

# **Comparison of Road Traffic Crash Scenario in Small, Medium and Mega Sized Indian Cities**

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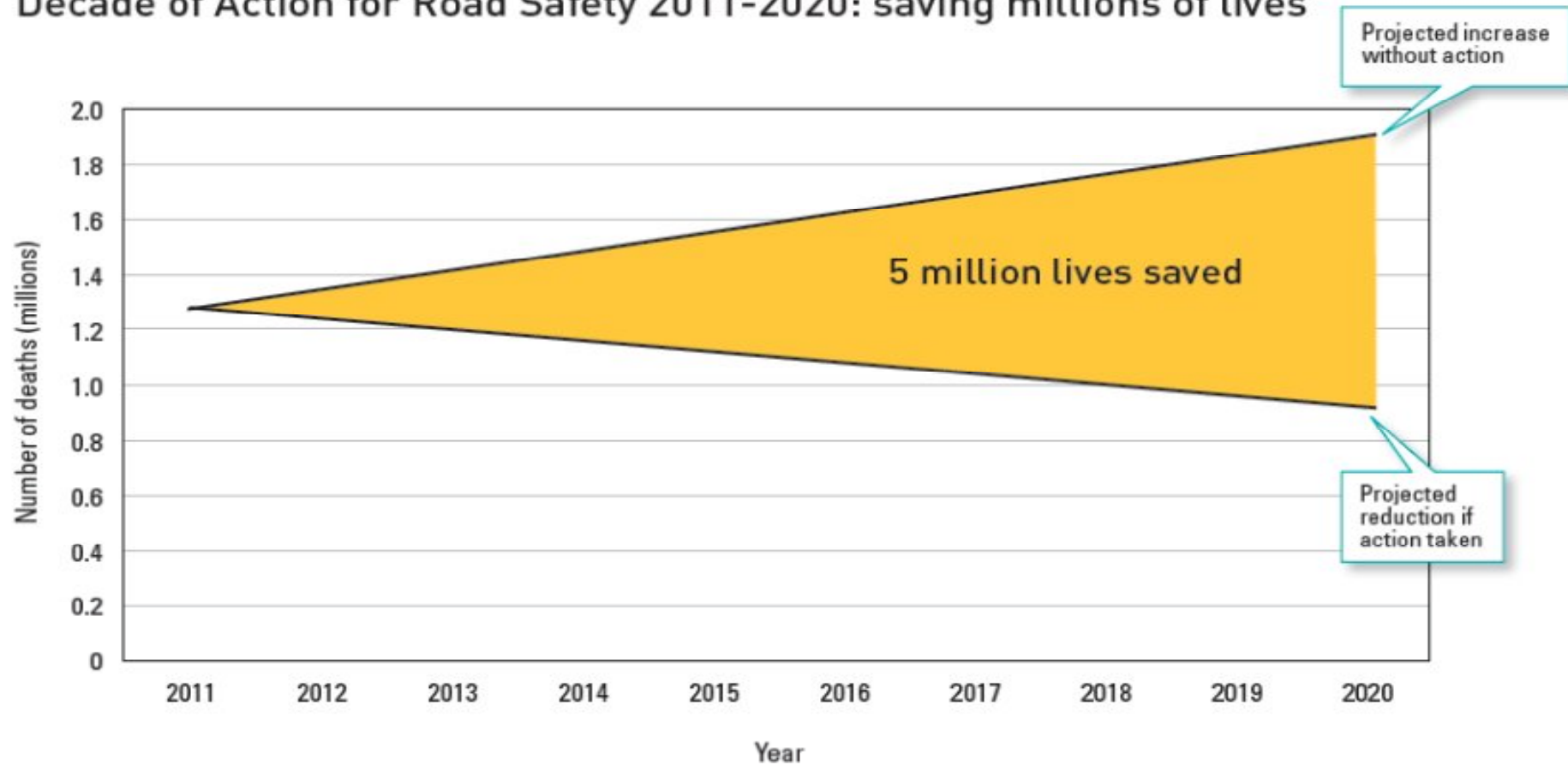
# Introduction

- The road traffic injuries (RTIs) are the eighth leading cause of death in India and the ninth leading cause of overall health loss
- In India 3% of the estimated GDP is lost due to road traffic crashes

