



PRESS RELEASE

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: April 2020

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional¹ data on Road Traffic Accidents for April 2020. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, decreased by 61.9% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2019 (326 road accidents in April 2020, against 856 road accidents in April 2019).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in April 2020 were as follows: 21 deaths, 21 serious injuries and 332 slight injuries. In contrast, in April 2019 the corresponding figures were: 50 deaths, 44 serious injuries and 995 slight injuries. Therefore, road accident casualties in April 2020 decreased by 58.0% for deaths, by 52.3% for serious injuries and by 66.6% for slight injuries.

1600 500 450 1400 400 Road accidents 1200 (left axis) 350 1000 Slight injuries 300 (left axis) 800 250 **Fatalities** 200 (right axis) 600 150 Serious 400 injuries 100 (right axis) 200 50 0 0

Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, January 2013 - April 2020

Provisional data for the period May 2019 – April 2020

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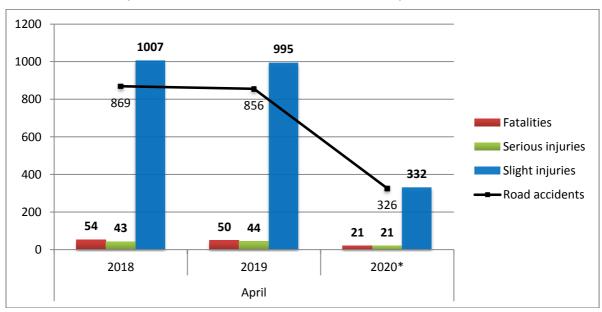
^[1] Data for the reference year is provisional until the finalization of the annual data, which takes place 10 months after the end of the reference year and is published in the corresponding press release of the following year. During these 10 months the provisional data is updated on the basis of the data of the Road Accident Forms of that year which is transmitted to ELSTAT by Police Authorities (see explanatory notes).

Table 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, April 2018 - 2020*

| | April | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------|-------|---------------|-------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 2018 | 2019 | 2019/2018 (%) | 2020* | 2020*/2019 (%) | | | | | |
| Road accidents | 869 | 856 | -1.5 | 326 | -61.9 | | | | | |
| Fatalities | 54 | 50 | -7.4 | 21 | -58.0 | | | | | |
| Total injuries | 1,050 | 1,039 | -1.0 | 353 | -66.0 | | | | | |
| Serious injuries | 43 | 44 | 2.3 | 21 | -52.3 | | | | | |
| Slight injuries | 1,007 | 995 | -1.2 | 332 | -66.6 | | | | | |

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Graph 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, April 2018 - 2020*



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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, April 2019 and 2020*

| Region and | Road accidents | | Fatalities | | | Serious injuries | | | Slight injuries | | | |
|---|----------------|-------|------------|------|-------|------------------|------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|-------|
| department | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % |
| Greece Total | 856 | 326 | -61.9 | 50 | 21 | -58.0 | 44 | 21 | -52.3 | 995 | 332 | -66.6 |
| Anatoliki Makedonia and Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace) | 23 | 16 | -30.4 | 0 | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 100.0 | 37 | 17 | -54.1 |
| Drama | 4 | 2 | -50.0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | | 7 | 1 | |
| Evros | 10 | 7 | -30.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 1 | | 15 | 7 | |
| Kavala | 6 | 6 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 7 | 8 | |
| Xanthi | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 7 | 0 | |
| Rodopi | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Kentriki Makedonia | 163 | 40 | -75.5 | 5 | 1 | -80.0 | 10 | 4 | -60.0 | 186 | 41 | -78.0 |
| (Central Macedonia) | | | | | | | | | | | | 7 0.0 |
| Imathia | 3 | 0 | -100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | |
| Thessaloniki | 136 | 36 | -73.5 | 2 | 0 | | 6 | 2 | | 155 | 39 | |
| Kilkis | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 4 | 1 | |
| Pella | 6 | 3 | -50.0 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 1 | |
| Pieria | 1 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Serres | 5 | 0 | -100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 10 | 0 | |
| Chalkidiki | 8 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 11 | 0 | |
| Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia) | 7 | 5 | -28.6 | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 0 | 2 | - | 8 | 2 | -75.0 |
| Grevena | 0 | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Kastoria | 0 | 1 | - | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Kozani | 6 | 3 | -50.0 | 3 | 1 | | 0 | 1 | | 8 | 1 | |
| Florina | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | |
| Ipeiros (Epirus) | 9 | 3 | -66.7 | 4 | 2 | -50.0 | 0 | 0 | - | 7 | 1 | -85.7 |
| Arta | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | |
| Thesprotia | 4 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 3 | 0 | |
| Ioannina | 3 | 1 | -66.7 | 2 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 3 | 0 | |
| Preveza | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | |
| Thessalia (Thessaly) | 9 | 4 | -55.6 | 3 | 0 | -100.0 | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 9 | 5 | -44.4 |
| Karditsa | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 6 | 1 | |
| Larissa | 4 | 2 | -50.0 | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 3 | 3 | |
| Magnissia | 1 | 0 | -100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Trikala | 0 | 1 | - | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | |
| Ionia Nisia (Ionian Islands) | 10 | 4 | -60.0 | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | -100.0 | 7 | 5 | -28.6 |
| Zakynthos | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | |
| Kerkyra | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 3 | 1 | |
| Kefallinia | 1 | 3 | 200.0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 4 | |
| Lefkada | 3 | 0 | -100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | |

