

Powered two-wheleers (PTWs*) in LMICs

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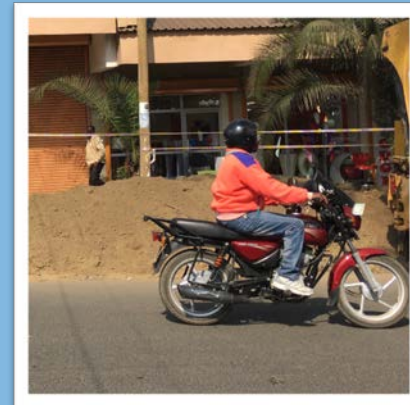
Powered two-wheleers (PTWs*) in LMICs

The PTW* (Moped, Light Motorcycle and Motorcycle) fleet is growing rapidly in most parts of the world.

770 million, 90% in LMICs (WHO 2018)

PTWs* are becoming one of the main means of transporting both people and goods and are attracting an increasingly varied user population (WHO 2017)

PTWs* are used for commercial scope (MotoTaxi-Okada-Bodaboda)



PTWs* in LMICs....Plus and Minus aspects

Positive aspects of PTWs

Easy access and affordable

Easy to use and maintain

Provide employment

Used as public transport in rural areas

Saving time in congested traffic



PTWs* in LMICs....Plus and Minus aspects



Negative aspects of PTWs

Crashes, fatalities and injuries

Risk factor:

Non-use or use of low-standard helmets

Other risk-taking behaviours:

Drinking and driving

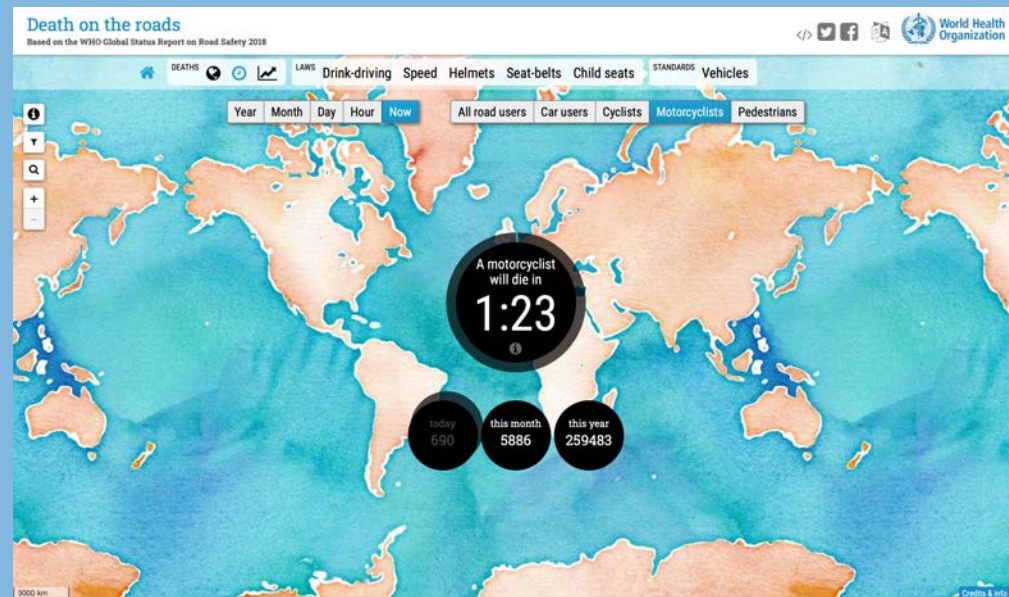
Mobile phone use while riding

Overspeeding and braking errors

Rider's age and level of experience

A motorcyclist dies every 1:23 minute

Death on the roads
(WHO 2018)



'Ajali haina kinga'

Accidents have no prevention
(Lamont 2012)



New data...

