

PRESS RELEASE

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: February 2020

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional data on Road Traffic Accidents for February 2020. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, increased by 23.8% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2019 (858 road accidents in February 2020, against 693 road accidents in February 2019).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in February 2020 were as follows: 47 deaths, 31 serious injuries and 965 slight injuries. In contrast, in February 2019 the corresponding figures were: 39 deaths, 36 serious injuries and 774 slight injuries. Therefore, road accident casualties in February 2020 increased by 20.5% for deaths, decreased by 13.9% for serious injuries and increased by 24.7% for slight injuries.

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Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, January 2012 - February 2020

Provisional data for the period March 2019 – February 2020

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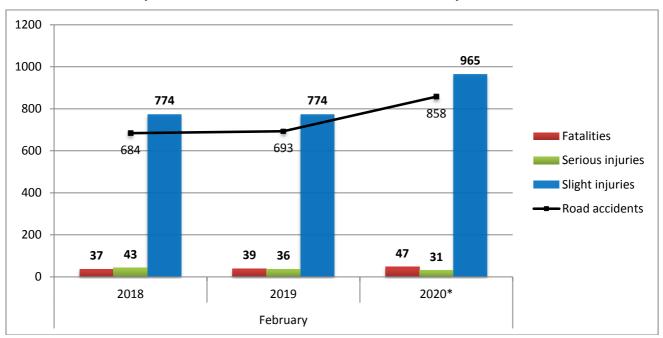
^[1] Data for the reference year is provisional until the finalization of the annual data, which takes place 10 months after the end of the reference year and is published in the corresponding press release of the following year. During these 10 months the provisional data is updated on the basis of 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, February 2018 - 2020*

	February									
	2018	2019	2019/2018 (%)	2020*	2020*/2019 (%)					
Road accidents	684	693	1.3	858	23.8					
Fatalities	37	39	5.4	47	20.5					
Total injuries	817	810	-0.9	996	23.0					
Serious injuries	43	36	-16.3	31	-13.9					
Slight injuries	774	774	0.0	965	24.7					

^{*} Provisional data

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



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

Region and Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries				
department	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%
Greece Total	693	858	23.8	39	47	20.5	36	31	-13.9	774	965	24.7
Anatoliki Makedonia and Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	20	22	10.0	3	2	-33.3	0	0	-	24	25	4.2
Drama	4	5	25.0	1	0		0	0		4	6	
Evros	7	7	0.0	1	1		0	0		9	8	
Kavala	9	6	-33.3	1	1		0	0		11	7	
Xanthi	0	2	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Rodopi	0	2	-	0	0		0	0		0	2	
Kentriki Makedonia	125	145	16.0	4	12	200.0	3	4	33.3	147	155	5.4
(Central Macedonia)				_								
Imathia	2	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Thessaloniki	109	121	11.0	3	3		2	2		129	136	
Kilkis	4	7	75.0	0	5		0	0		4	5	
Pella	4	3	-25.0	0	1		0	1		7	2	
Pieria	1	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		1	0	
Serres	3	8	166.7	1	2		0	1		3	5	
Chalkidiki	2	6	200.0	0	1		1	0		1	7	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	4	9	125.0	1	2	100.0	1	0	-100.0	2	7	250.0
Grevena	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Kastoria	0	1	-	0	1		0	0		0	0	
Kozani	4	6	50.0	1	1		1	0		2	5	
Florina	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Ipeiros (Epirus)	8	4	-50.0	3	1	-66.7	0	0	-	8	3	-62.5
Arta	1	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		0	0	
Thesprotia	2	1	-50.0	0	0		0	0		2	1	
Ioannina	2	2	0.0	0	0		0	0		4	2	
Preveza	3	1	-66.7	2	1		0	0		2	0	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	15	12	-20.0	2	2	0.0	4	1	-75.0	11	14	27.3
Karditsa	3	3	0.0	0	0		1	0		2	3	
Larissa	5	4	-20.0	0	1		2	1		4	4	
Magnissia	4	3	-25.0	1	1		1	0		3	2	
Trikala	3	2	-33.3	1	0		0	0		2	5	
Ionia Nisia (Ionian Islands)	5	7	40.0	0	1	-	2	1	-50.0	4	8	100.0
Zakynthos	1	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		2	0	
Kerkyra	3	4	33.3	0	1		2	0		1	5	
Kefallinia	0	3	-	0	0		0	1		0	3	
Lefkada	1	0	-100.0	0	0		0	0		1	0	

