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1. Vehicles registered in 2025

As at end of December 2025, there were 746,961 vehicles registered at the National Land Transport Authority. This represents a net increase of 36,356 vehicles (+5.1%) as compared to end of year 2024, when the number of registered vehicles was 710,605 (Table 1.1).

During the year 2025, the fleet was strengthened with the registration of 42,630 vehicles, of which 26,526 (62.2%) were new, 11,536 (27.1%) were imported second-hand and 4,568 (10.7%) were re-registered vehicles; i.e., those which had been previously put off the road. During the same period, some 6,274 vehicles were put off the road. The net addition to the existing fleet worked out to 36,356 vehicles (Table 1.1).

2. Composition of fleet

A breakdown of the fleet by type of vehicle over the last ten years (2016 to 2025) is given in Table 1.2. As at end of December 2025, the fleet consisted of 56.8% (423,869) cars, double cab pickups and dual-purpose vehicles and 34.4% (257,269) auto/motor cycles. The remaining 8.8% comprised vans (32,067), lorries and trucks (20,825), buses (3,418) and other vehicles (9,513).

3. Vehicles used for transport of passengers

3.1 *Cars, double cap pickups and dual purpose vehicles*

As at end of December 2025, the number of cars, double cab pickups and dual purpose vehicles was 423,869, a rise of 6.7% over the figure of 397,266 as at end of December 2024. This increase resulted from the registration of 30,341 such vehicles (16,586 new, 10,989 imported second-hand and 2,766 re-registered), partly offset by 3,738 vehicles that were put off the road (Table 1.1).

Table 1.3 shows the age distribution of cars, dual purpose vehicles and double cab pickup. As at end of December 2025, some 24.8% were less than 5 years, 20.6% between 5 and 9 years and the remaining 54.6%, 10 years and above.

3.2 *Buses*

As at end of December 2025, there were 3,418 registered buses. In 2025, some 116 new buses were registered, 1 was imported second-hand, 8 were re-registered, while 15 buses were put off the road, resulting in an increase of 110 buses.

4. Motor cycles and auto cycles

As at end of December 2025, there were 257,269 motor cycles and auto cycles. This represents a net increase of 7,818 (+3.1%) against 249,451 at the end of December 2024 (Table 1.1).

5. Road traffic accidents

The number of road traffic accidents registered during the year 2025 was 40,220 against 39,485 in the preceding year, showing an increase of 1.9%. Among those accidents, in the majority, 37,850 (94.1%) there were no injury, 116 were fatal and 2,254 caused serious or slight injuries (Table 2.1).

Compared to 2024, accidents causing casualties increased by 2.8% in 2025, resulting to increases in slight injuries by 3.4%, serious injuries by 3.1%, partly offset by decreases in fatal accidents by 7.2%.

In 2025, the accident rate, expressed as the number of accidents per 100,000 mid-year population, was 3,355 compared to 3,287 in 2024. The number of accidents per 1,000 mid-year registered motor vehicles was 55 against 57 in 2024.

6. Casualties

The number of persons who died as a result of road accidents in 2025 was 124 compared to 134 in 2024. The fatality rate, expressed as the number of persons who died as a result of road accidents per 100,000 mid-year population, decreased to 10.3, compared to 11.2 in 2024 (Table 2.2). Out of the 124 persons killed in road accidents during year 2025, the most vulnerable category of road users were riders/pillion riders of auto/motor cycles (52), followed by pedestrians (30), (Table 2.6).

7. Hit and run cases of accidents causing casualties

In 2025, there were 190 "hit and run" cases causing casualties compared to 235 in 2024. Out of these 190 cases, 62.6% (119) involved vehicles only, while the other 37.4% (71) involved both vehicles and pedestrians (Table 2.5).

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Explanatory Notes

A. Vehicle Statistics

1. Data refer to all vehicles registered at the National Land Transport Authority. Pedal cycles are therefore excluded. The classification of vehicles used in this report, follows the definition given in Section 4 of the Road Traffic Act of 1962 and subsequent amended Act No. 27 of 2012.

