



Population: 331 900 • Income group: Middle • Gross national income per capita: US\$ 4 510

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK	
Lead agency	National Road Safety Committee (NRSC)
Funded in national budget	No
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Partially funded
Fatality reduction target	20% (2014–2016)

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

SAFER VEHICLES	
Total registered vehicles	—
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	—
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	—
Heavy trucks	—
Buses	—
Other	—
Vehicle standards applied <sup>a</sup>	
Frontal impact standard	No
Electronic stability control	No
Pedestrian protection	No

<sup>a</sup> UNECE WP29.

POST-CRASH CARE	
Emergency room injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone numbers	911
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—

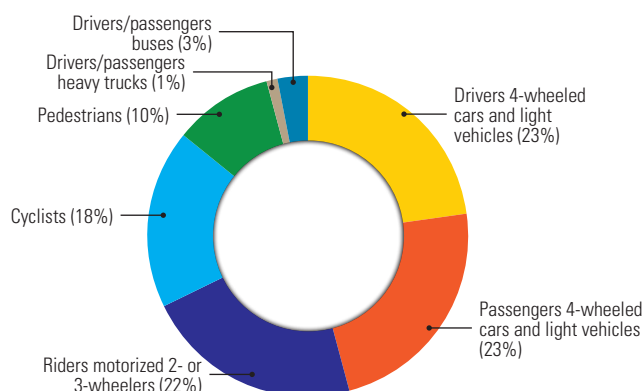
DATA	
Reported road traffic fatalities (2013)	73 <sup>b</sup> (86% M, 14% F)
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities	81
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population	24.4
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	—

<sup>b</sup> Belize Health Information System (BHIS), Ministry of Health. Defined as died within 30 days of crash.

SAFER ROAD USERS	
National speed limit law	Yes
Max urban speed limit	~40 km/h
Max rural speed limit	No
Max motorway speed limit	~88 km/h
Local authorities can modify limits	No
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink–driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	≤ 0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	≤ 0.08 g/dl
Random breath testing carried out	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
Law requires helmet to be fastened	Yes
Law refers to helmet standard	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	82% All occupants <sup>c</sup>
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

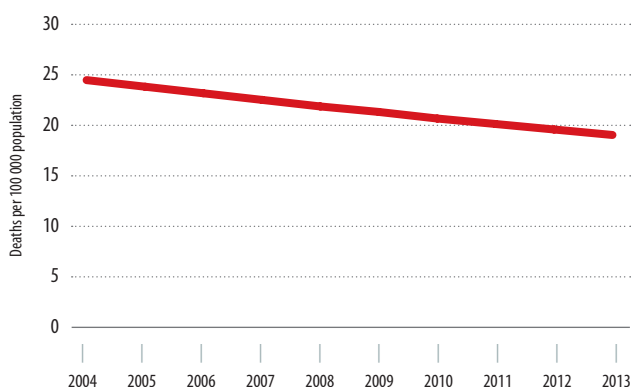
<sup>c</sup> 2014, Traffic Department.

## DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: Belize Police Department/Belize Health Information System (BHIS), Investigation Coordination Committee (JIC) (Data from 2013).

## TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: Belize Health Information System (BHIS), Ministry of Health.