekanissos	6	8	33.3%	2	2		1	2		5	5	
Kyklades	8	9	12.5%	0	2		2	2		7	8	
Kriti (Crete)	12	19	58.3%	6	8	33.3%	1	10	900.0%	10	13	30.0%
Iraklio	7	11	57.1%	3	5		1	6		6	9	
Lassithi	0	2	-	0	1		0	1		0	1	
Rethymno	2	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Chania	3	6	100.0%	3	2		0	3		2	3	

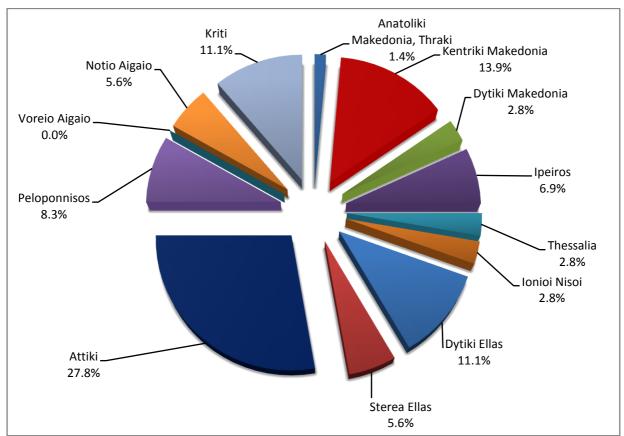
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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, March 2018 \*



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, March 2018 \*



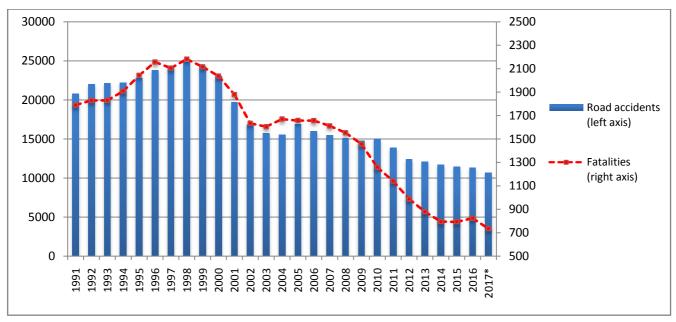
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Table 3: Road Traffic Accidents and casualties for the period January - March 2016, 2017 and 2018\*

	2016		2017	2018 *		
	January - March	Total year	January - March	Total year*	January - March	
Road Accidents	2,443	11,318	2,117	10,696	2,307	
	Annual	Change (%)	-13.3%	-5.5%	9.0%	
Fatalities	175	824	151	735	147	
	Annual	Change (%)	-13.7%	-10.8%	-2.6%	
Serious injuries	181 <b>879</b>		123	703	136	
	Annual	Change (%)	-32.0%	-20.0%	10.6%	
Slight injuries	2,730	12,946	2,439	12,157	2,541	
	Annual	Change (%)	-10.7%	-6.1%	4.2%	

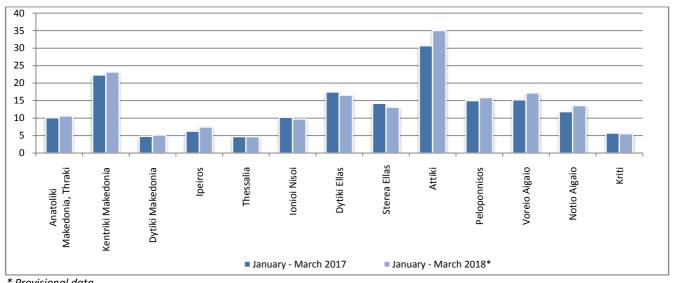
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Graph 5: Total Road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2017\*



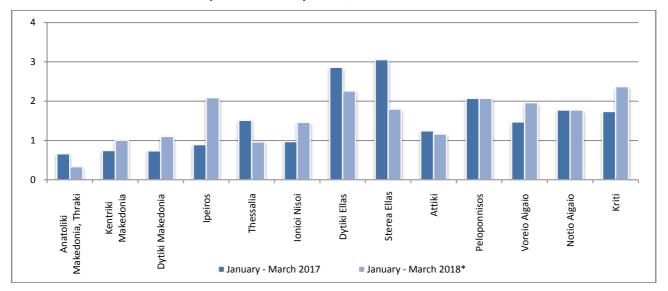
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Graph 6: Road accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

