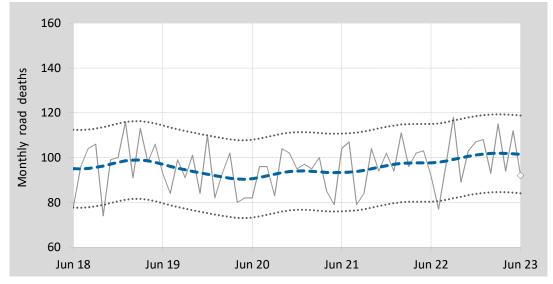
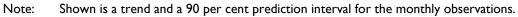


## This month's key figures

- There was a total of 92 road deaths during the month of June 2023. The current figure is 2.4 per cent higher than the average for June over the previous five years.
- During the 12 months ended June 2023, there were 1,205 road deaths. This is an increase of 3.2 per cent from the 12-month period ending June 2022.
- Presently, the rate of annual deaths per 100,000 population stands at 4.6. This is a 1.2 per cent increase compared to the rate for the 12-month period ending June 2022.



## Monthly road deaths-last five years, with trend and error bounds



### Data Sources

Data are obtained from

- Transport for NSW
- Department of Transport, Victoria
- Department of Transport and Main Roads, Queensland
- Department for Infrastructure and Transport, SA
- Western Australia Police
- Department of State Growth, Tasmania
- Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, NT
- Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate, ACT
- Australian Bureau of Statistics (3101.0)

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# I. Deaths by jurisdiction

| Table I.I                | Current m  | onth  |       |       |       |     |       |        |           |
|--------------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|--------|-----------|
| Current month            | NSW        | Vic   | Qld   | SA    | WA    | Tas | NT    | ACT    | Australia |
| June 2022                | 19         | 22    | 22    | 5     | 15    | 3   | 5     | 1      | 92        |
| June 2023                | 37         | 18    | 19    | 3     | 10    | 3   | 2     | 0      | 92        |
| Per cent change          | 94.7       | -18.2 | -13.6 | -40.0 | -33.3 | 0.0 | -60.0 | -100.0 | 0.0       |
| Table I.2                | Year to da | te    |       |       |       |     |       |        |           |
| Year to date             | NSW        | Vic   | Qld   | SA    | WA    | Tas | NT    | ACT    | Australia |
| January 2022 - June 2022 | 151        | 119   | 150   | 38    | 73    | 30  | 27    | 10     | 598       |
|                          |            |       |       |       |       |     |       |        |           |
| January 2023 - June 2023 | 179        | 153   | 124   | 61    | 73    | 16  | 6     | 2      | 614       |

| Table I.3                                   | Year ending | g June |      |      |      |       |       |       |           |
|---|-------------|--------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| 12 months<br>ended June                     | NSW         | Vic    | Qld  | SA   | WA   | Tas   | NT    | ACT   | Australia |
| 2019  | 358         | 263    | 227  | 103  | 170  | 32    | 37    | 6     | 1,196     |
| 2020  | 314         | 231    | 237  | 99   | 141  | 31    | 32    | 5     | 1,090     |
| 2021  | 287         | 203    | 296  | 99   | 169  | 34    | 37    | 11    | 1,136     |
| 2022  | 281         | 243    | 292  | 85   | 155  | 52    | 45    | 15    | 1,168     |
| 2023  | 317         | 275    | 271  | 94   | 175  | 37    | 26    | 10    | 1,205     |
| Latest per cent change                      | 12.8        | 13.2   | -7.2 | 10.6 | 12.9 | -28.8 | -42.2 | -33.3 | 3.2       |
| Average trend change<br>per year (per cent) | -3.5        | 1.4    | 5.8  | -3.3 | 1.5  | 8.4   | -3.6  | 23.6  | 0.8       |

# 2. Deaths by road user, age-group and gender

| Table 2.1                                   | By road use | r         |            |                           |                               |                    |
|---|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 12 months<br>ended June                     | Driver      | Passenger | Pedestrian | Motorcyclist <sup>a</sup> | Pedal<br>cyclist <sup>ª</sup> | Total <sup>b</sup> |
| 2019  | 550         | 224       | 173        | 208                       | 34                            | 1,196              |
| 2020  | 514         | 187       | 147        | 193                       | 48                            | 1,090              |
| 2021  | 568         | 173       | 128        | 226                       | 34                            | 1,136              |
| 2022  | 555         | 199       | 146        | 223                       | 36                            | 1,168              |
| 2023  | 562         | 189       | 161        | 242                       | 43                            | 1,205              |
| Latest per cent change                      | 1.3         | -5.0      | 10.3       | 8.5                       | 19.4                          | 3.2                |
| Average trend change<br>per year (per cent) | 1.2         | -2.7      | -1.5       | 4.6                       | 1.8                           | 0.8                |

