

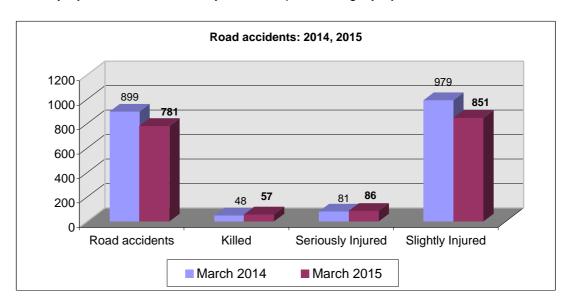
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# **PRESS RELEASE**

# **ROAD ACCIDENTS: March 2015**

In March 2015 the road traffic accidents, which occurred in Greece resulting in injured or killed persons, decreased by 13.1% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2014 (781 road accidents in March 2015 against 899 road accidents in March 2014).

Among the casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in March 2015, 57 persons were killed, 86 persons were seriously injured and 848 persons were slightly injured. In contrast, in March 2014 the corresponding figures were: 48 persons killed, 81 seriously injured and 993 slightly injured. Therefore, road accident casualties in March 2015 recorded an increase by 18.8% for persons killed, an increase by 6.2% for persons seriously injured and a decrease by 14.6% for persons slightly injured.



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Table 1. Road accidents and casualties, by region (NUTS 2) and department - March 2014 and 2015

Region and Department	Road Accidents			Killed			Seriously Injured			Slightly Injured		
	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%
Greece total	899	781	-13.1%	48	57	18.8%	81	86	6.2%	993	848	-14.6%
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	19	27	42.1%	1	1	0.0%	4	2	-50.0%	21	34	61.9%
Drama	3	4	33.3%	0	0		0	1		2	4	
Evros	2	3	50.0%	0	0		1	0		1	4	
Kavala	3	7	133.3%	0	1		0	0		5	9	
Xanthi	5	9	80.0%	1	0		3	0		7	12	
Rodopi	6	4	-33.3%	0	0		0	1		6	5	
Kentriki Makedonia (Central Macedonia)	155	173	11.6%	7	12	71.4%	3	12	300.0%	192	194	1.0%
Imathia	7	9	28.6%	2	2		1	1		6	8	
Thessaloniki	125	141	12.8%	3	4		2	4		153	160	
Kilkis	2	4	100.0%	0	0		0	0		3	5	
Pella	2	6	200.0%	1	1		0	2		1	4	
Pieria	9	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		14	0	
Serres	8	9	12.5%	1	3		0	3		8	10	
Chalkidiki	2	4	100.0%	0	2		0	2		7	7	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	7	5	-28.6%	3	4	33.3%	3	3	0.0%	9	5	-44.4%
Grevena	1	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Kastoria	2	1	-50.0%	1	0		0	0		3	1	
Kozani	2	3	50.0%	0	2		2	2		4	4	
Florina	2	1	-50.0%	2	2		1	1		0	0	
lpeiros (Epirus)	10	12	20.0%	1	1	0.0%	7	3	-57.1%	7	8	14.3%
Arta	1	0	-100.0%	1	0		0	0		0	0	
Thesprotia	4	5	25.0%	0	0		3	0		3	5	
Ioannina	3	5	66.7%	0	1		1	2		3	2	
Preveza	2	2	0.0%	0	0		3	1		1	1	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	24	21	-12.5%	3	4	33.3%	14	2	-85.7%	19	27	42.1%
Karditsa	3	7	133.3%	1	0		0	0		4	11	
Larisa	11	5	-54.5%	0	1		7	2		11	7	
Magnisia	7	0	-100.0%	1	0		6	0		3	0	
Trikala	3	9	200.0%	1	3		1	0		1	9	
Ionioi Nisoi (Ionian Islands)	4	5	25.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	6	6	0.0%
Zakynthos	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Kerkyra	2	3	50.0%	0	0		0	0		2	3	
Kefallinia	1	1	0.0%	0	0		0	0		3	1	
Lefkada	1	0	-100.0%	0	0		0	0		1	0	

Table 1. Continued

Region and Department	Road Accidents			Killed			Seriously Injured			Slightly Injured		
	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%	2014	2015	%
Dytiki Ellas (West Greece)	35	39	11.4%	7	6	-14.3%	7	12	71.4%	39	39	0.0%
Aitolia, Akarnania	13	19	46.2%	4	3		2	6		14	21	
Achaia	13	18	38.5%	2	3		4	5		14	17	
lleia	9	2	-77.8%	1	0		1	1		11	1	
Sterea Ellas	24	31	29.2%	3	2	-33.3%	5	9	80.0%	23	31	34.8%
Voiotia	6	3	-50.0%	1	0		2	1		6	4	
Evvoia	3	11	266.7%	0	2		0	4		7	9	
Evrytania	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Fthiotida	13	13	0.0%	2	0		3	4		8	13	
Fokida	2	3	50.0%	0	0		0	0		2	4	
Attiki (Attica)	551	408	-26.0%	15	14	-6.7%	26	21	-19.2%	612	457	-25.3%
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	42	31	-26.2%	6	3	-50.0%	7	8	14.3%	41	28	-31.7%
Argolida	5	11	120.0%	1	2		0	3		4	9	
Arkadia	10	4	-60.0%	1	1		2	0		8	4	
Korinthia	13	12	-7.7%	3	0		2	5		15	8	
Lakonia	5	4	-20.0%	0	0		0	0		6	7	
Messinia	9	0	-100.0%	1	0		3	0		8	0	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	4	10	150.0%	0	2	-	1	8	700.0%	4	4	0.0%
Lesvos	4	8	100.0%	0	2		1	7		4	2	
Samos	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Chios	0	1	-	0	0		0	1		0	0	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	12	10	-16.7%	1	3	200.0%	1	2	100.0%	12	8	-33.3%
Dodekanisos	4	8	100.0%	1	3		1	2		2	6	
Kyklades	8	2	-75.0%	0	0		0	0		10	2	
Kriti (Crete)	12	9	-25.0%	1	5	400.0%	3	4	33.3%	8	7	-12.5%
Irakleio	0	4	_	0	2		0	2		0	5	
Lasithi	0	2	-	0			0	1		0	0	
Rethymni	2	1	-50.0%	1	1		0	0		1	0	
Chania	10	2	-80.0%	0	1		3	1		7	2	

