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## Plenary Session 3: Road Safety

### Brief overview of regional road safety perspective & Global Status Report

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# Crash claims two city sisters

## It's time for the authorities to do something about accidents

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How many more people have to die before the authorities do something about the killer Beaufees off-ramp?

On Wednesday, Joanie Jordaan (42), a doctor who had dedicated her life to saving others, was burned to death when her vehicle was hit by a runaway truck coming from the Beaufees off-ramp.

She is not the first person to die at the treacherous off-ramp. At least three others have died there in recent years and many others have been seriously

Yesterday the provincial administration of Gauteng could give no time frame for implementing changes to the off-ramp.

"Previously certain steps were taken to reduce the number of accidents by putting speed on the off-ramp, but we are now discussing other solutions," said Sizwe Matabhiza, spokesman for the Gauteng MEC for Transport and Public Works.

In 1999, an extra lane was added to the Ben Schoeman Highway before the off-ramp and more signage was put up warning truck drivers of the steep gradient on the off-ramp.



Lyvette van der Sandt, 4, died in the collision.



Estelle van der Sandt, 4, received seven head injuries.



Part of the van der Sandt was taking her four daughters to school. Some of what remains of the Van der Sandt. PICT: M. J. J. VAN DER SANDT

## 5 schoolkids die in smash



A toy teddy belonging to one of the schoolchildren involved in the accident. PICT: THE STAR



The mangled remains of a school bus that crashed through a safety railing and landed on the other side of the overpass. PICT: THE STAR



Family members grieve over their loss. PICT: THE STAR

Dreams shattered by tragedy on the highway



Police and ambulance attend to a victim of the school bus crash. PICT: THE STAR

pupils knocked down





# Accidents de la route Même l'OMS s'inquiète!



- L'insécurité routière, un indicateur de sous-développement
- Un rapport alarmant confirme l'hécatombe

*Voir pages 2 et 33*



*Les routes marocaines font partie des plus meurtrières dans le monde. Aucun dispositif pour protéger les piétons et les cyclistes qui y sont particulièrement vulnérables (Ph. Archives de L'Economiste)*



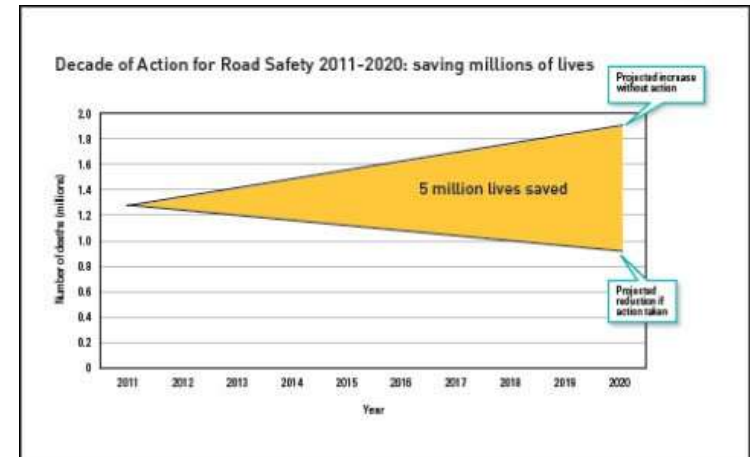
*4.055 tués, 1.1791 blessés graves et 89.317 blessés légers entre décembre 2011 et décembre 2012 sur les routes marocaines (Ph. Archives de L'Economiste)*





# Monitoring a decade

- UN GA resolution 54/255 in 2010 called for a Decade of Action for Road Safety (2011–2020).
- Status reports to be used as a monitoring tool for the Decade.





