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Traffic accidents: April-June 2006

Reported traffic accidents declined in the second quarter of this year.

In the second quarter this year, the number of reported accidents reached 3,755; a decrease of 397 over the same quarter last year as shown in Table 1.

From these accidents there were 314 reported casualties; of these, 71.3 per cent involved passenger cars, while 15.9 per cent involved motorcycles as shown in Table 7. There were 87 casualties in the 15-24 years age group; 71 of them occurring to passenger car travellers.

Out of these reported casualties, the number of slightly-injured persons totalled 244; of these, 141 were males and 103 were females. In the 25-39 and 15-24 year age groups, 42 and 39 males respectively suffered slight injuries. The number of injured females in the same age group reached 28 and 26 respectively. Persons sustaining grievous and fatal injuries totalled 70; 47 were males and 23 were females.

In the quarter under review, 163 or 51.9 per cent of the reported casualties occurred during the days between Friday and Sunday, including the only fatality which occurred on a Friday ■

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**Table 1. Traffic accidents
Total cases**

	2003	2004	2005	2005	2006
				Apr-Jun	
Island of Malta	13,304	14,917	14,863	3,954	3,552
Southern Harbour	2,852	3,350	3,238	816	806
Northern Harbour	5,501	6,167	5,997	1,559	1,430
South Eastern	1,320	1,242	1,406	363	358
Western	1,301	1,712	1,818	535	418
Northern	2,330	2,446	2,404	681	540
Gozo and Comino	675	726	769	198	203
Total	13,979	15,643	15,632	4,152	3,755

**Table 2. Traffic accidents
Casualties**

	2003	2004	2005	2005	2006
				Apr-Jun	Apr-Jun
Island of Malta	1,093	1,185	1,055	297	291
Southern Harbour	225	242	239	66	56
Northern Harbour	381	418	332	83	100
South Eastern	128	139	140	28	36
Western	109	171	157	45	41
Northern	250	215	187	75	58
Gozo and Comino	95	96	101	27	23
Total	1,188	1,281	1,156	324	314

**Table 3. Traffic accidents
Injuries sustained by drivers**

	April - June							
	2005				2006			
	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total
Island of Malta	127	41	1	169	130	41	1	172
Southern Harbour	28	13	-	41	24	8	1	33
Northern Harbour	34	9	-	43	48	6	-	54
South Eastern	14	4	-	18	16	14	-	30
Western	19	6	-	25	18	7	-	25
Northern	32	9	1	42	24	6	-	30
Gozo and Comino	16	5	-	21	12	4	-	16
Total	143	46	1	190	142	45	1	188

**Table 4. Traffic accidents
Injuries sustained by pedestrians**

	April - June							
	2005				2006			
	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total
Island of Malta	38	16	1	55	24	11	-	35
Southern Harbour	6	3	-	9	1	4	-	5
Northern Harbour	18	6	1	25	12	3	-	15
South Eastern	2	-	-	2	3	1	-	4
Western	6	4	-	10	2	1	-	3
Northern	6	3	-	9	6	2	-	8
Gozo and Comino	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Total	41	16	1	58	24	11	-	35

**Table 5. Traffic accidents
Injuries sustained by passengers**

	April - June							
	2005				2006			
	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total	Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total
Island of Malta	60	13	-	73	72	12	-	84
Southern Harbour	16	-	-	16	18	-	-	18
Northern Harbour	14	1	-	15	21	5	-	26
South Eastern	8	-	-	8	5	2	-	7
Western	6	4	-	10	11	2	-	13
Northern	16	8	-	24	17	3	-	20
Gozo and Comino	2	1	-	3	6	1	-	7
Total	62	14	-	76	78	13	-	91