| Table 2.2                                   | By age-gro | oup (ye    | ears)       |             |             |             |      |                    |
|---|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------------------|
| 12 months<br>ended June                     | 0<br>to 7  | 8<br>to 16 | 17<br>to 25 | 26<br>to 39 | 40<br>to 64 | 65<br>to 74 | ≥ 75 | Total <sup>♭</sup> |
| 2019  | 18         | 39         | 227         | 259         | 373         | 115         | 162  | 1,196              |
| 2020  | 12         | 33         | 216         | 276         | 322         | 84          | 141  | 1,090              |
| 2021  | 21         | 41         | 218         | 281         | 350         | 100         | 124  | 1,136              |
| 2022  | 22         | 47         | 226         | 240         | 360         | 121         | 146  | 1,168              |
| 2023  | 12         | 42         | 232         | 275         | 382         | 110         | 146  | 1,205              |
| Latest per cent change                      | -45.5      | -10.6      | 2.7         | 14.6        | 6.1         | -9.1        | 0.0  | 3.2                |
| Average trend change<br>per year (per cent) | -2.0       | 5.1        | 0.9         | -0.2        | 1.6         | 2.8         | -1.7 | 0.8                |

# 2. Deaths by road user, age-group and gender (continued)

| I2 months<br>ended June | Males | Females | Total <sup>c</sup> |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|
| 2019                    | 898   | 297     | 1,196              |
| 2020                    | 814   | 272     | 1,090              |
| 2021                    | 840   | 296     | 1,136              |
| 2022                    | 880   | 286     | 1,168              |
| 2023                    | 872   | 326     | 1,205              |
| Latest per cent change  | -0.9  | 14.0    | 3.2                |
| Average trend change    | 0.2   | 2.4     | 0.8                |

## Table 2.3By gender

per year (per cent)

a Includes pillion passengers.

b Includes deaths of persons with either age or road user type not recorded.

c Includes deaths of persons where gender is not recorded or unspecified.

# 3. Annual deaths per 100,000 population

| 12 months<br>ended June | NSW  | Vic  | Qld  | SA   | WA   | Tas   | NT    | ACT   | Australia |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| 2019                    | 4.5  | 4.1  | 4.5  | 5.9  | 6.4  | 5.9   | 15.0  | 1.4   | 4.8       |
| 2020                    | 3.9  | 3.5  | 4.6  | 5.6  | 5.2  | 5.5   | 12.9  | 1.1   | 4.3       |
| 2021                    | 3.6  | 3.1  | 5.7  | 5.5  | 6.2  | 6.0   | 14.8  | 2.4   | 4.4       |
| 2022                    | 3.5  | 3.7  | 5.5  | 4.7  | 5.6  | 9.1   | 18.0  | 3.3   | 4.5       |
| 2023                    | 3.8  | 4.1  | 5.0  | 5.1  | 6.2  | 6.5   | 10.4  | 2.2   | 4.6       |
| Latest per cent change  | 10.9 | 10.8 | -9.1 | 8.9  | 10.4 | -29.1 | -42.4 | -34.4 | 1.2       |
| Average trend change    | -4.1 | 0.7  | 4.2  | -4.3 | -0.1 | 7.2   | -3.9  | 22.0  | -0.1      |

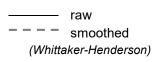
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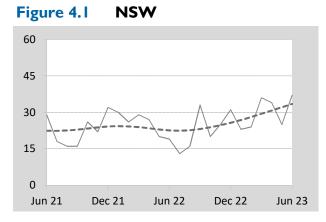
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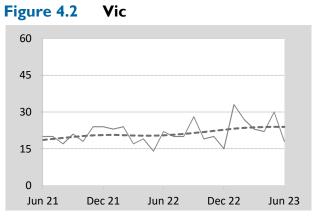
## Table 3.2Calendar year period

| Calendar year          | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA    | WA  | Tas  | NT   | ACT  | Australia |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|------|------|------|-----------|
| 2018                   | 4.4 | 3.3 | 4.9 | 4.6   | 6.1 | 5.9  | 20.1 | 2.1  | 4.5       |
| 2019                   | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 6.4   | 6.1 | 5.3  | 14.5 | 1.4  | 4.7       |
| 2020                   | 3.5 | 3.2 | 5.4 | 5.2   | 5.7 | 6.7  | 12.5 | 1.6  | 4.3       |
| 2021                   | 3.4 | 3.5 | 5.3 | 5.5   | 6.0 | 6.3  | 14.0 | 2.4  | 4.4       |
| 2022                   | 3.5 | 3.6 | 5.6 | 3.9   | 6.3 | 8.9  | 18.7 | 3.9  | 4.6       |
| Latest per cent change | 4.3 | 3.2 | 5.0 | -29.0 | 4.0 | 40.8 | 33.5 | 62.5 | 4.0       |

