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1. Vehicles registered as at June 2026

As at end of June 2026, there were 761,531 vehicles registered at the National Land Transport Authority (NLTA). This represents a net increase of 14,570 vehicles (2.0%) as compared to 746,961 registered as at December 2025 (Table 1.1).

During the first semester of 2026, the fleet was strengthened with the registration of 17,727 vehicles, of which 11,309 (63.8%) were new, 4,295 (24.2%) were imported second-hand and 2,123 (12.0%) were re-registered vehicles; i.e., those which had been previously put off the road. During the same period 3,157 vehicles were put off the road. The net addition to the existing fleet worked out to 14,570 vehicles (Table 1.1).

2. Composition of fleet

A breakdown of the fleet by type of vehicle is given in Table 1.2. As at end of June 2026, 56.9% of the fleet consisted of cars, double cab pickups and dual-purpose vehicles (433,185) and 34.3% of auto/motor cycles (261,510). The remaining 8.8% comprised vans (32,302), lorries and trucks (21,324), buses (3,514) and other vehicles (9,696).

3. Vehicles used for transport of passengers

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

As at end of June 2026, the number of cars, double cab pickups and dual purpose vehicles was 433,185, a rise of 2.2% over the figure of 423,869 as at end of December 2025. This increase resulted from the registration of 11,155 following types of vehicles (5,845 new, 4,045 imported second-hand and 1,265 re-registered), partly offset by 1,839 vehicles that were put off the road (Table 1.1).

3.2 *Buses*

As at end of June 2026, there were 3,514 registered buses, out of which 1,973 (56.1%) were 'public' buses operating with a road service licence. During the first semester of 2026, some 96 new buses were registered, 6 were re-registered and 6 were put off the road, resulting in an increase of 96 buses.

4. Motor cycles and auto cycles

As at end of June 2026 there were 261,510 motor cycles and auto cycles. This represents a net increase of 4,492 (+1.6%) against 257,269 as at end of December 2025.

5. Road traffic accidents

The number of road accidents registered during the first semester of 2026 went up by 10.9% to reach 21,845 compared to 19,696 recorded during the corresponding period of 2025. Among these accidents, the majority, 20,696 (94.7%) were non-injury, 66 fatal, 183 caused serious injuries and 900 slight injuries.

Compared to the same period of 2025, casualty accidents went up by 4.0%, while non-injury accidents increased by 11.3%. The number of fatal and serious injury accidents increased by 13.8% and 51.2% respectively, while slight injury accidents decreased by 2.8% (Table 2.1).

6. Vehicles involved in road accidents

During the first semester of 2026, the total number of vehicles (both motor and non-motor) involved in road accidents was 42,930 (12.3%) against 38,214 for the first semester of 2025. The number of motor vehicles involved in accidents resulting in casualties was 1,503 during the first semester of 2026 against 999 for the same period of 2025. The number of vehicles causing casualties were mainly motor/auto cycles (34.0%), cars (50.4%), bus (4.0%) and vans (7.5%) (Table 2.3).

7. Casualties

The number of casualties (fatalities and persons injured as a result of road accidents) decreased by 7.4% from 1,397 during the first semester of 2025 to 1,294 in the corresponding period of 2026. Among the casualties during the period January to June 2026, 69 were fatal, 269 were seriously injured and the remaining 956 were slightly injured.

Compared to the corresponding period of 2025, the number of persons who died as a result of road accidents went up by 9.5% from 63 to 69, those seriously injured increased by 21.7% from 221 to 269 and slightly injured decreased 14.1% from 1,113 to 956 (Table 2.1).

Table 2.4 shows that, among the casualties during the first semester of 2026, some 32.9% were riders of auto/motor cycles, 29.5% passengers, 17.4% pedestrians, 17.3% drivers and 2.9% pedal cyclists.

Out of the 69 persons who died in road accidents during the first semester of 2026, the most vulnerable ones were riders/pillion riders of motorised two wheelers (32) and pedestrians (17) (Table 2.6).

8. Hit and run cases of accidents causing casualties

During the first six months of 2026, some 86 ‘hit and run’ cases causing casualties were reported compared to 111 during the same period of 2025. Out of these 86 cases, 52.3% (45) involved vehicles only, while 47.7% (41) 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 National 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 autocycle 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 autocycle 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 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.