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# Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020



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TIME FOR ACTION



DECADE OF ACTION FOR  
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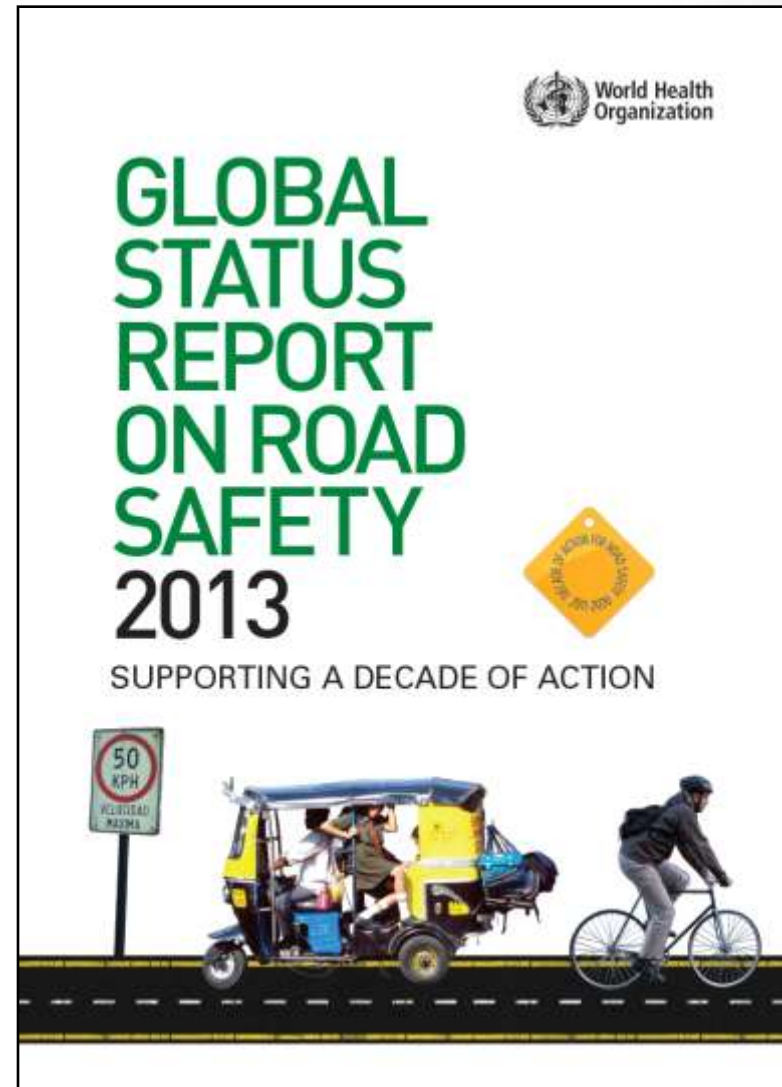
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# Global status report on road safety 2013

- Made possible through funding from Bloomberg Philanthropies.
- Country-based, multi-sectoral, consensus process used to gather information.
- Launched 14 February 2013
- Acknowledge World Health Organization for use of this information





# PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

WHO region	Total number of countries <sup>a</sup>	Participating countries <sup>b</sup>	% of population	Non-participating countries <sup>b</sup>
African Region	46	44 (1 HIC, 18 MIC, 25 LIC)	95.1	Algeria, Eritrea
Region of the Americas	36	32 (6 HIC, 26 MIC, 0 LIC)	98.5	Antigua & Barbuda, Grenada, Haiti, Puerto Rico
South-East Asia Region	11	11 (0 HIC, 7 MIC, 4 LIC)	100.0	
Eastern Mediterranean Region <sup>c,d</sup>	22	19 (6 HIC, 12 MIC, 1 LIC)	97.2	Djibouti, Libya, Somalia
European Region	53	51 (30 HIC, 19 MIC, 2 LIC)	99.4	Monaco, Turkmenistan
Western Pacific Region <sup>e</sup>	27	25 (6 HIC, 18 MIC, 1 LIC)	98.7	Nauru, Tuvalu
GLOBAL	195	182 (49 HIC, 100 MIC, 33 LIC)	98.6	13

HIC = high-income countries; MIC = middle-income countries; LIC = low-income countries

a See Table A2 in Statistical Annex for information on WHO regions and income level classifications.

b Includes United Nations Member States, Associate Member States, as well as non-member areas.

c Includes one non-member area, the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

d Includes Sudan; while South Sudan became an independent state in July 2011 and a WHO Member State in September 2011, the reported data shown here relate to pre-July 2011. Thus the term "Sudan" as used here only refers to the state as it existed prior to July 2011.

e Includes one Associated Member State, Tokelau.