# The Goal

The overall goal of the Decade is to stabilize and then reduce the forecast level of road traffic fatalities around the

Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020: saving millions of lives



Reference: *Global Statistics Report on Road Safety 2013.*

# Objectives of the study

- 1) Risk Analysis and assessment of Small Sized Indian cities of Patiala and Rajpura to study the immensity of problem of traffic safety
- 2) Comparison of fatal traffic crash scenario of small, medium and mega sized Indian cities

# Need of the study

- In the Census (2011) there are 7935 urban areas in India and the number has increased by 2774 since 2001 Census
- Detailed studies are available for bigger cities- Mumbai (Mani.A,2013), Delhi (Delhi traffic police, 2014) and for medium size cities of India (Mohan.D .et al, 2015).
- Traffic safety scenarios in small size Indian cities is missing.

# Contd.

- Design amendments and adopting treatment measures are relatively easier in small cities before they become more congested and bigger in size.
- The need of the hour is essentially solving the problems at the root level so that a small city of today does not face the problems faced by the large and medium size Indian cities

# Study Area

## PATIALA

- fourth largest city in the state of Punjab
- administrative capital of Patiala district

As per provisional data of 2011 census :

- Population -446,246
- Literacy-84.39%
- No of police stations:5
- Area-70 km<sup>2</sup>

## RAJPURA

- municipal council in Patiala district
- Coordinates: [30.484°N](#)  
[76.594°E](#)

As per provisional data of 2011 census

- Population-92,301
- Literacy-81%
- No of police stations-2
- Area-25 km<sup>2</sup>



# Data Collection

- According to the Indian Penal code any traffic accident will be reported under one

S.No	Section	Explanation
1	IPC 279	Rash driving or riding on a public way
2	IPC 427	Mischief causing damage to the amount of Rs 50
3	IPC 337	Causing hurt by act endangering life or personal safety of others
4	IPC 327	Voluntarily causing hurt to extort property or to constrain to an illegal act
5	IPC 304A	Causing death by negligence
6	IPC 283	Danger or obstruction in public way or line of navigation
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# Data Collection

- Fatal crash records for 2013, 2014 and 2015
- Rajpura= 61 accidents
- Patiala= 188 accidents
- FIR copies obtained, Coded in accident recording form

# Population and vehicle registration data

Year	Total vehicles registered		MTWs registered	
	<u>Rajpura</u>	Patiala	<u>Rajpura</u>	Patiala
2013	1190	69218	1019	44219
2014	2259	72184	1646	48738
2015	1453	59538	871	59538
<b>Total</b>	<b>4902</b>	<b>200940</b>	<b>3536</b>	<b>152495</b>

	<b>Decadal growth rate</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>19.6%</b>
<b>Males</b>	<b>18.6%</b>
<b>Females</b>	<b>20.8%</b>

