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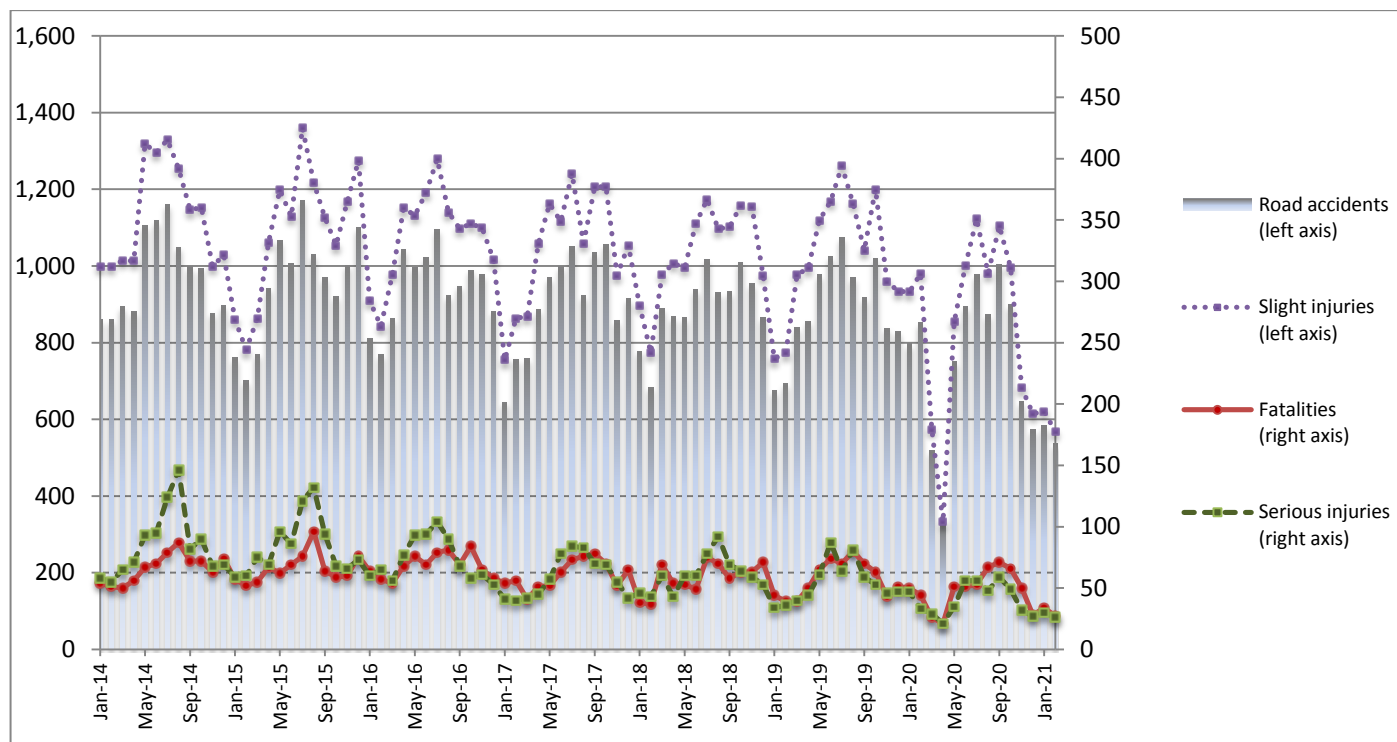
PRESS RELEASE

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: February 2021

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional¹ data from the survey on “Road Traffic Accidents” for February 2021. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, decreased by 37.2% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2020 (536 road accidents in February 2021, against 853 road accidents in February 2020).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in February 2021 were as follows: 27 deaths, 26 serious injuries and 568 slight injuries. In contrast, in February 2020 the corresponding figures were: 44 deaths, 33 serious injuries and 980 slight injuries. Therefore, road traffic accident casualties in February 2021 decreased by 38.6% for deaths, by 21.2% for serious injuries and by 42.0% for slight injuries.

**Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties,
January 2014 - February 2021**



Provisional data for the period April 2020 – February 2021

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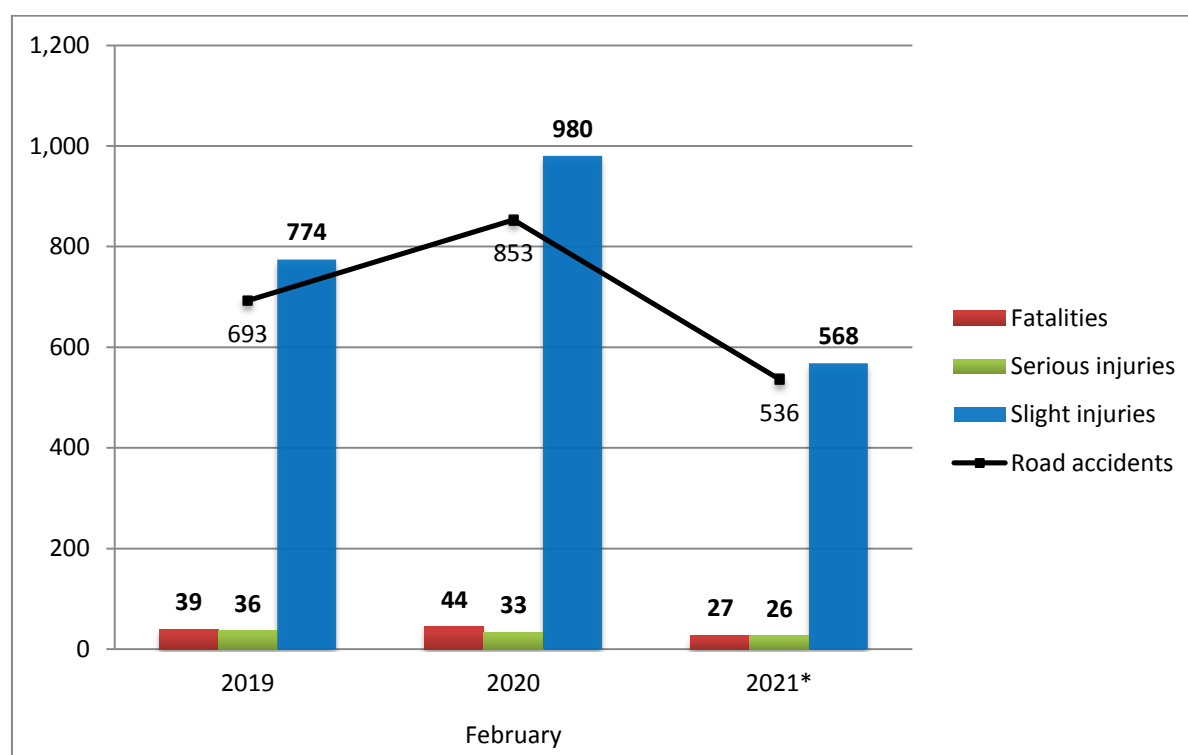
^[1] Data for the reference year is provisional until the finalization of the annual data, which takes place 10 months after the end of the reference year and is published in the corresponding press release of the following year. During these 10 months the provisional data is updated on the basis of 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, February 2019 - 2021*

	February				
	2019	2020	2020/2019 (%)	2021*	2021*/2020 (%)
Road accidents	693	853	23.1	536	-37.2
Fatalities	39	44	12.8	27	-38.6
Total injuries	810	1,013	25.1	594	-41.4
Serious injuries	36	33	-8.3	26	-21.2
Slight injuries	774	980	26.6	568	-42.0

* Provisional data

Graph 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, February 2019 - 2021*



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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2020 and 2021*

Region and department	Road accidents			Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries		
	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%
Greece Total	853	536	-37.2	44	27	-38.6	33	26	-21.2	980	568	-42.0
Anatoliki Makedonia and Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	22	10	-54.5	1	0	-100.0	1	0	-100.0	25	13	-48.0
Drama	5	6	20.0	0	0		0	0		6	7	
Evros	7	1	-85.7	1	0		0	0		8	1	
Kavala	6	0	-100.0	0	0		1	0		7	0	
Xanthi	2	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Rodopi	2	3	50.0	0	0		0	0		2	5	
Kentriki Makedonia (Central Macedonia)	143	92	-35.7	12	2	-83.3	3	1	-66.7	156	105	-32.7
Imathia	0	2	-	0	0		0	1		0	1	
Thessaloniki	120	82	-31.7	3	1		2	0		136	95	
Kilkis	7	1	-85.7	5	0		0	0		5	2	
Pella	3	1	-66.7	1	0		1	0		2	1	
Pieria	0	2	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Serres	7	2	-71.4	2	0		0	0		6	3	
Chalkidiki	6	2	-66.7	1	1		0	0		7	1	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	8	2	-75.0	2	0	-100.0	0	0	-	8	4	-50.0
Grevena	1	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Kastoria	1	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		0	0	
Kozani	5	2	-60.0	1	0		0	0		5	4	
Florina	1	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		1	0	
Ipeiros (Epirus)	4	7	75.0	1	2	100.0	0	3	-	3	5	66.7
Arta	0	1	-	0	1		0	1		0	1	
Thesprotia	1	2	100.0	0	0		0	1		1	1	
Ioannina	2	3	50.0	0	0		0	1		2	2	
Preveza	1	1	0.0	1	1		0	0		0	1	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	12	10	-16.7	2	3	50.0	1	4	300.0	14	5	-64.3
Karditsa	3	2	-33.3	0	0		0	1		3	1	
Larissa	4	2	-50.0	1	0		1	0		4	3	
Magnissia	3	6	100.0	1	3		0	3		2	1	
Trikala	2	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		5	0	
Ionian Nisia (Ionian Islands)	7	1	-85.7	1	1	0.0	1	0	-100.0	7	0	-100.0
Zakynthos	1	1	0.0	0	1		0	0		1	0	
Kerkyra	3	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		3	0	
Kefallinia	3	0	-100.0	0	0		1	0		3	0	
Lefkada	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	

