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3rd Driving Licence Directive



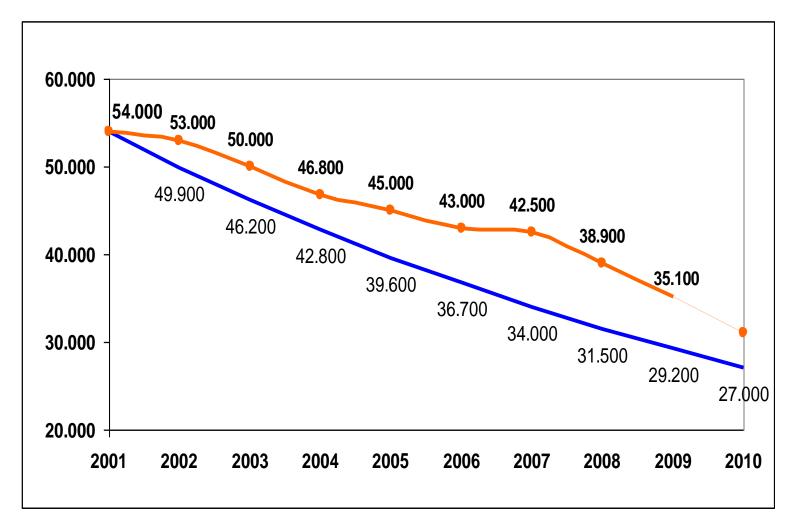


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European Road Safety Action Programme (2001-2010)

- ➤ Halving the number of victims by 2010
- > A shared responsibility
- > 62 measures