2. **Vehicles include:**

- (a) **motor vehicles**, that is, power-driven vehicles normally used for carrying persons or goods by road or for drawing vehicles used for carrying persons or goods. Examples are car, dual purpose vehicle, heavy motor car, motor cycle, lorry, van, bus, and tractor;
- (b) **non-motorised vehicles**, for example trailer.

3. **Definition of some types of vehicles according to the Road Traffic Act 1962.**

(a) **Motor cycle**

A motor cycle is a mechanically propelled vehicle, other than an auticycle or a vehicle classified as an invalid carriage, with not more than four wheels and whose unladen weight does not exceed 400 kilograms.

(b) **Auto cycle**

An auticycle is a two wheeled motor vehicle, with or without pedals, whose engine capacity does not exceed 50 cubic centimetres.

(c) **Heavy motor car**

A heavy motor car is a vehicle of the bus type designed to carry passengers but not for hire or reward.

(d) **Dual purpose vehicle**

A dual purpose vehicle is essentially a car but it is so designed to be capable of carrying a certain load of goods.

(e) **Double cab pickup**

Double cab pickup means a motor vehicle which has –

- (i) a front passenger cabin which contain 2 rows of seats and is capable of seating a maximum of 4 persons excluding the driver,
- (ii) at least 2 doors capable of being opened separately; and
- (iii) an open pickup area behind the passenger cabin.

B. Road Traffic Accidents

1. In this report, data on accidents refer to all road accidents reported to police stations and to insurance companies.

2. Road Traffic Accident

A road traffic accident is an accident between two or more vehicles, a vehicle and a cyclist, a vehicle and a pedestrian, a vehicle and a fixed object such as a bridge, building, tree, post, etc, or a single vehicle that overturned on or near a public road.

3. Severity of accident

Road traffic accidents are classified into the following categories according to the severity of the accident:

Fatal accident - an accident resulting in the death of one or more persons. Prior to 2002, a fatal accident was defined as an accident where deaths occurred within 7 days. As from 2002, a fatal accident is defined as an accident where deaths occurred within 30 days.

Serious injury accident - An accident in which one or more persons are seriously injured.

Slight injury accident - An accident in which one or more persons are slightly injured.

Non injury accident - An accident in which no one is killed or injured but which results in damage to the vehicle/s and/or other property only.

4. Casualty

Any person killed or injured in a road accident is referred to as a casualty.

Fatality - Any person killed during an accident, or within 30 days as a result of an accident is referred to as a fatality.

5. Injury definition

(i) As from January 2013:

(a) Serious Injury - An injury for which a person is admitted to hospital as an "in-patient" for more than 24 hours.

(b) Slight Injury - An injury for which a person has received medical care but has not been admitted to hospital for more than 24 hours.

(ii) Prior to January 2013:

(a) Serious Injury - An injury for which a person is detained in hospital as an "in-patient" or any of the following injuries (whether or not he is detained in hospital): fractures, concussions, internal injuries, severe cuts and lacerations, crushing and severe general shock requiring medical treatment.

(b) Slight Injury - An injury of minor character such as a sprain, bruise and cut not judged to be severe.

