

Prevent crashes
Reduce injuries
Save lives



**Introducing
SWOV**



Organisation

SWOV is the national scientific institute for road safety research in the Netherlands. It is our mission to use our knowledge from scientific research to contribute to safer road traffic.

SWOV is independent with respect to its knowledge and research findings. Our approach is focused on interdisciplinary collaboration, both within the organisation itself and with other institutions in the Netherlands and abroad. SWOV-knowledge is public knowledge.

SWOV has a good research climate and an open and collegial working atmosphere. The researchers are from various academic backgrounds, such as physics, mathematics, psychology, sociology, human geography, mechanical engineering and civil engineering.

SWOV stimulates its experts to further develop themselves in their field and assists them in their PhD research. SWOV is invited to collaborate in international research on a regular basis.

Meet the SWOV-researchers: swov.nl/en/experts

Research

SWOV responds to new developments and its research is divided across ten topics. Several research projects are carried out within each of the ten topics. Our website keeps you up to date on the latest state of affairs within each topic and each research project. SWOV makes use of many new technologies and research methods in its research. Among these are, for instance, a driving simulator, eye-trackers and measuring devices in cars or on bicycles. SWOV also has a special team for in depth research. This type of research provides insight into the factors and circumstances which play a role in the causes of certain types of road crashes and the injuries that result from these crashes.

Contacts with researchers and traffic and transport experts in the Netherlands and abroad help SWOV to keep its knowledge up-to-date.

Read more about the research methods, topics and projects: swov.nl/en/research



The road safety information on the SWOV-website is divided into topics:



Road safety in numbers



Policy



Transport mode



Human behaviour in traffic



Risks



Enforcement



Infrastructure



Education



Technology & ITS



International

Facts & Figures

SWOV develops fact sheets to provide you with brief, clear and substantiated answers to road safety questions.

The fact sheets provide information on all research topics. Are you interested in the influence of the weather on road safety? Do you want to know about the hazards of using a smartphone while cycling? Or are you curious about the dangers of alcohol in traffic? The approximately forty factsheets on our website answer these and many other questions.

The topic *Road safety in numbers* offers all kinds of road safety data. Here you will also find the digital *Road map – Road safety data*: a guide providing information and instructions to assist you in using the road safety data for your own purpose.

Consult the fact sheets and data on our website: swov.nl/en/facts-figures

Collaborate

Most of the SWOV-research is made possible by a grant from the Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment.

But SWOV also works for other parties: decentralised and semi-governments, consulting firms, business companies and international clients use our research experience.

SWOV is increasingly being asked to help clients to find answers to the question or solutions to the problems they have to deal with.

SWOV provides various services: sometimes no new research is required when sufficient existing knowledge is available to answer the questions. We can then help with a customized report, training, lecture or a course.

More information about how SWOV can be of assistance to you: swov.nl/en/collaborate/services



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- scientific research
- knowledge from international research
- fact and figures about road safety
- results published in SWOV-reports and in scientific journals and publications
- advice, substantiated in, for example, a report, journal, presentation or a course
- evaluation of road safety measures
- dissemination and sharing of knowledge through website, conferences, and knowledge cafés


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