

Road Safety Policy in France

*Roundtable on Road Safety legal instruments and
Vulnerable road users policies in urban
environment in South East Asia and in other regions*

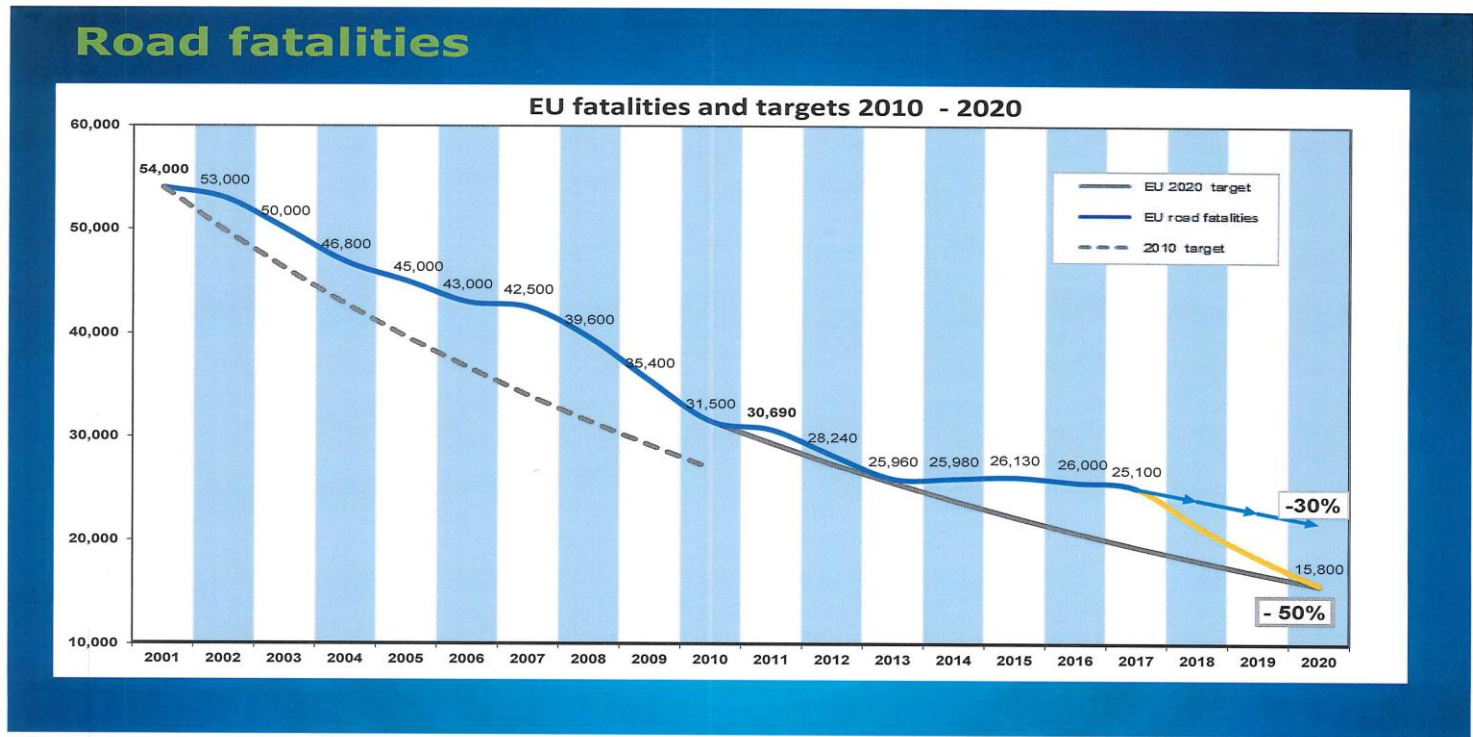
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European Union statistics

