

PRESS RELEASE

ROAD ACCIDENTS: February 2019

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional¹ data on Road Accidents for February 2019. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, remained stable in comparison with the corresponding month of 2018 (684 road accidents in February 2019, against 684 road accidents in February 2018).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in February 2019 were as follows: 41 deaths, 30 serious injuries and 749 slight injuries. In contrast, in February 2018 the corresponding figures were: 37 deaths, 43 serious injuries and 774 slight injuries. Therefore, road accident casualties in February 2019 increased by 10.8% for deaths, decreased by 30.2% for serious injuries and decreased by 3.2% for slight injuries.

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Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, January 2012 - February 2019

Provisional data: May 18 –Feb 19

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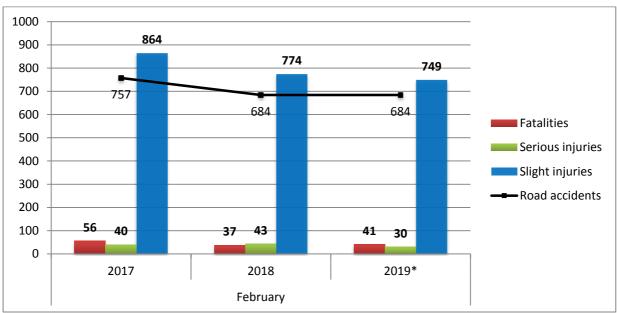
¹ Data for the reference year are provisional until the finalisation of the annual data, which become final 10 months after the end of the reference year. During these 10 months the provisional data are updated on the basis of the data of the Road Accident Forms which are transmitted to ELSTAT by Police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

Table 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, February 2017-2019*

	February									
	2017	2017 2018		2019*	2019*/2018 (%)					
Road accidents	757	684	-9.6%	684	0.0%					
Fatalities	56	37	-33.9%	41	10.8%					
Total injuries	904	817	-9.6%	779	-4.7%					
Serious injuries	40	43	7.5%	30	-30.2%					
Slight injuries	864	774	-10.4%	749	-3.2%					

^{*} Provisional data

Graph 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, February 2017-2019*



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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2018 – 2019*

Region and	Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries			
Department	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%
Greece Total	684	684	0.0%	37	41	10.8%	43	30	-30.2%	774	749	-3.2%
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	16	21	31.3%	0	3	-	4	1	-75.0%	17	23	35.3%
Drama	1	5	400.0%	0	1		0	1		2	4	
Evros	8	7	-12.5%	0	1		1	0		8	9	
Kavala	4	9	125.0%	0	1		1	0		6	10	
Xanthi	2	0	-100.0%	0	0		1	0		1	0	
Rodopi	1	0	-100.0%	0	0		1	0		0	0	
Kentriki Makedonia (Central Macedonia)	138	125	-9.4%	4	4	0.0%	12	1	-91.7%	161	147	-8.7%
Imathia	5	2	-60.0%	1	0		2	0		2	2	
Thessaloniki	117	109	-6.8%	3	3		8	1		138	128	
Kilkis	3	4	33.3%	0	0		0	0		4	4	
Pella	1	4	300.0%	0	0		0	0		1	7	
Pieria	1	1	0.0%	0	0		0	0		1	1	
Serres	3	3	0.0%	0	1		0	0		6	3	
Chalkidiki	8	2	-75.0%	0	0		2	0		9	2	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	4	4	0.0%	0	1	-	0	0	-	9	3	-66.7%
Grevena	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Kastoria	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Kozani	4	4	0.0%	0	1		0	0		9	3	
Florina	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Ipeiros (Epirus)	10	7	-30.0%	2	3	50.0%	1	0	-100.0%	12	7	-41.7%
Arta	1	1	0.0%	1	1		0	0		0	0	
Thesprotia	3	2	-33.3%	0	0		0	0		3	2	
Ioannina	6	1	-83.3%	1	0		1	0		9	3	
Preveza	0	3	-	0	2		0	0		0	2	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	12	14	16.7%	3	2	-33.3%	2	4	100.0%	9	10	11.1%
Karditsa	6	3	-50.0%	2	0		0	1		6	2	
Larissa	4	5	25.0%	1	0		0	2		3	4	
Magnissia	1	3	200.0%	0	1		1	1		0	2	
Trikala	1	3	200.0%	0	1		1	0		0	2	
Ionia Nisia (Ionian Islands)	7	4	-42.9%	1	0	-100.0%	0	1	-	10	3	-70.0%
Zakynthos	1	1	0.0%	0	0		0	0		1	1	
Kerkyra	3	2	-33.3%	1	0		0	1		6	1	
Kefallinia	3	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		3	0	
Lefkada	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	

