

## ROAD CASUALTIES ON THE HIGHWAYS AGENCY'S TRUNK ROAD NETWORK 2009: MAIN RESULTS

The Agency has already made progress towards the casualty reduction targets through engineering interventions to improve sites with a poor safety record. Alongside this, we recognise the need to work with our customers directly to encourage more responsible driver behaviour to reduce personal injury accidents. In recent years, this has required the Agency to develop an educational role alongside its network operator and traditional engineering roles.

### 2008 to 2009 Trends on the Trunk Road Network

<b>Highways Agency casualty data on Motorways and 'A' Trunk Roads</b>				
Years	Fatal	Serious	KSI	Slight
1994-98 average	416	2,950	3,366	20,114
2001	418	2,822	3,240	22,324
2002	457	2,656	3,113	22,067
2003	444	2,487	2,931	21,488
2004	367	2,361	2,728	22,331
2005	408	2,201	2,609	21,052
2006	376	2,023	2,399	20,450
2007	363	1,997	2,360	19,591
2008	340	1,713	2,053	17,463
2009	250 *	1,689 *	1,939 *	16,909 *
* including 'unknown': 0 fatal, 13 serious and 209 slight casualties				
* 11,948 accidents involving 25,509 vehicles, resulting in 18,848 casualties				

- Fatal injuries were down by 26.4%, from 340 in 2008 to 250 in 2009.
- Serious injuries were down by 1.4%, from 1,713 in 2008 to 1,689 in 2009.
- KSIs were down by 5.5%, from 2,053 in 2008 to 1,939 in 2009.
- Slight injuries were down by 3.1%, from 17,463 in 2008 to 16,909 in 2009.
- All casualties were down by 3.4%, from 19,516 in 2008 to 18,848 in 2009.
- The numbers of accidents were down by 4.9%, from 12,566 in 2008 to 11,948 in 2009.
- The numbers of vehicles involved in accidents were down by 5.3%, from 26,943 in 2008 to 25,509 in 2009.

## ***Motorways***

- Fatal injuries were down by 17.7%, from 141 in 2008 to 116 in 2009.
- Serious injuries were down by 2.9%, from 776 in 2008 to 753 in 2009.
- KSIs were down by 5.2%, from 917 in 2008 to 869 in 2009.
- Slight injuries were down by 6.4%, from 9,300 in 2008 to 8,700 in 2009.

## ***'A' Roads***

- Fatal injuries were down by 32.6%, from 199 in 2008 to 134 in 2009.
- Serious injuries were down by 0.1%, from 937 in 2008 to 936 in 2009.
- KSIs were down by 5.8%, from 1,136 in 2008 to 1,070 in 2009.
- Slight injuries were up by 0.4%, from 8,174 in 2008 to 8,209 in 2009.

The data illustrated in this report has been extracted from the Department for Transport's National Accident Database by the Transport Research Laboratory.

The statistics relate to personal injury accidents on the Highways Agency's Trunk Road Network that are reported to the Police. Figures for death relate to persons killed immediately or who have died within 30 days of the accident. This is the usual international definition, adopted by the Vienna Convention in 1968.



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