

PAPUA NEW GUINEA



Population: 7 321 262 • Income group: Middle • Gross national income per capita: US\$ 2 010

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

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

^a National Road Safety Council and National Department of Transport and Road Safety merged in February 2015 to form the National Road Transport Authority.

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Formal audits required for new road construction projects	No
Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure	No
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 2014	94 297
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	61 255
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	1 155
Heavy trucks	21 075
Buses	10 812
Other	0
Vehicle standards applied ^b	
Frontal impact standard	No
Electronic stability control	No
Pedestrian protection	No

^b UNECE WP29.

POST-CRASH CARE

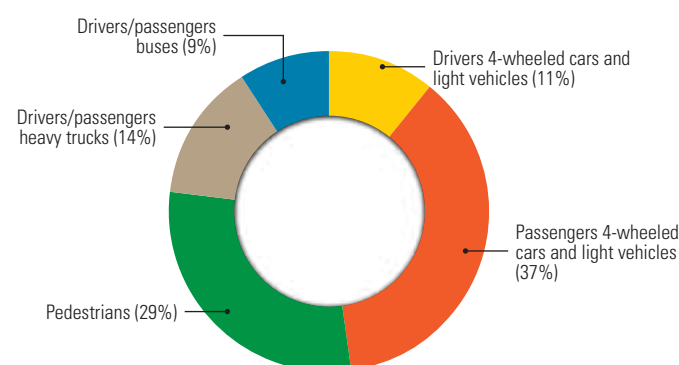
Emergency room injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone numbers	Multiple numbers
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2013)	248 ^c
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities	1232 (95% CI 1 058–1 405)
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population	16.8
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	—

^c Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary, Traffic Police records. Defined as died within 30 days of crash.

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2013, Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary, Traffic Police records.

Source: Global status report on road safety, World Health Organization, 2015.

SAFER ROAD USERS

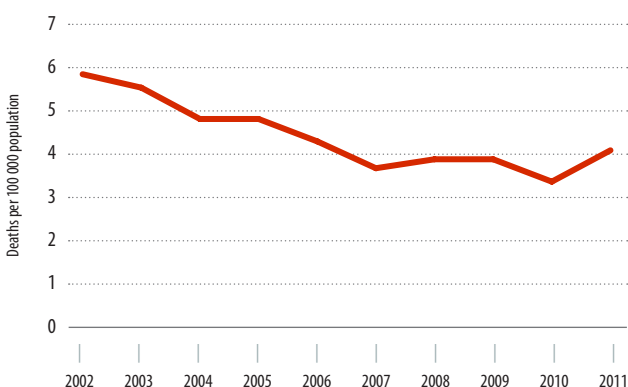
National speed limit law	Yes
Max urban speed limit	60 km/h ^d
Max rural speed limit	75 km/h
Max motorway speed limit	No
Local authorities can modify limits	No
Enforcement	0 1 ② 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink–driving law	Yes ^e
BAC limit – general population	—
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	—
Random breath testing carried out	No
Enforcement	0 1 2 ③ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	56% ^f
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 8 9 10
Helmet wearing rate	—
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	—
National child restraint law	No
Restrictions on children sitting in front seat	No
Child restraint law based on	—
Enforcement	—
% children using child restraints	—
National law on mobile phone use while driving	No
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	—
Law also applies to hands-free phones	—
National drug-driving law	Yes

^d Higher speed limit may be posted.

^e Not based on BAC.

^f 2013, Papua New Guinea Traffic Police records.

TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: National Road Safety Council.