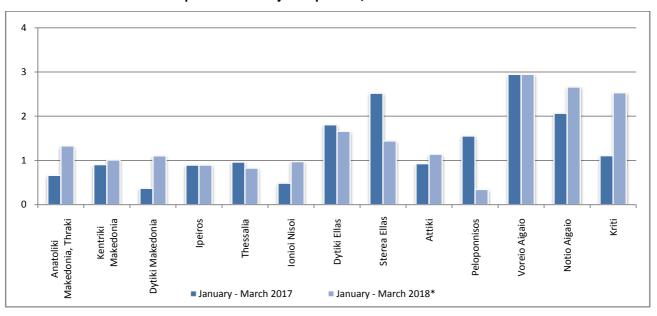


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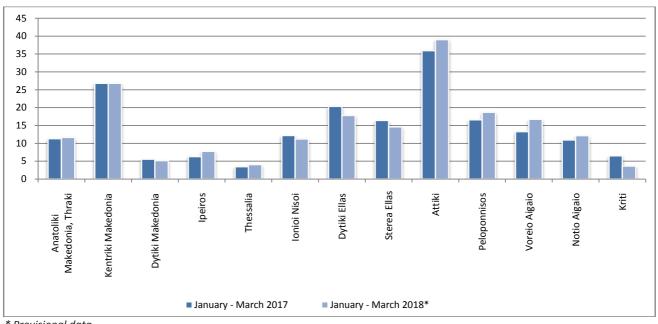
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



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### **Explanatory Notes**

# **Road Accidents**

Survey on The survey on road accidents is conducted on a monthly basis and it records, for each department of Greece and for each month separately, the number of accidents resulting in death or injury, as well as the number of persons injured by categories (drivers, passengers, pedestrians).

> On a yearly basis, road accidents are further analyzed. The competent agencies for filling in/collecting the forms on road accidents are the local Police Authorities and the local Port Authorities of Greece.

> The lower level of analysis for the place where an injury road accident occurred is the Municipal - Local Commune, which is described by a 8-digit geographic code. Data are collected on a monthly basis. The main variables are the following: place of accident, kind of road, casualties, conditions of road surface and type of road.

Legal basis

The Survey on Road Traffic Accidents is governed by Council Decision 93/704 of the European Community.

Reference Period Monthly.

**Availability of** Provisional data are available 2 months after the reference month.

**Data** Final data are available 10 months after the reference year.

#### National **Definitions**

Road accident (injury accident): Any accident involving at least one road motor vehicle in motion on a public road or square to which the public has access (excluding yards, industrial sites or vehicle depot of public transport enterprises), resulting in at least one injured or killed person. Accidents with only material damages are not included.

Fatality (Death): Any person killed immediately or dying within 30 days as a result of an injury accident (This national definition applies since 01.01.1996)

Person injured: Any person who sustained an injury as result of an injury accident, and who normally needs medical treatment.

Serious injury: Any person who sustained an injury as result of an injury accident, such as brain damages, mutilation, multiple injuries, which may result in lack of awareness or which are life-threatening.

Slight injury: Any person injured who sustained minor and not life-threatening injuries.

Vehicle: Include motor vehicles, trolleybuses, motorcycles, bicycles, motorbikes, agricultural and road making machines, animal and hand-drawn vehicles. Railway vehicles are excluded, unless the road accident involves at least one of the aforementioned types of vehicles and therefore, railway vehicles are considered vehicles.

Methodology

The forms of the survey are filled in by the local Police Authorities and the local Port Authorities as well.

References

More information about road accidents is available on ELSTAT's website and more specifically at the link: www.statistics.gr > Population & Social Conditions > Accidents > Road Traffic Accidents.

It should be noted that previous press releases and time series are available on ELSTAT's website: www.statistics.gr