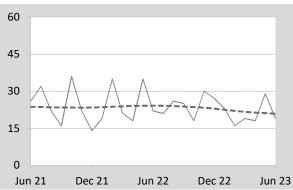
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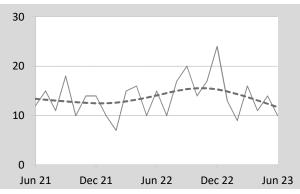




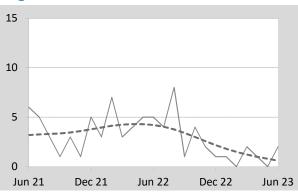








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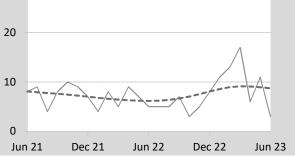




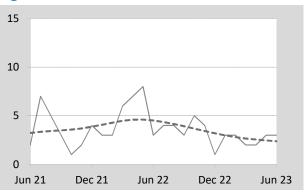
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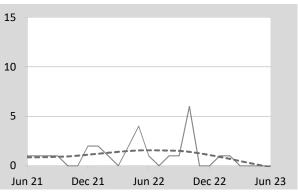
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# 5. Fatal crashes: counts and characteristics

| Table 3.1               | By crash type and posted speed mint |                   |                           |      |             |             |       |       |                    |  |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|--------------------|--|
|                         | Crash                               | type <sup>ª</sup> | Posted speed limit (km/h) |      |             |             |       |       |                    |  |
| 12 months<br>ended June | Single                              | Multiple          | ≤ 40                      | 50   | 60 to<br>70 | 80 to<br>90 | 100   | ≥ 110 | Total <sup>b</sup> |  |
| 2019                    | 675                                 | 428               | 18                        | 125  | 240         | 180         | 357   | 173   | 1,103              |  |
| 2020                    | 582                                 | 413               | 20                        | 136  | 223         | 182         | 308   | 123   | 995                |  |
| 2021                    | 602                                 | 458               | 14                        | 119  | 236         | 182         | 353   | 144   | 1,060              |  |
| 2022                    | 663                                 | 416               | 22                        | 123  | 272         | 169         | 352   | 128   | 1,079              |  |
| 2023                    | 661                                 | 451               | 31                        | 126  | 287         | 183         | 302   | 135   | 1,114              |  |
| Latest per cent change  | -0.3                                | 8.4               | 40.9                      | 2.4  | 5.5         | 8.3         | -14.2 | 5.5   | 3.2                |  |
| Average trend change    | 0.9                                 | 1.1               | 12.6                      | -0.8 | 5.7         | -0.4        | -2.0  | -4.5  | 1.0                |  |
|                         |                                     |                   |                           |      |             |             |       |       |                    |  |

## Table 5.1By crash type and posted speed limit

per year (per cent)

## Table 5.2By day of week and time of day

|                         | Day of v | veek <sup>c</sup> | Time of d | ay <sup>d</sup> |  |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| 12 months<br>ended June | Weekday  | Weekend           | Day       | Night           |  |
| 2019                    | 665      | 438               | 594       | 509             |  |
| 2020                    | 612      | 383               | 545       | 450             |  |
| 2021                    | 618      | 442               | 645       | 415             |  |
| 2022                    | 667      | 412               | 650       | 428             |  |
| 2023                    | 690      | 424               | 665       | 449             |  |
| Latest per cent change  | 3.4      | 2.9               | 2.3       | 4.9             |  |
| Average trend change    | 1.6      | 0.1               | 4.1       | -3.0            |  |

per year (per cent)

a 'Single' and 'Multiple' refer to the number of vehicles involved in a fatal crash.

b Includes crashes where speed limit is unknown or not specified.

c 'Weekday' refers to 6am Monday through to 5:59pm Friday.

d 'Day' refers to 6am through to 5:59 pm.

# Appendix

### Definition

The road safety agencies in each jurisdiction use detailed criteria to define road crashes and road deaths. Briefly, a death is classified as resulting from a road crash if the crash occurred on a public road, is unintentional and the death occurred within 30 days from injuries sustained in the crash.

### **Fatality rates**

Fatality rates per population are based on road deaths over the last 12-months, and the population at the midpoint of that period. Population estimates are sourced from ABS' *National, state and territory population* statistics. The midpoint population is interpolated if necessary.

### Average trend change (% per year )

Designed to provide a **one-number summary** of growth rates over recent time periods. Calculated by fitting an exponential curve through the data points, and quoting the constant (annual) change of this curve.

### Smooth trend lines

These trend lines are designed to track medium-term trends and turning points in the raw data. Whittaker-Henderson smoothers have been used with value of 80 for the smoothing parameter. The application R (package pracma) can be used for such trend lines. Error bounds are 90% (approximately) around the monthly data.

### Other sources for the tables in this bulletin

The underlying database used to produce this bulletin — the Australian Road Deaths Database is available for data extraction at <http://www.bitre.gov.au/statistics/safety/fatal\_road\_crash\_database.aspx>. Road deaths from recent months are preliminary and subject to revision.