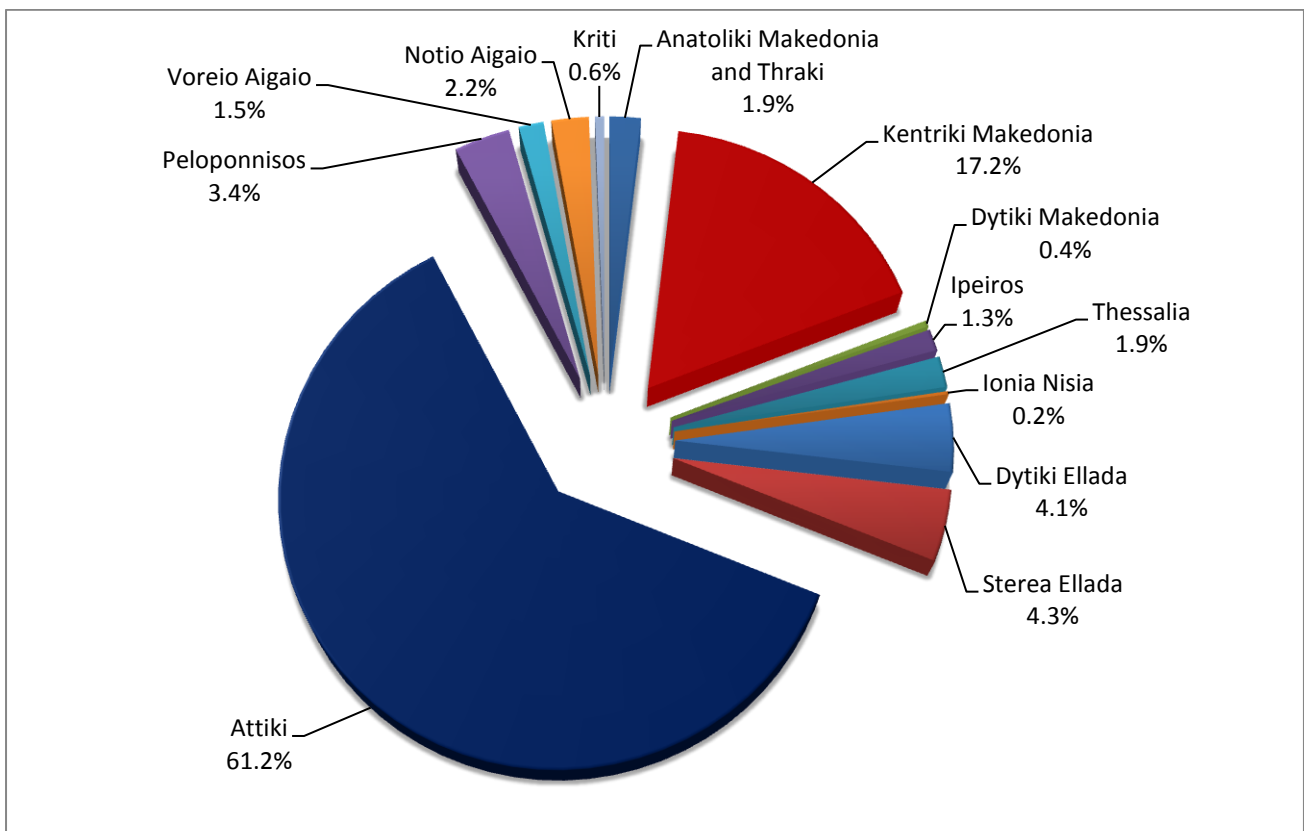
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2020 and 2021* (Continued)