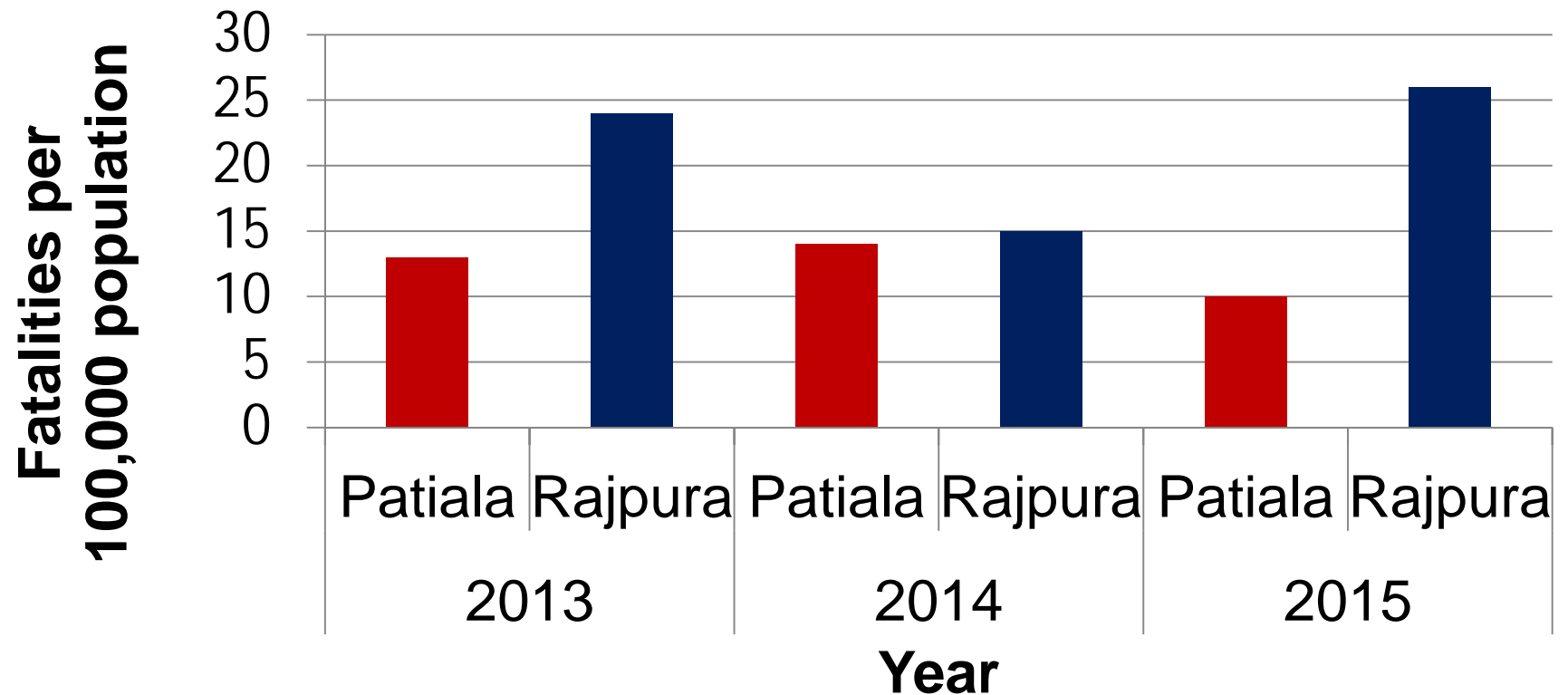
<b>Patiala</b>			
Year	Population	Males	Females
2011	446246	236198	210048
2012	4,55,001	2,40,600	2,13,963
2013	4,63,928	2,45,085	2,17,951
2014	4,73,030	2,49,653	2,22,014
2015	4,82,311	2,54,307	2,26,152
<u>Rajpura</u>			
Year	Population	Males	Females
2011	92301	48340	43961
2012	94,111	49,241	44,874
2013	95,958	50,158	45,806
2014	97,841	51,093	46,757
2015	99,760	52,046	47,728

# Road Safety Indices

- Estimates the size and seriousness of the problem
- **Fatalities per 100,000 population**
  - indicator of personal safety
  - Comparing cities with similar travel patterns
  - Measure of health burden to the society
- **Fatalities per 10,000 vehicle registered per 3 years**
  - measure to estimate risk of motor vehicles involvement in fatal crashes