Helmet wearing rate (WHO 2018)

Nigeria

Population: 185 989 632 | Income group: Middle | Gross national income per capita: US\$ 2 450



INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	Federal Road Safety Corps
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Fully funded
Fatality reduction target	25% Annually (2014-2018)

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Audits or star rating required for new road infrastructure	Yes
Design standards for the safety of pedestrians / cyclists	Partial
Inspections / star rating of existing roads	Yes
Investments to upgrade high risk locations	Yes
Policies & investment in urban public transport	Yes

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles for 2016	11 733 425
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	6 732 639
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	1 302 410
Heavy trucks*	1 325 877
Buses	2 372 499
Other	—
Vehicle standards applied (UNECE WP.29)	
Frontal impact standard	No
Electronic stability control	No
Pedestrian protection	No
Motorcycle anti-lock braking system	No

POST-CRASH CARE

National emergency care access number	National, single number
Trauma registry	Some facilities
Formal certification for prehospital providers	Yes
National assessment of emergency care systems	No

DATA

Reported road traffic fatalities (2016)	5 053 ^a (79% M, 21% F)
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities (2016)	39 802 (95% CI 32 076 - 47 529)
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population (2016)	21.4

^a All trucks included
^b Federal Road Safety Corps. Died within 30 days of crash

SAFER ROAD USERS

National speed limit law	Yes
Max urban speed limit	50 km/h
Max rural speed limit	80 km/h
Max motorway speed limit	100 km/h
Local authorities can modify limits	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 ④ 7 8 9 10
Predominant type of enforcement	Manual
National drink-driving law	
BAC limit – general population	≤ 0.05 ^a
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	≤ 0.002 ^a
Random breath testing carried out	Yes
Testing carried out in case of fatal crash	No
Enforcement	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 fastening required	Yes
Helmet standard referred to and/or specified	Yes
Children passengers on motorcycles	Not restricted
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 ④ 5 6 7 8 9 10
Helmet wearing rate	—

National seat-belt law	
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	
Children seated in front seat	Prohibited under 7 yrs
Child restraint required	Up to 7 yrs
Child restraint standard referred to and/or specified	No
Enforcement	0 1 2 ③ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% children using child restraints	—

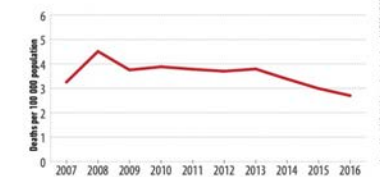
National law on mobile phone use while driving	
Ban on hand-held mobile phone use	Yes
Ban on hands-free mobile phone use	Yes
National drug-driving law	
Enforcement	Yes

^a The legislation, as amended in 2016, refers to an alcohol legal limit of "0.05" for the general population but does not specify the unit to consider
^b The legislation, as amended in 2016, refers to an alcohol legal limit of "0.002" for young or novice drivers but does not specify the unit to consider
^c 2016, Federal Road Safety Corps

Deaths by road user category



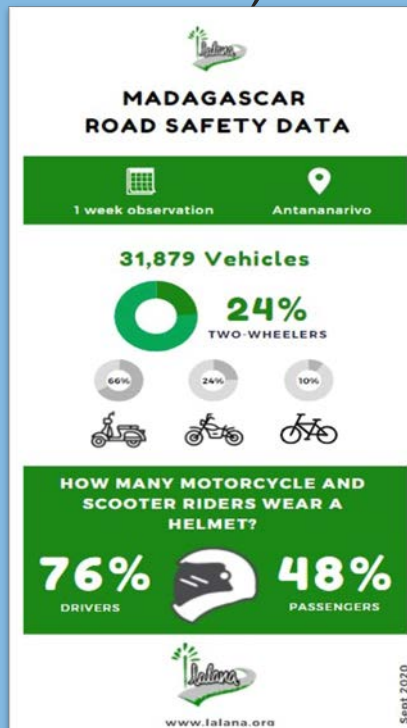
Trends in reported road traffic deaths



Source: Federal Road Safety Corps

New data...

