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Norwegian Transport and Transport Policy in a European Context

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Norway – some basic facts

- Population: 5,2 million
- 80 % in urban areas, 30 % in 4 major cities, second lowest population density in Europe
- Area (mainland): 325 000 sq. km
(Germany: 357 000 sq. km, population: 82 million)
- Length of coastline: 25 148 km - seventh longest in the world, second longest in Europe
- Distance between the southern most point and northern most point of Norway = distance between southern most point in Norway and Rome


Road transport – challenging driving conditions during wintertime

[Video – Norway Truck Crashes and Bad Weather Conditions](#)


- Heavy goods vehicles are not sufficiently equipped
- Drivers inexperienced with winter driving conditions
- Measures: Inspections, information campaigns, winter tyre requirements, module on winter driving

Cabotage – fair competition for operators and an efficient market

Social dumping: Pleased that the Commission will come up with better initiatives to adress this issue.

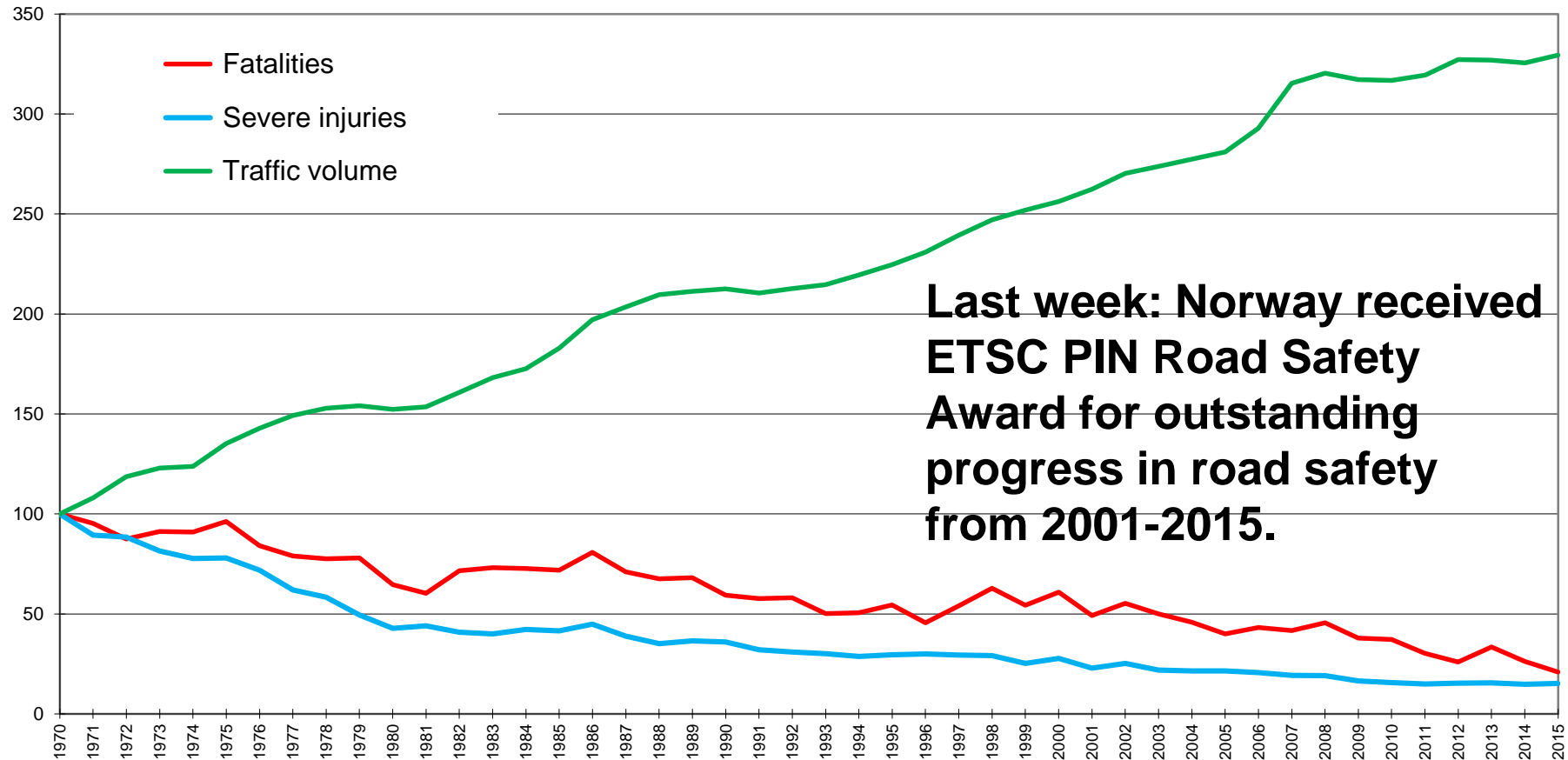
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- **In Norway we do the following:**
 - **Increased/improved control of cabotage – better equipment, better co-operation.**
 - **Work towards EU for the opportunity to monitor and register cabotage in each state, including getting better data on the actual share of cabotage.**

Driving entitlements for motorhomes – regulated in Directive 2006/126/EC

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- Net weight of 3 500 kg – no capacity for passengers and goods.
 - Holders of a category B driving license are entitled to use a trailer as long as it does not exceed a total of 4 250 kg.
 - Traffic safety: Better to allow holders of a category B driving license to drive a vehicle up to this weight-limit inside the motorhome, instead of in a trailer.

Road Safety: Historical trend since 1970

Last 5 years: Road deaths cut by 44%. Last 2 years: Road deaths cut by 20%



Railway reform

A better organized and more efficient railway sector



Four reform steps:

- **Structure - Directorate and Infrastructure enterprise**
- **Business orientation**
- **Lower barriers to entry**
- **Competition – passenger traffic - 4th railway package**

Technology - Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS)



Ill.: Google, Volvo, Amazon, Tesla, EasyMile



Aviation – new EU strategy and fair competition

- **Norway welcomes the new EU strategy.**
- **It will enable both authorities and industry to face the future challenges.**
- **Fair competition: Secure that European airlines are met with legal and economic conditions in their home countries, making them able to meet the global challenge.**



Coastal Affairs

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- Norway support the policy on modal shift from road to sea.
 - Our long coastline plays an important role in transporting both people and goods.

Environment and climate change

- To combat climate change - Norway has extensive experience with national policies and measures.
- Nearly one in five new cars are electric.
- We will share our experiences as an input to the EU Commission's Communication on Decarbonising of the Transport Sector.

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Thank you for your attention!

Have a continued pleasant stay in Oslo!

I look forward to a close cooperation in the future!