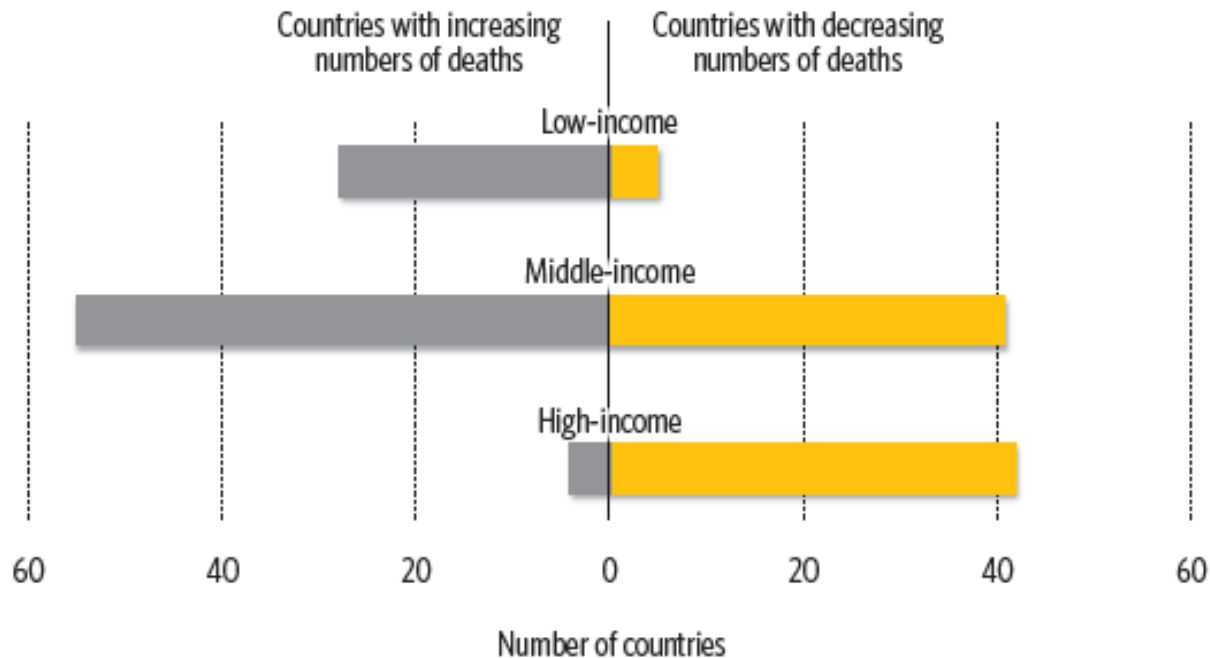
# Main messages

- 88 countries have reduced their road traffic deaths, but the global total at 1.24 million remains unacceptably high.
- Only 28 countries have comprehensive laws that cover 5 major risk factors.
- Half of all road traffic deaths are among pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists.



