SWAZILAND

Population: 1 249 514 • Income group: Middle • Gross national income per capita: US$ 2 990

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency: Swaziland Road Safety Council
Funded in national budget: Yes
National road safety strategy: No
Funding to implement strategy: —
Fatality reduction target: —

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: No
Policies to encourage investment in public transport: No
Policies to separate road users and protect VRUs: No

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles for 2013: 180 103
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles: 140 941
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers: 4 014
Heavy trucks: 11 279
Buses: 10 402
Other: 13 467

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: 100 km/h
Max rural speed limit: 100 km/h
Max motorway speed limit: 100 km/h
Local authorities can modify limits: Yes
Enforcement: 0 1 2 3 4 5 7 8 9 10

National drink–driving law: Yes
BAC limit – general population: < 0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers: < 0.05 g/dl
Random breath testing carried out: Yes
Enforcement: 0 1 2 3 4 6 7 8 9 10

Helmet wearing rate: —

National motorcycle helmet law: Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers: Yes
Law requires helmet to be fastened: Yes
Law refers to helmet standard: Yes
Enforcement: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9 10

Helmet wearing rate: —

National seat-belt law: Yes
Applies to front and rear seat occupants: No
Enforcement: 0 1 2 3 4 5 7 8 9 10

Seat-belt wearing rate: —

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

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

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2013): 197 (67% M, 33% F)
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities: 303 (95% CI 263–343)
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population: 24.2
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes: —

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

Source: Royal Swaziland Police Service (data from 2013).

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS

Source: Royal Swaziland Police Service.