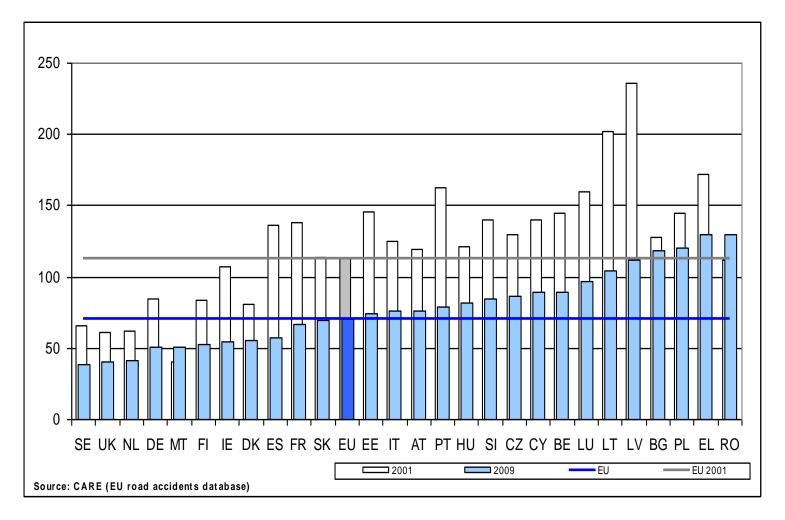
Fatalities – evolution 2001-2010







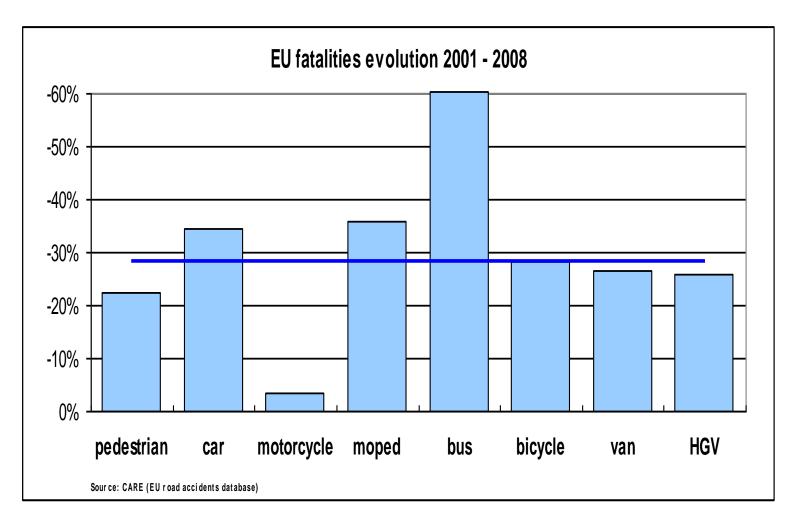
Fatalities by population 2001 - 2009







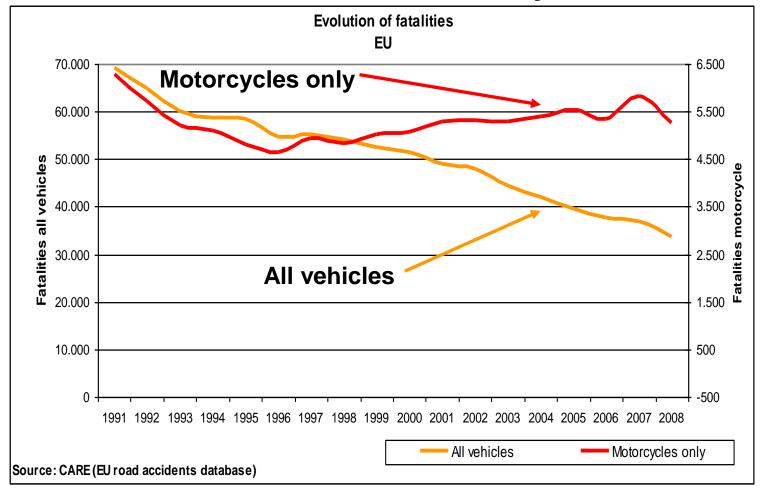
Contrasted progress by transport mode



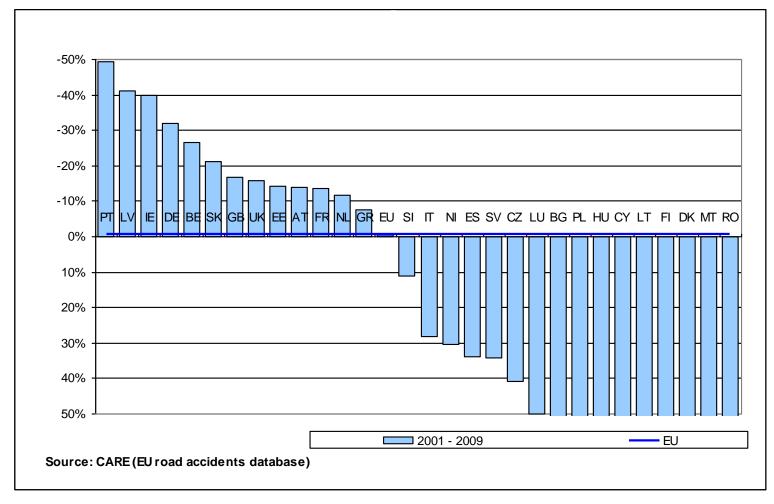


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Fatalities evolution: all vehicles & motorcycles



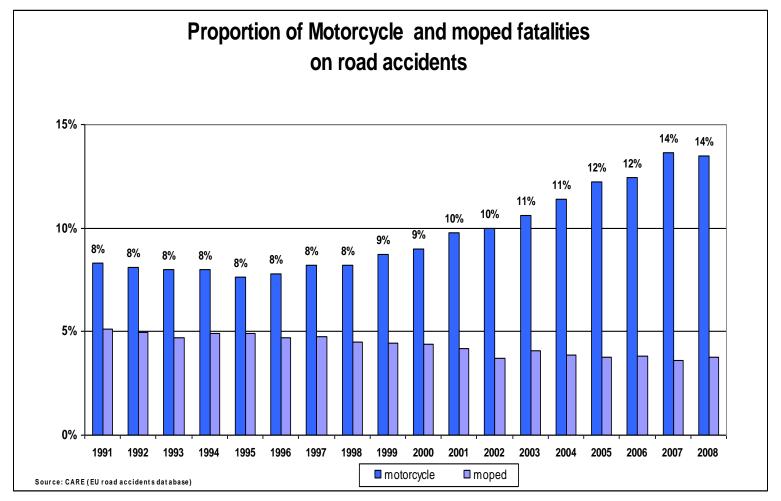
Contrasted progress by Country Motorcyclists





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Contrasted progress by Country Motorcyclists



Why an EU legislation on driving licences?

- Free movement of citizens
 - >> mutual recognition of driving licences
- Road safety
 - training and testing before driving

Driving licences: Evolution of EU legal framework

2nd Directive (91/439)

- Choice between paper/plastic models
- Microchip not allowed
- MS to take steps to avoid forgery of driving licences
- Validity periods left to MS
- Distinction between optional and harmonised categories of driving licences
- Medical check when issued, afterwards intervals left to MS (Group 2)

3rd Directive (2006/126)

- Uniform EU model
- Possibility to introduce microchip
- Strengthened anti-forgery measures (physical security of licences)
- Harmonisation of validity periods (e.g. 5/ 10 to 15 years)
- Further harmonisation, new categories of driving licences (AM, A2...)
- Medical checks at every renewal of driving licence (Group 2)

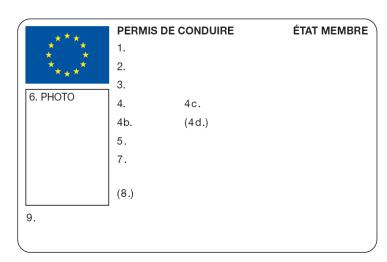


The new driving licence model

The most visible part of it:



From 110 models...