Table 1.1 - Vehicles¹ registered, 2025

Number

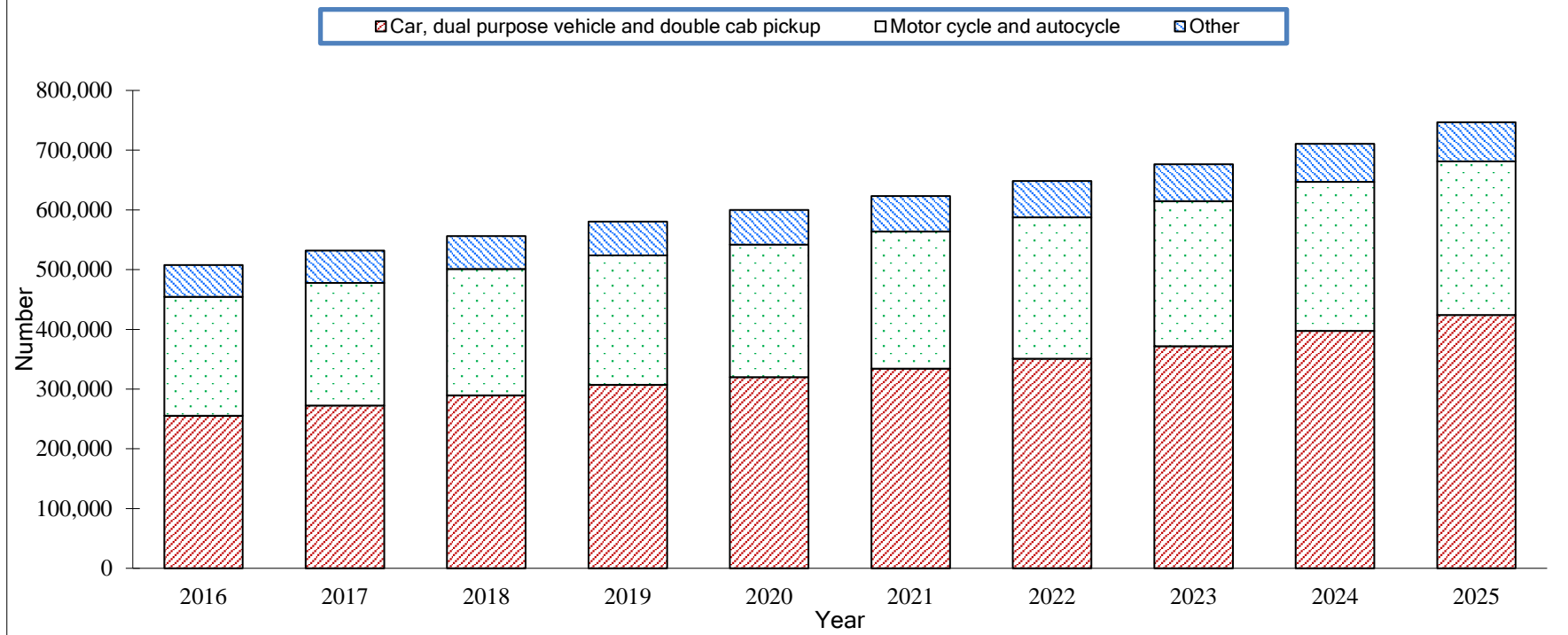
Type of vehicle	2024	2025					No. of vehicles as at December 2025	Net change 2025
	No. of vehicles as at December 2024	New vehicles	Imported second-hand vehicles	Re - registered vehicles ²	Vehicles off the road ³			
Car	335,398	14,711	10,829	2,319	3,173	360,084	24,686	
Dual purpose vehicle	47,620	0	5	30	55	47,600	- 20	
Double cab pickup	14,248	1,875	155	417	510	16,185	1,937	
Heavy motor car	1,473	55	3	7	12	1,526	53	
Motor cycle	122,279	6,920	8	1,292	1,794	128,705	6,426	
Auto cycle	127,172	1,402	9	0	19	128,564	1,392	
Lorry and truck	19,728	955	234	225	317	20,825	1,097	
Van	31,595	370	196	208	302	32,067	472	
Bus	3,308	116	1	8	15	3,418	110	
Tractor and dumper	3,769	83	17	42	59	3,852	83	
Prime mover	1,278	28	76	20	18	1,384	106	
Trailer	2,281	10	3	0	0	2,294	13	
Road roller	111	1	0	0	0	112	1	
Other	345	0	0	0	0	345	0	
Total	710,605	26,526	11,536	4,568	6,274	746,961	36,356	

