

Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Road Safety Policy in Georgia







National Road Safety Strategy

Elaboration of the Road Safety Strategy: 2013 – 2015

Main Objective: "Roads free from deaths and serious injuries"

Financier: World Bank - Fourth East West Highway Improvement Project (EWHIP-IV)

Beneficiary: 6 state agencies

Adoption of the Strategy: By the Ordinance #1389 of the Government of Georgia of 11 July 2016

Main issues envisaged by the Strategy:

- Analysis of the existing situation identification of main road safety problems and their the possible solutions;
- <u>Long-term goals</u> for Georgia's Road Safety;
- Defining common responsibility of state agencies on road safety and the <u>lead agency (Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia)</u>;
- Creation of the <u>Inter-Agency Commission and Working Group;</u>
- Elaboration of annual <u>action plans</u> and their adoption at national level.

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National Road Safety Action Plan

Inter-Agency Commission and Working Group elaborate **annual action plans** that are adopted by **the ordinance of the Government** to improve road safety performance in the country and implement the provisions of the National Strategy:

> Action Plan 2017:

- ➤ 8 objectives
- ➤ 27 activities
- > Total budget: 153,575,220 GEL

> Action Plan 2018:

- ➤ 13 objectives
- ➤ 29 activities
- > Total budget: 106,825,281 GEL



General Road Safety Indicators

	2016	2017	Comparison
Population	3,720,400	3,718,200	-0.06%
Registered vehicles	1,194,375	1,257,510	5.29%
Road Accidents	6,939	6,079	-12.39%
Injured	9,951	8,461	-14.97%
Death	581	517	-11.02%
Death/100,000 inhabitants	15.62	13.90	

	Q3 2017	Q3 2018	Comparison
Road Accidents	4436	4757	7%
Injured	6280	6755	8%
Death	384	342	-11%

Main Objectives of Georgia's National Road Safety Policy

National Road Safety Policy in Georgia is based on the following objectives:

- Strengthening Road Safety Management
- Developing Targeted Road Safety Measures
- Promoting Safer Infrastructure:
- Protecting Road Users
- Promoting the use of safer vehicles
- ❖ Improvement of tracking of road accidents and their results
- ❖ Identification/determination of Black Spots and causes of road traffic accidents / elaboration of preventive measures
- Provision of urgent, adequate, high quality emergency services to patients injured in road traffic accident
- Awareness Raising

Strengthening Road Safety Management

- ✓ National Road Safety **Strategy** adopted in 2016
- ✓ Definition of **leading entity** in Georgia
- ✓ National Road Safety **Action Plans**
- ✓ **Funding** of Road Safety measures

Developing Targeted Road Safety Measures

- ✓ Road safety goal for Georgia is set out in its vision for Safe Mobility and a Safe System
- ✓ Quantifiable Road Safety Objective



❖ Promoting Safer Infrastructure:

- ✓ **Road Safety Inspections** (Total: 115 road sections with the total length of 2607,8 km);
- ✓ Carrying out **small scale road safety improvements** on several road sectionf in 6 different regions of Georgia
- ✓ Road Safety Audit of 21 sections and Traffic Management at Roadworks for 60 sections were prepared in compliance with EU road infrastructure safety management principles;
- ✓ Effectiveness of Traffic Control:
 - ✓ Develop and improve the **National Video Surveillance System**.
 - ✓ Develop and improve **Contactless Patrolling**.
 - ✓ Arranging of **Medium-speed Control Sections** on the international and secondary roads of Georgia.





Protecting Road Users

- ✓ Improvement of road safety quality in the **adjacent territory of** schools;
- ✓ Dissemination of **educational materials** by social media and webpages

Promoting the use of safer vehicles

- ✓ Introduction of **Periodic Technical Inspection** in Accordance with EU Directive 2009/30/EC:
 - ✓ Adoption of Technical Regulations
 - ✓ Timetable for enactment of Periodic Technical Inspection
 - ✓ Supporting Measures for the construction of new Inspection Centers
- ✓ **Next stage:** from 1st January 2019, PTI will become mandatory for all categories of motor vehicles





- Improved management and access to reliable crash and other road safety data:
 - ✓ New methodology is being developed according to **Common Accident Data Set (CADaS)** recommendations proposed by EC;
 - ✓ Improvement of crash data quality generated from **Hospitals**



Need for Assistance

Additional assistance is necessary:

- Large-scale social campaigns for raising public awareness on road safety, based on the European Best practices;
- Procurement of special tablets for patrol inspectors enabling them to record and submit comprehensive information on road accidents in the electronic database;
- Technical Assistance related to further developing Crash Database and Road Safety Performance Indicators – Ensuring their compliance with International Standards



Thank you for Attention!