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3DLD: changes concerning PTWs

- Introduction of a new driving licence category (AM) for mopeds
- A new category A2 with new technical characteristics
- Introduction of a power/weight criterion for A1/A2
- Reinforcing the principle of progressive access to the most powerful motorcycles





General overview of mopeds and motorcycles categories

2DLD

| Category | Mopeds (national rules) | A1 (optional) | A restricted | A |
|----------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Criteria | • ≤ 45 km/h • and/or ≤ 50 cm³ | • ≤ 11 kW • and ≤ 125 cm³ | • ≤ 25 kW • or p/w ratio ≤ 0.16 kW/kg | No restriction |

| Category | AM "mopeds" | A1 | A2 | A |
|----------|----------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Criteria | • ≤ 45 km/h • and/or ≤ 50 cm³ | • ≤ 11 kW • and ≤ 125 cm • and p/w ratio ≤ 0.1 kW/kg | ≤ 35 kW and p/w ratio ≤ 0.2 kW/kg and not derived from a vehicle of more than double its power (e.g. no more than 70 kW for a 35 kW motorcycle) | • No restriction |

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New EU rules on progressive access to PTWs

| PTW category | Direct access | Progressive access (moving from previous category to next category) |
|--------------|--|--|
| AM | Theory test (16 years old) | None |
| A1 | Theory and practical test (16 years old) | None |
| A2 | Theory and practical test (18 years old) | 2 y. experience on A1 + Practical test or min. 7 hours training |
| A | Theory and practical test (24 years old) | 2 y. experience on A2 + Practical test or min. 7 hours training (20 years old) |





Implementation of 3DLD: Key Dates

| 19.1.2007 | « Entry into force » of Directive 2006/126/EC: some provisions may already be applied |
|-----------|--|
| | e.g. optional category B1 for quads |
| 19.1.2009 | Application of several provisions of the Directive |
| | e.g: Annex III on fitness to drive |
| 19.1.2011 | Date of transposition of several provisions of the Directive |
| | e.g : transposition of Annex VI on progressive access |
| 19.1.2013 | Full implementation of the Directive |
| | e.g. new driving licence categories (AM, A2) |
| 19.1.2033 | All driving licences issued or in circulation fulfil all the requirements of the Directive |



Topics for long-term evolution of training and licensing policies

- A wider approach : Long life education and training
- Develop pre-licence training for novice drivers
- Improve driving licence test (independent driving...)
- Specific issues for PTWs: initial rider training, improved perception by other users...
- Minimum criteria for instructors
- Fitness to drive: new areas: sleepiness diseases, drugs, medicines...
- Strengthened enforcement: max. alcohol limits, probation periods, demerit point systems...
- Impact of societal/technological developments: electric cars, minicars, ITS...

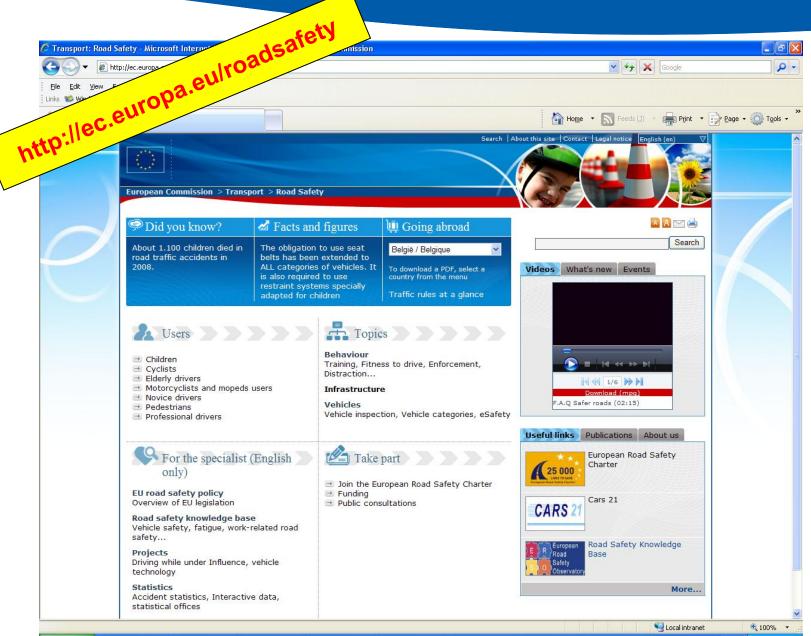








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