DVR-Colloquium Vision Zero in practice Berlin, 7 December 2016

The role of enforcement for the design of a safe system

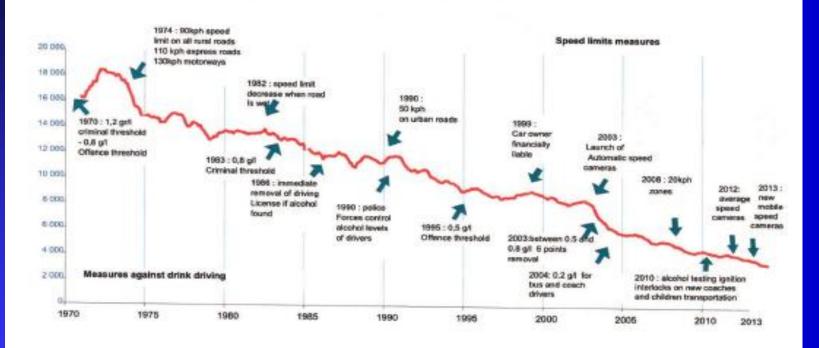
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2 - Long trends

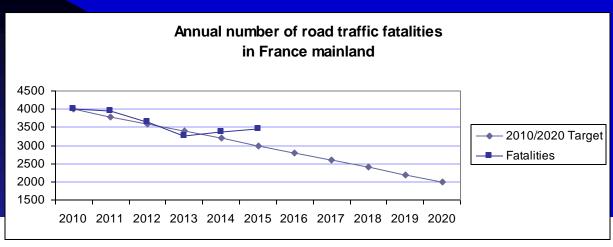
→ Road safety measures and Road fatality trend between 1970 and 2013

Road fatality trend in France mainland and road safety measures on speed and alcohol t 1970 - 2013 (12 months gliding))



2015 Provisional Road cannulty results, by ONISE - January 2014

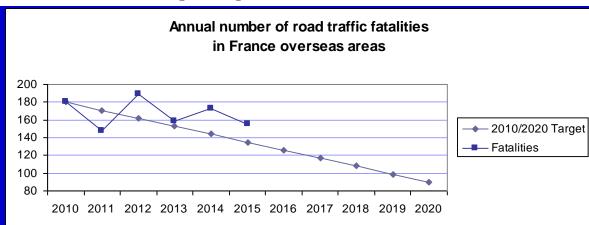




Road Safety in 2015

Summary Report





The major axis of a road safety policy, strategies and objectives

- 3 pillars: drivers's <u>behaviour</u> (education and training, driving licence systems, campaigning, enforcement), road infrastructure, <u>vehicle safety</u>
- 5 pillars = in addition road safety <u>management</u> and <u>post-crash response</u>
- Vision zero
- Safe system approach
- Halving the number of fatalities by 2020
- •WHO: in order to save lives → speed management
- A choice (not the only one) in France in 2002: enforcement.



Automatic Enforcement (1)

- 14th July 2002: President Jacques Chirac defines road safety as a priority to his mandate.
- 18th December 2002: the Interministerial Committee for Road Safety decides to launch the « automatic enforcement » for traffic offences.
- First « speed camera » on a French road on 27th October 2003.









Automatic enforcement (2)

<u>1st December 2016</u> = <u>4387 existing automatic</u> <u>enforcement devices in total divided into:</u>

2063 speed cameras (among them 603 with double picture)

363 selective or discriminating speed cameras

100 average speed cameras

383 embarked (in police forces cars) speed cameras of new generation

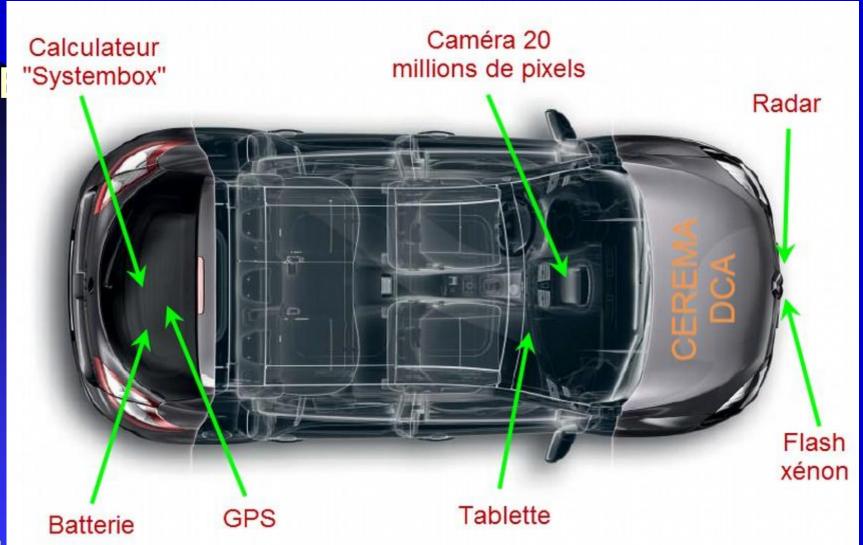
501 mobile speed cameras

706 traffic light cameras

80 railway level crossing cameras

191 autonomous speed cameras for road works sections













ET Mobile nouvelle génération



Caméra et tablette - Renault Mégane



« Radar » - Citroën Berlingo



Automatic Enforcement (3)

- In 2014, 21 millions offences detected by automatic enforcement devices; around 24 millions in 2015.
- 40 % are not prosecuted; half are foreign number plates and the other half are unidentifiable (unreadable, motorcycles number plates, more vehicles on the picture/non discriminating device, etc..).



Automatic Enforcement (4)

Results:

- In 2002, more than 8,000 fatalities on the French roads against 3,461 in 2015;
- the average driven speed has been reduced by 10 % in 10 years, on all road network (urban, rural and motorways);
- Automatic enforcement devices saved 30,000 lives, i.e. ¾ of the lives saved between 2002 and 2013.



Foreign offenders (1)

- A vehicle with a foreign number plate;
- France is a transit and tourism country with an important number of vehicles from other European countries;
- In 2009, the number of offences recorded by the automatic enforcement devices, done by foreign drivers, represented 25% of the total offences. During the summertime this percentage went up to 50%.



The foreign offenders (2)

- Bilateral agreements with Switzerland in 2009,
- The implementation of Directive 2011/82 with our neighboring countries led to a reduction of that rate from 25% to 21% in 2014;
- Exchange of informations started in 2016 with Italy and Luxembourg, also with Poland and Romania;
- On 7th of December 2016 with Austria; next countries will be Slovakia, Czech Republic and Hungary.



The foreign offenders (3)

- The payment rate:
- After the first notification: from 65% to 75%;
- After the second notification: from 25% to 30%.



Next steps: 1st semester 2017

- Decisions taken by the Prime Minister in France, on 2nd of October 2015 in the Interministerial Committee for Road Safety:
 - 1. To set up a system ensuring the follow-up of the payment procedure = register of « bad payers »;
 - 2. implementation of the demerit points system to non resident-offenders in order to improve road safety and to improve equality of treatment of offenders



More information:

http://www.securite-routiere.gouv.fr/

Thank you for your attention

