

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS: February 2024

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces provisional¹ data from the survey on "Road Traffic Accidents" for February 2024. In particular, the road traffic accidents which occurred in Greece, resulting in death or injury, increased by 17.2% in comparison with the corresponding month of 2023 (783 road accidents in February 2024, against 668 road accidents in February 2023).

The casualties of the injury-causing accidents that occurred in February 2024 were as follows: 38 deaths, 31 serious injuries and 887 slight injuries. In contrast, in February 2023 the corresponding figures were: 33 deaths, 30 serious injuries and 749 slight injuries. Therefore, road traffic accident casualties in February 2024 increased by 15.2% for deaths, by 3.3% for serious injuries and by 18.4% for slight injuries.

1,400 450 400 1,200 350 Road accidents 1.000 (left axis) 300 Slight injuries 800 (left axis) 250 200 600 Fatalities (right axis) 150 400 Serious 100 injuries (right axis) 200 50 0 Jul-19 Jul-20

Graph 1: Road traffic accidents and casualties, January 2017 - February 2024

Provisional data for the period March 2023 – February 2024

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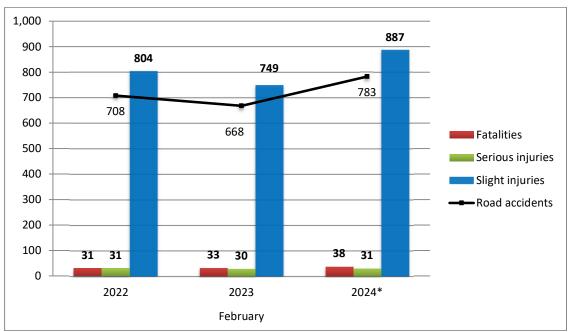
^[1] Data for the reference year is provisional until the finalization of the annual data, which takes place 12 months after the end of the reference year and is published in the corresponding announcement of the following year. During these 12 months the provisional data is updated on the basis of the 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 2022 - 2024*

	February									
	2022	2023	2023/2022 (%)	2024*	2024*/2023 (%)					
Road accidents	708	668	-5.6	783	17.2					
Fatalities	31	33	6.5	38	15.2					
Total injuries	835	779	-6.7	918	17.8					
Serious injuries	31	30	-3.2	31	3.3					
Slight injuries	804	749	-6.8	887	18.4					

^{*} Provisional data

Graph 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, February 2022 - 2024*



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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2023 and 2024*

Region and	Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries			
department	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%
Greece Total	668	783	17.2	33	38	15.2	30	31	3.3	749	887	18.4
Anatoliki Makedonia and Thraki (East Macedonia and Thrace)	10	16	60.0	0	3	-	2	0	-100.0	12	25	108.3
Drama	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Evros	3	6	100.0	0	0		0	0		3	11	
Kavala	1	1	0.0	0	0		0	0		2	2	
Xanthi	4	6	50.0	0	2		2	0		4	10	
Rodopi	2	2	0.0	0	1		0	0		3	1	
Kentriki Makedonia (Central Macedonia)	152	164	7.9	9	4	-55.6	3	3	0.0	166	199	19.9
Imathia	2	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		1	0	
Thessaloniki	132	145	9.8	6	2		3	1		147	176	
Kilkis	6	3	-50.0	0	0		0	0		6	4	
Pella	2	3	50.0	1	0		0	1		2	5	
Pieria	1	3	200.0	0	0		0	1		1	3	
Serres	3	3	0.0	1	0		0	0		3	4	
Chalkidiki	6	7	16.7	0	2		0	0		6	7	
Dytiki Makedonia (West Macedonia)	5	4	-20.0	0	2	-	1	0	-100.0	5	2	-60.0
Grevena	1	1	0.0	0	0		0	0		1	1	
Kastoria	1	1	0.0	0	1		0	0		1	0	
Kozani	3	1	-66.7	0	1		1	0		3	0	
Florina	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Ipeiros (Epirus)	11	7	-36.4	3	3	0.0	1	2	100.0	15	5	-66.7
Arta	1	2	100.0	0	0		0	2		1	1	
Thesprotia	2	2	0.0	1	1		0	0		1	1	
Ioannina	5	2	-60.0	1	0		0	0		12	3	
Preveza	3	1	-66.7	1	2		1	0		1	0	
Thessalia (Thessaly)	9	10	11.1	3	2	-33.3	0	0	-	7	10	42.9
Karditsa	2	3	50.0	1	0		0	0		2	4	
Larissa	2	2	0.0	1	0		0	0		1	2	
Magnissia	4	3	-25.0	1	2		0	0		3	1	
Trikala	1	2	100.0	0	0		0	0		1	3	
lonia Nisia (Ionian Islands)	5	4	-20.0	2	0	-100.0	0	0	-	4	5	25.0
Zakynthos	0	0	-	0	0		0	0		0	0	
Kerkyra	3	0	-100.0	2	0		0	0		2	0	
Kefallinia	2	3	50.0	0	0		0	0		2	4	
Lefkada	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	

