

Background note on Global Road Safety

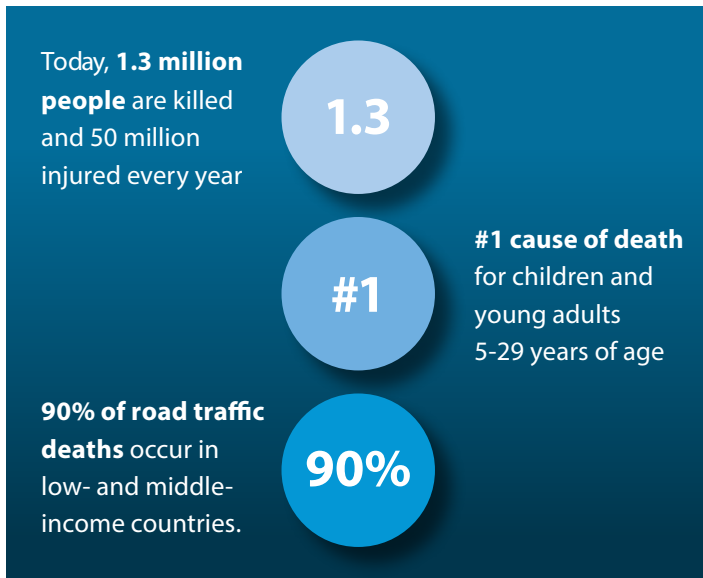


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The Global Burden of Road Traffic Deaths

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UN General Assembly Resolutions on Improving Global Road Safety

On 31 August 2020, the UNGA Resolution on Improving Global Road Safety ([A/RES/74/299](#)) was adopted by Member States (MSs), calling for a second Decade of Action for Road Safety, setting a new target to halve deaths and injuries by 2030, and deciding to convene a high-level meeting by 2022.

Below are additional key calls of action by the Resolution A/RES/74/299:

- Encourages support for the UN Road Safety Fund (UNRSF);
- Invites to support the activities of the Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety as well as the extension of the Special Envoy's function through 2030;
- Reaffirms the importance of the UN legal instruments on road safety, administered by UNECE;
- Invites Member States to further invest in road safety at all levels, including by allocating dedicated budgets for institutional and infrastructural improvements for road safety;
- Requests the World Health Organization and the UN regional commissions, as well as other relevant UN agencies, to continue activities aimed at supporting the implementation of the road safety-related targets in the 2030 Agenda, while ensuring system-wide coherence.

More recently, on 30 June-1 July 2022, following the Resolution on the Scope, modalities, format and organization of the High-Level Meeting on Improving Global Road Safety - HLM ([A/RES/75/308](#)), the first-ever HLM took place in New York under the theme '2030 Horizon for Road Safety: Securing a Decade of Action and Delivery'. Convened by the President of the General Assembly, it focused on national and global commitments for road safety. A political declaration was adopted and called for a second High-Level Meeting in 2026.



11 UNGA Resolutions on road safety since 2003

1st HLM
on Improving
Global Road Safety
in New York,
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