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ETSC 5th Road Safety PIN Conference
Brussels, 21 June 2011
Comparison between the number of road deaths and the number of vehicles registered in Lithuania (1989-2010)

Source: Road Traffic Police
Since 2001 number of road fatalities in Lithuania was reduced by 58%.

Source: ETSC

Road deaths per million inhabitants in 2010 (with road deaths per million inhabitants in 2001 for comparison)

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Measures which have had an impact on road users’ behaviour

1. Road users’ education

2. Increased sanctions for the most dangerous Road Traffic Rules’ violations

3. Increased enforcement of road users’ behaviour
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4. Particular attention is given to novice drivers:
   - Stricter sanctions for novice drivers
   - Probatory driving license for two years
Speed enforcement

There are 150 safety cameras

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Speed enforcement (map – cameras locations)
On road infrastructure development

Number of high risk sites in Lithuania in 2006-2011

High risk sites = 4 collisions on a 500m road section

![Bar chart showing the number of high risk sites from 2006 to 2011. The number of high risk sites decreases from 267 in 2006 to 87 in 2011.]

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Map of high risk sites in Lithuanian on state roads in 2010
Examples of safety improvements in state roads

Roundabouts

Elevated crossings

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Improving vehicle safety

- Computer-assisted vehicle testing
- Modern vehicle testing technology
- Modern vehicle testing protocols

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Special traffic Safety annual Campaigns

- Safety belts
- Driving under the influence of alcohol
- Speeding
- The behaviour of pedestrians
- Conspicuity

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Lithuanian schoolchildren competition „Save Young Lives on the Roads”

Forming schoolchildren traffic safety culture skills in education agencies:

Infants learn Traffic Safety Rules

Infants improve their skills

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Representatives of the Church are being invited to participate in road safety activities.

Mass encouraging road users to respect traffic rules and behave safely.

Road users are encouraged to wear reflective vests for better visibility.

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Future plans for 2011 - 2017

National traffic safety development 2011–2017 years programme: major aim is to improve education of road users

Our main ambitions are:

• No more than 200 road deaths in 2017
• No more than 60 deaths per million inhabitants
• To get into the list of the top 10 safest European Union countries
Major Tasks

1. Prepare traffic safety specialists, teachers and raise their qualification
2. Ensure enforcement of traffic rules
3. Improve road infrastructure safety
4. Improve vehicle safety
5. Ensure fast rescue service and qualitative aid of injured people
6. Improve data collection and monitoring
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