GERMANY

Population: 82 726 626 • Income group: High • Gross national income per capita: US$ 47 270

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency
Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure

Funded in national budget: Yes
National road safety strategy: Yes
Funding to implement strategy: Partially funded
Fatality reduction target: 40% (2011–2020)

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: 52 391 000
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles: 43 431 000
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers: 3 983 000
Heavy trucks: 4 631 000
Buses: 76 000
Other: 270 000

Vehicle standards applied:
Frontal impact standard: Yes
Electronic stability control: Yes
Pedestrian protection: Yes

POST-CRASH CARE

Emergency room injury surveillance system: No
Emergency access telephone numbers: 112
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash:

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2013): 3 339
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities: 3 540
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population: 4.3
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes: 1.2%

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

Drivers/passengers 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles: 35% (2013, Federal Statistical Office)
Pedestrians: 17%
Cyclists: 11%
Riders motorized 2- or 3-wheelers: 19%
Passengers 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles: 12%

SAFER ROAD USERS

National speed limit law: Yes
Max urban speed limit: 50 km/h
Max rural speed limit: 100 km/h
Max motorway speed limit: No
Local authorities can modify limits: Yes

National drink–driving law: Yes
BAC limit – general population: ≤ 0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers: 0.00 g/dl
Random breath testing carried out: Yes

National motorcycle helmet law: Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers: Yes
Law requires helmet to be fastened: No
Law refers to helmet standard: No

Helmet wearing rate: 99% Drivers, 99% Passengers

National seat-belt law: Yes
Applies to front and rear seat occupants: Yes

Seat-belt wearing rate: 98% Front seats, 97% Rear seats

National child restraint law: Yes
Restrictions on children sitting in front seat: Yes

Child restraint law based on: Age/Weight/Height

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

Legislation not currently OBD. Other data collected by questionnaire.

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS

Deaths per 100 000 population

Source: Federal Statistical Office.