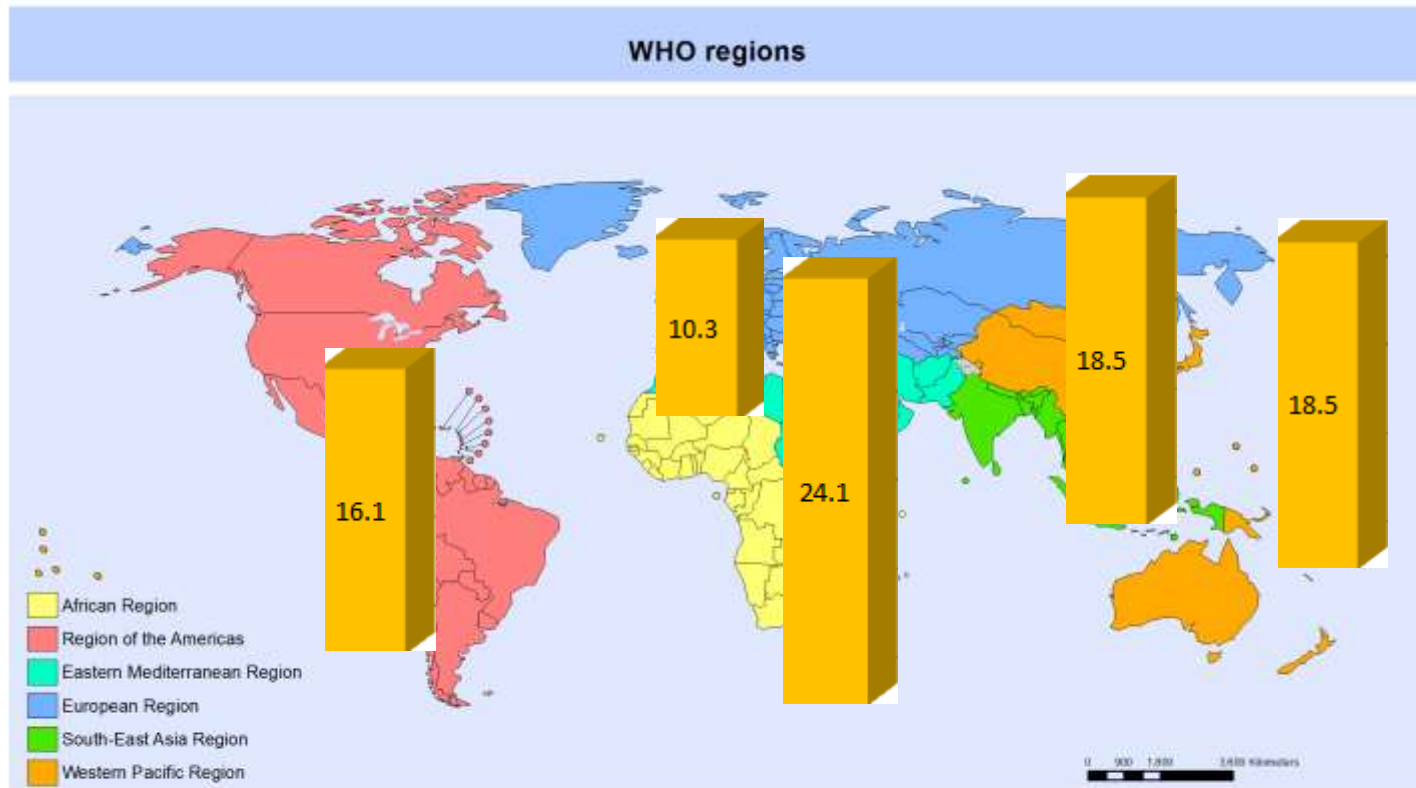


# SOME COUNTRIES ARE MAKING PROGRESS, BUT THE ROAD TRAFFIC DEATH RATE REMAINS UNACCEPTABLY HIGH AT 1.24 MILLION PER YEAR





