SAUDI ARABIA


INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency
Traffic Department, Ministry of Interior

Funded in national budget
Yes

National road safety strategy
Yes

Funding to implement strategy
Fully funded

Fatality reduction target
No

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Formal audits required for new road construction projects
Yes

Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure
Yes

Policies to promote walking or cycling
Subnational

Policies to encourage investment in public transport
Yes

Policies to separate road users and protect VRUs
No

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles for 2010
6 599 216

Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles
—

Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers
—

Heavy trucks
—

Buses
—

Other
—

Vehicle standards applied
Frontal impact standard
No

Electronic stability control
No

Pedestrian protection
No

SAFER ROAD USERS

National speed limit law
Yes

Max urban speed limit
80 km/h

Max rural speed limit
120 km/h

Max motorway speed limit
No

Local authorities can modify limits
Yes

Fatality reduction target
No

National drink–driving law
Yes

BAC limit – general population
—

BAC limit – young or novice drivers
—

Random breath testing carried out
No

National motorcycle helmet law
Yes

Applies to drivers and passengers
Yes

Law requires helmet to be fastened
No

Law refers to helmet standard
No

National seat-belt law
Yes

Applies to front and rear seat occupants
Yes

National child restraint law
Yes

Restrictions on children sitting in front seat
Yes

Child restraint law based on
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National law on mobile phone use while driving
Yes

Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use
Yes

Law also applies to hands-free phones
No

National drug-driving law
Yes

Law prohibits alcohol consumption
Yes

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS

Deaths per 100 000 population

Source: Annual Statistical Report of the Traffic Department.

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2013)
7 661

WHO estimated road traffic fatalities
7 898

WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population
27.4

Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes
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