

NICARAGUA



Population: 5 788 163

Income group: Middle

Gross national income per capita: US\$ 1 100

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	No
Funded in national budget	—
National road safety strategy	No
Funding to implement strategy	—
Fatality reduction targets set	—
Fatality reduction target	—

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

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

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles (2011)	445 974
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	279 668
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	115 541
Heavy trucks	43 998
Buses	6 767
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	— ^a
Front and rear seat-belts required all imported cars	No

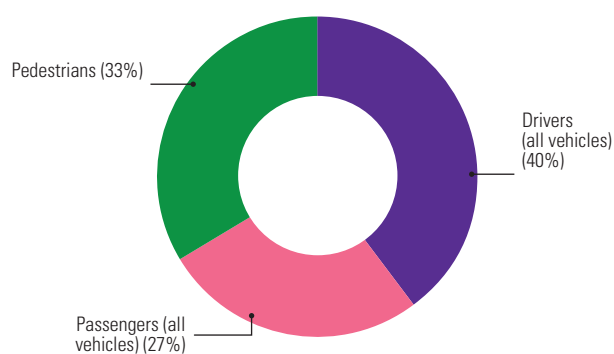
^a No car manufacturers/assemblers.

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2010)	571 ^b , 84%M, 16%F
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	—

^b Police records. Defined as died within 24 hours of crash.

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2010, National Police.

SAFER ROAD USERS

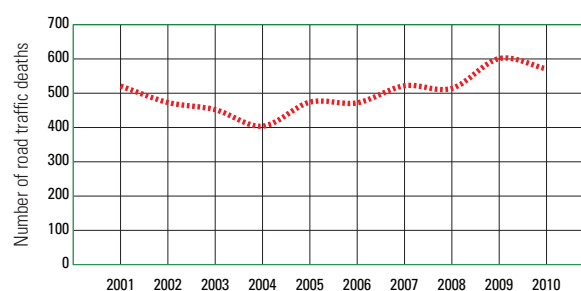
Penalty/demerit point system in place	No
National speed limits	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	Yes
Maximum limit urban roads	45 km/h
Enforcement	0 1 2 ③ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink-driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	0.05 g/dl
BAC 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	7% ^c
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	No

^c 2010, National Police.

POST-CRASH CARE

Vital registration system	Yes
Emergency Room based injury surveillance system	No
Emergency access telephone number(s)	Multiple numbers
Seriously injured transported by ambulance	50–74%
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—
Emergency medicine training for doctors	Yes
Emergency medicine training for nurses	No

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: 2010, National Police.

Data collected by multisectoral consensus meeting and cleared by the National Police.

Further data on each country can be found in the statistical annex.