Region and department	Road accidents			Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries		
	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%	2020	2021*	%
Dytiki Ellada (West Greece)	35	22	-37.1	7	3	-57.1	3	1	-66.7	39	27	-30.8
Etolia & Akarnania	11	5	-54.5	1	0		1	0		13	8	
Achaia	17	11	-35.3	4	1		2	1		14	11	
Ilia	7	6	-14.3	2	2		0	0		12	8	
Sterea Ellada	39	23	-41.0	3	4	33.3	2	2	0.0	48	22	-54.2
Viotia	9	4	-55.6	1	1		0	0		10	3	
Evia	21	14	-33.3	2	1		2	2		24	14	
Evrytania	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Fthiotida	5	4	-20.0	0	2		0	0		9	4	
Fokida	4	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		5	0	
Attiki (Attica)	524	328	-37.4	5	9	80.0	14	12	-14.3	620	344	-44.5
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	22	18	-18.2	5	2	-60.0	3	1	-66.7	22	21	-4.5
Argolida	2	2	0.0	0	0		1	0		3	4	
Arkadia	4	1	-75.0	1	0		0	0		5	2	
Korinthia	10	11	10.0	4	2		1	0		8	12	
Lakonia	1	1	0.0	0	0		0	0		1	1	
Messinia	5	3	-40.0	0	0		1	1		5	2	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	14	8	-42.9	1	1	0.0	0	1	-	16	7	-56.3
Lesvos	8	4	-50.0	0	0		0	0		10	4	
Samos	4	3	-25.0	0	0		0	1		5	3	
Chios	2	1	-50.0	1	1		0	0		1	0	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	15	12	-20.0	3	0	-100.0	1	1	0.0	15	12	-20.0
Dodekanissos	9	7	-22.2	3	0		1	1		8	7	
Kyklades	6	5	-16.7	0	0		0	0		7	5	
Kriti (Crete)	8	3	-62.5	1	0	-100.0	4	0	-100.0	7	3	-57.1
Iraklio	5	3	-40.0	1	0		3	0		5	3	
Lassithi	3	0	-100.0	0	0		1	0		2	0	
Rethymno	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Chania	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	

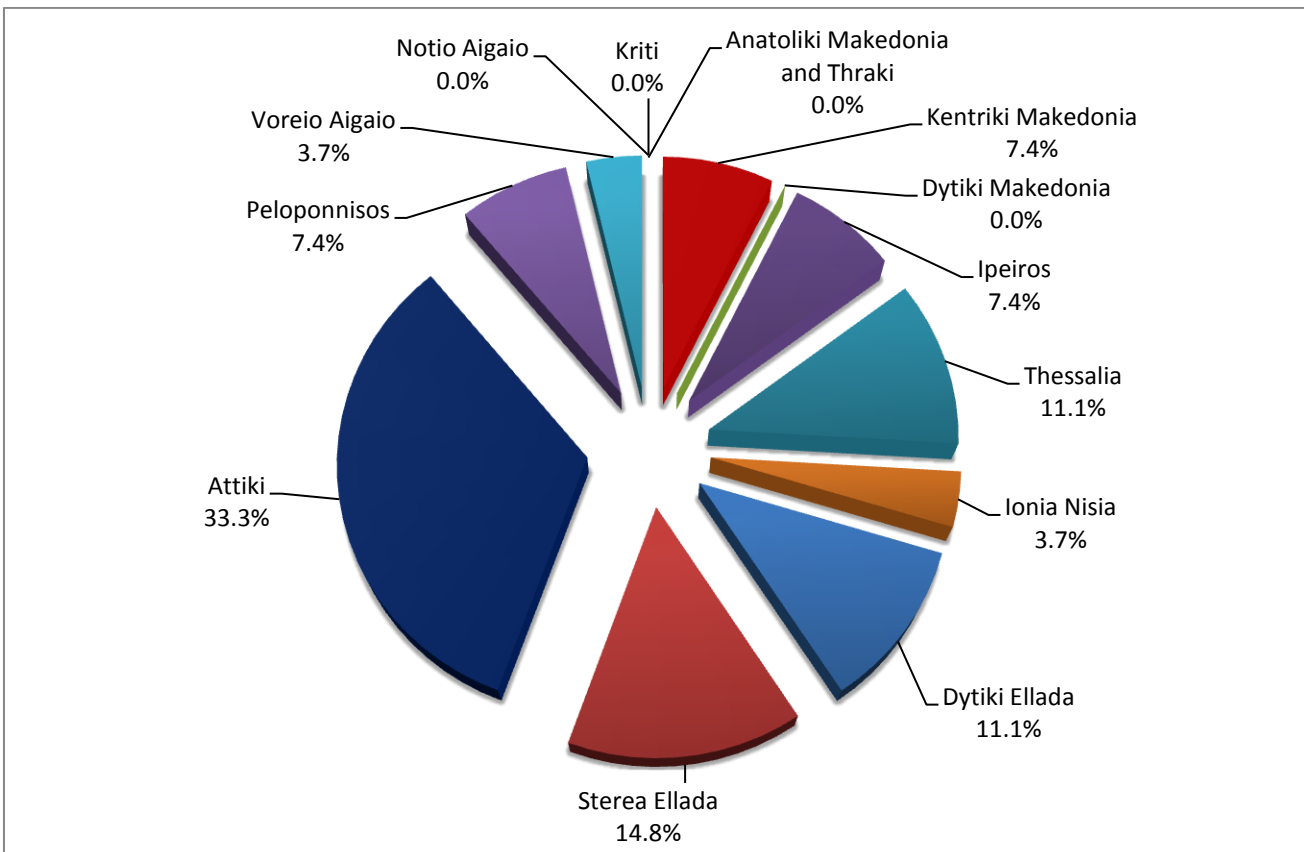
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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, February 2021 *



