

EL SALVADOR



Population: 6 192 993
Income group: Middle
Gross national income per capita: US\$ 3 370

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	Deputy Ministry of Transportation
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Partially funded
Fatality reduction targets set	Yes (2011–2020)
Fatality reduction target	50%

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Formal audits required for new road construction	Yes
Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure	Parts of network
Policies to promote walking or cycling	No
Policies to encourage investment in public transport	No
Policies to separate road users to protect VRUs	No

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles (2011)	715 345 ^a
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	567 453
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	69 289
Heavy trucks	70 671
Buses	7 932
Other	0
Vehicle standards applied	
UN World forum on harmonization of vehicles standards	No
New car assessment programme	No
Vehicle regulations	
Front and rear seat-belts required in all new cars	— ^b
Front and rear seat-belts required all imported cars	No

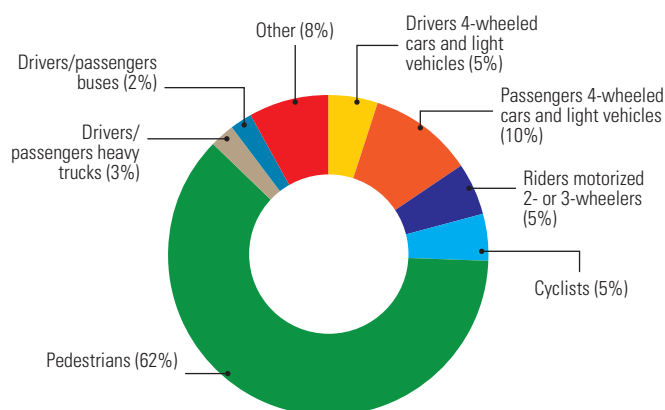
^a Up to July 2011 only.
^b No car manufacturers/assemblers.

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2010)	1 047 ^c ; 77%M, 23%F
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	—

^c Institute of Legal Medicine. Defined as death caused by a road traffic crash (unlimited time period).

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2010, Institute of Legal Medicine.

SAFER ROAD USERS

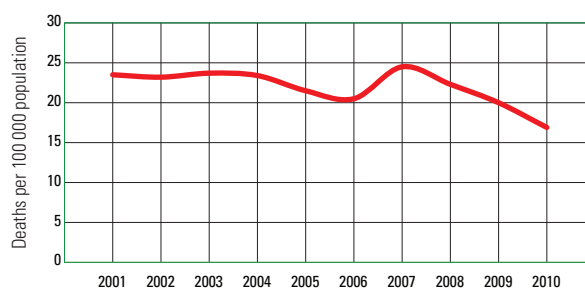
Penalty/demerit point system in place	No
National speed limits	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	No
Maximum limit urban roads	50 km/h
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 ④ 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink-driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – professional/commercial drivers	0.05 g/dl
Random breath testing and/or police checkpoints	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 ⑤ 6 7 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	—
National motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers	Yes
Helmet standard mandated	No
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 ⑥ 7 8 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 6 7 8 9 10
Seat-belt wearing rate	—
National child restraint law	Yes
Enforcement	—
National law on mobile phones while driving	Yes
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	Yes
Law also applies to hands-free mobile phones	Yes

POST-CRASH CARE

Vital registration system	Yes
Emergency Room based injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone number(s)	911 ^d
Seriously injured transported by ambulance	11–49%
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—
Emergency medicine training for doctors	No
Emergency medicine training for nurses	No

^d Does not cover the entire country at the moment.

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



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