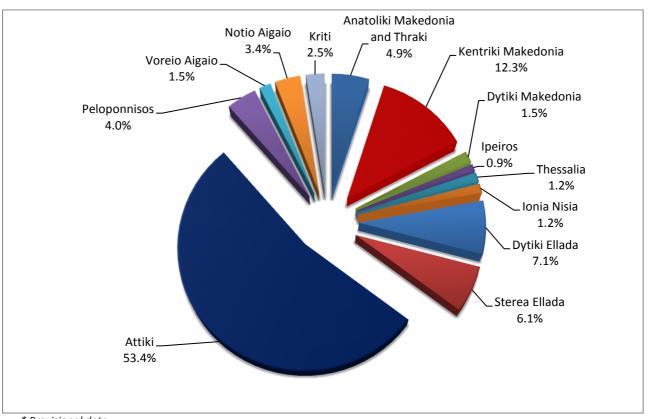
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, April 2019 and 2020* (Continued)

| Region and | Road accidents | | | Fatalities | | | Serious injuries | | | Slight injuries | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------|--------|------------|-------|--------|------------------|-------|--------------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| department | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % | 2019 | 2020* | % |
| Dytiki Ellada (West Greece) | 37 | 23 | -37.8 | 5 | 4 | -20.0 | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 38 | 23 | -39.5 |
| Etolia & Akarnania | 15 | 9 | -40.0 | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 0 | | 16 | 12 | |
| Achaia | 19 | 11 | -42.1 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 0 | | 19 | 9 | |
| Ilia | 3 | 3 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 1 | | 3 | 2 | |
| Sterea Ellada | 40 | 20 | -50.0 | 3 | 4 | 33.3 | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 53 | 17 | -67.9 |
| Viotia | 8 | 4 | -50.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 17 | 4 | |
| Evia | 22 | 9 | -59.1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 25 | 8 | |
| Evrytania | 1 | 2 | 100.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Fthiotida | 7 | 5 | -28.6 | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 8 | 4 | |
| Fokida | 2 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | |
| Attiki (Attica) | 465 | 174 | -62.6 | 12 | 4 | -66.7 | 13 | 7 | -46.2 | 546 | 185 | -66.1 |
| Peloponnisos (Peloponnese) | 31 | 13 | -58.1 | 4 | 2 | -50.0 | 2 | 1 | -50.0 | 35 | 11 | -68.6 |
| Argolida | 9 | 3 | -66.7 | 4 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 7 | 3 | |
| Arkadia | 4 | 1 | -75.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 1 | | 5 | 0 | |
| Korinthia | 12 | 6 | -50.0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 17 | 6 | |
| Lakonia | 1 | 2 | 100.0 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Messinia | 5 | 1 | -80.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 5 | 1 | |
| Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean) | 15 | 5 | -66.7 | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 17 | 6 | -64.7 |
| Lesvos | 11 | 3 | -72.7 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 11 | 4 | |
| Samos | 3 | 2 | -33.3 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 1 | | 6 | 2 | |
| Chios | 1 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Notio Aigaio (South Aegean) | 40 | 11 | -72.5 | 3 | 0 | -100.0 | 4 | 2 | -50.0 | 49 | 9 | -81.6 |
| Dodekanissos | 22 | 7 | -68.2 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | | 31 | 6 | |
| Kyklades | 18 | 4 | -77.8 | 3 | 0 | | 4 | 1 | | 18 | 3 | |
| Kriti (Crete) | 7 | 8 | 14.3 | 4 | 0 | -100.0 | 4 | 1 | <i>-75.0</i> | 3 | 10 | 233.3 |
| Iraklio | 4 | 5 | 25.0 | 3 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 7 | |
| Lassithi | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Rethymno | 1 | 0 | -100.0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | |
| Chania | 1 | 2 | 100.0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 2 | |