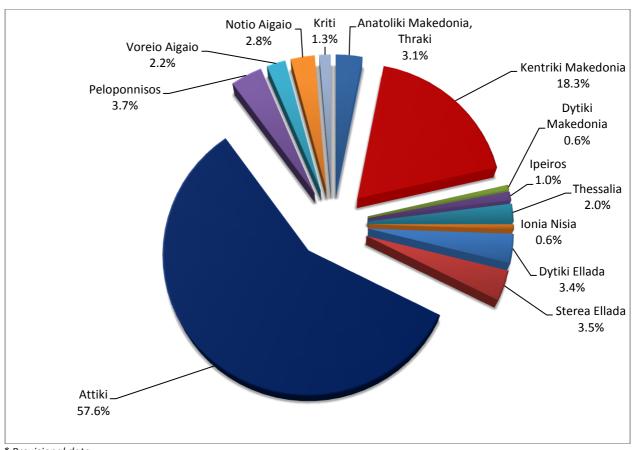
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2018 – 2019* (Continued)

Region and	Ro	oad accid	ents		Fataliti	es	S	erious inj	uries	S	light inju	ries
Department	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%	2018	2019*	%
Dytiki Ellada (West Greece)	36	23	-36.1%	4	2	-50.0%	3	2	-33.3%	39	27	-30.8%
Etolia & Akarnania	13	6	-53.8%	1	1		0	0		14	10	
Achaia	16	14	-12.5%	1	1		2	1		21	14	
Ilia	7	3	-57.1%	2	0		1	1		4	3	
Sterea Ellada	23	24	4.3%	3	2	-33.3%	0	0	-	26	29	11.5%
Viotia	9	5	-44.4%	1	1		0	0		10	9	
Evia	10	9	-10.0%	1	1		0	0		13	8	
Evrytania	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Fthiotida	4	8	100.0%	1	0		0	0		3	10	
Fokida	0	2	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Attiki (Attica)	376	394	4.8%	11	14	27.3%	13	9	-30.8%	434	437	0.7%
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	24	25	4.2%	3	4	33.3%	3	0	-100.0%	24	25	4.2%
Argolida	5	1	-80.0%	0	0		0	0		7	1	
Arkadia	2	6	200.0%	0	0		0	0		3	7	
Korinthia	6	8	33.3%	0	1		1	0		5	9	
Lakonia	3	3	0.0%	2	0		0	0		2	3	
Messinia	8	7	-12.5%	1	3		2	0		7	5	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	6	15	150.0%	1	2	100.0%	0	4	-	6	11	83.3%
Lesvos	3	7	133.3%	1	0		0	4		2	5	
Samos	1	2	100.0%	0	0		0	0		2	2	
Chios	2	6	200.0%	0	2		0	0		2	4	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	22	19	-13.6%	2	1	-50.0%	3	4	33.3%	21	19	-9.5%
Dodekanissos	12	12	0.0%	2	1		1	3		10	11	
Kyklades	10	7	-30.0%	0	0		2	1		11	8	
Kriti (Crete)	10	9	-10.0%	3	3	0.0%	2	4	100.0%	6	8	33.3%
Iraklio	5	6	20.0%	2	2		1	4		3	5	
Lassithi	0	2	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Rethymno	2	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Chania	3	1	-66.7%	1	1		1	0		1	1	

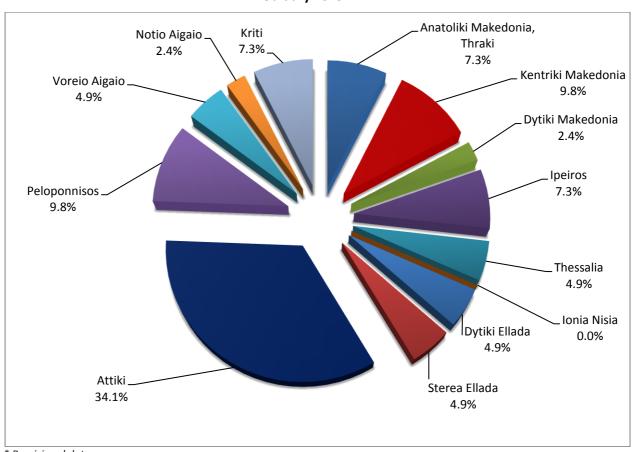
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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, February 2019 *



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, February 2019 *



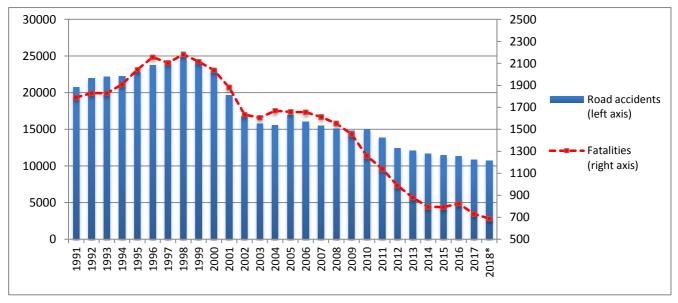
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Table 3: Road Traffic Accidents and casualties for the period January - February 2017, 2018 and 2019*