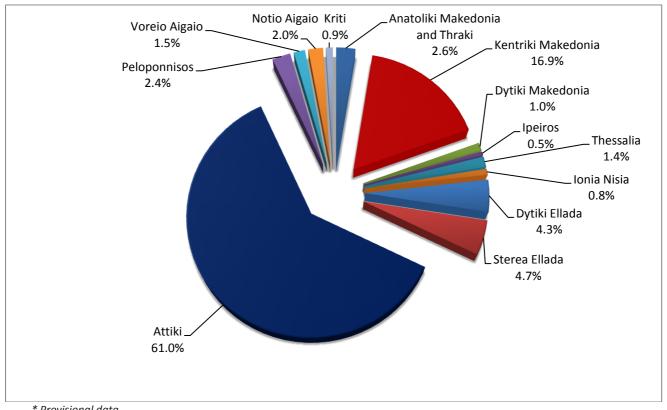
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2019 and 2020* (Continued)

Region and	Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries			
department	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%	2019	2020*	%
Dytiki Ellada (West Greece)	23	37	60.9	2	7	250.0	2	4	100.0	26	38	46.2
Etolia & Akarnania	6	13	116.7	1	1		0	1		10	15	
Achaia	14	17	21.4	1	4		1	2		13	14	
Ilia	3	7	133.3	0	2		1	1		3	9	
Sterea Ellada	23	40	73.9	2	2	0.0	0	2	-	26	50	92.3
Viotia	4	9	125.0	1	1		0	0		6	9	
Evia	9	21	133.3	1	1		0	2		8	26	
Evrytania	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Fthiotida	8	6	-25.0	0	0		0	0		10	10	
Fokida	2	4	100.0	0	0		0	0		2	5	
Attiki (Attica)	403	523	29.8	12	10	-16.7	12	12	0.0	464	605	30.4
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	25	21	-16.0	4	4	0.0	0	2	-	25	24	-4.0
Argolida	1	2	100.0	0	0		0	1		1	3	
Arkadia	6	4	-33.3	0	1		0	0		7	5	
Korinthia	8	9	12.5	1	3		0	1		9	8	
Lakonia	3	1	-66.7	0	0		0	0		3	1	
Messinia	7	5	-28.6	3	0		0	0		5	7	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	15	13	-13.3	2	1	-50.0	5	0	-100.0	10	14	40.0
Lesvos	7	8	14.3	0	0		4	0		5	10	
Samos	2	3	50.0	0	0		0	0		2	3	
Chios	6	2	-66.7	2	1		1	0		3	1	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	19	17	-10.5	1	2	100.0	3	3	0.0	19	16	-15.8
Dodekanissos	12	11	-8.3	1	2		2	3		11	9	
Kyklades	7	6	-14.3	0	0		1	0		8	7	
Kriti (Crete)	8	8	0.0	3	1	-66.7	4	2	-50.0	8	6	-25.0
Iraklio	6	5	-16.7	2	1		4	1		5	4	
Lassithi	0	3	-	0	0		0	1		0	2	
Rethymno	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Chania	2	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		3	0	

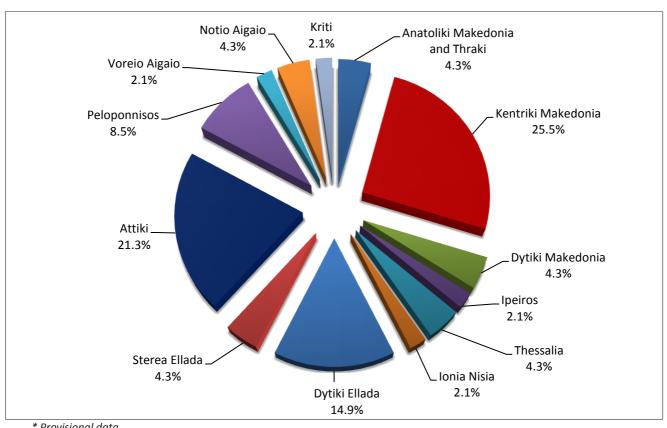
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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, February 2020 *



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, February 2020 *



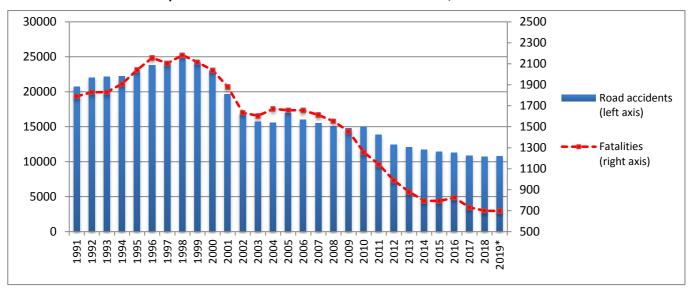
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Table 3: Road traffic accidents and casualties for the period January - February 2018, 2019 and 2020*