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, February 2021 *



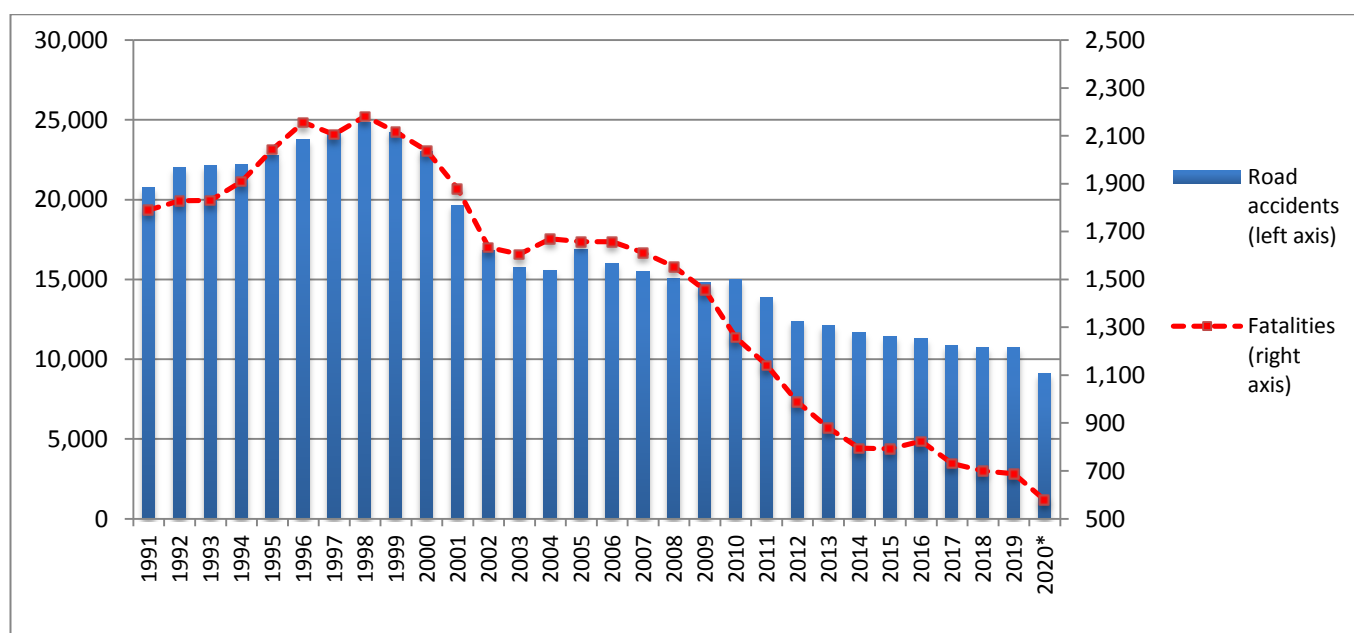
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Table 3: Road traffic accidents and casualties for the period January - February 2019, 2020 and 2021*

	2019		2020		2021 *
	January - February	Total year	January - February	Total year*	January - February
Road Accidents	1,369	10,712	1,650	9,111	1,120
Annual Change (%)			20.5	-14.9	-32.1
Fatalities	83	688	94	578	61
Annual Change (%)			13.3	-16.0	-35.1
Serious injuries	70	652	80	492	56
Annual Change (%)			14.3	-24.5	-30.0
Slight injuries	1,532	12,350	1,912	10,174	1,189
Annual Change (%)			24.8	-17.6	-37.8