Table 6. Casualties by sex and age in Malta, Gozo and Comino: April - June 2006

	April - June 2005				April - June 2006			
	Slight	Greivous	Fatal	Total	Slight	Greivous	Fatal	Total
Total								
age unknown	7	-	-	7	11	1	-	12
Up to 14 years	17	3	-	20	17	6	-	23
15 - 24 years	57	18	1	76	67	20	-	87
25 - 39 years	69	24	-	93	68	17	-	85
40 - 59 years	62	22	-	84	60	16	1	77
60 years and more	34	9	1	44	21	9	-	30
Total	246	76	2	324	244	69	1	314
Male								
age unknown	4	-	-	4	7	1	-	8
Up to 14 years	12	3	-	15	8	4	-	12
15 - 24 years	31	13	1	45	39	15	-	54
25 - 39 years	44	18	-	62	42	11	-	53
40 - 59 years	39	18	-	57	30	11	1	42
60 years and more	21	3	-	24	15	4	-	19
Total	151	55	1	207	141	46	1	188
Female								
age unknown	3	-	-	3	4	-	-	4
Up to 14 years	5	-	-	5	9	2	-	11
15 - 24 years	26	5	-	31	28	5	-	33
25 - 39 years	25	6	-	31	26	6	-	32
40 - 59 years	23	4	-	27	30	5	-	35
60 years and more	13	6	1	20	6	5	-	11
Total	95	21	1	117	103	23	-	126

Table 7. Total casualties by means of transport, age and type of injury in Malta 2006

		2005	2006			
		April - June	April - June			
			Slight	Grievous	Fatal	Total
Total	Motorcycles	38	31	18	1	50
	Passenger cars	253	179	45	-	224
	Coaches and Buses	5	8	-	-	8
	Goods vehicles	28	26	6	-	32
	Total	324	244	69	1	314
Up to 14 years	Motorcycles	-	-	-	-	-
	Passenger cars	18	16	4	-	20
	Coaches and Buses	-	-	-	-	-
	Goods vehicles	2	1	2	-	3
	Total	20	17	6	-	23
15 - 24 years	Motorcycles	4	5	4	-	9
	Passenger cars	69	56	15	-	71
	Coaches and Buses	1	1	-	-	1
	Goods vehicles	2	5	1	-	6
	Total	76	67	20	-	87
25 - 39 years	Motorcycles	18	14	7	-	21
	Passenger cars	68	42	8	-	50
	Coaches and Buses	1	4	-	-	4
	Goods vehicles	6	8	2	-	10
	Total	93	68	17	-	85
40 - 59 years	Motorcycles	13	8	5	1	14
	Passenger cars	57	44	11	-	55
	Coaches and Buses	-	3	-	-	3
	Goods vehicles	14	5	-	-	5
	Total	84	60	16	1	77
60 years and more	Motorcycles	3	3	1	-	4
	Passenger cars	35	12	7	-	19
	Coaches and Buses	3	-	-	-	-
	Goods vehicles	4	6	1	-	7
	Total	45	21	9	-	30
Age unknown	Motorcycles	-	1	1	-	2
	Passenger cars	6	9	-	-	9
	Coaches and Buses	-	0	-	-	-
	Goods vehicles	-	1	-	-	1
	Total	6	11	1	-	12

Table 8. Total casualties by day of the week

Day	2005			2006		
	April-June					
	Fatal	Grievous	Slight	Fatal	Grievous	Slight
Drivers						
Monday	-	5	19	-	2	15
Tuesday	-	5	18	-	5	18
Wednesday	-	9	19	-	8	16
Thursday	-	5	24	-	5	24
Friday	-	5	19	1	6	28
Saturday	1	5	19	-	8	22
Sunday	-	12	25	-	11	19
Total	1	46	143	1	45	142
Passengers						
Monday	-	2	4	-	2	3
Tuesday	-	1	3	-	-	8
Wednesday	-	1	10	-	5	8
Thursday	-	-	6	-	-	14
Friday	-	4	6	-	-	24
Saturday	-	2	6	-	3	9
Sunday	-	4	27	-	3	12
Total	-	14	62	-	13	78
Pedestrians						
Monday	-	3	4	-	2	3
Tuesday	-	2	4	-	2	1
Wednesday	1	1	6	-	1	4
Thursday	-	3	9	-	-	5
Friday	-	2	7	-	1	5
Saturday	-	2	5	-	3	3
Sunday	-	3	6	-	2	3
Total	1	16	41	-	11	24