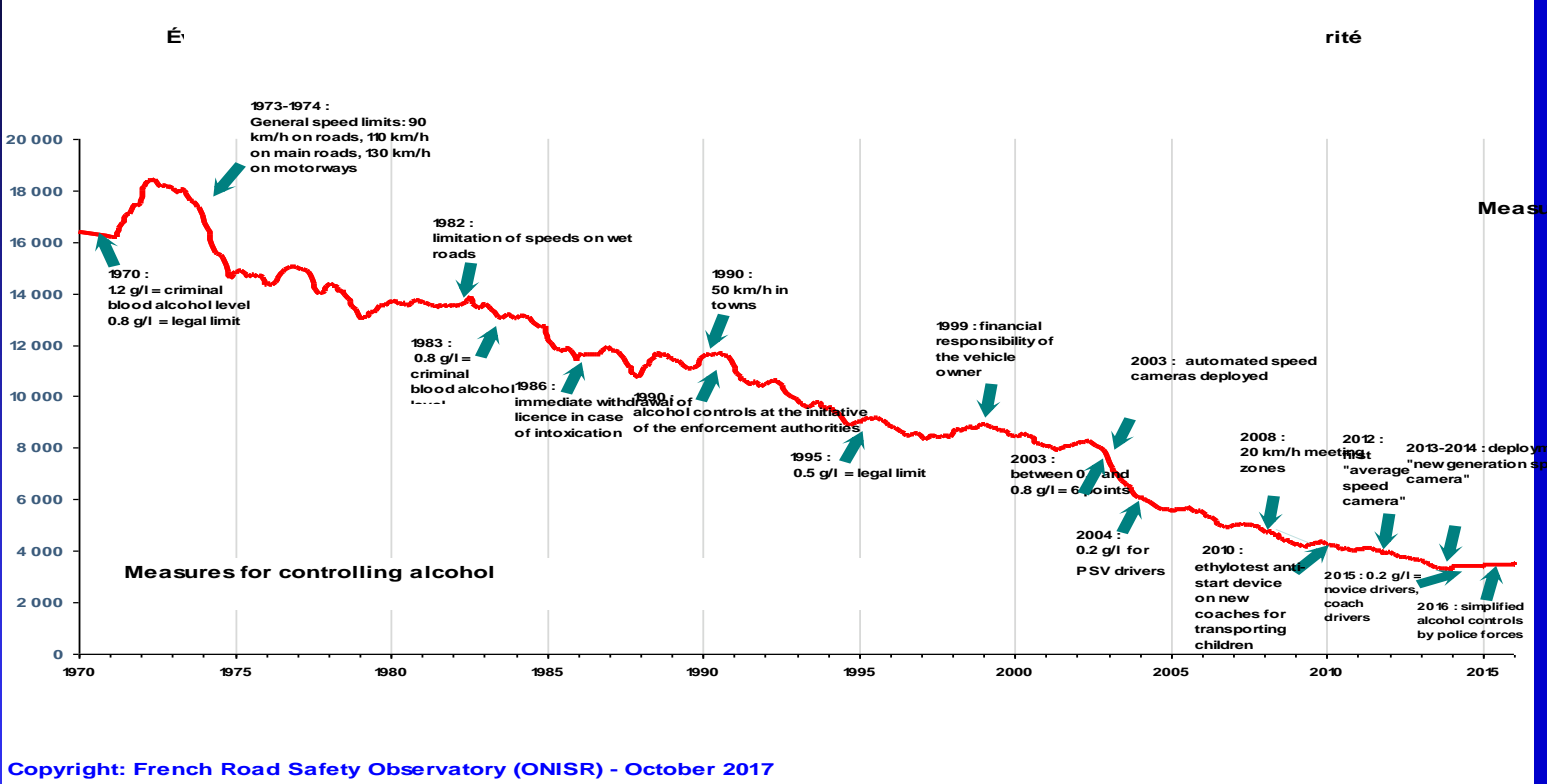


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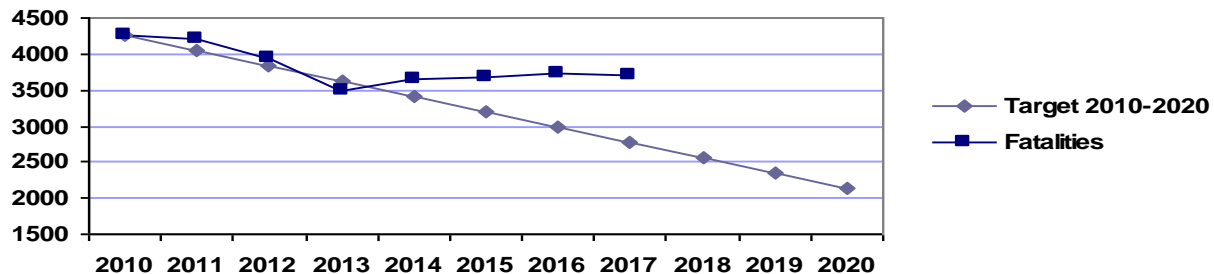
French Road Safety trends 1970-2016



Recent figures

Results for the year 2017	Injury accidents	Killed within 30 days	Injured people	incl. Hospitalized 24h
2017 provisional results	58 894	3 456	74 066	27 674
2016 final results	57 522	3 477	72 645	27 187
Difference 2017 / 2016	1 372	-21	1 421	487
Variation 2017 / 2016	2.4%	-0.6%	2.0%	1.8%

Annual number of road traffic fatalities in France mainland and overseas areas



Organisation

- *The Interministerial Delegate for Road Safety, appointed by the Prime Minister, is under the authority of the Minister of the Interior*
- *Technical advisers made available by other ministries involved in the road safety policy: Justice, National Education, Health, Labour, etc..*
- *A National Interministerial Observatory of Road Safety*
- *This organisation since 1972*



National bodies

National Council for Road Safety (numerous stakeholders); it shall formulate recommendations.

Minister fixed the target of halving again the number of fatalities by 2020 (European target)

The Interministerial Committee for Road Safety (ICRS) is chaired by the Prime Minister :

- it formulates the French road safety policy;*
- the Interministerial Delegate is in charge of the Secretariat of this Committee and the coordination of the road safety policy.*

9 January 2018: ICRS meeting (1)

Main measures based on scientific evidence and decided to change in depth the driver's behaviour:

- **Reduction of the speed limit on rural roads from 90 to 80 km/h (the most controversial) as from the 1st of July 2018;**
- **Increase the use of Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Devices (drink-driving) and impound for at least 7 days of the vehicle of a driver under the influence of illegal drugs;**
- **Hand-held phone use while driving + a road safety offence = immediate driving licence suspension**



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- **To strengthen pedestrians protection: pedestrian crossings to be still more secured;**
- **To encourage « good » drivers: how to reward them? A reflection has to be launched;**
- **Commitment of the Gouvernement and of each citizen as well;**
- **To anticipate the use of new technologies with a positive impact on road safety.**



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Thank you for your attention