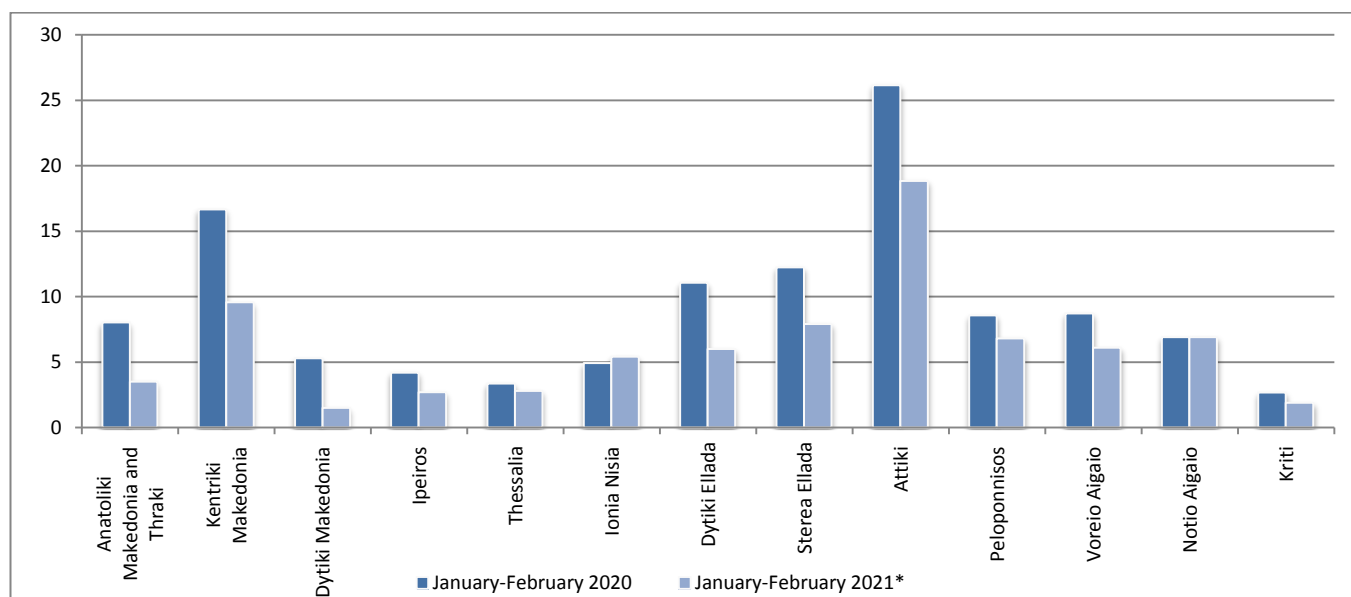
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Graph 5: Total road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2020*



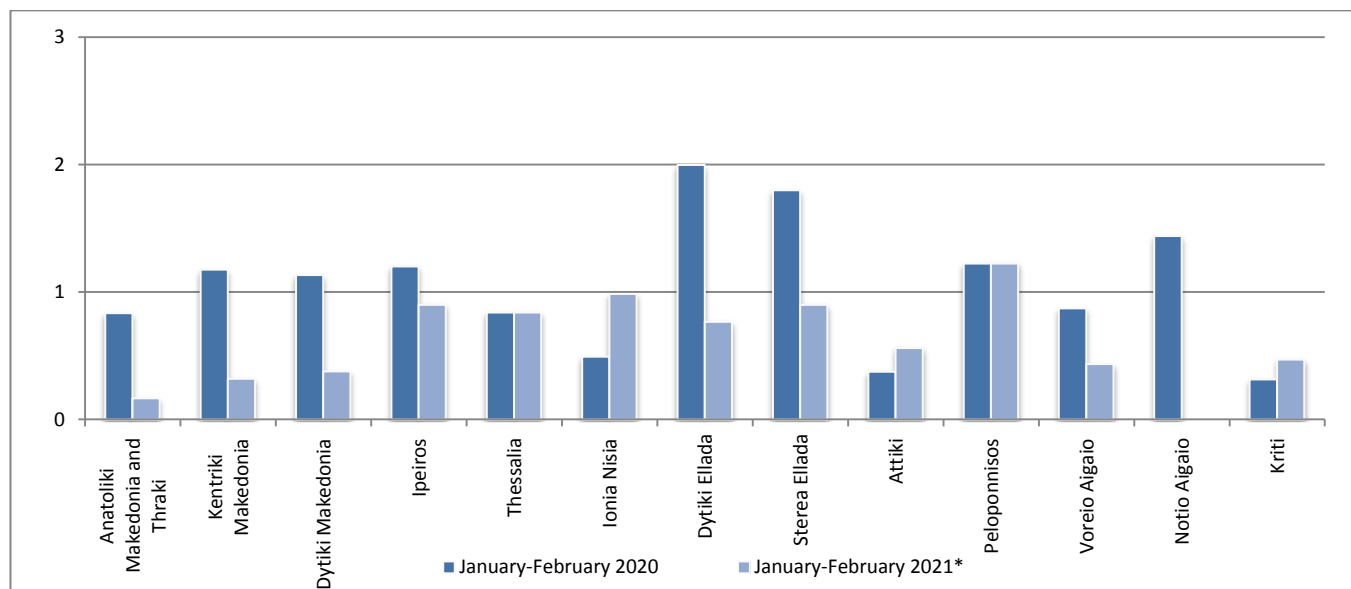
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Graph 6: Road traffic accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

