

Evidence based policies in Brazil to address alcohol and drug impaired driving

Panel: "Today's challenges to Road Safety: Impaired Driving – what do the numbers show and how can we reduce fatalities today?"

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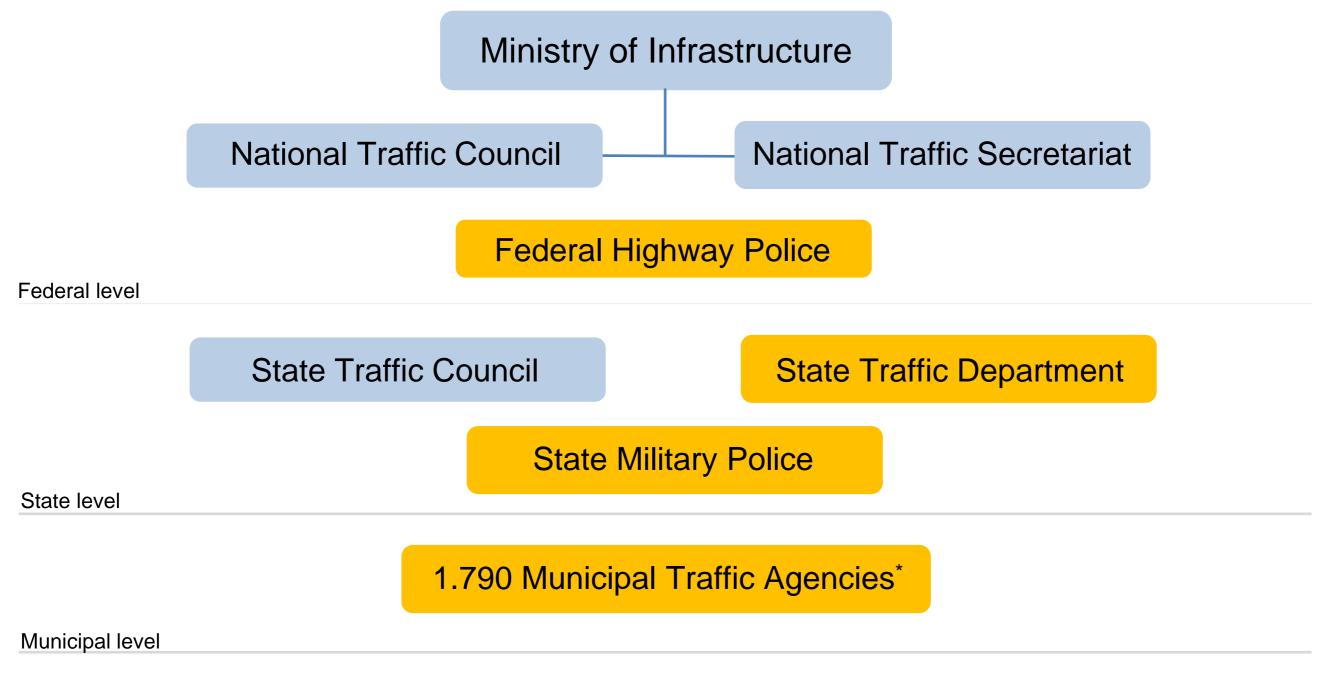
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Brazil: an overview

- Population: 213.317.639 (2021)
- ⊕ 27 States and 5.570 municipalities.
- → National vehicle fleet: 111.667.746 (January 2022).
- Convention on Road Traffic 1968 (Contracting Party)
- ⊖ Regional Agreement on Road Traffic (1993): Argentina, Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay.
- ⊖ San Luis Protocol (1996): MERCOSUL (civil responsability on road crashes).

Road Traffic Safety Management

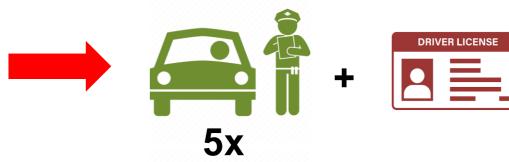


- ⊖ Brazilian Traffic Code (1997)
- National Traffic Council Regulations
- → National Road Safety Plan 2021 2030

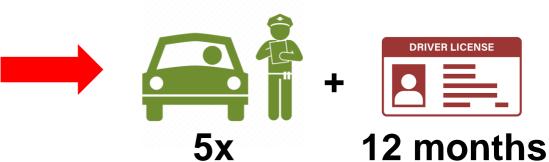
(*) Source: Ministry of Infrastructure/National Traffic Secretariat Access: 7 March 2022

Policies on alcohol and drug impaired driving

→ 1997: Driving under influence alcohol (BAC > 6,0) or drugs



○ 2008: (BAC > 2,0)

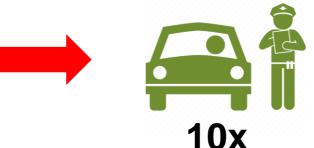








If BrAC \geq 0,3mg/l or BAC \geq 6,0







2016:







10x



12 months



Fine 10x = US\$ 580,00

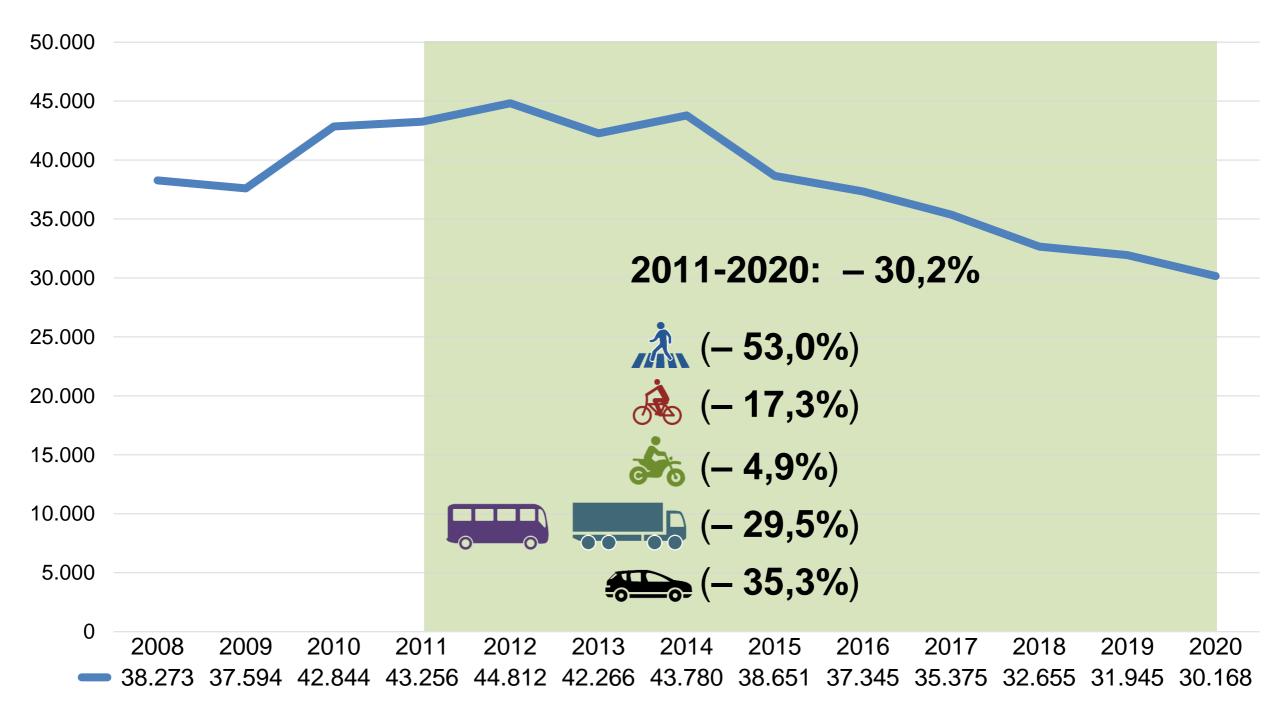
Policy on drug impaired driving



- Toxicological examination.
- → 90-day window of detection.
- Categories C, D, E.
- Hair sample.
- Mandatory:
- issuance or renewal of driving license.
- hiring or firing the worker.



