

Monthly Road Safety Dashboard MAY 2024 France mainland



4,383 injury accidents were recorded by the police in May 2024, -3% compared with May 2023.

It is estimated that **249 people died on the roads of mainland France in May 2024**, compared with 241 in May 2023, a increase of 3%. In particular, there was a sharp increase in the number of pedestrian fatalities (+15), bicycle fatalities (+11), and powered two-wheelers fatalities (+9). Car users fatalities decrease (-15). The number of fatalities rose for people aged 65 or over (+10 fatalities) and under-18s (+6 fatalities). The number of fatalities rose in rural roads (+11%) and fell in urban areas (-9%).

1,297 people were seriously injured in May 2024, -12% compared with May 2023 (according to the estimation method developed by ONISR on the basis of work by Gustave Eiffel University). This decrease concerned injured to powered two-wheelers (-18%), bicycle (-15%) and pedestrians (-14%), while the number of users seriously injured in cars is stable.



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Summary table of the month of May 2024 compared to the same period last year

	May*		Last 3 months**		Last 12 months***		
_	Number	Variation	Number	Variation	Number	Variation	
Fatalities	249	+3%	746	+13%	3 278	+5%	
Seriously injured	1 297	-12%	3 746	+0%	15 946	+2%	

^{*} May 2024 compared with May 2023

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The trend over **the last 3 months (March-April-May)** is up compared with the same months a year ago: the number of people killed is up by +13% and the number of seriously injured is stable.

Information on injury accidents is recorded by law enforcement agencies, which are not systematically informed when the accident is not fatal. Therefore, the estimate of seriously injured people (according to the M.AIS3+ medical definition) is based on the findings of the police forces corrected by the ONISR-Université Gustave Eiffel model (Rhône Register).

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^{***} Cumulative 12 months from June 2023 to May 2024 compared with cumulative 12 months from June 2022 to May 2023

Evolution of the number of users fatalities cumulated on a rolling 12 months

Overall, fatalities over the last 12 months have increased by +5% compared to the previous 12 months, and by +1% compared to 2019, year taken as a reference for the 2020-2030 decade.

Since the pandemic, **car users** have accounted for just under half of all road deaths. Their fatalities over the last 12 months is estimated at 1,499 fatalities down by -2% compared to the previous 12 months and by -8% compared to 2019.

Fatalities among **powered two-wheeler** users have been on the rise again recent months: 753 people were killed in the last 12 months, up by +12% on the previous 12 months, and up by +1% compared to 2019.

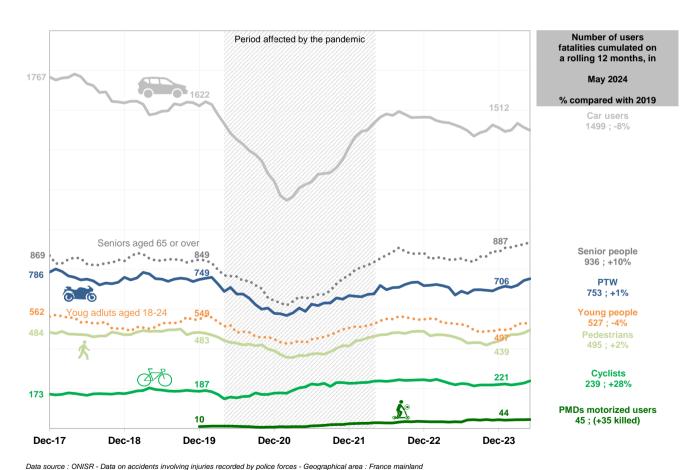
Pedestrian fatalities, after o significant drop, are on the rise: 495 pedestrians have died in the last 12 months, up by +8% on the previous 12 months, and up by +2% compared to 2019.

Cycling fatalities over the last 12 months show a stable trend: 239 cyclists were killed, up by +9% compared to the previous 12 months. However, this result is +28% higher than in 2019. The French are showing an interest in using individual modes of transport for short journeys in towns and cities, but they also use bicycles for leisure activities in rural areas.

Fatalities among **PMDs motorized** users has risen sharply over the last 12 months, 45 people were killed in the last year, a rise of +32% compared to the previous 12 months.

Fatalities among **young adults aged 18-24**, after falling in 2023, is on rise again: 527 young people were killed, a result equivalent to the previous 12 months, and by -4% compared with 2019.

Fatalities among people **aged 65 or over** stands at 936 people killed in the last 12 months, increase of +10% compared with the previous 12 months and up by +10% compared to 2019.