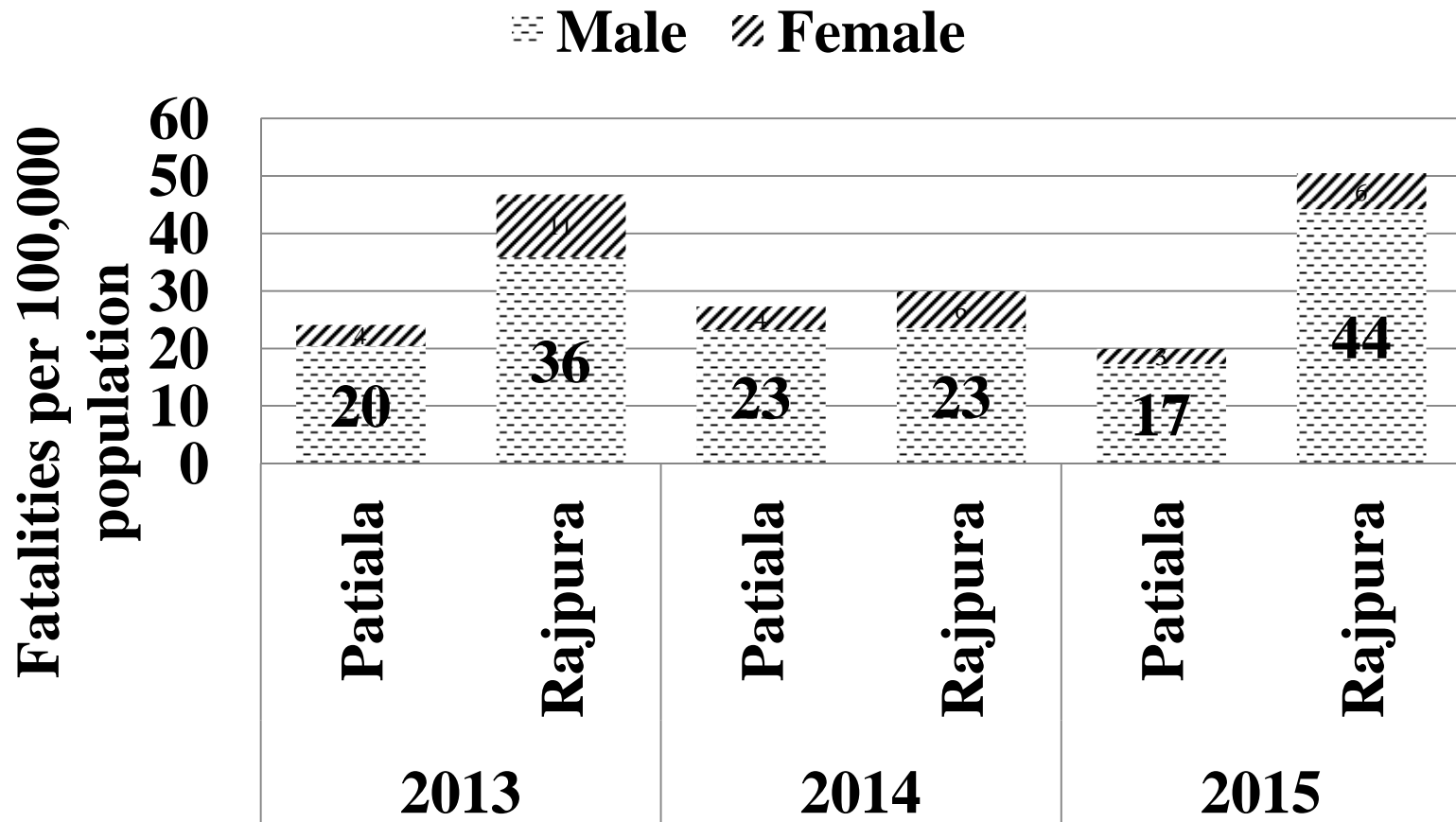
# Risk indices

- Fatalities per 100,000 population
- Measure of personal safety
- Assessment of RTI as health burden for society



