CHINA

Population: 1 385 566 537  •  Income group: Middle  •  Gross national income per capita: US$ 6 560

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency  Inter-ministerial Convention on Road Traffic Safety
Funded in national budget  Yes
National road safety strategy  Yes
Funding to implement strategy  Partially funded
Fatality reduction target  ≤ 2.2 per 100 000 vehicles (2011–2015)

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  Yes
Policies to encourage investment in public transport  Yes
Policies to separate road users and protect VRUs  Yes

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles for 2013  250 138 212
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles  137 406 846
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers  95 326 138
Heavy trucks  5 069 292
Buses  —
Other  12 335 936

Vehicle standards applied*
Frontal impact standard  Yes
Electronic stability control  No
Pedestrian protection  No

POST-CRASH CARE

Emergency room injury surveillance system  Yes
Emergency access telephone numbers  120
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash  —

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2013)  58 539* (72% M, 28% F)
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities  261 367
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population  18.8
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes  —

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

Drivers 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles (13%)
Passengers 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles (6%)
Pedestrians (26%)
Cyclists (8%)
Drivers/passengers heavy trucks (4%)
Other (16%)

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS


SAFER ROAD USERS

National speed limit law  Yes
Max urban speed limit  —
Max rural speed limit  —
Max motorway speed limit  120 km/h
Local authorities can modify limits  Yes
Enforcement  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

National drink–driving law  Yes
BAC limit – general population  < 0.02 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers  < 0.02 g/dl
Random breath testing carried out  Yes
Enforcement  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

% road traffic deaths involving alcohol  4%4

National motorcycle helmet law  Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers  Yes
Law requires helmet to be fastened  No
Law refers to helmet standard  Yes
Enforcement  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Helmet wearing rate  20% All riders*

National seat-belt law  Yes
Applies to front and rear seat occupants  Yes
Enforcement  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Seat-belt wearing rate  37% Drivers*

National child restraint law  No
Restrictions on children sitting in front seat  No
Child restraint law based on  —
Enforcement  —

% children using child restraints  <1%1

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

* Speeds may not exceed the sign-posted speed limit.
4* These data take into consideration subnational laws. For more information please see Explanatory Note 1.

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Source: Legislative review conducted by WHO. Vehicle safety data from UNECE WP29. Other data collected by questionnaire and cleared by National Health and Family Planning Commission.

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS


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