¹ Excluding pedal cycles, but including government vehicles

² Refers to re-registration of vehicles previously off the road

³ Unlicensed either temporarily or permanently

Fig. 1.1 - Stock of registered vehicles, 2016 - 2025



Type of vehicle	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Car, dual purpose vehicle and double cab pickup	255,199	272,213	289,676	307,081	320,064	334,104	350,996	371,866	397,266	423,869
Motor cycle and autocycle	199,399	205,493	211,125	216,863	221,988	229,563	236,566	242,608	249,451	257,269
Other	53,078	54,091	55,200	56,685	58,001	59,321	60,614	61,967	63,888	65,823
Total	507,676	531,797	556,001	580,629	600,053	622,988	648,176	676,441	710,605	746,961

Table 1.2 - Vehicles¹ registered , 2016 - 2025

Type of vehicle	Number									
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Car	202,696	218,976	235,598	251,973	264,120	277,066	292,631	311,914	335,398	360,084
<i>of which taxi car</i>	6,905	6,909	6,907	6,905	6,907	6,907	6,907	6,907	7,409	7,927
Dual purpose vehicle	48,961	48,603	48,200	48,025	47,908	47,834	47,739	47,673	47,620	47,600
Double cab pickup	3,542	4,634	5,878	7,083	8,036	9,204	10,626	12,279	14,248	16,185
Heavy motor car	1,316	1,345	1,367	1,370	1,377	1,380	1,398	1,425	1,473	1,526
Motor cycle	82,746	88,360	93,636	99,111	103,589	107,725	112,087	116,786	122,279	128,705
Auto cycle	116,653	117,133	117,489	117,752	118,399	121,838	124,479	125,822	127,172	128,564
Lorry and truck	14,645	15,024	15,505	16,086	16,512	17,040	17,848	18,618	19,728	20,825
Van	27,656	28,121	28,506	29,125	29,744	30,323	30,675	31,079	31,595	32,067
Bus	3,107	3,101	3,086	3,087	3,101	3,151	3,177	3,225	3,308	3,418
Tractor and dumper	3,251	3,277	3,351	3,427	3,474	3,543	3,600	3,670	3,769	3,852
Prime mover	817	873	947	1,055	1,120	1,152	1,184	1,218	1,278	1,384
Trailer	1,853	1,913	1,999	2,085	2,218	2,277	2,277	2,277	2,281	2,294
Road roller	105	109	110	110	110	110	110	110	111	112
Other	328	328	329	340	345	345	345	345	345	345
TOTAL	507,676	531,797	556,001	580,629	600,053	622,988	648,176	676,441	710,605	746,961

¹ Excluding pedal cycles, but including government vehicles

**Table 1.3 - Age composition of cars, dual purpose vehicles and double cab pickup,
2024 - 2025**

(as at 31st December)

Age group (Years)	2024		2025	
	Number	%	Number	%
< 5	94,996	23.9	105,030	24.8
5 < 10	85,324	21.5	87,307	20.6
10 < 15	63,311	15.9	67,521	15.9
≥ 15	153,635	38.7	164,011	38.7
TOTAL	397,266	100.0	423,869	100.0