Table 9. Persons killed or injured in road traffic accidents

		Number of persons killed		Number of persons injured	
		Total	of which: drivers	Total	of which: drivers
2006					
TOTAL		1	1	313	187
of which	under 6 years	-	-	3	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	9	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	10	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	17	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	25	13
	21 - 24 years	-	-	46	34
	25 - 64 years	1	1	171	125
	65 years and over	-	-	20	11
	Unknown	-	-	12	4
PEDESTRIANS - Total		-	-	35	-
of which	under 6 years	-	-	1	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	5	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	4	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	6	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	-	-
	21 - 24 years	-	-	1	-
	25 - 64 years	-	-	12	-
	65 years and over	-	-	5	-
	Unknown	-	-	1	-
Total		1	1	48	44
of which	under 6 years	-	-	-	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	-	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	-	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	3	2
	21 - 24 years	-	-	6	6
	25 - 64 years	1	1	35	32
	65 years and over	-	-	2	2
	Unknown	-	-	2	2
DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS OF MOTOR CARS - Total		-	-	198	123
of which	under 6 years	-	-	2	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	3	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	6	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	9	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	20	9
	21 - 24 years	-	-	37	26
	25 - 64 years	-	-	102	79
	65 years and over	-	-	11	7
	Unknown	-	-	8	2
DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS OF MOTOR COACHES, BUSES - Total		-	-	6	1
of which	under 6 years	-	-	-	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	-	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	-	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	-	-
	21 - 24 years	-	-	-	-
	25 - 64 years	-	-	6	1
	65 years and over	-	-	-	-
	Unknown	-	-	-	-
DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS OF GOODS ROAD VEHICLES - Total		-	-	26	19
of which	under 6 years	-	-	-	-
	6 - 9 years	-	-	1	-
	10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-
	15 - 17 years	-	-	2	-
	18 - 20 years	-	-	2	2
	21 - 24 years	-	-	2	2
	25 - 64 years	-	-	16	13
	65 years and over	-	-	2	2
	Unknown	-	-	1	-

Methodological Note

1. Traffic accidents data are compiled from administrative information provided by the Police Department and the Guard and Warden Services Limited.
2. The data contained in this release are not normally subject to revision.
3. The type of casualty (slight or grievous) is determined by the Health Department. The definitions for deaths caused by road accidents refer to the European Conference for Ministers of Transport (ECMT) and United Nations (UN) and Economic Commission for Eu.

NUTS classification

The Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) is a common classification that is used to provide a single uniform breakdown of territorial units for the production of regional statistics with regard to the European Union. It was adopted on 26 May 2003 by means of a Regulation¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council.

¹ (EC) No. 1059/2003

NUTS levels					
Administrative area	I (National)	II (National)	III (Regional)	IV (District)	V (Locality)
MALTA	x	x	x	x	x
Malta			x		
Gozo & Comino			x		
Southern Harbour				x	
Northern Harbour				x	
South Eastern				x	
Western				x	
Northern				x	
Gozo & Comino				x	

COMPOSITION OF DISTRICTS - NUTS level V

- Southern Harbour:** Valletta, Birgu, Isla, Bormla, Żabbar, Fgura, Floriana, Kalkara, Luqa, Marsa Paola, Santa Luċija, Tarxien, Xgħajra.
- Northern Harbour:** Qormi, B'Kara, Gżira, Hamrun, Msida, Pembroke, Pieta, San Ġiljan, San Ġwann, Santa Venera, Sliema, Swieqi, Ta' Xbiex.
- South Eastern:** Żejtun, B'Bugia, Gudja, Għaxaq, Kirkop, M'Scala, M'Xlokk, Mqabba, Qrendi, Safi, Żurrieq.
- Western:** Mdina, Żebbuġ, Siġġiewi, Attard, Balzan, Dingli, Iklin, Lija, Rabat, Mtarfa.
- Northern:** Għargħur, Mellieħa, Mgarr, Mosta, Naxxar, San Pawl il-Baħar.
- Gozo and Comino:** Rabat, Fontana, G'Sielem & Comino, Għarb, Għasri, Kerċem, Munxar, Nadur, Qala, San Lawrenz, Sannat, Xagħra, Xewkija, Żebbuġ.