# AFRICA HAS HIGHEST ROAD TRAFFIC DEATH RATES PER 100 000 POPULATION



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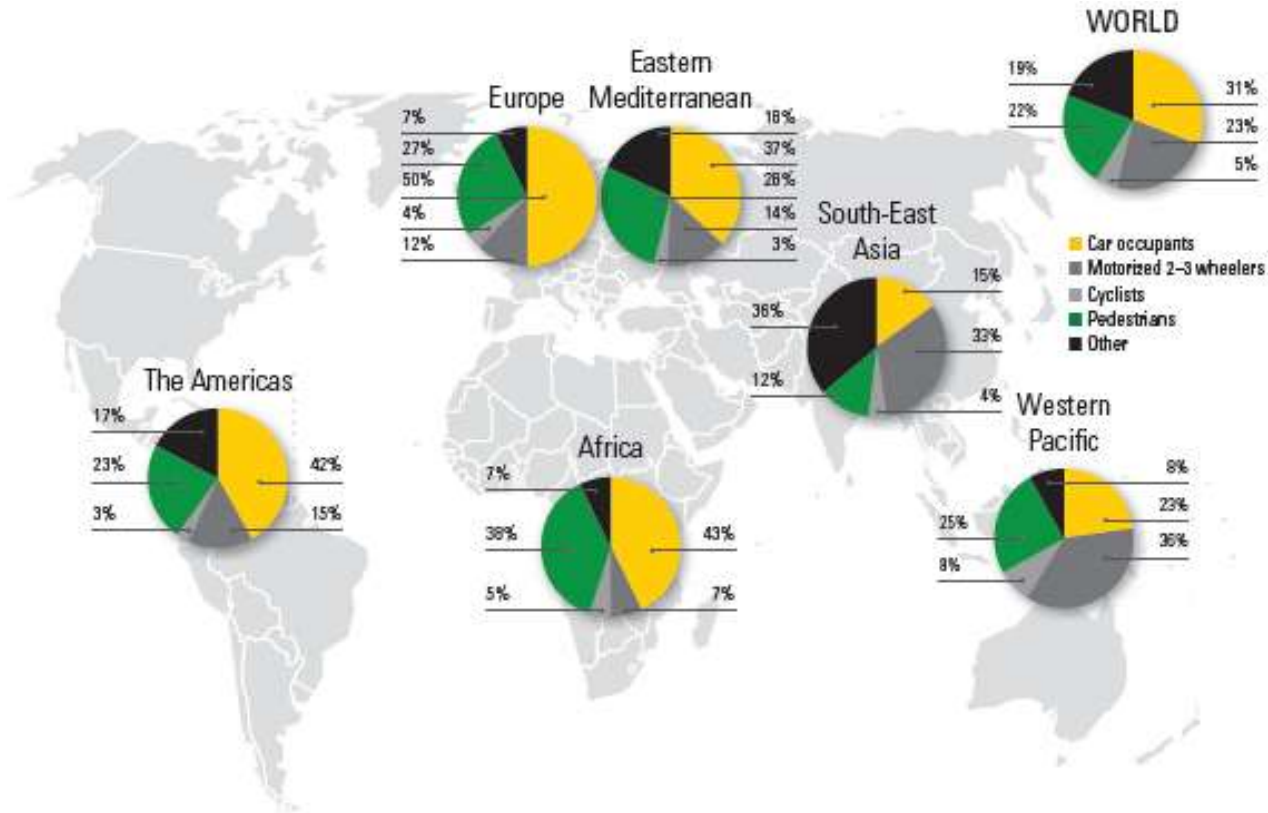