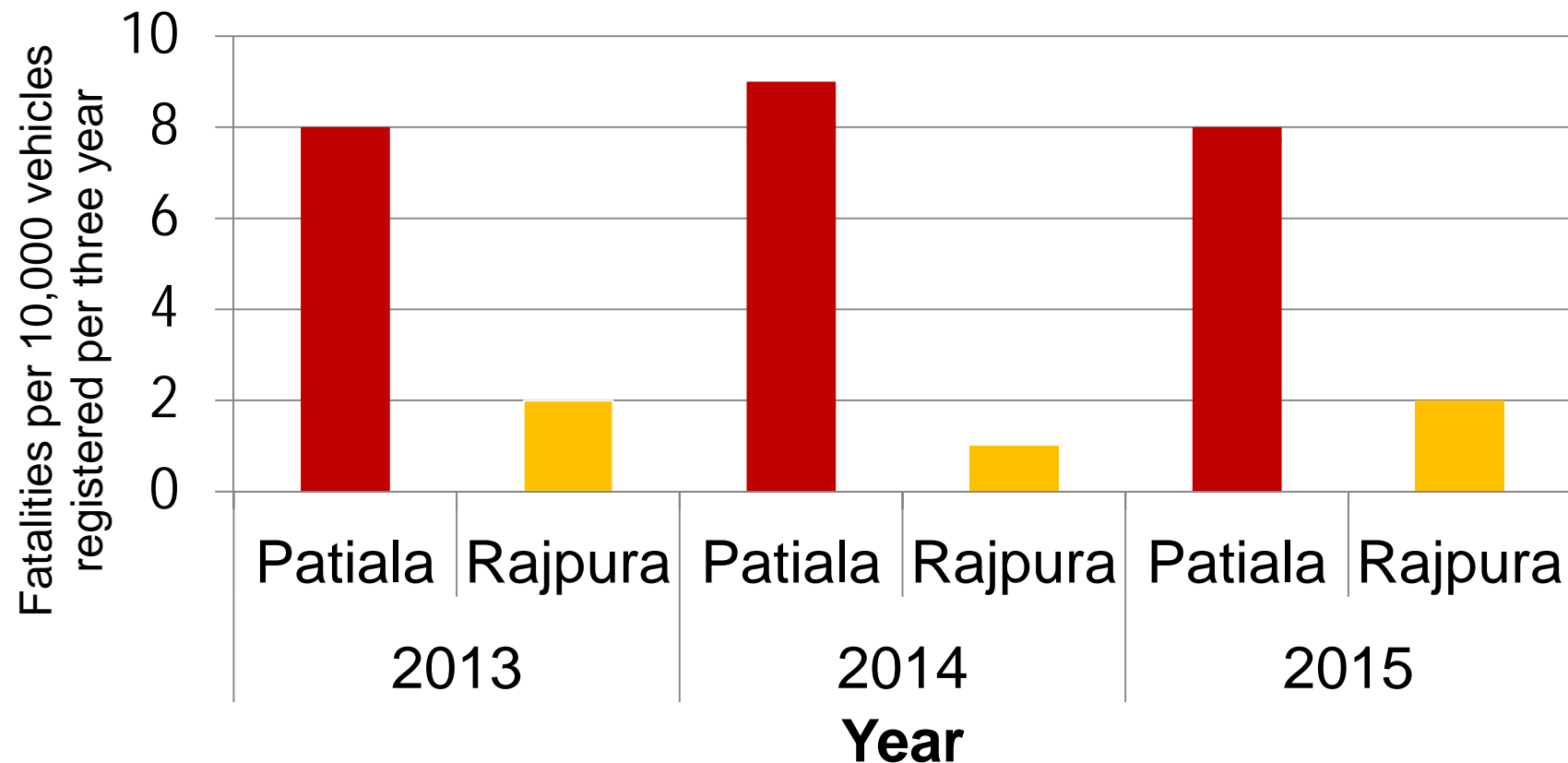
# Fatalities per 100,000 population

- Lower the index better it is for individuals
- Women cities as compared to men



# Fatalities per 10,000 vehicles registered per year

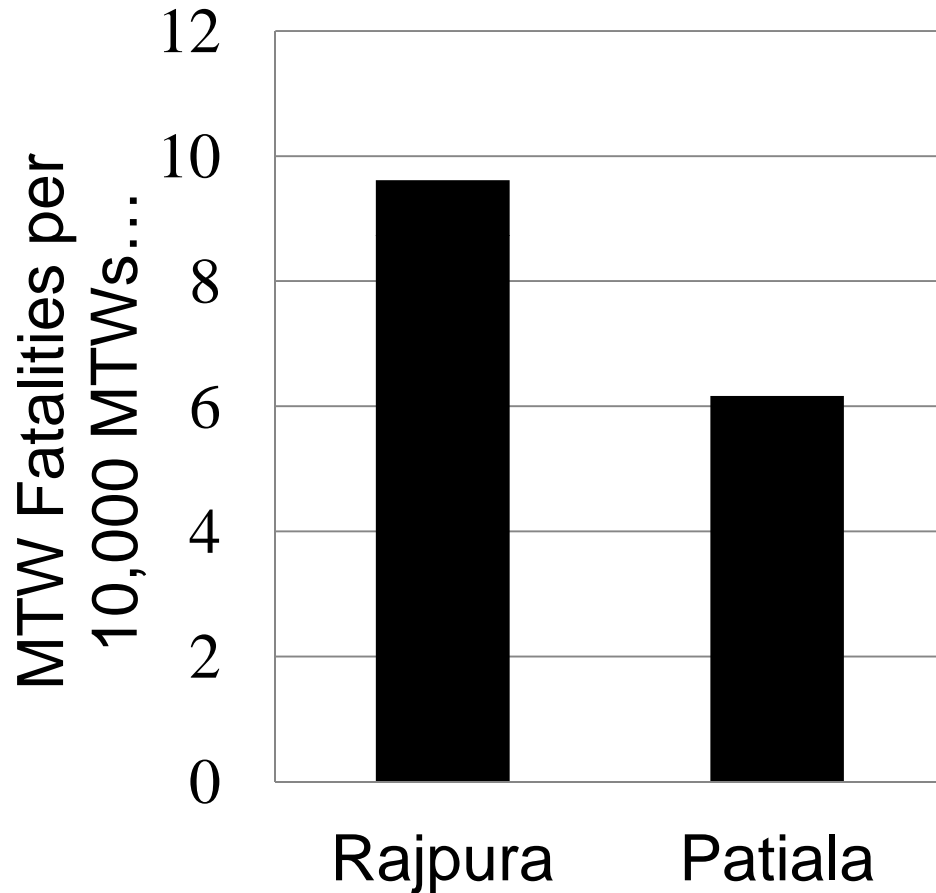
- Measure for comparing risk of involvement of motor vehicles in fatal crashes



