

Summary of Key Statistics

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Basic Road Traffic Statistics											
Total number of motor vehicles licensed (mid-year)	486 982	502 994	499 380	511 460	522 125	525 111	522 912	528 172	537 124	546 409	555 861
Number of private car licensed (mid-year)	303 841	318 350	317 616	327 581	337 279	340 801	338 534	341 760	348 018	355 246	363 689
Road length- carriageways (km)	1 831	1 865	1 885	1 904	1 911	1 924	1 934	1 943	1 955	1 984	2 009
Annual vehicle-km (millions)	11 355	10 944	11 040	11 639	11 509	11 576	11 190	11 109	11 193	11 521	11 973
Estimated population # (mid-year in thousands)	6 489.3	6 543.7	6 606.5	6 665.0	6 714.3	6 744.1	6 730.8	6 783.5	6 813.2	6 857.1	6 925.9
Licensed motor vehicle per 1 000 persons	75.0	76.9	75.6	76.7	77.8	77.9	77.7	77.9	78.8	79.7	80.3
Licensed private car per 1 000 persons	46.8	48.6	48.1	49.1	50.2	50.5	50.3	50.4	51.1	51.8	52.5
Number of motor vehicles per km of road	266	270	265	269	273	273	270	272	275	275	277
Road Traffic Casualty and Accident Statistics											
Number of casualties											
Killed	241	221	217	171	173	171	202	166	151	144	160
Serious	3 599	3 627	3 116	3 155	3 517	3 426	2 951	2 803	2 688	2 508	2 533
Slight	15 953	15 228	16 089	16 103	16 628	17 003	15 157	16 433	16 381	16 221	16 932
Total	19 793	19 076	19 422	19 429	20 318	20 600	18 310	19 402	19 220	18 873	19 625
Number of accidents											
Fatal	229	204	202	162	167	162	173	160	139	135	153
Serious	3 154	3 103	2 808	2 838	3 165	3 118	2 674	2 519	2 504	2 315	2 376
Slight	11 393	10 707	11 704	11 949	12 299	12 296	11 589	12 347	12 419	12 399	12 786
Total	14 776	14 014	14 714	14 949	15 631	15 576	14 436	15 026	15 062	14 849	15 315
Casualty rate											
per accident	1.34	1.36	1.32	1.30	1.30	1.32	1.27	1.29	1.28	1.27	1.28
per 1 000 population	3.05	2.92	2.94	2.92	3.03	3.05	2.72	2.86	2.82	2.75	2.83
per 1 000 licensed vehicles	40.64	37.92	38.89	37.99	38.91	39.23	35.02	36.73	35.78	34.54	35.31
Fatality rate											
per 1 000 casualties	12.2	11.6	11.2	8.8	8.5	8.3	11.0	8.6	7.9	7.6	8.2
per 1 000 accidents	16.3	15.8	14.7	11.4	11.1	11.0	14.0	11.0	10.0	9.7	10.4
per 1 000 000 population	37.1	33.8	32.8	25.7	25.8	25.4	30.0	24.5	22.2	21.0	23.1
per 1 000 total registered deaths in HK	7.5	6.8	6.5	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.5	4.4	3.9	3.8	4.1
Accident rate											
per 1 000 population	2.28	2.14	2.23	2.24	2.33	2.31	2.14	2.22	2.21	2.17	2.21
per 1 000 licensed vehicles	30.3	27.9	29.5	29.2	29.9	29.7	27.6	28.4	28.0	27.2	27.6
per kilometre of road	8.1	7.5	7.8	7.9	8.2	8.1	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.6
per million vehicle-kilometres	1.30	1.28	1.33	1.28	1.36	1.35	1.29	1.35	1.35	1.29	1.28
Vehicle Involvements Statistics											
Number of vehicle involvements											
motor vehicle	21 568	20 152	20 842	21 530	22 057	21 967	19 743	20 355	20 850	20 540	21 517
non-motor vehicle	1 150	1 158	1 478	1 405	1 661	1 699	1 830	2 118	1 844	1 844	1 804
Total	22 718	21 310	22 320	22 935	23 718	23 666	21 573	22 473	22 694	22 384	23 321
Motor vehicle involvement rate											
per 1 000 licensed vehicles	44.3	40.1	41.7	42.1	42.2	41.8	37.8	38.5	38.8	37.6	38.7
per million vehicle-kilometres	1.90	1.84	1.89	1.85	1.92	1.90	1.76	1.83	1.86	1.78	1.80

Note : # Population figures for 2001 to 2005 presented in this table may be different from earlier issues of this publication owing basically to the availability of up-to-date benchmark population data based on the results of the 2006 Population By-census. Other statistics which in the process of their compilation involve the use population figures have also been revised where appropriate.