**Fig. 1.2 - Age composition of cars, dual purpose vehicles and double cab pickup, 2024 and 2025
(as at 31st December)**

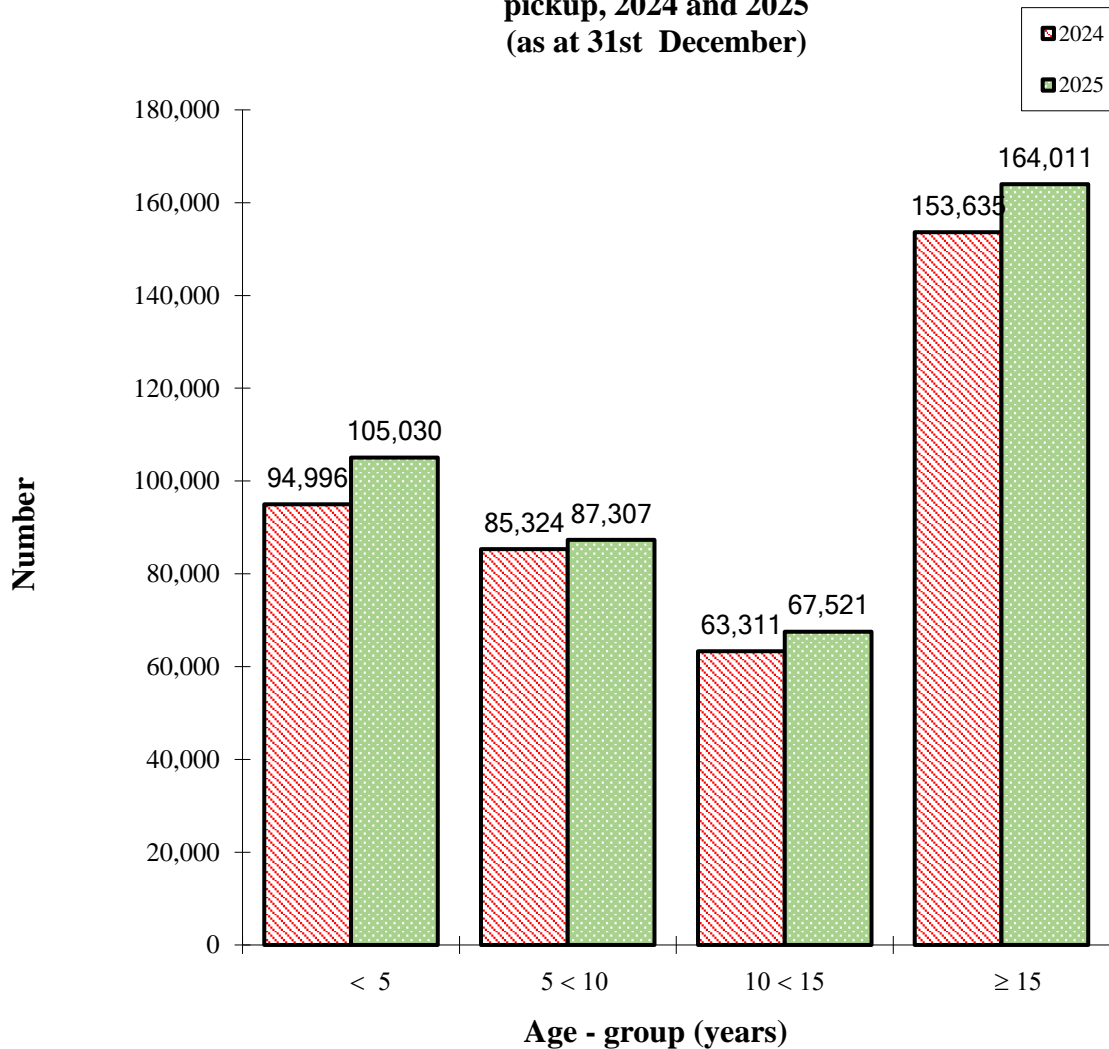


Table 1.4 - Age composition of operational bus fleet ¹, 2024 - 2025

(as at 31st December)

Age group (Years)	2024		2025	
	Number	%	Number	%
< 5	219	10.8	343	17.7
5 < 10	454	22.4	425	22.0
10 < 15	676	33.4	601	31.1
15 < 20	677	33.4	564	29.2
TOTAL	2,026	100.0	1,933	100.0

¹ Refers only to buses with a Road Service License, i.e, buses which operate on proclaimed routes and charge individual fares

