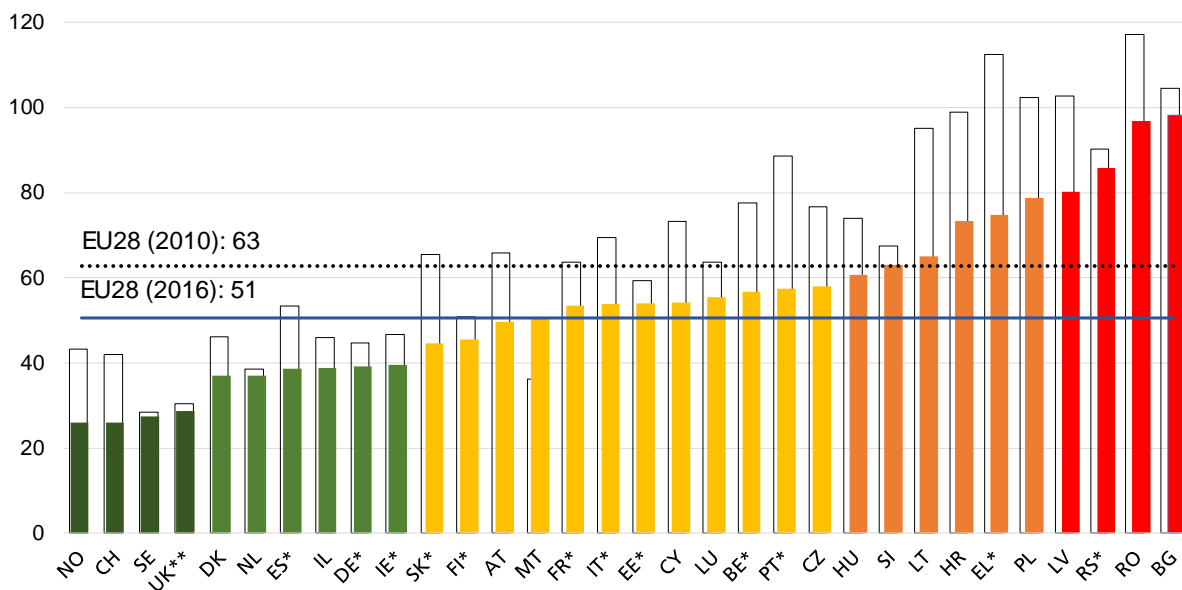




ETSC PIN report: Significant efforts are urgently needed

The number of road deaths has declined by just 1% since 2013:

Since 2014, progress has virtually ground to a halt. 2016 was the third consecutive poor year for road safety: 25,670 people lost their lives on EU roads compared to 26,200 the previous year - a 2% decrease. But this followed a 1% increase in 2015 and stagnation in 2014.

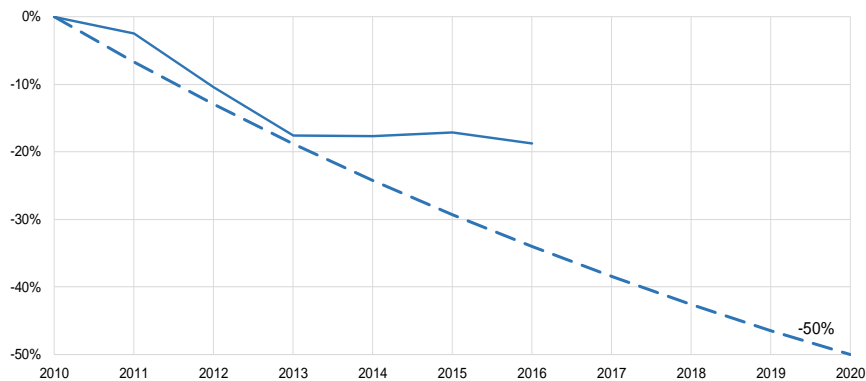


Graph 1: Road mortality (expressed in road deaths per million inhabitants) in 2016 (with road mortality in 2010 for comparison).

Annual reductions of 11.4% each year are now needed between 2017 and 2020 for the EU to stay on track. Significant and urgent efforts are needed to achieve this.

EU transport ministers recently urged the European Commission to come forward with a serious injury reduction target to cover the period 2020-2030.

FEVR agrees with ETSC and other stakeholders that it is now critical that the European Commission bring forward the above initiatives and a long term road safety strategy for 2030 within the coming months.



Graph2: self explaining

The monetary value of the human losses avoided by preventing one road fatality is estimated by ETSC to be €2.02 million.

Some of the ETSC Recommendations to member states:

- Streamline the emergency response chain and increase quality of trauma management in order to mitigate collision consequences more effectively.
- Set national targets for reducing serious injuries based on MAIS3+ alongside the reduction of road deaths.
- Include serious injuries in the impact assessment of countermeasures.
- Seek to reach targets by all available means, including applying proven enforcement strategies according to the EC Recommendation on enforcement.

Some ETSC Key recommendations to EU institutions:

- Adopt a fully-fledged road safety strategy for 2030, including measures to tackle serious injuries against which delivery can be made accountable.
- Adopt a target to reduce by 50% between 2020 and 2030 the number of people seriously injured based on MAIS3+ as requested by the EU Transport Ministers.
- Mandate Event Data Recorders in all new vehicles.
- Involve all relevant directorates general, in particular DG Health and Food Safety (SANTE), in identifying preventive measures.
- Treat road injuries and deaths as a public health problem as well as a mobility issue.