

BARBADOS



Population: 273 331
 Income group: High
 Gross national income per capita: US\$ 12 660

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	Traffic Management Committee, Ministry of Transport & Works
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	No
Funding to implement strategy	—
Fatality reduction targets set	—
Fatality reduction target	—

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Formal audits required for new road construction	Yes
Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure	Parts of network
Policies to promote walking or cycling	No
Policies to encourage investment in public transport	No
Policies to separate road users to protect VRUs	No

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles (2010)	133 835
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	108 057
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	2 335
Heavy trucks	5 014
Buses	444
Other	17 985
Vehicle standards applied	
UN World forum on harmonization of vehicles standards	No
New car assessment programme	No
Vehicle regulations	
Front and rear seat-belts required in all new cars	— ^a
Front and rear seat-belts required all imported cars	Yes

^a No car manufacturers/assemblers.

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2010)	20 ^b , 85%M, 15%F
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	—

^b Police records. Defined as death caused by a road traffic crash (unlimited time period).

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



SAFER ROAD USERS

Penalty/demerit point system in place	Yes
National speed limits	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	No
Maximum limit urban roads	40 km/h
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 ④ 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink-driving law	Yes ^c
BAC limit – general population	—
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	—
BAC limit – professional/commercial drivers	—
Random breath testing and/or police checkpoints	— ^d
Enforcement	① 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
Helmet standard mandated	Yes
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	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ⑦ 8 9 10
Seat-belt wearing rate	—
National child restraint law	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 ⑤ 6 7 8 9 10
National law on mobile phones while driving	No
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	—
Law also applies to hands-free mobile phones	—

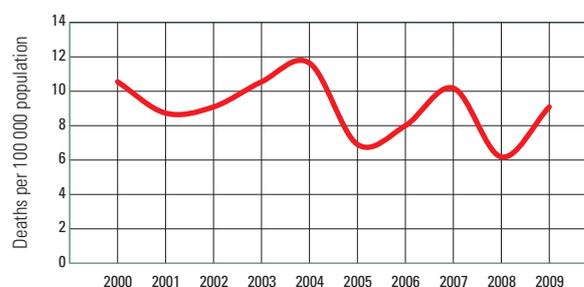
^c Drink-driving not defined by BAC limit.

^d Cases suspected of drink-driving are further investigated.

POST-CRASH CARE

Vital registration system	Yes
Emergency Room based injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone number(s)	Multiple numbers
Seriously injured transported by ambulance	11–49%
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—
Emergency medicine training for doctors	Yes
Emergency medicine training for nurses	No

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: 2009, Royal Barbados Police Force.

Further data on each country can be found in the statistical annex.