Helmet wearing rate (WHO 2018)



Patterns of motorcycle helmet use – A naturalistic observation study in Myanmar



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Disparity of motorcycle helmet use in Nepal – Weak law enforcement or riders' reluctance?

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New data...

Helmet wearing rate (WHO 2018)

Knowledge, attitudes, and practices of helmet use (Bachani et al. 2013)

Knowledge, attitudes of rider behaviour (Perego & Biassoni 2016)

Bodaboda drivers' behaviour

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Abstract In Tanzania between 2006 and 2014, the number of motorcycle riders in Tanzania. This is why researchers and road

Motorcycle helmet use – comparing self-reported and observational data

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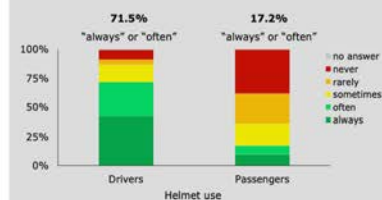
Introduction

- Motorcycle helmet use can decrease the risk of fatal injuries in case of a crash by 42% (Liu et al., 2004)
- Despite this, only 40% of countries have data on motorcycle helmet use (World Health Organization, 2015)
- Helmet use data is often collected through road-side observations, which are labor-intensive and costly (Eby, 2011)
- Questionnaires are an efficient way to collect helmet use data, but their validity is disputed (Bachani et al., 2013)
- Although motorcyclists represented the highest share (33%) of the road related fatalities in Tanzania in 2015, the country does not regularly collect helmet use data (Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of Finance & Planning Tanzania, 2016)
- We investigated if self-reported helmet use data is comparable to observed helmet use in **Arusha, Tanzania**

Questionnaire

N = 513 motorcycle drivers (98.2% ♂)
Questionnaire survey handed out to drivers

"Do you use a motorcycle helmet?"
"Do your passengers use a motorcycle helmet?"



Observation

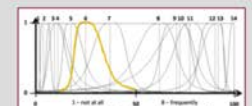
N = 2922 motorcycle drivers (99% ♂)
N = 1122 motorcycle passengers (83.3% ♂)

Helmet use observed in traffic and coded with BORIS (Friard, & Gamba, 2016)



Discussion

- Self-reported motorcycle helmet use was **lower** than helmet use observed in traffic
- Difference is larger for passenger helmet use (rated by drivers)
- Surprising result in light of earlier studies (Bachani et al., 2013), where self-reported helmet use was higher than observed helmet use



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Knowledge, attitudes of rider behaviour (Perego & Biassoni 2016)

Motorcycle Rider Behaviour Questionnaire (MRBQ) (Elliot et al. 2007)



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Errors and violations in relation to motorcyclists' crash risk

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Abstract

This study was conducted to: (a) develop a questionnaire that reliably measures the behaviour of motorcyclists and (b) test which types of behaviour predict motorcyclists' crash risk. A Motorcycle Rider Behaviour Questionnaire (MRBQ), consisting of 43 items to measure the self-reported frequency of specific riding behaviours, was developed and administered to a sample of motorcyclists ($N=8666$). Principal components analysis revealed a 5-factor solution (traffic errors, control errors, speed violations, performance of stunts and use of safety equipment). Generalised linear modelling showed that, while controlling for the effects of age, experience and annual mileage, traffic errors were the main predictors of crash risk. For crashes in which respondents accepted some degree of blame, control errors and speed violations were also significant predictors of crash risk. Implications of the findings are discussed in relation to deciding which countermeasures may be most effective at reducing motorcycle casualty rates. © 2006 Mark A. Elliott. Published by Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.

Keywords: Motorcycle Rider Behaviour Questionnaire (MRBQ); Errors; Violations; Motorcycle; Crash risk

The rider behavior questionnaire to explore associations of motorcycle taxi crashes in Cartagena (Colombia)

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ABSTRACT

Objective: This study aimed to identify the association between behavioral factors and crashes of motorcycle taxi riders using the Motorcycle Rider Behavior Questionnaire (MRBQ).

