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Income group: Middle
Gross national income per capita: US$ 4,700

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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               50 km/h
Enforcement          0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

National drink–driving law
BAC limit – general population            0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers      0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – professional/commercial drivers 0.08 g/dl
Random breath testing and/or police checkpoints Yes
Enforcement          0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol        2%

National motorcycle helmet law
Applies to drivers and passengers          Yes
Helmet standard mandated                   Yes
Helmet wearing rate                   0% 6% Drivers* 5% Passengers*

National seat-belt law
Applies to front and rear seat occupants    Yes
Seat-belt wearing rate                     0% 44% Front seats* 4% Rear seats*

National child restraint law
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use     —
Law also applies to hands-free mobile phones   —

POST-CRASH CARE

Vital registration system               Yes
Emergency Road based injury surveillance system Yes
Emergency access telephone number(s)     Multiple numbers
Seriously injured transported by ambulance      ≤10%
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash     —
Emergency medicine training for doctors     Yes
Emergency medicine training for nurses       Yes

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

Deaths per 100,000 population

Drivers/passengers buses (4%)
Drivers/passengers heavy trucks (2%)
Pedestrians (36%)
Cyclists (8%)
Riders motorized 2- or 3-wheelers (14%)
Drivers 4-wheeled cars and light vehicles (18%)
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