Labelled series for fatalities (definitives until 2023), 2024 estimate based on data as of 2024/06/07

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Evolution of the number of users seriously injured cumulated on a rolling 12 months

Overall, the number of seriously injured over the last 12 months is up by +2% compared to the previous 12 months, and lower by -2% compared to 2019, year taken as a reference for the 2020-2030 decade.

Powered two-wheeler represent for a third of seriously injured; over the last 12 months, they are estimated at 5,300 seriously injured, up by +3% compared with the previous 12 months and lower by -7% compared to 2019.

Car users account for just under a third of seriously injured; over the last 12 months, they are estimated at 4,800 seriously injured, up by +1% compared to the previous 12 months and lower by -7% compared to 2019.

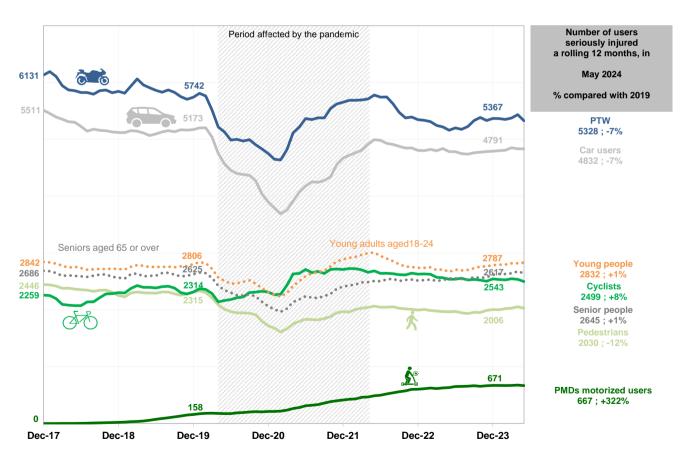
The number of **cyclists** seriously injured over the last 12 months is well above the figure for 2019, but has recently fallen: 2,500 cyclists are thought to have been seriously injured over the last 12 months, lower by -2% compared the previous 12 months, but higher by +8% compared to 2019. Indeed, the French are showing an interest in using individual modes of transport for short journeys in towns and cities, but they also use bicycles for leisure activities in rural areas.

The number of seriously injured **pedestrians** has been stable over the past year, but remains significantly lower than in 2019: an estimated 2,000 pedestrians have been seriously injured over the past 12 months, by +3% compared to the previous 12 months and by -12% compared to 2019.

The number of seriously injured **PMDs motorized** users continues to rise, with over 660 seriously injured in the last 12 months, up by +6% compared to the previous 12 months.

The number of seriously injured among **young adults aged 18-24**, an age group at high risk of severe road crashes, is estimated in the last 12 months to 2,800 seriously injured, up slightly by 6% on the previous 12 months and by +1% compared to 2019.

The number of seriously injured people among people aged 65 or over is estimated at 2,600 seriously injured over the last 12 months, higher by +4% compared with the previous 12 months and by +1% compared to 2019.



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Serious victims in 2024 by mode of travel and road network

Over the last 3 months

Overall, the trend is **up** for road mortality in urban areas (+11%), rural road (+13%) and motorways (+24%). The number of seriously injured also increased on the motorway (+28%) but decreased by -2% in urban areas and in rural road.

In urban areas, the mortality trend is up for all vulnerable road users, and down for car users. The trend for seriously injured is down for all except powered two-wheeler users.

In rural areas, the trend is up for all road users, as well as for seriously injured and for fatalities, except for seriously injured on PTW which is falling.

On motorways, the trend is up for all road users.

Last 3 months (2024 compared with 2023)

	Urbai	n area	Rı	ıral	Motorway		
	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	
Pedestrians	7	→	71	→	7		
PMDs motorized	7	7	→	71			
Cyclists	7	7	71	71			
PTW	71	→	71	7	71	71	
Car users	2	7	→	71	71	71	

ns: non-significant variation

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Labelled series for fatalities (definitives until 2023), ONISR-UGE estimations for seriously injured, 2024 estimate based on data as of 2024/06/07

Over the last 12 months

Overall, the trend is **up** for fatalities (+3% on rural roads, +6% in urban areas and +7% on motorways) and for the seriously injured (+1% in urban areas and on rural roads, +14% on motorways).

In urban areas, the trend is down for cyclists and car users, the trend is up for pedestrian, PMDs motorized and powered two-wheelers users.

In rural areas, the trend is up for PMDs motorized users, cyclists and PTW users, as well as for seriously injured on car users, down for fatalities on foot and car users.

On motorways, the trend is down for pedestrians, but up for powered two-wheelers and car users.