Methods: This study was a cross-sectional survey of motorcycle taxi riders in Cartagena. The MRBQ was adapted to the socio-cultural context and contained 45 items. The survey was conducted between February 2019 and May 2019. The items of the MRBQ were processed using factor analysis. Four logistic regression models were used to analyze the association between behavioral factors and aspects of demographics, operating conditions, and experiencing near-crashes, crashes, traffic tickets, and at-fault crashes.

Results: Four hundred and thirty-eight motorcyclists participated. The exploratory factor analysis extracted five elements: stunts, speed violations, traffic errors, control errors, and safety, explaining 42% of the variance. The increase in riding per week showed significant differences with stunts, speed violations, and traffic errors. Riding experiences, traffic errors, control errors, and safety were significantly associated with crashes and near-crashes. Stunts were the strongest factors related to traffic tickets. Speed violations were the strongest factors associated with at-fault accidents.

Conclusions: The study showed recent results considering behavioral, exposure, and operational conditions in a group of motorcycle taxi riders. The study recommends some practical implications

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Population: 14 452 543 | Income group: Low | Gross national income per capita: US\$ 720



INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK		SAFER ROAD USERS	
Lead agency	Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Civil Aviation	National speed limit law	Yes
Funded in national budget	Yes	Max urban speed limit	60 km/h
National road safety strategy	Yes	Max rural speed limit	110 km/h
Funding to implement strategy	Partially funded	Max motorway speed limit	No
Fatality reduction target	From 4.4% to 2% (by 2018)	Local authorities can modify limits	Yes
SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY		Enforcement	0 1 2 ③ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Audits or star rating required for new road infrastructure	Yes	Predominant type of enforcement	—
Design standards for the safety of pedestrians / cyclists	Yes	National drink-driving law	Yes
Inspections / star rating of existing roads	No	BAC limit – general population	≤ 0.08 g/dl
Investments to upgrade high risk locations	Yes	BAC limit – young or novice drivers	≤ 0.08 g/dl
Policies & investment in urban public transport	No	Random breath testing carried out	No
SAFER VEHICLES		Testing carried out in case of fatal crash	No
Total registered vehicles for 2014	1 124 000	Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 ⑤ 6 7 8 9 10
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	—	% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	—
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	—	National motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Heavy trucks	—	Applies to drivers and passengers	Yes
Buses	—	Helmet fastening required	No
Other	—	Helmet standard referred to and/or specified	No
Vehicle standards applied (UNECE WP29)		Children passengers on motorcycles	Prohibited under 5 yrs
Frontal impact standard	No	Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 ⑤ 6 7 8 9 10
Electronic stability control	No	Helmet wearing rate	—
Pedestrian protection	No	National seat-belt law	Yes
Motorcycle anti-lock braking system	No	Applies to front and rear seat occupants	No
POST-CRASH CARE		Enforcement	0 1 2 3 ④ 5 6 7 8 9 10
National emergency care access number	—	Seat-belt wearing rate	—
Trauma registry	Some facilities	National child restraint law	No
Formal certification for prehospital providers	Yes	Children seated in front seat	Not restricted
National assessment of emergency care systems	No	Child restraint required	—
DATA		Child restraint standard referred to and/or specified	—
Reported road traffic fatalities (2016)	1 122 (96% M, 4% F)*	Enforcement	—
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities (2016)	3 990 (95% CI 3 110 - 4 870)	% children using child restraints	—
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population (2016)	27.6	National law on mobile phone use while driving	Yes
* Police Report and Hospital Register: From Jan-Oct 2016. Died within 7 days of crash		Ban on hand-held mobile phone use	Yes
		Ban on hands-free mobile phone use	Yes
		National drug-driving law	No

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...and with new data...

Specific laws

Specific enforcement

Specific education:

driving licence curriculum

training of trainers

driving test reliable and effective



Thank you

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