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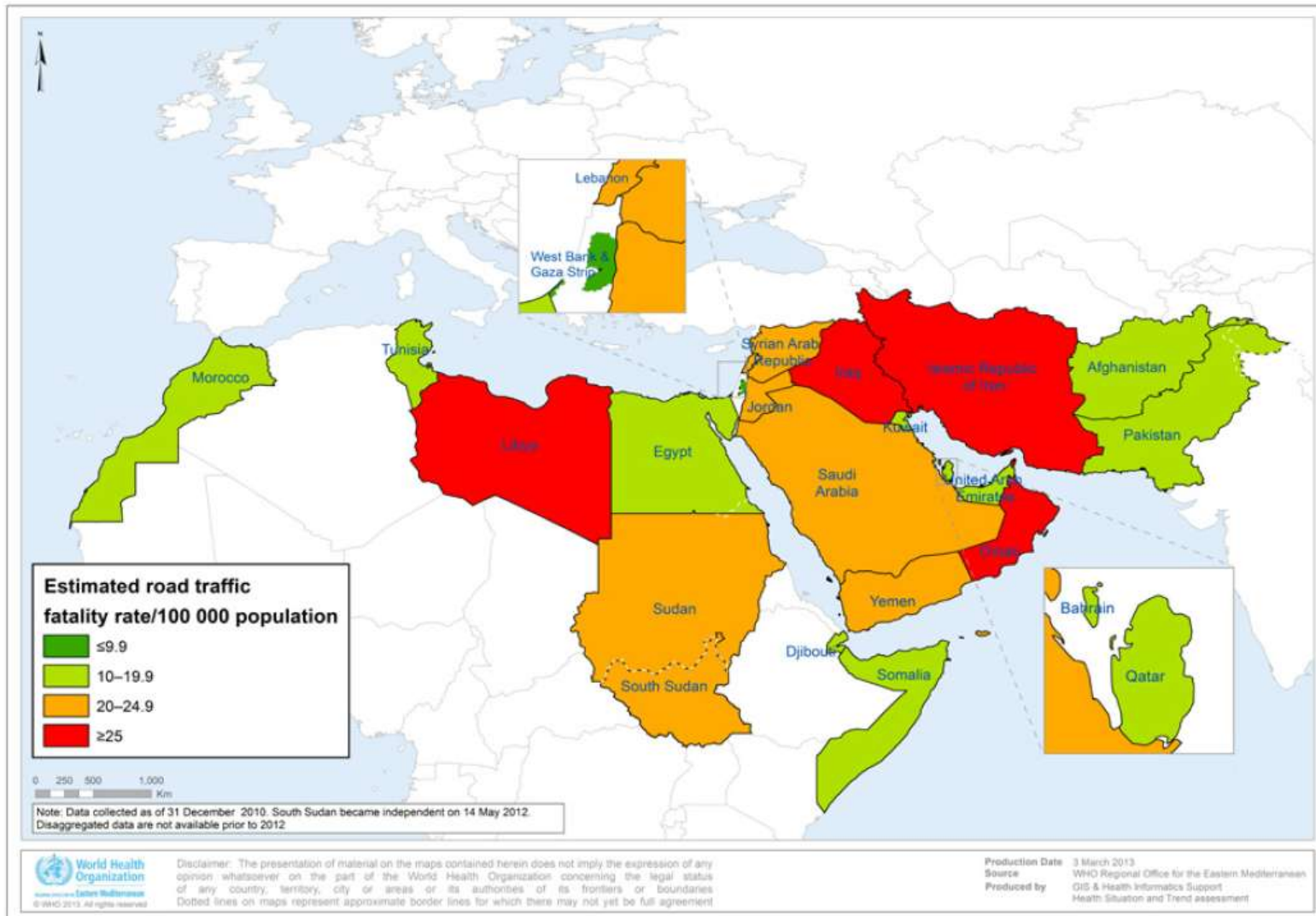


# Half of all deaths are among vulnerable road users





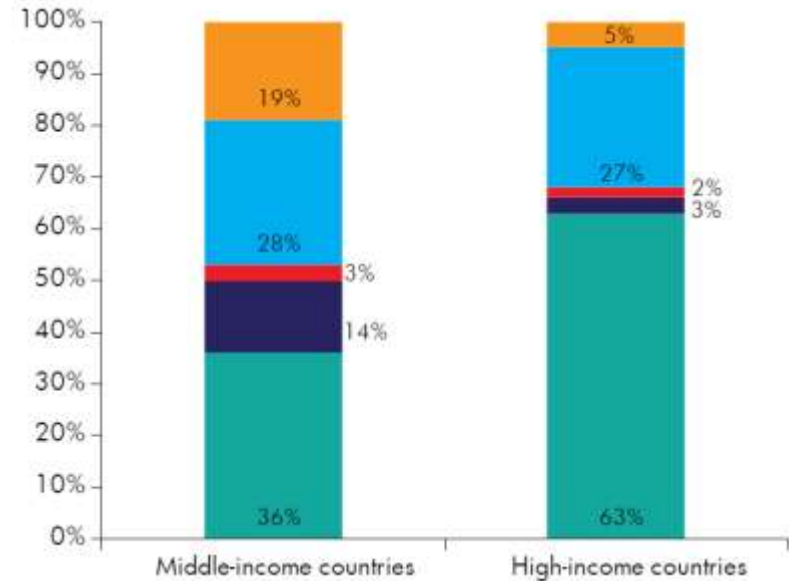
# Eastern Mediterranean Region





## Findings for Eastern Mediterranean Region

- 10% worlds deaths
- Fatality rate 21.3 /100 000 pop (global rate 18.03)
- 45% of fatalities (VRUs) – 28% pedestrian, 14% motorcyclists, 3% cyclists