	2017		2018	2019 *			
	January - February	Total year	January - February	Total year*	January - February		
Road Accidents	1,402	10,848	1,462	10,737	1,360		
	Annual	Change (%)	4.3%	-1.0%	-7.0%		
Fatalities	110	731	75	689	86		
	Annual	Change (%)	-31.8%	-5.7%	14.7%		
Serious injuries	81 706		89	750	72		
	Annual	Change (%)	9.9%	6.2%	-19.1%		
Slight injuries	1,619	12,565	1,671	12,256	1,484		
	Annual	Change (%)	3.2%	-2.5%	-11.2%		

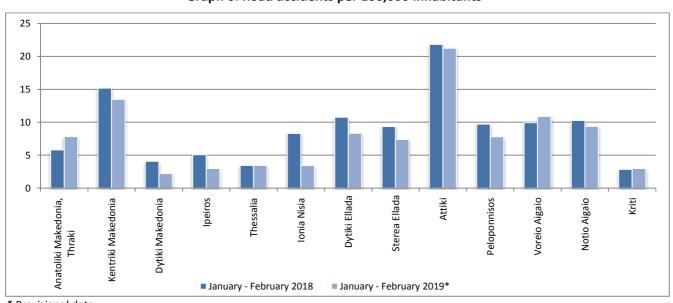
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Graph 5: Total road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2018*



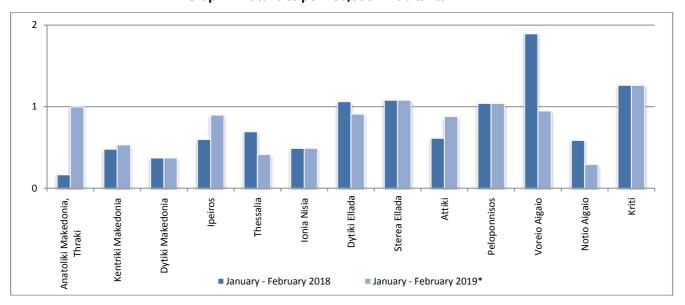
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Graph 6: Road accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

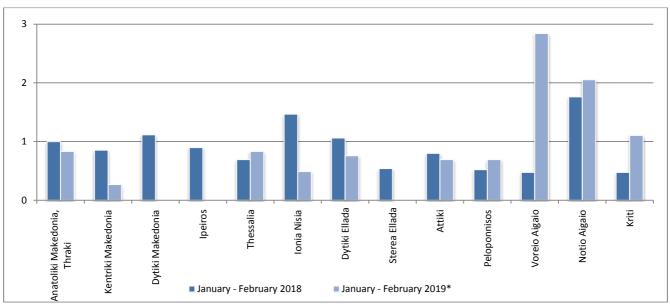


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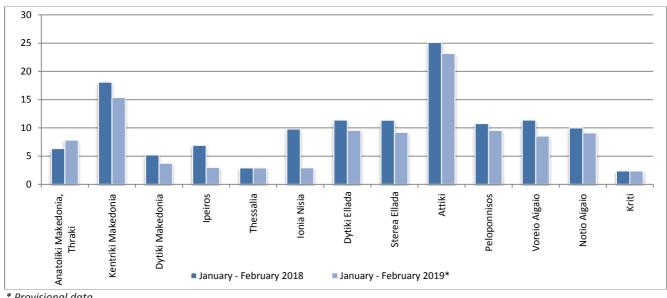
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



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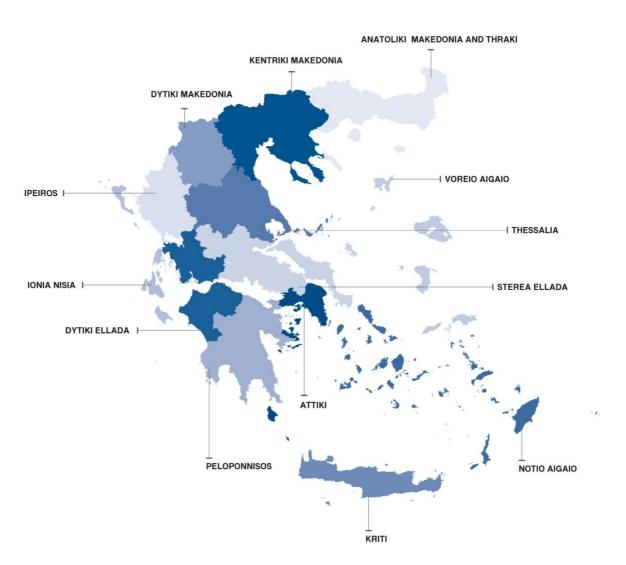
Explanatory Notes

Survey on Road Accidents

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 Monthly. **Period**

Availability Provisional data are available 2 months after the reference month. Final data are available 10 months after the reference year.

Definitions

National 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 lifethreatening.

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