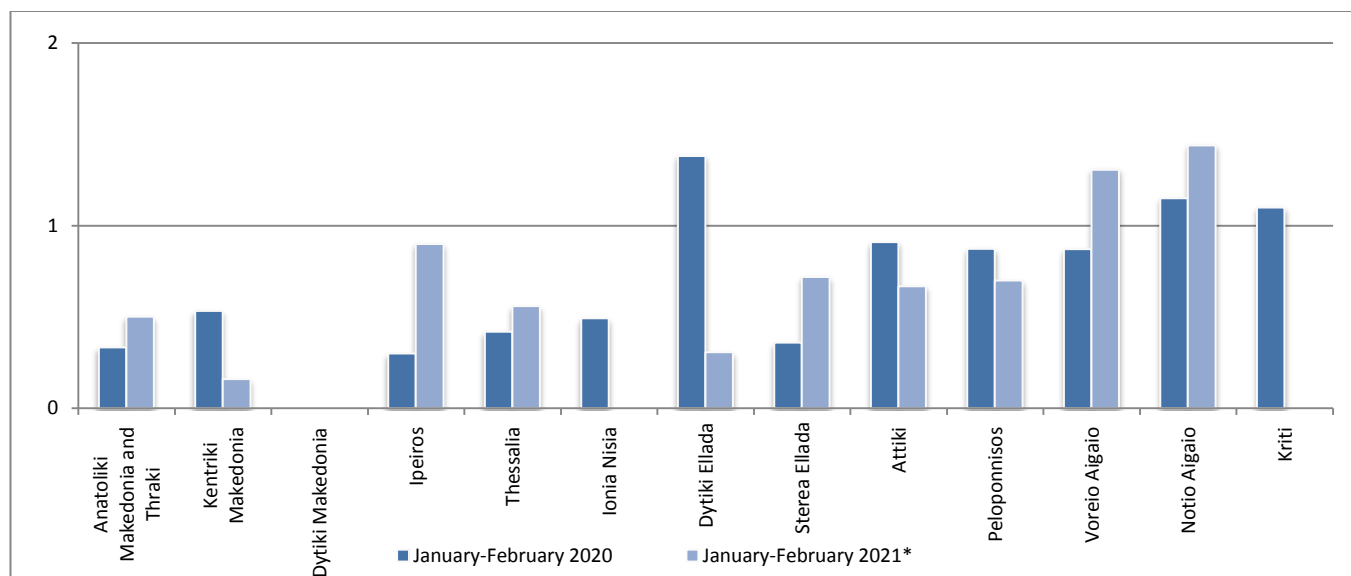


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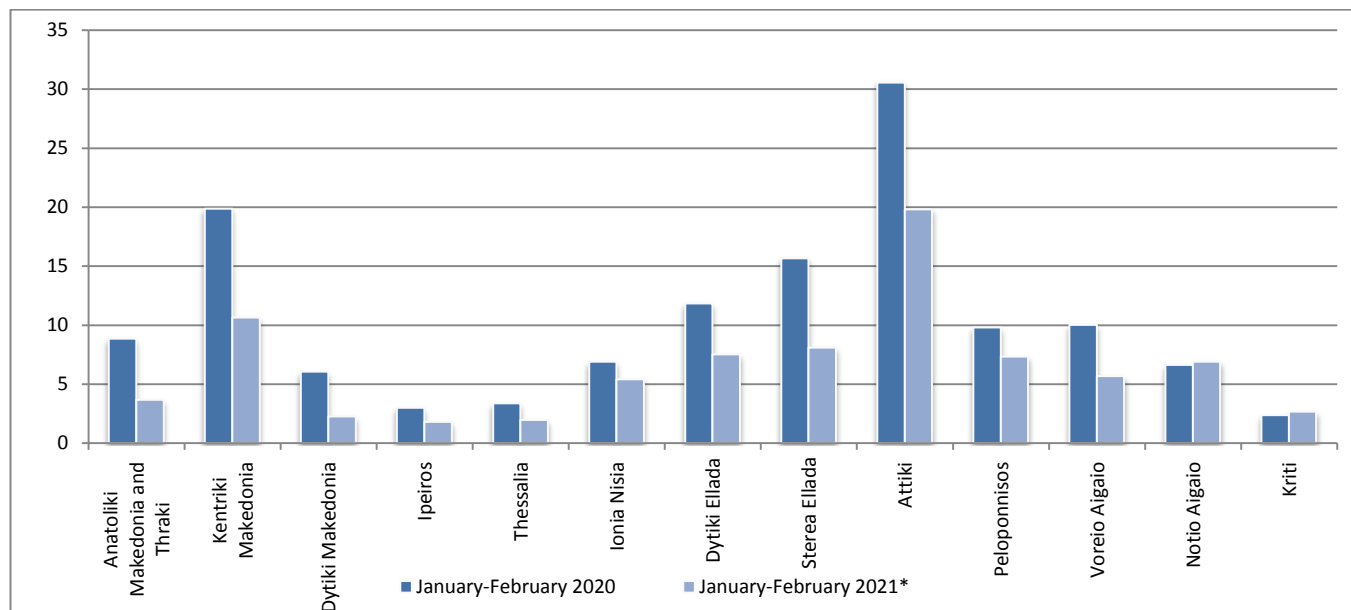
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