- Others/unspecified
- Pedestrians
- Cyclists
- Riders of motorized 2 or 3 wheeled vehicles
- Car occupants

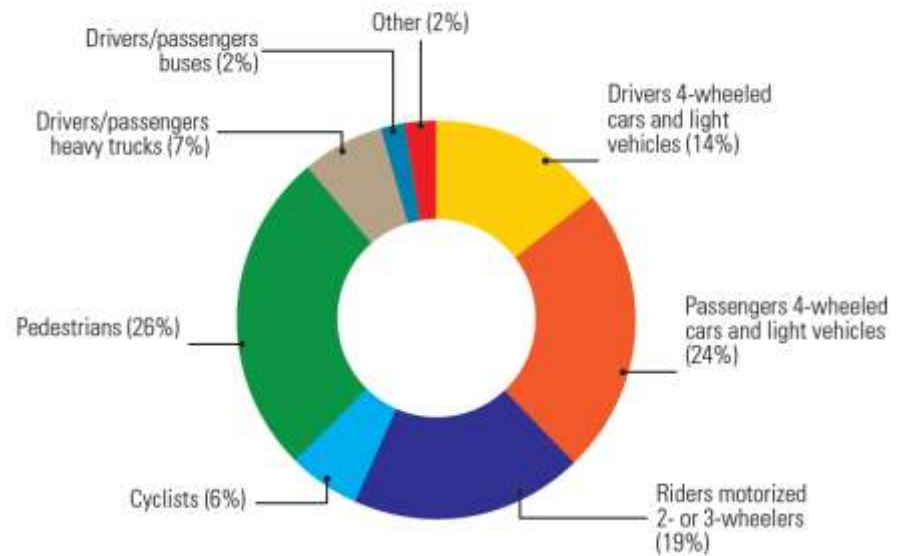




## Morocco

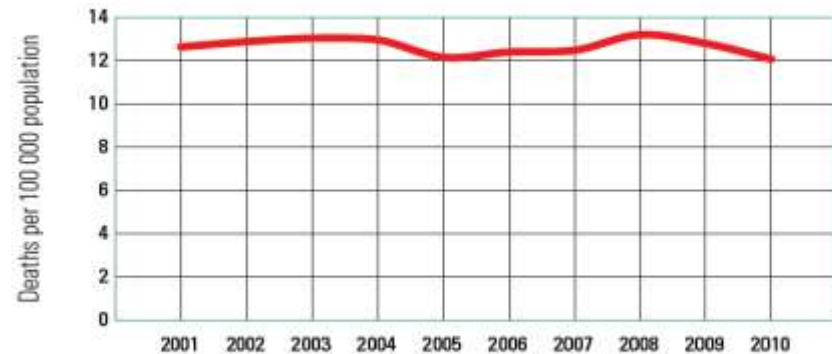
- 51% Vulnerable road users
- Fatality rate (2010) 12 per 100 000 pop – lower than regional rate 21.3
- Decline in fatalities since 2008

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2010, Road Directorate, Ministry of Equipment and Transport.