Road traffic deaths. Brazil, 2008 – 2020*

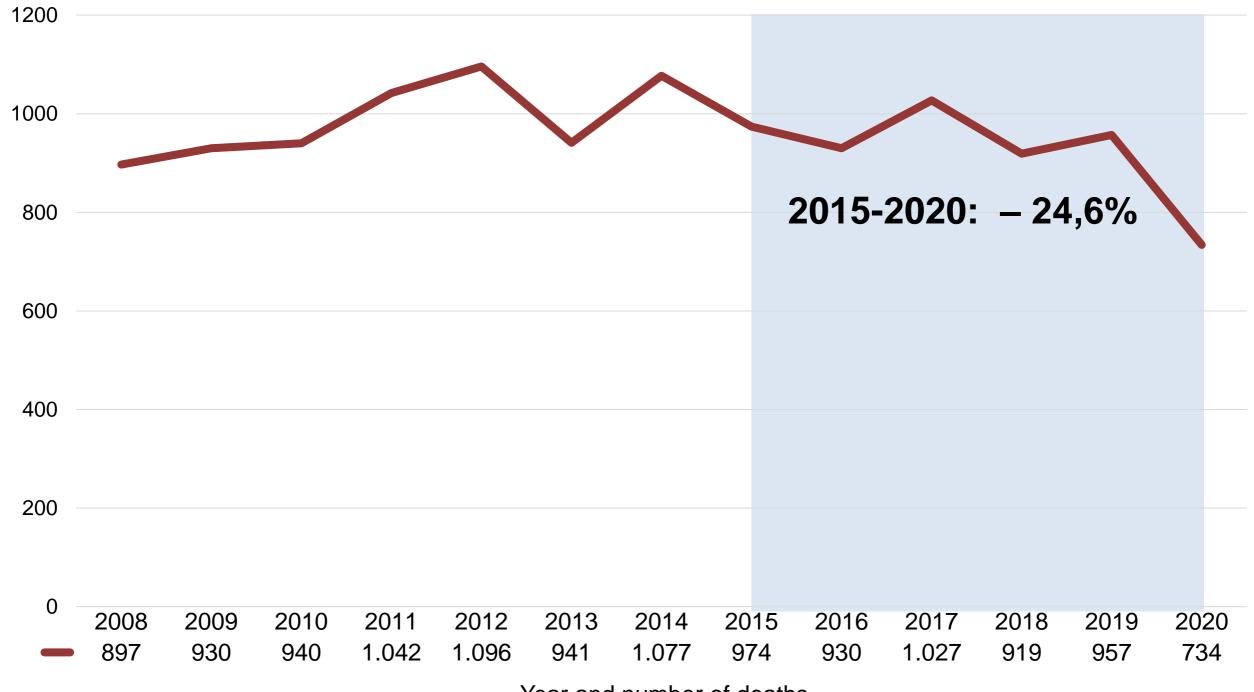


Year and number of deaths

Source: Ministry of Health

(*) 2020: Preliminary data Reference: 4 March 2022

Road traffic deaths. Professional drivers. Brazil, 2008 – 2020*

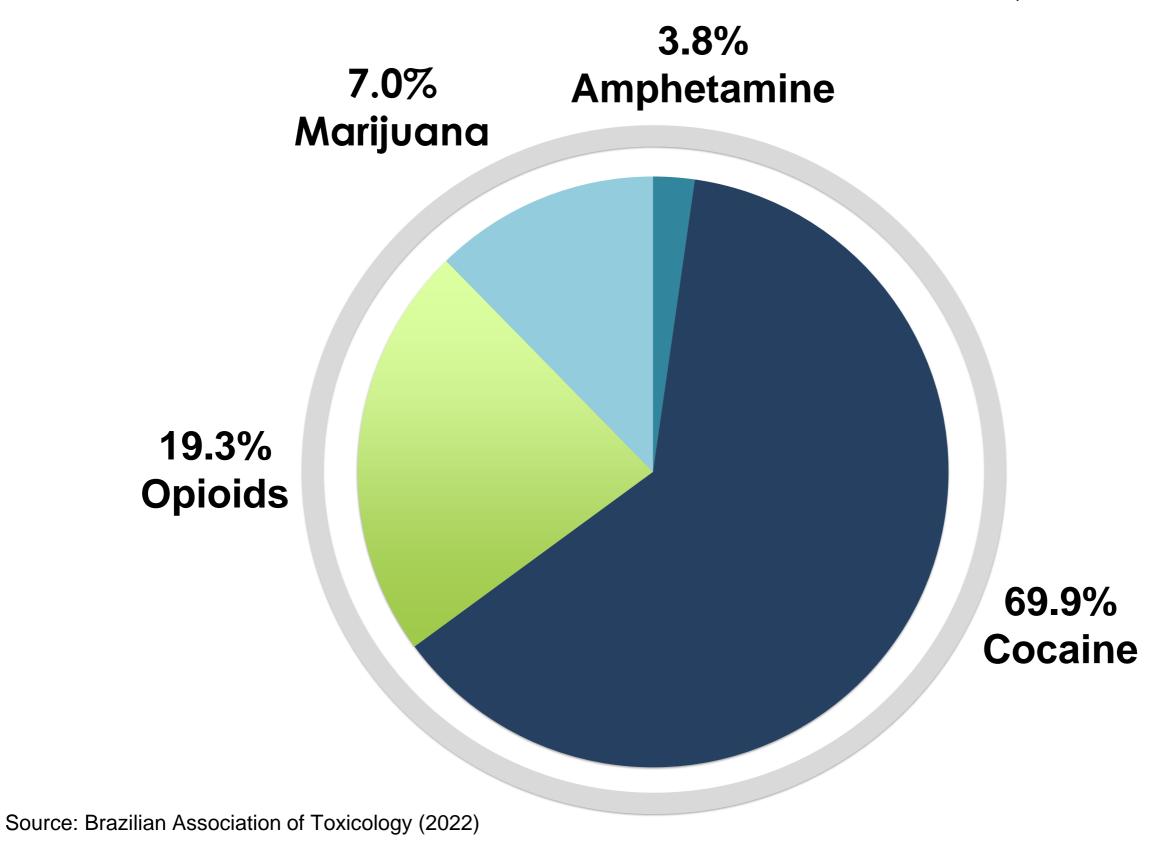


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Drugs detected in drivers with positive toxicology exam. Brazil, 2016 – 2018



Lessons learned, challenges and opportunities

- Enforcement of alcohol and drug impaired driving should be a priority and regular procedures for all traffic agencies.
- High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) (NHTSA) and Random Breath Testing (RBT) (Australia).
- ⊖ Convention on Road Traffic 1968 (Article 6, paragraphs 1 and 2).
- Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1).
- → AETR.







Thank you!

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