	2018		2019	2020 *		
	January - February Total year		January - February	Total year*	January - February	
Road Accidents	1,462	10,737	1,369	10,771	1,646	
	Annual	Change (%)	-6.4	0.3	20.2	
Fatalities	75 700		83	696	96	
	Annual	Change (%)	10.7	-0.6	15.7	
Serious injuries	89 727		70	634	77	
	Annual	Change (%)	-21.3 -12.8		10.0	
Slight injuries	1,671 12,422		1,532	12,107	1,874	
	Annual	Change (%)	-8.3	-2.5	22.3	

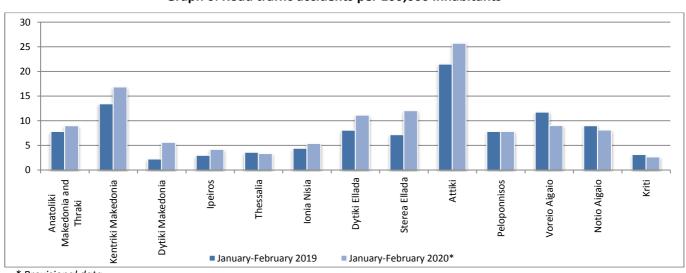
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Graph 5: Total road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2019*



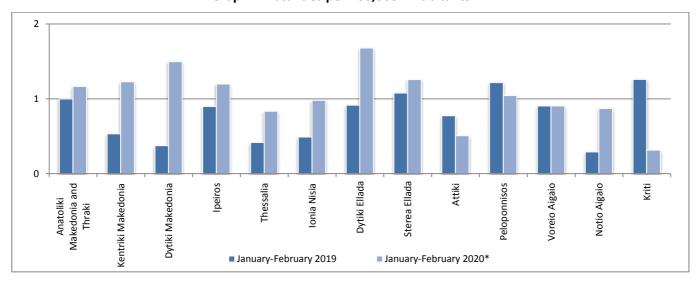
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Graph 6: Road traffic accidents per 100,000 inhabitants

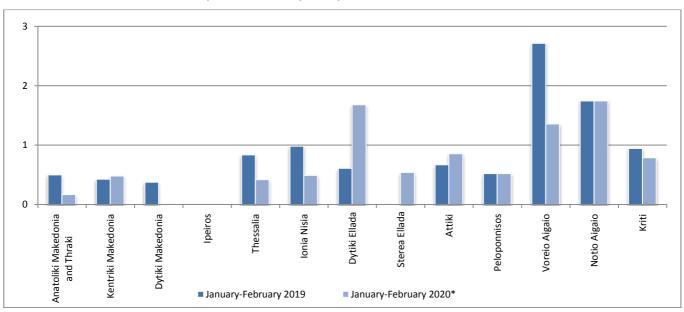


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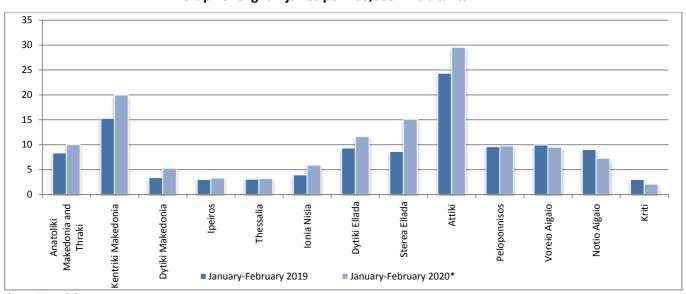
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants



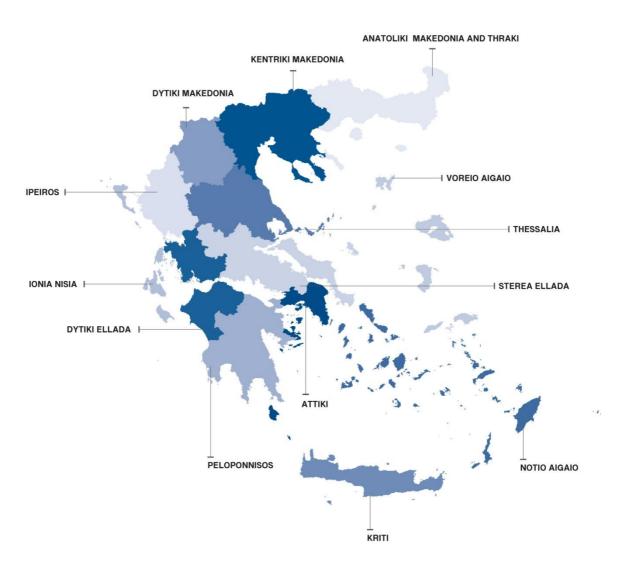
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

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.

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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

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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/-.