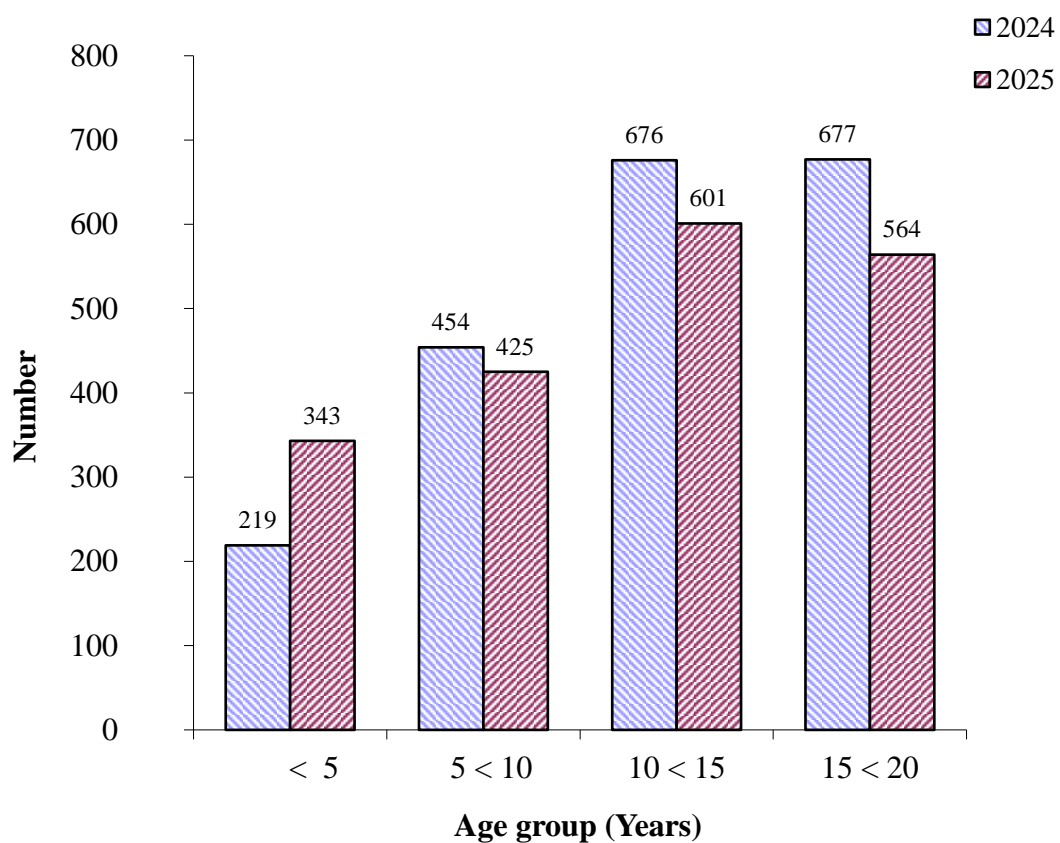
Fig. 1.3 - Age composition of operational bus fleet vehicles, 2024 and 2025 (as at 31st December)

Table 2.1 - Road traffic accidents¹, 2024 - 2025

	2024	2025	Change	
			Number	%
1. Road traffic accidents	39,485	40,220	+ 735	+1.9
Number of accidents causing casualties	2,306	2,370	+ 64	+2.8
<i>Fatal accident</i> ²	125	116	-9	-7.2
<i>Serious injury accident</i>	291	300	+ 9	+3.1
<i>Slight injury accident</i>	1,890	1,954	+ 64	+3.4
Non injury accident	37,179	37,850	+ 671	+1.8
Rate per 100,000 population	3,287	3,355	+ 68	+2.1
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	57	55	-2	-3.5
2. Vehicles involved in road accidents	78,010	79,197	+ 1,187	+1.5
of which				
<i>Motor Vehicles</i>	77,943	79,131	+ 1,188	+1.5
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	113	108	-5	-4.4
Number of motor vehicles involved in accidents causing casualties	3,586	3,431	-155	-4.3
3. Casualties	3,029	3,108	+ 79	+2.6
<i>Fatal</i> ²	134	124	-10	-7.5
<i>Seriously injured</i>	573	530	-43	-7.5
<i>Slightly injured</i>	2,322	2,454	+ 132	5.7

¹ Exclude accidents involving bicycles only or bicycle and pedestrian² Based on definition of fatal accidents where death occurred within 30 days