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, crushings 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 as at June 2026

Type of vehicle	Number						
	Vehicles as at December 2025	New vehicles Jan. - Jun 26	Imported second-hand vehicles Jan. - Jun 26	Re - registered vehicles ² Jan. - Jun 26	Vehicles off the road ³ Jan. - Jun 26	Vehicles as at June 2026	Net addition Jan. - Jun 2026
Car	360,084	4,999	3,963	1,050	1,547	368,549	8,465
Dual purpose vehicle	47,600	0	2	9	22	47,589	-11
Double cab pickup	16,185	846	80	206	270	17,047	862
Heavy motor car	1,526	77	0	1	3	1,601	75
Motor cycle	128,705	3,805	7	635	962	132,190	3,485
Auto cycle	128,564	765	1	0	10	129,320	756
Lorry and truck	20,825	463	88	77	129	21,324	499
Van	32,067	180	113	111	169	32,302	235
Bus	3,418	96	0	6	6	3,514	96
Tractor and dumper	3,852	47	2	22	26	3,897	45
Prime mover	1,384	23	36	6	13	1,436	52
Trailer	2,294	7	3	0	0	2,304	10
Road roller	112	1	0	0	0	113	1
Other	345	0	0	0	0	345	0
Total	746,961	11,309	4,295	2,123	3,157	761,531	14,570

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

Table 1.2 - Vehicles ¹ registered by type, Year 2016 - June 2026

Number											
Type of vehicle	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 ²	2025 ²	2026 (June)
Car	202,696	218,976	235,598	251,973	264,120	277,066	292,631	311,914	335,398	360,084	368,549
<i>of which taxi car</i>	<i>6,905</i>	<i>6,909</i>	<i>6,907</i>	<i>6,905</i>	<i>6,907</i>	<i>6,907</i>	<i>6,907</i>	<i>6,907</i>	<i>6,966</i>	<i>6,523</i>	<i>6,265</i>
Dual purpose vehicle	48,961	48,603	48,200	48,025	47,908	47,834	47,739	47,673	47,620	47,600	47,589
Double cab pickup	3,542	4,634	5,878	7,083	8,036	9,204	10,626	12,279	14,248	16,185	17,047
Heavy motor car	1,316	1,345	1,367	1,370	1,377	1,380	1,398	1,425	1,473	1,526	1,601
Motor cycle	82,746	88,360	93,636	99,111	103,589	107,725	112,087	116,786	122,279	128,705	132,190
Auto cycle	116,653	117,133	117,489	117,752	118,399	121,838	124,479	125,822	127,172	128,564	129,320
Lorry and truck	14,645	15,024	15,505	16,086	16,512	17,040	17,848	18,618	19,728	20,825	21,324
Van	27,656	28,121	28,506	29,125	29,744	30,323	30,675	31,079	31,595	32,067	32,302
Bus	3,107	3,101	3,086	3,087	3,101	3,151	3,177	3,225	3,308	3,418	3,514
Tractor and dumper	3,251	3,277	3,351	3,427	3,474	3,543	3,600	3,670	3,769	3,852	3,897
Prime mover	817	873	947	1,055	1,120	1,152	1,184	1,218	1,278	1,384	1,436
Trailer	1,853	1,913	1,999	2,085	2,218	2,277	2,277	2,277	2,281	2,294	2,304
Road roller	105	109	110	110	110	110	110	110	111	112	113
Other	328	328	329	340	345	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	761,531

¹ Excluding pedal cycles, but including government vehicles

² Revised

Table 1.3 - Registration of vehicles by type, January to June 2025 and January to June 2026

Type of vehicle	Number							
	New vehicles registered		Imported second - hand vehicles registered		Re -registration of vehicles ¹		Vehicles put off the road ²	
	Jan. - June 2025	Jan. - June 2026	Jan. - June 2025	Jan. - June 2026	Jan. - June 2025	Jan. - June 2026	Jan. - June 2025	Jan. - June 2026
Car	9,856	4,999	7,087	3,963	957	1,050	1,292	1,547
Dual purpose vehicle	0	0	2	2	13	9	25	22
Double cab pickup	1,166	846	89	80	172	206	202	270
Heavy motor car	34	77	1	0	2	1	6	3
Motor cycle	3,907	3,805	7	7	651	635	881	962
Auto cycle	815	765	5	1	0	0	12	10
Lorry and truck	514	463	129	88	122	77	147	129
Van	166	180	92	113	98	111	122	169
Bus	83	96	0	0	5	6	9	6
Tractor and dumper	39	47	11	2	19	22	27	26
Prime mover	16	23	41	36	13	6	10	13
Trailer	4	7	2	3	0	0	0	0
Road roller	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	16,601	11,309	7,466	4,295	2,052	2,123	2,733	3,157

¹ Refers to re-registration of vehicles previously off the road

² Unlicensed either temporarily or permanently

Table 2.1 - Road traffic accidents¹, January - June 2025 and January - June 2026

	January - June		Change Jan - Jun 2026 over Jan - Jun 2025	
	2025 ²	2026 ³	Number	%
1. Road traffic accidents	19,696	21,845	+ 2,149	+ 10.9
Casualty accidents	1,105	1,149	44	4.0
Fatal accident ⁴	58	66	+ 8	+ 13.8
Serious injury accident	121	183	+ 62	+ 51.2
Slight injury accident	926	900	-26	-2.8
Non-injury accident	18,591	20,696	2,105	11.3
2. Vehicles involved in accidents	38,214	42,930	4,716	12.3
of which				
<i>Motor Vehicles</i>	38,181	42,894	4,713	12.3
<i>Motor vehicles involved in casualty accidents</i>	999	1,503	504	50.5
3. Casualties	1,397	1,294	-103	-7.4
<i>Fatal</i> ⁴	63	69	6	9.5
<i>Seriously injured</i>	221	269	48	21.7
<i>Slightly injured</i>	1,113	956	-157	-14.1

