

Safer journeys begin with us

SAFER JOURNEYS ARE VITAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS

What the facts tell us

Worldwide, road traffic crashes claim the lives of 1.35 million people every year. More people die from road traffic injuries than from HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and diarrheal diseases.

The United Nations employs some 180,000 personnel around the world, and operates over 25,000 vehicles. Our footprint is vast; so, too, is our impact.

Here are the facts*:

- From 2013-2017, the UN reported over 600 fatalities and injuries related to road crashes of UN vehicles. About 60 of the casualties were UN personnel.
- An average of 12 UN personnel are killed every year in road traffic crashes.
- UN personnel are twice more likely to be killed by road traffic crashes than terrorist acts.

Our coordinated, global response

Fatal road traffic crashes are preventable. Our first system-wide Road Safety Strategy provides us with a single, holistic road safety management approach that helps us to manage the interaction between speed, vehicles, road-user behavior and road infrastructure to prevent crashes from resulting in serious human injury.

Before 2030, we aim to halve the number of UN personnel or other road users killed or seriously injured in road crashes involving UN vehicles.

* Sources: United Nations Secretary General (UNSG) Report, and United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC) Road Traffic Crash Baseline Assessment Report



OBJECTIVE

All UN organizations to commit to the reduction of road traffic crashes involving UN personnel and vehicles in a systematic, comprehensive way.

VISION

No road users, including pedestrians, are killed or seriously injured in road crashes involving UN vehicles.

ROADMAP

The action plan is built on five road safety pillars, derived from the Decade of Action for Road Safety Global Plan, and supported by 12 actions to achieve our goals.

WE CAN LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Executing our new strategy and realizing our road safety goals will require leadership. Here are five ways you can lead on road safety:

DEMONSTRATE EXEMPLARY ROAD SAFETY

Be a safe road user who inspires others to be better. Organize your schedule so it doesn't jeopardize road safety at work or outside of work.

2 KNOW THE FACTS

Know and understand the UN Road Safety Strategy. Educate yourself on road safety statistics, UN facts and general road safety tips.

3 BE ACCOUNTABLE

Make road safety a part of your responsibility. Hold yourself, and your team, accountable to measurable actions.

4 COMMIT RESOURCES

Support your road safety commitment with dedicated human and financial resources.

5 SPREAD THE WORD

Share what you know with others. Talk about road safety and encourage others to talk about it too.





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