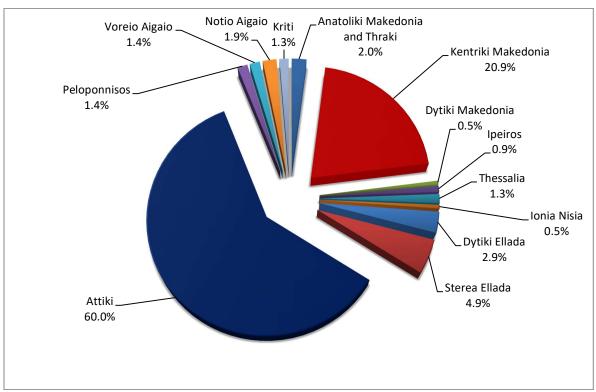
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Table 2: Road traffic accidents and casualties, by region and department, February 2023 and 2024* (Continued)

Region and	Road accidents		Fatalities			Serious injuries			Slight injuries			
department	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%	2023	2024*	%
Dytiki Ellada (West Greece)	27	23	-14.8	2	3	50.0	1	2	100.0	29	30	3.4
Etolia & Akarnania	12	10	-16.7	1	0		0	1		13	13	
Achaia	11	10	-9.1	0	2		1	0		13	15	
Ilia	4	3	-25.0	1	1		0	1		3	2	
Sterea Ellada	31	38	22.6	2	4	100.0	5	1	-80.0	37	48	29.7
Viotia	5	9	80.0	1	1		2	0		4	14	
Evia	21	13	-38.1	0	0		2	1		25	12	
Evrytania	1	1	0.0	0	1		0	0		5	0	
Fthiotida	3	13	333.3	1	2		0	0		3	20	
Fokida	1	2	100.0	0	0		1	0		0	2	
Attiki (Attica)	388	470	21.1	7	12	71.4	9	14	55.6	449	524	16.7
Peloponnisos (Peloponnese)	12	11	-8.3	1	3	200.0	0	3	-	14	5	-64.3
Argolida	4	1	<i>-75.0</i>	0	0		0	1		4	0	
Arkadia	1	1	0.0	0	0		0	1		1	0	
Korinthia	4	7	75.0	0	2		0	1		7	4	
Lakonia	1	1	0.0	0	1		0	0		1	0	
Messinia	2	1	-50.0	1	0		0	0		1	1	
Voreio Aigaio (North Aegean)	6	11	83.3	1	0	-100.0	1	2	100.0	5	12	140.0
Lesvos	3	6	100.0	0	0		1	1		2	6	
Samos	3	3	0.0	1	0		0	0		3	5	
Chios	0	2	-	0	0		0	1		0	1	
Notio Aigaio (South Aegean)	6	15	150.0	1	1	0.0	5	2	-60.0	2	12	500.0
Dodekanissos	2	9	350.0	1	1		2	1		0	7	
Kyklades	4	6	50.0	0	0		3	1		2	5	
Kriti (Crete)	6	10	66.7	2	1	-50.0	2	2	0.0	4	10	150.0
Iraklio	4	8	100.0	1	1		2	2		3	8	
Lassithi	0	1	-	0	0		0	0		0	1	
Rethymno	1	1	0.0	0	0		0	0		1	1	
Chania	1	0	-100.0	1	0		0	0		0	0	

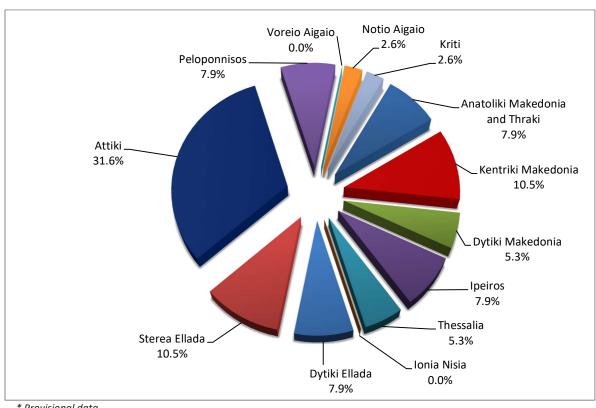
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Graph 3: Road traffic accidents by region, February 2024 *



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Graph 4: Fatalities by region, February 2024 *



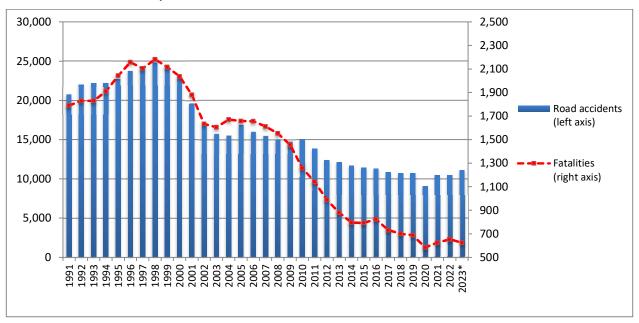
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Table 3: Road traffic accidents and casualties for the period January - February 2022, 2023 and 2024*