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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, April 2020 *



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, April 2020 *

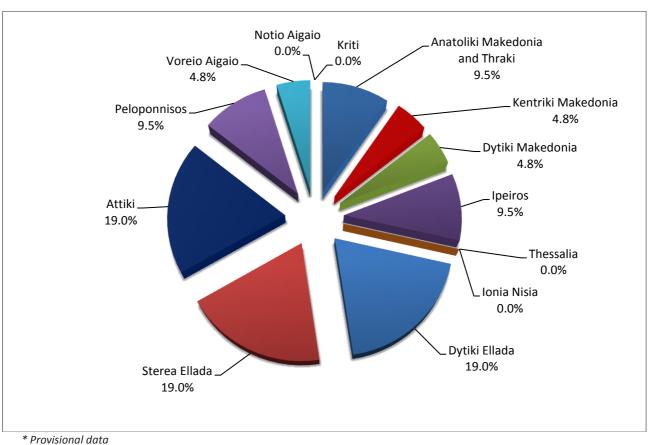
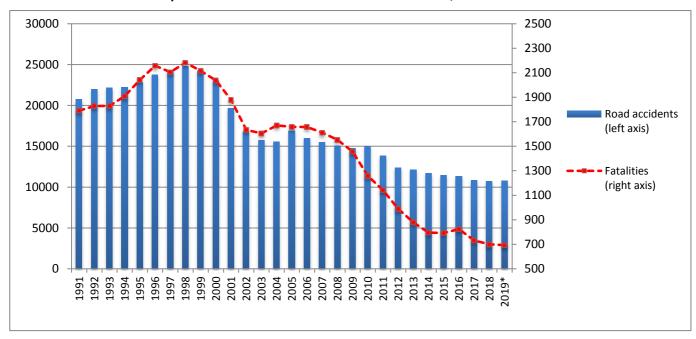


Table 3: Road traffic accidents and casualties for the period January - April 2018, 2019 and 2020*

| | 2018 | | 2019 | 2020 * | | |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| | January - April | Total year | January - April | Total year* | January - April | |
| Road Accidents | 3,221 10,737 | | 3,064 | 10,761 | 2,479 | |
| | Annual | Change (%) | -4.9 | 0.2 | -19.1 | |
| Fatalities | 198 | 700 | 172 | 693 | 141 | |
| | Annual | Change (%) | -13.1 | -1.0 | -18.0 | |
| Serious injuries | 192 727 | | 154 | 623 | 124 | |
| | Annual | Change (%) | -19.8 | -14.3 | -19.5 | |
| Slight injuries | 3,655 12,422 | | 3,504 | 12,152 | 2,751 | |
| | Annual | Change (%) | -4.1 | -2.2 | -21.5 | |

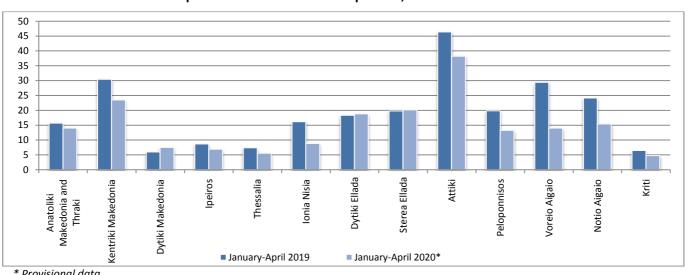
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Graph 5: Total road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2019*