Table 2. Road accidents and casualties, for the period January - March of the years 2013, 2014 and 2015

Period:	Jar	nuary - Mar	Percentage Change				
	2013	2014	2015	2014/2013	2015/2014		
Road accidents	2,570	2,602	2,263	1.2	-13.0		
Killed	178	152	164	-14.6	7.9		
Seriously injured	254	198	219	-22.0	10.6		
Slightly injured	2,875	2,952	2,476	2.7	-16.1		
Casualties-Total	3,129	3,150	2,695	0.7	-14.4		

Diagram 1: Road accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

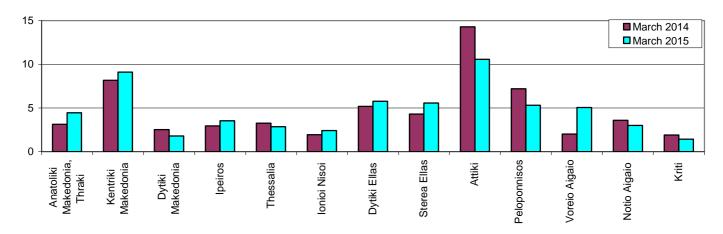


Diagram 2: Persons killed per 100,000 inhabitants

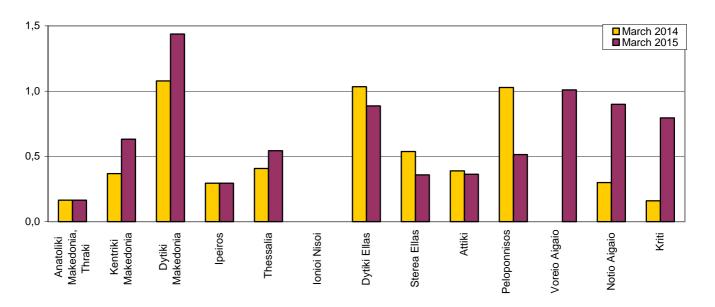


Diagram 3: Persons seriously injured per 100,000 inhabitants

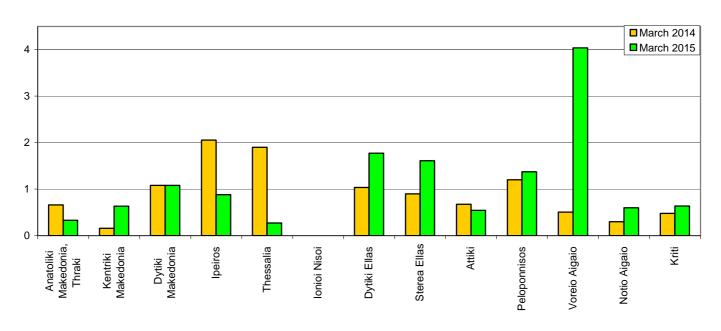
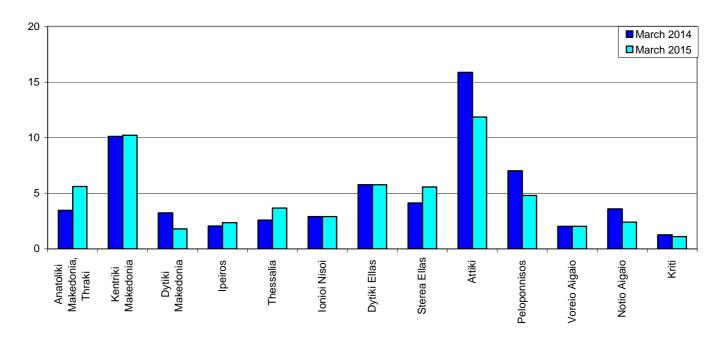


Diagram 4: Persons slightly injured per 100,000 inhabitants



## **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 by fatal and/or non-fatal accident, 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 questionnaires on road accidents are the local Police Authorities and the local Port Authorities of

The lower level of analysis for the place where an injury road accident occurred is the settlement (oikismos), 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/EC.

Reference Period

01.3.2015 to 31.3.2015

Results

Availability of Provisional data: 2 months after the accident Final data: 1 year 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.

Person killed: 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.

Seriously injured: 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.

Slightly injured: Any person injured who sustained minor and not lifethreatening injuries.

Vehicle: For the purposes of road accidents statistics, vehicles 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 one of the aforementioned types of vehicles and therefore, railway vehicles are considered vehicles.

#### Methodology

The questionnaires 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 > Statistical Themes > Health -Social protection > Accidents > Road Traffic Accidents.

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