	2022		2023	2024 *		
	January - February	Total year	January - February	Total year*	January - February	
Road Accidents	1,350	10,487	1,388	11,091	1,576	
	Annual	Change (%)	2.8	5.8	13.5	
Fatalities	85	654	82	624	87	
	Annual	Change (%)	-3.5	-4.6	6.1	
Serious injuries	80 664		59	653	61	
	Annual	Change (%)	-26.3	-1.7	3.4	
Slight injuries	1,498 11,961		1,574	12,565	1,783	
	Annual	Change (%)	5.1	5.0	13.3	

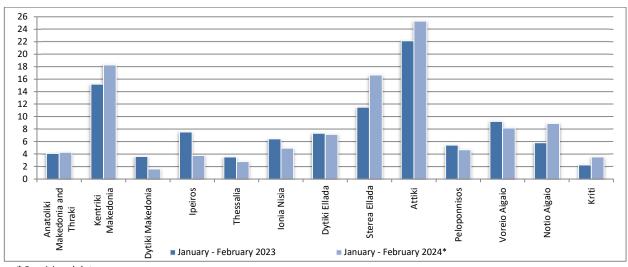
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Graph 5: Total road traffic accidents and fatalities, 1991-2023*



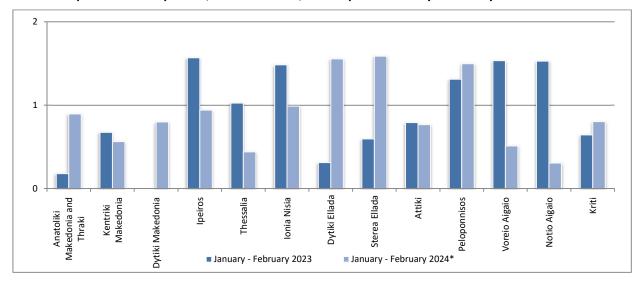
^{*} Provisional data for the period March 2023 – December 2023

Graph 6: Road traffic accidents per 100,000 inhabitants, for the period January - February 2023 and 2024*

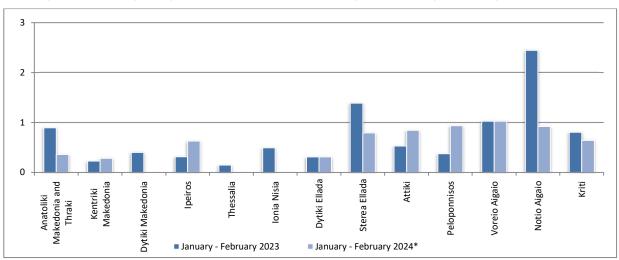


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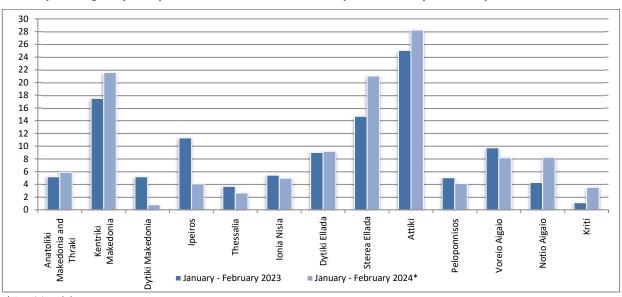
Graph 7: Fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants, for the period January - February 2023 and 2024*



Graph 8: Serious injuries per 100,000 inhabitants, for the period January - February 2023 and 2024*



Graph 9: Slight injuries per 100,000 inhabitants, for the period January - February 2023 and 2024*



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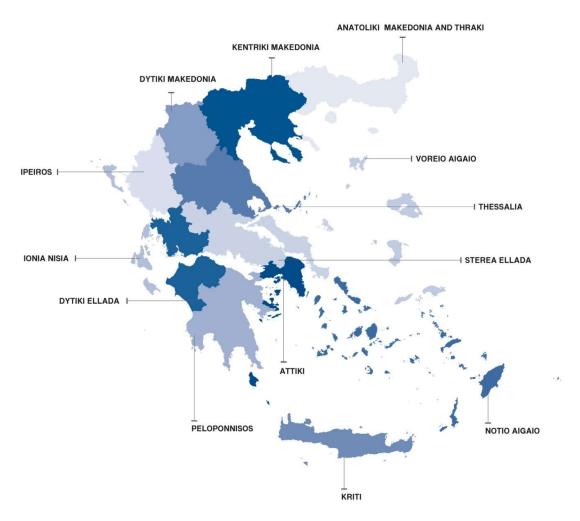
EXPLANATORY NOTES

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 12 months after the reference year.

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