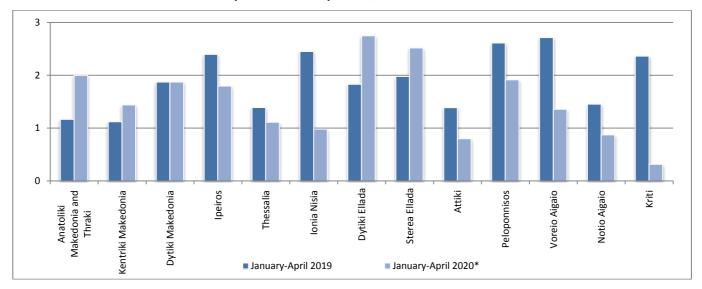
^{*}Provisional data for the period May 2019 – December 2019

Graph 6: Road traffic accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

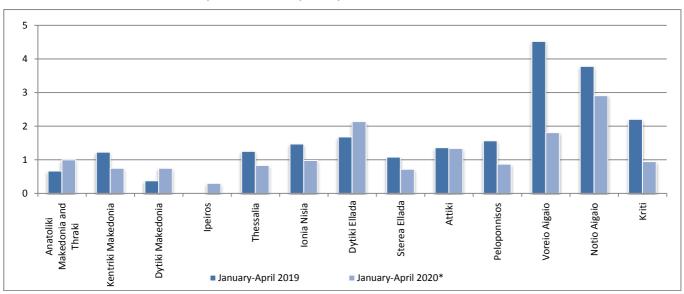


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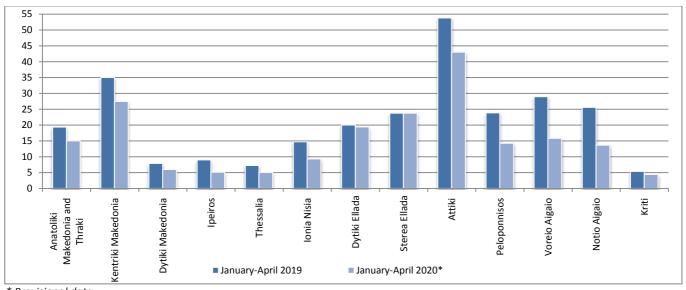
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



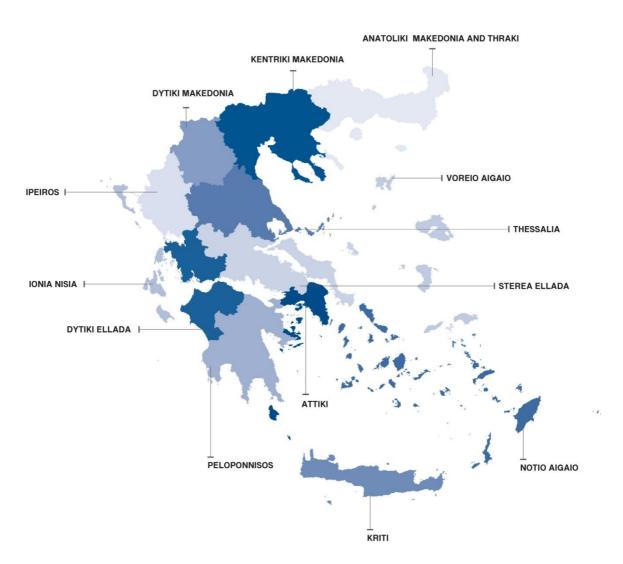
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Survey on Road Traffic Accidents The Survey on Road Traffic Accidents is conducted on a monthly basis and it records, for each region (see map) and 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 traffic 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 settlement. 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.

of data Final data are available 10 months after the reference year.

National Road accident (injury accident): Any accident involving at least one road motor vehicle in motion

definitions

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 Traffic Accidents is available on ELSTAT's website and more specifically at the link: https://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SDT03/-.