Last 12 months

Cumulative from June 2023 to May 2024, compared to the same period last year

	Urbar	n area	Ru	ral	Motorway		
	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	Fatalities variation	Seriously injured variation	
Pedestrians	+17%	+5%	-6%	-2%	-13%		
PMDs motorized	+35%	+2%	+25%	+36%			
Cyclists	-8%	-5%	+24%	+4%			
PTW	+10%	+1%	+11%	+2%	+44%	+39%	
Car users	-4%	-1%	-2%	+1%	+4%	+7%	

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Pedestrians contain Personal mobility devices non-motorized (rollerblades, skateboards, classic scooters, etc.), which move in the same spaces as pedestrians on

foot and are considered pedestrians in the highway code..

Personal mobility devices (PMDs) motorized contains electric scooters, gyropods, hoverboards, segways, etc.; they move like a bicycle.

Cyclists are users who move around on a bicycle, whether or not it is electrically assisted.

Powered two-wheelers (PTW) include mopeds (less than 50 cc and with a maximum design speed not exceeding 45 km/h, including scooters less than 50 cc) and motorbikes (more than 50 cc, including scooters more than 50 cc).

Car users are light vehicles (LDVs); vans are not included in this category.

The "urban area" road network refers to the lanes between the entrance and exit signs of a municipality.

The "rural" road network refers to non-motorway roads outside the "urban areas" lanes.

The "motorway" network concerns the traffic lanes with motorway status, indicated by blue signs.

Detailed table for May 2024 compared to the same period last year

	Мау		Last 3 months**				Last 12 months***			
	Fatalities Seriously injured		Fatalities		Seriously injured		Fatalities		Seriously injured	
	Number	Number	Number	Variation	Number	Variation	Number	Variation	Number	Variation
Total	249	1 297	746	+13%	3 746	+0%	3 278	+5%	15 946	+2%
By mode of travel										
Pedestrians	40	136	106	+28%	449	+2%	495	+8%	2 030	+3%
PMDs motorized	4	47	7	+40%	146	-2%	45	+32%	667	+6%
Cyclists	24	204	54	+59%	561	-5%	239	+9%	2 499	-2%
PTW	66	469	198	+28%	1 308	-2%	753	+12%	5 328	+3%
Car users	105	397	337	+0%	1 131	+2%	1 499	-2%	4 832	+1%
By age										
Under 18 years	10	194	46	+64%	565	-2%	173	+16%	2 312	-1%
Young adults aged 18-24	41	235	129	+25%	666	+6%	527	+0%	2 832	+6%
Seniors aged 65 or over	79	211	200	+14%	596	+3%	936	+10%	2 645	+4%
On the road network										
Urban area	80	572	227	+11%	1 709	-2%	1 054	+6%	7 191	+1%
Rural	152	636	462	+13%	1 750	-2%	1 936	+3%	7 567	+1%

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Persons "under 18 years old" are children and adolescents aged 0 to 17 years old inclusive.

Young people aged between 18 and 24 inclusive are the category most at risk in terms of road safety.

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Data processing methods for France mainland

The BAAC file (Bulletin of Analysis of Road Traffic Accidents recorded by the Police Forces) includes injury accidents as defined in the decree of 27 March 2007 on the conditions for compiling statistics. The ONISR, which is responsible for the administration and dissemination of accident statistics under the terms of the decree of 15 May 1975 relating to the CISR, has long specified the methods for taking accidents into account.

Method of adjusting injuries

In order to comply with European statistical standards, the ONISR produces a new series of data on injuries for France mainland. It also integrates the AIS scale of injury severity (light or moderate, serious). These data are determined by a new method established jointly by the Gustave Eiffel University (UGE) and the ONISR. This method is based in particular on recent data relating to injuries recorded by the police, but aims to estimate the actual number of people injured in road accidents who are treated by hospital services: https://www.onisr.securite-routiere.gouv.fr/etudes-et-recherches/victimes/blessures/methode-de-redressement-du-nombre-de-blesses-de-la-route (in french).

The monthly barometer

The monthly barometer for a given month concerns accidents occurring up to the end of that month and is compiled and published the following month.

Estimates are produced on the basis of accidents recorded in the TRAxy information system concerning BAAC data currently being entered, transmitted within 48 hours by the police to the ONISR.

Serious injuries are estimated from the data on injuries recorded in TRAxy using the adjustment method mentioned above.

Labelling

Motorway

The Public Statistics Authority has certified the main accident indicators from the BAAC file (France mainland and french overseas counties) for the quasi-definitive data for year N published at the end of January of year N+1, and the definitive data published from May of year N+1. For the years prior to 2021, the dashboard includes labelled data.

The statistical methods are specified on the ONISR website: https://www.onisr.securite-routiere.gouv.fr/en/data-tools.

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