Table 2.2 - Road traffic accidents¹ and casualties, 2016 - 2025

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 ³	2025
1. Road traffic accidents										
Number	29,277	29,627	29,075	29,644	28,611	28,660	35,509	36,400	39,485	40,220
Rate per 100,000 population	2,397	2,425	2,379	2,425	2,341	2,346	2,917	2,994	3,287	3,355
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	59	57	54	52	49	47	56	55	57	55
2. Motor vehicle involved										
Number	57,335	58,178	56,962	58,267	56,627	56,663	69,718	71,191	77,943	79,131
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	116	112	105	102	96	93	110	108	113	108
3. Casualties										
Total number of casualties	3,862	4,209	3,718	3,559	2,802	2,371	3,262	3,286	3,029	3,108
<i>Fatal</i>	144	157	143	144	131	108	108	138	134	124
<i>Seriously injured</i>	512	560	597	523	532	418	546	593	573	530
<i>Slightly injured</i>	3,206	3,492	2,978	2,892	2,139	1,845	2,608	2,555	2,322	2,454
4. Fatality										
Rate per 100,000 population	11.8	12.8	11.7	11.8	10.7	8.8	8.9	11.4	11.2	10.3
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Fatality index ²	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.7	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.0

¹ Exclude accidents involving bicycles only or bicycle and pedestrian.

² Fatality index is the number of fatalities per 100 casualties.

³ Revised

Table 2.3 -Number of vehicles involved in accidents (causing casualties) by type, 2024 - 2025

Type of vehicle	2024					2025				
	Casualties					Casualties				
	Fatal	Serious	Slight	Total	%	Fatal	Serious	Slight	Total	%
Private car	78	342	1,301	1,721	47.1	68	314	1,392	1,774	50.7
Taxi car	0	8	17	25	0.7	0	3	20	23	0.7
Bus	9	21	98	128	3.5	7	36	105	148	4.2
Lorry	10	22	50	82	2.2	7	13	41	61	1.7
Van	14	52	187	253	6.9	20	46	162	228	6.5
Motor / auto cycle	70	260	951	1,281	35.1	53	216	879	1,148	32.8
Other motor vehicles	4	20	72	96	2.6	4	11	34	49	1.4
Total motor vehicles	185	725	2,676	3,586	98.2	159	639	2,633	3,431	98.1
Pedal cycle	7	11	49	67	1.8	5	13	48	66	1.9
All vehicles	192	736	2,725	3,653	100.0	164	652	2,681	3,497	100.0

Table 2.4 - Number of casualties by class of road users, 2024- 2025

Class of road users	2024				2025 ¹			
	Jan. - Jun.	Jul. - Dec.	Total	%	Jan. - Jun.	Jul. - Dec.	Total	%
Pedestrian	244	213	457	15.1	247	226	473	15.2
Passenger	419	447	866	28.6	522	461	983	31.6
Driver	280	305	585	19.3	319	304	623	20.0
Rider (auto/motor cycle)	557	496	1,053	34.8	489	478	967	31.1
Pedal cyclist	35	33	68	2.2	33	29	62	2.0
Total	1,535	1,494	3,029	100.0	1,610	1,498	3,108	100.0

¹ Provisional**Table 2.5 - Number of accidents (causing casualties) involved in "hit and run" cases, 2024- 2025**

Year Accident	2024				2025			
	Jan. - Jun.	Jul. - Dec.	Total	%	Jan. - Jun.	Jul. - Dec.	Total	%
Vehicles v/s pedestrian	62	53	115	48.9	36	35	71	37.4
Vehicles v/s vehicles	65	55	120	51.1	75	44	119	62.6
Total	127	108	235	100.0	111	79	190	100.0

Table 2.6 - Number of fatalities by category of road users and age-group, 2025

Category of road users Age - group (years)	Cyclists	Drivers of four wheeled vehicles	Passengers of four wheeled vehicles	Pedestrians	Riders / pillion riders of auto/motor cycles	Total
Under 5	0	0	0	1	0	1
5 - 14	0	0	0	0	1	1
15 - 29	0	8	4	0	19	31
30 - 44	1	10	6	5	12	34
45 - 59	0	2	1	4	3	10
60 - 69	1	2	3	10	8	24
Over 69	2	1	1	10	9	23
All ages	4	23	15	30	52	124

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