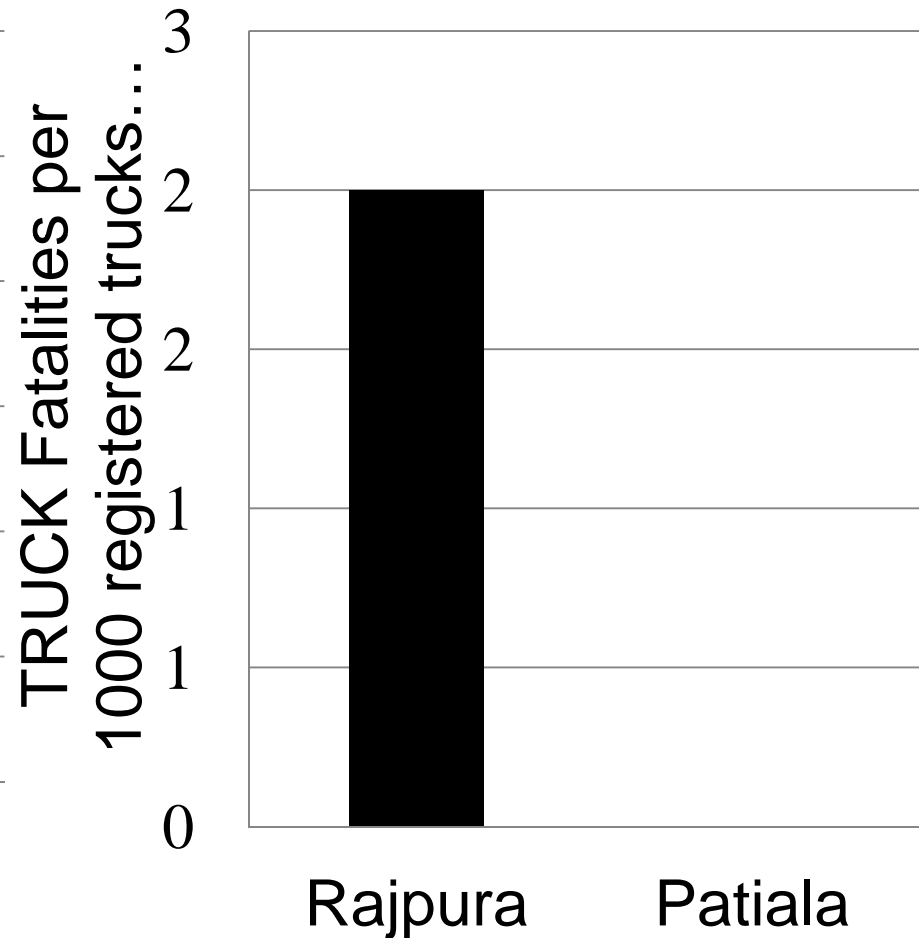


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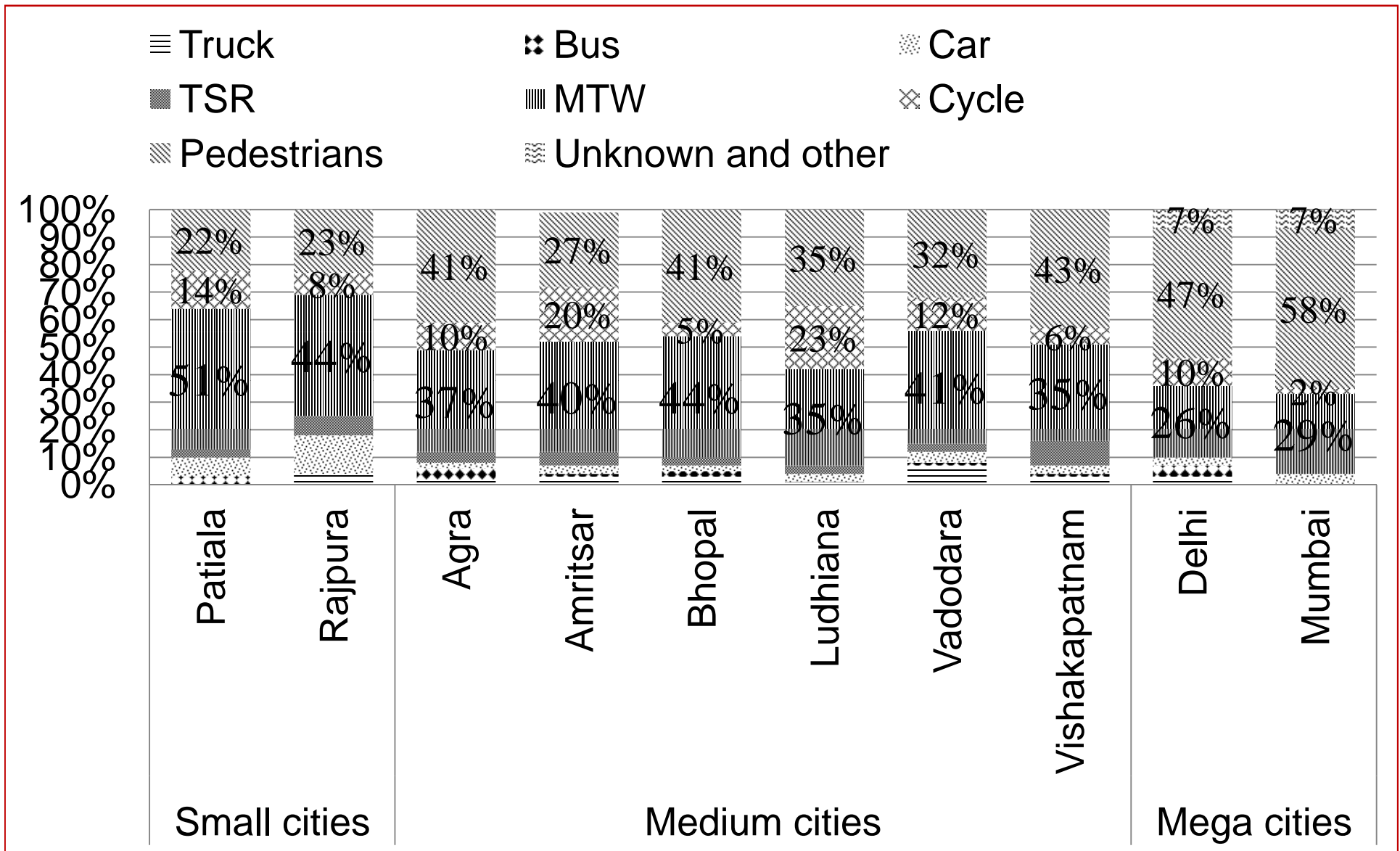
MTW Fatalities per 10,000 MTW s registered



Truck Fatalities per 1000 registered trucks



# Comparison of traffic safety scenario in Small, Medium and Mega sized Indian cities



# CONCLUSIONS

- Risk to personal safety is higher in Rajpura and risk of motor vehicles involvement in fatal crashes is higher in Patiala.
- Rajpura has higher risk of traffic fatalities per 100,000 population
- Women are less prone to risk on personal safety in cities
- Average pedestrian fatalities in mega sized Indian cities is 2 times higher than small cities
- Modal share of MTW occupant fatalities decreases with increasing city size.