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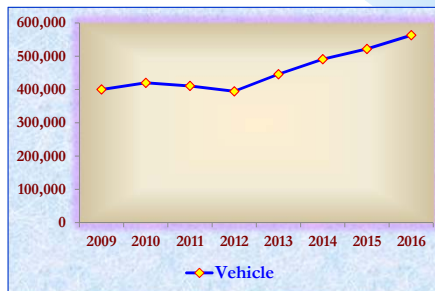
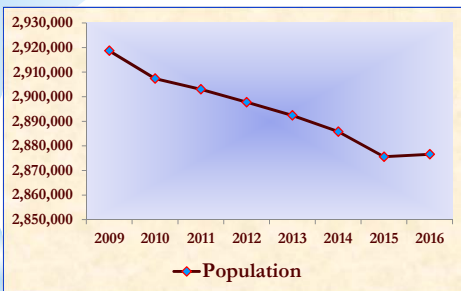
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Surface:	28 000 km ²
Population :	2 876 591
Road Network:	18 400 km
Road Vehicles:	563 106
Cars :	436 013
Trucks :	17 670
Buses :	7 050

NUMBER OF POPULATION AND VEHICLES IN YEARS

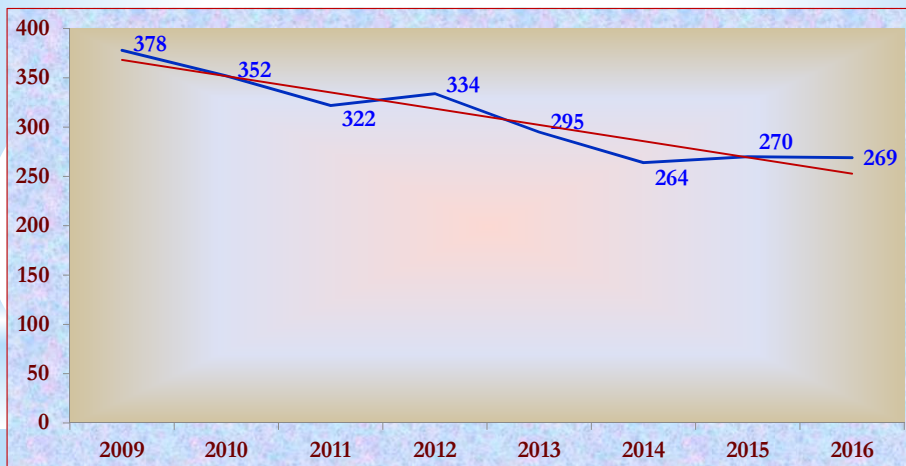
YEARS	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Population	2,918,674	2,907,361	2,903,008	2,897,770	2,892,394	2,885,796	2,875,592	2,876,591
Vehicles	400,000	420,047	410,629*	394,485*	445,956	490,899	522,066	563,106



V.O Registration 2011– 2012 fall due to fiscal amnesty that led to massive deregistration and another one is expected by the end of 2017.

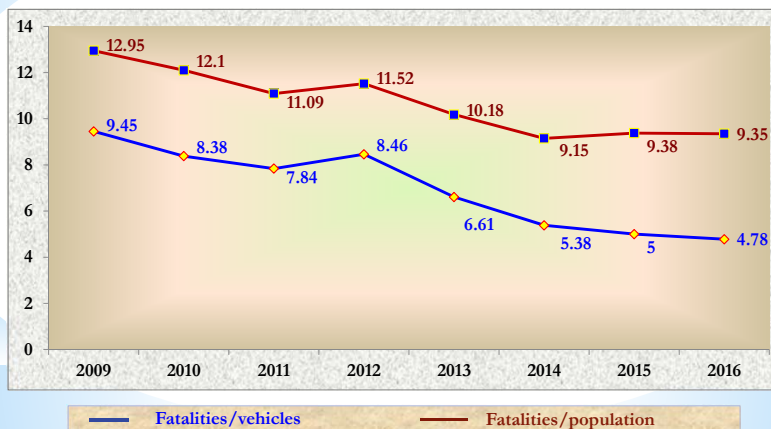
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YEARS	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Fatalities	378	352	322	334	295	264	270	269



TENDENCIES FOR 10 000 VEHICLES AND 100 000 INHABITANTS

YEARS	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Fatalities for 10 000 vehicles	9.45	8.38	7.84	8.46	6.61	5.38	5	4.78
Fatalities for 100 000 inhabitants	12.95	12.1	11.09	11.52	10.18	9.15	9.38	9.35



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Road safety is a big concern in Albania. Road accidents are a health, social and economical problem at the same time and we have to tackle it.

Accident's losses could limit ability of Albania to have a sustainable economic growth.

Albania has approved a Road Safety Strategy in 2011. The goal is to reduce the fatalities at long term by 50 % in line with EU objectives and SEETO members. The document is a National Road Safety Strategy (2011- 2020) for Albania.

ORGANISATION

The main responsibility for road safety in Albania is of central government where different institutions are key players. Also the local government and local experts organizations has some responsibility but within their autonomy of competences.

The Ministry monitors and implements programs and regulations through the Albanian Road Authority (ARA) and the General Directorate of Road Transport Services (GRDTS). ARA is responsible for building, operating and maintaining the national road network and GRDTS is responsible for driving licenses and vehicle registration.

ORGANISATION

The Directorate of Traffic Police under Internal Ministry is responsible for traffic enforcement.

Traffic Police and Road Safety Directorate form the technical secretariat of the Inter Ministerial Committee.

Secretariat report to Inter Ministerial Committee chaired by Prime Minister and composed by some of ministers of government involved in road safety like: Transport Ministry Internal Ministry Education Ministry and Health Ministry.

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Recently Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure has undertaken some legislative initiatives that aim for improved road safety, from raising the penalties for certain types of traffic violations that significantly affect road safety to a new driving license system which is in line to respective EU directives.

Road safety measures are implemented and will continue to be realized through investment in national road network, road signs installment, improvement of infrastructure in black spots etc.

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Over this year it was established the course for certification of auditors and inspectors of road safety. This is one of the measures envisaged in the Reform of Connectivity.

Reform of Connectivity is a action plan for a accelerated integration of road transport network of SouthWest Balkan region into the network of European Union.

UNECE PROJECT

- Readiness to cooperate since the start of project
- Coordinating 2 mission meetings with Albanian stakeholders
- Providing the required information and relevant data and defining the priority fields which need assistance from the project (Not overlapping other projects)
- Contribution for preparing Review Report of RS Performance. Help for local consultant on facilitating contacts with stakeholders and data collections and other useful information.
- Committed to cooperate for a successful project completion.

OTHER DONOR PROJECTS

- IPA Budget Support. The quantitative indicators that will have budgetary support should be singled out, for i.e the reducing accidents black spots on the national road network and the deployment of information technology (establishment of a traffic monitoring center).
- EU assistance IPA project will aim to strengthen control roadside in order to improve the standards of road vehicles in circulation and will propose guidelines on controlling the speed of traffic.
- The World Bank project will aim to improve road safety in approximately 1500 km of national roads which will be awarded to contract maintenance based on performance and also will propose more efficient coordination and impact on state institutions in road safety. The AIS will be reviewed and upgraded.

OTHER DONOR PROJECTS

- Our country is member of SEETO (European Observatory for Transport of South-West Balkan countries) and is part of a working group on road safety. This working group has identified potential countermeasures to improve road infrastructure in regional level. We can mention here, starting of audit/inspections of road safety in comprehensive road network of SEETO region.

