Portugal

Population: 10 371 627 | Income group: High | Gross national income per capita: US$ 19 850

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	National Authority for Road Safety, Ministry of Internal Administration
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Partially funded
Fatality reduction target	41 deaths per million people (2016–2020)

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Audits or star rating required for new road infrastructure	Partial
Design standards for the safety of pedestrians / cyclists	Yes
Inspections / star rating of existing roads	Yes
Investments to upgrade high risk locations	No
Policies & investment in urban public transport	Yes

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles for 2015	6 590 094
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	5 970 710
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	506 400
Heavy trucks	98 267
Buses	14 717
Other	0
Vehicle standards applied (UNECE WP.29)	
Frontal impact standard	Yes
Electronic stability control	Yes
Pedestrian protection	Yes
Motorcycle anti-lock braking system	Yes

POST-CRASH CARE

National emergency care access number	National, single number
Trauma registry	National
Formal certification for prehospital providers	Yes
National assessment of emergency care systems	No

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2016)	563 [a] (77% M, 23% F)
Reported rate per 100 000 population (2016)	5.5 [a]
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities (2016)	768 [b]
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population (2016)	7.4 [b]

[a] National Authority for Road Safety. Died within 30 days of crash
[b] WHO's method to obtain comparable country estimates: Group 1. Countries/areas with good death registration data. See explanatory note 3 in *Global status report on road safety 2018* for full details
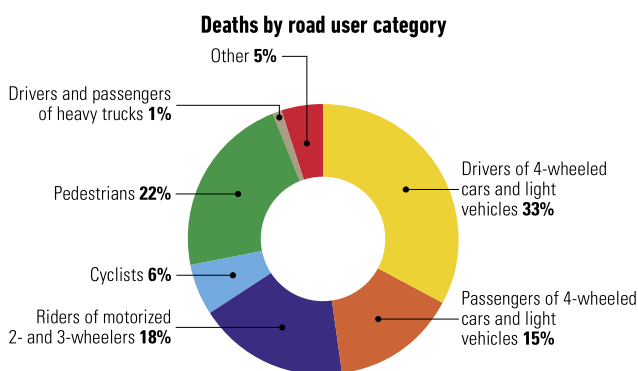
SAFER ROAD USERS

National speed limit law	Yes
Max urban speed limit	50 km/h
Max rural speed limit	90 km/h
Max motorway speed limit	120 km/h
Local authorities can modify limits	No
Self-reported enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ⑦ 8 9 10
Predominant type of enforcement	Manual
National drink-driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	< 0.05 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	< 0.02 g/dl
Random breath testing carried out	Yes
Testing carried out in case of fatal crash	All drivers tested
Self-reported enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ⑦ 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	29% [c]
National motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers	Yes
Helmet fastening required	Yes
Helmet standard referred to and/or specified	Yes
Children passengers on motorcycles	Prohibited under 7 yrs
Self-reported enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 ⑨ 10
Helmet wearing rate	98% Drivers [c], 97% Passengers [c]
National seat-belt law	Yes
Applies to front and rear seat occupants	Yes
Self-reported enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 ⑧ 9 10
Seat-belt wearing rate	96% Front seats [d], 77% Rear seats [d]
National child restraint law	Yes
Children seated in front seat	Prohibited under 12 yrs/135 cm [e]
Child restraint required	Up to 12 yrs/135 cm
Child restraint standard referred to and/or specified	Yes
Self-reported enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 ⑧ 9 10
% children using child restraints	91–100% [d]
National law on mobile phone use while driving	Yes
Ban on hand-held mobile phone use	Yes
Ban on hands-free mobile phone use	No
National drug-driving law	Yes

[c] 2015, National Authority for Road Safety and National Institute of Forensic Medicine and Forensic Sciences (INMLCF)
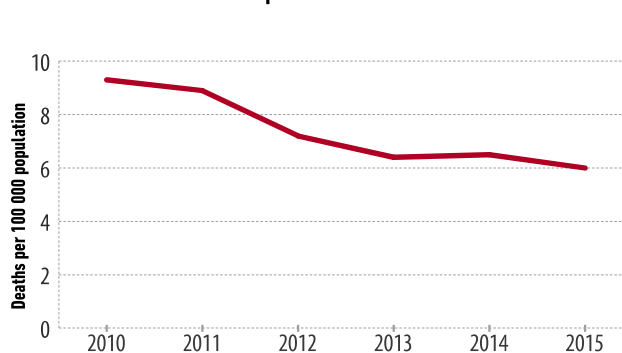[d] 2012, Portuguese Road Safety (PRP)
[e] Except for children under 3 years in rear-facing child restraint with airbag deactivated

Deaths by road user category

- Other **5%**
- Drivers and passengers of heavy trucks **1%**
- Pedestrians **22%**
- Cyclists **6%**
- Riders of motorized 2- and 3-wheelers **18%**
- Drivers of 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles **33%**
- Passengers of 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles **15%**

Source: 2016, National Authority for Road Safety, Ministry of Internal Administration

Trends in reported road traffic deaths

Deaths per 100 000 population

Source: National Authority for Road Safety, Ministry of Internal Administration and National Institute of Statistics