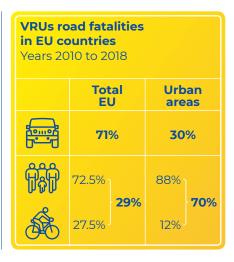


# Better Provisions for Vulnerable Road Users (VRUs)

Of all journeys in EU countries, up to 40 % are travelled by cycle or on foot.

Focuses on locations where successful countermeasures for VRUs have been implemented and locations where the best opportunities exist to implement future countermeasures.





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### Better Provisions for Vulnerable Road Users Because Your Road Safety is on our RADAR.



### Are roads safe enough for vunerable road users?

- ▶ 92% of roads where pedestrians cross and traffic flows at 40 km/h or more have no pedestrians crossing facilities.
- ▶ 91 % of roads have no bicycle lane.
- ▶ 88 % of all roads are only 1-2 stars for pedestrians and cyclists.
- High speed of traffic
- ▷ Inadequate crossing facilities
- Lack of pedestrian crossing opportunities
- ▷ Large number of lanes to cross
- Complexity and unpredictability of traffic movements at intersection
- Lack of pedestrian's infrastructure along the road
- ▷ Inadequate separation from traffic
- Poor crossing sight distance

#### Why not?

29% Pedestrians and cyclists account for 29% of all road user deaths in the EU.

## 51.300

At least 51,300 pedestrians and 19,450 cyclists killed on EU roads between 2010 and 2018.

## 70%

For 2018, 70 % of total fatalities in Europe in urban areas happened with vulnerable road users, with 12 % of them being cyclists.

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## Recommendations for state governments/ministries/ agencies:

- ► Incorporate the Safe System Approach.
- Develop a unified protocol for assessment of the crash risks of VRUs.
- Ensure that countermeasures selection, prioritisation, and implementation process is based on official and internationally acknowledged methodology.
- Define a national minimal standard threshold values of relevant road safety indicators based on which high-risk road sections for VRUs will be identified.
- Ensure that funds are invested in low-cost, high-impact countermeasures, by considering the concepts of tactical urbanism and space-wise planning.
- Develop and link datasets on road traffic accidents, traffic volume and road network.
- Try to link the police database on road traffic accidents with hospital data to minimize the under-reporting issue.
- Raise public awareness to improve the traffic culture.
- Share knowledge with demonstrations of good practices and approaches.

### Recommendations for local governments:

- Ensure that results obtained by road safety assessments performed at local level are standardized and comparable.
- Start systematic, high-quality road safety data collection and analysis to plan investments on most critical locations.

## Recommendations for road authorities:

- Use the official, standardized, objective methodology for selecting most critical locations for VRUs with highest potential savings.
- Ensure that provisions for VRUs are selected based on the operating speed of traffic flow and peak-hour flow volumes.
- Periodically collect relevant supporting data on characteristic locations on the road network and update relevant databases.
- Periodically perform analysis of effectiveness of implemented countermeasures for VRUs.
- Engage all stakeholders in the process of the road design.