¹ Exclude accidents involving bicycles only or bicycle and pedestrian

² Revised

³ Provisional

⁴ Based on definition of fatal accidents where death occurred within 30 days

Table 2.2 - Road traffic accidents ¹ and casualties, Year 2016 - January to June 2026

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 ²	2026 Jan.-June
1. Road traffic accidents											
Number	29,277	29,627	29,075	29,644	28,611	28,660	35,513	36,400	39,485	40,220	21,845
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	<i>Napp</i>
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	59	57	54	52	49	47	56	55	57	55	<i>Napp</i>
2. Motor vehicle involved											
Number	57,335	58,178	56,962	58,128	56,627	56,663	69,699	71,191	77,943	79,131	42,894
Rate per 1,000 registered motor vehicles	116	112	105	102	96	93	110	108	113	108	<i>Napp</i>
3. Casualties											
Total number of casualties	3,862	4,209	3,718	3,484	2,802	2,371	3,252	3,286	3,029	3,108	1,294
<i>Fatal</i>	144	157	143	144	131	108	108	138	134	124	69
<i>Seriously injured</i>	512	560	597	523	532	418	534	593	573	530	269
<i>Slightly injured</i>	3,206	3,492	2,978	2,892	2,139	1,845	2,610	2,555	2,322	2,454	956
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	<i>Napp</i>
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	<i>Napp</i>
Fatality index ³	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.1	4.7	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.0	<i>Napp</i>

¹ Exclude accidents involving bicycles only or bicycle and pedestrian

² Revised

³ Fatality index is the number of fatalities per 100 casualties

Napp: Not Applicable

Table 2.3 -Number of vehicles¹ involved in accidents (causing casualties) by type, Year 2025 - January to June 2026

Type of vehicle	2025 ²						2026 ³	
	Jan - June		Jul - Dec		Year		Jan - June	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Private car	403	40.3	1,371	56.4	1,774	51.7	757	50.4
Taxi car	6	0.6	17	0.7	23	0.7	9	0.6
Bus	53	5.3	95	3.9	148	4.3	60	4.0
Lorry	10	1.0	51	2.1	61	1.8	20	1.3
Van	50	5.0	178	7.3	228	6.6	112	7.5
Motor/auto cycle	460	46.0	688	28.3	1,148	33.5	511	34.0
Other motor vehicles	17	1.7	32	1.3	49	1.4	34	2.3
Total motor vehicles	999	100.0	2,432	100.0	3,431	100.0	1,503	100.0
Pedal cycle	33		33		66		36	
All vehicles	1,032	100.0	2,465	100.0	3,497	100.0	1,539	100.0

¹ Only three main vehicles have been considered in accidents involving more than three vehicles

² Revised

³ Provisional

Table 2.4 - Number of casualties by class of road users, Year 2025 - January to June 2026

Class of road users	2025 ¹				2026 ²	
	Jan - Jun	Jul - Dec	Total	%	Jan - Jun	%
Pedestrian	247	226	473	15.2	225	17.4
Passenger	522	461	983	31.6	381	29.5
Driver	319	304	623	20.0	224	17.3
Rider (auto/motor cycle)	489	478	967	31.1	426	32.9
Pedal cyclist	33	29	62	2.0	38	2.9
Total	1,610	1,498	3,108	100.0	1,294	100.0

¹ Revised

² Provisional

Table 2.5 - Number of accidents (causing casualties) involved in "hit and run" cases, Year 2025 - January to June 2026

Year Accident	2025				2026	
	Jan - Jun	Jul - Dec	Total	%	Jan - Jun	%
Vehicles v/s pedestrian	36	35	71	37.4	41	47.7
Vehicles v/s vehicles	75	44	119	62.6	45	52.3
Total	111	79	190	100.0	86	100.0

Table 2.6 - Number of fatalities by category of road users and age group, January to June 2026

Category of road users Age group (years)	Cyclists	Drivers of four wheeled vehicles	Passengers of four wheeled vehicles	Pedestrians	Riders / pillion riders of motorised two - wheelers	Total
Under 5	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 - 14	0	0	0	0	0	0
15 - 29	1	1	1	1	13	17
30 - 44	0	2	0	2	3	7
45 - 59	0	4	3	4	9	20
60 - 69	0	2	4	5	3	14
Over 69	0	0	2	5	4	11
All ages	1	9	10	17	32	69

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