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS

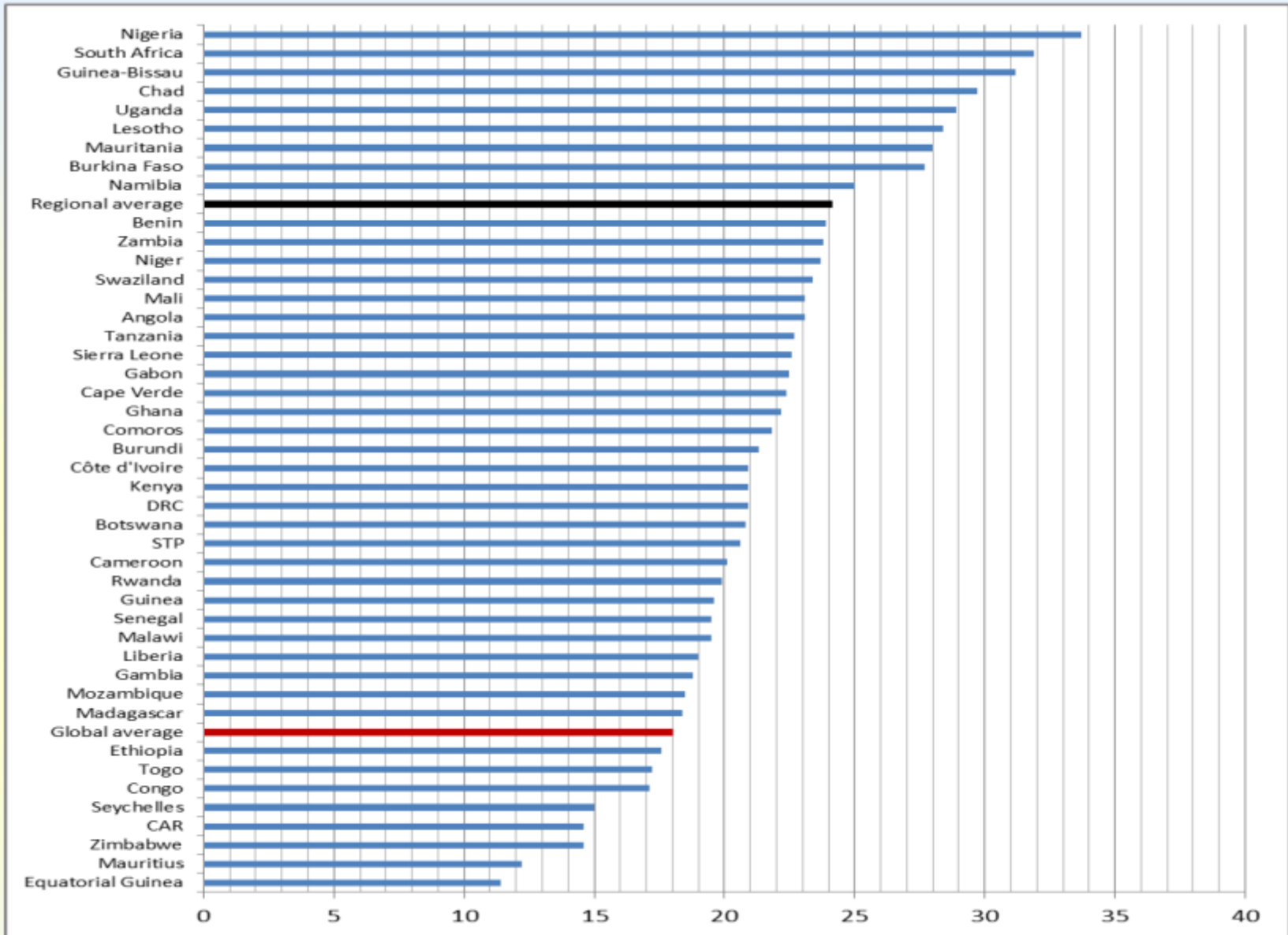


Source: High Commission of Planning, and the Road Directorate, Ministry of Equipment and Transport.





# Africa





# Recommendations

- The pace of legislative change is too slow: increase adoption of comprehensive laws.
- Enforcement of strong road safety laws is essential for success and should be coupled with public awareness.
- Reducing road traffic deaths requires more consideration of the needs of pedestrians, cyclists & motorcyclists.
- Also need to make infrastructure safer, implement crash testing standards, as well as improve post-crash care and road safety databases.