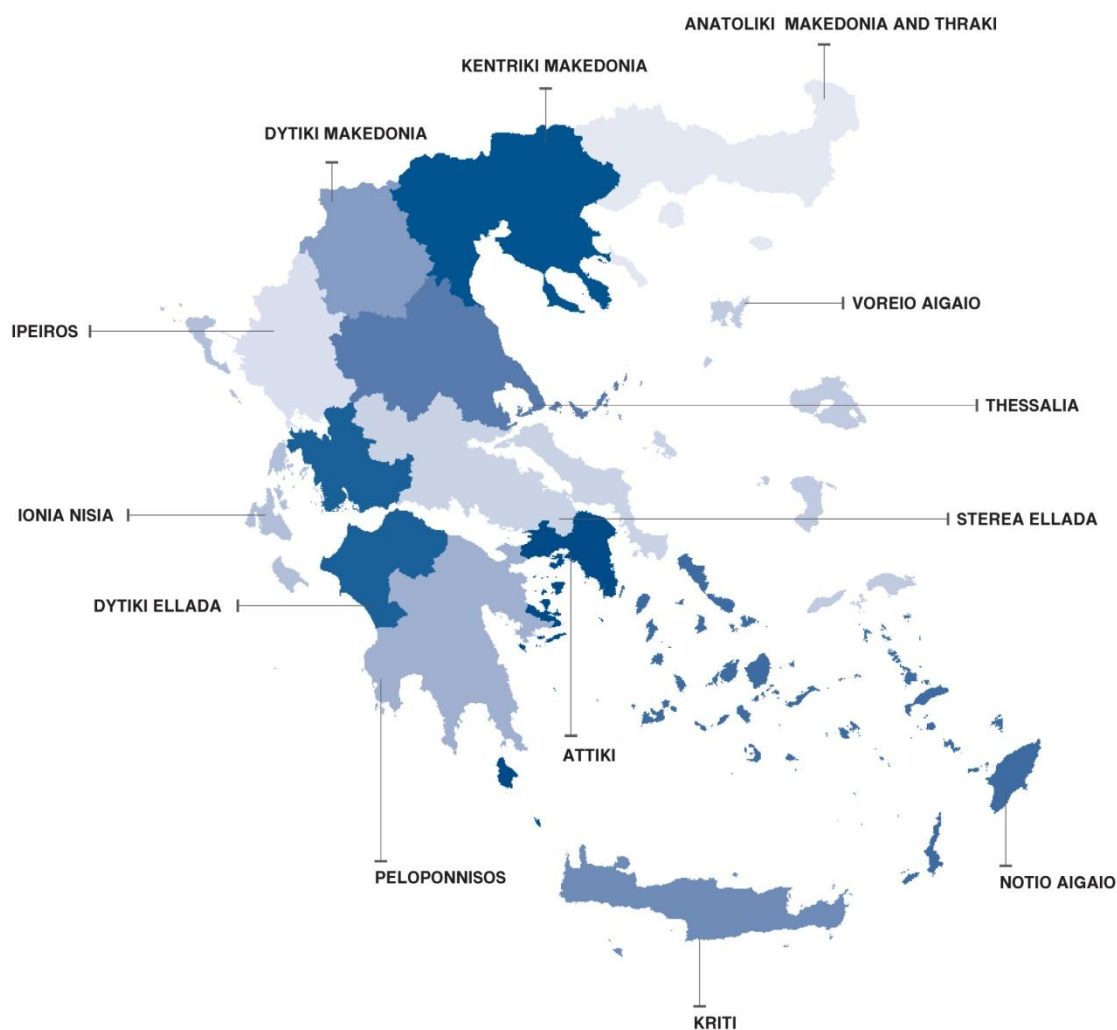
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

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 period Monthly.

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

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