

# Lao People's Democratic Republic

## Gender in Transport

Population (2024)  
**7.7 million**

Female population  
**50%**

GDP (PPP, 2022)  
**(1) 70.68 billion USD**

GDP per capita (PPP, 2022)  
**(2) 9,387 USD**

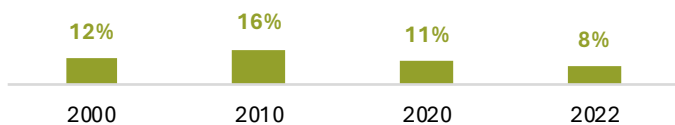
## Employment in transport

Female employment in transport sector (2022)  
**4.9 thousand female employees**

Total employment in transport sector (2022)  
**60.1 thousand employees**

*Between 2010 and 2022, Lao People's Democratic Republic's female employment in the transport sector decreased by -0.7 thousand female employees, decreasing by -1% annually*

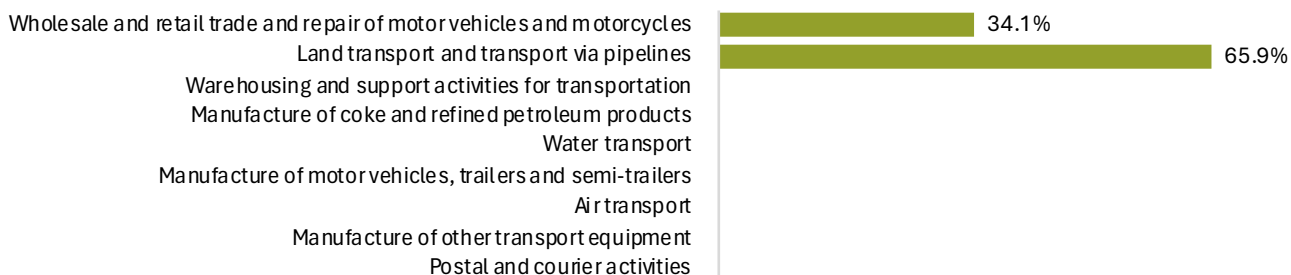
Share of females in total transport employment



Share of transport in total female employment

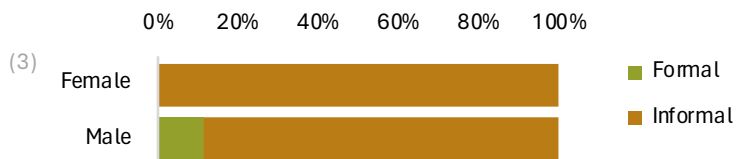


Female employment in transport by economic activity



Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, 2022; Land transport and transport via pipelines, 2017

Share of females in transport-related employment by nature of work (formal and informal) (2023)  
**(3)**



Transport-related employment covers (1) wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, (2) land transport and transport via pipelines, (3) warehousing and support activities for transportation, (4) manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products, (5) water transport, (6) manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers, (7) air transport, (8) manufacture of other transport equipment, (9) postal and courier activities  
**(3)**

Average monthly wage in transport and storage (2022)

| Female  
**166 USD**

| Male  
**256 USD** **(3)**

Home-based workers as a percentage of total employment (2017)

| Women  
**(3) 24%**

| Men  
**12%** **(4)**

Road safety

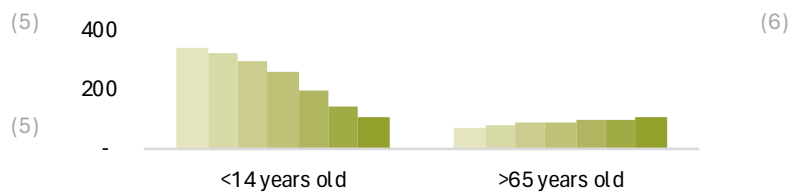
Total road crash fatalities (2021)

**1.2 thousand deaths**

Share of females in road crash fatalities (2021)

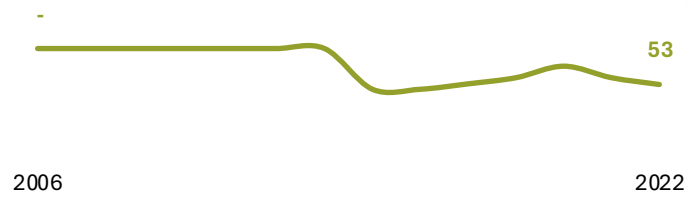
**23%**

Road crash fatalities by age group (1990-2019)



Others

Global Gender Gap ranking (out of 152 countries)



Share of households with female head (2005)

**10%**

Share of women in high-level decision-making positions in the environment, transport, and energy sectors

**n.d.**

Share of population with insufficient physical activity (2016)

| Female population

**21%**

| Total population

**16%**

Share of total population shopping using the internet (2021)

| Female population

**12%**

| Total population

**10%**

## Gender in transport policy

## Availability of explicit gender-related transport measures in Lao People's Democratic Republic's policies

National Development Strategy	Yes
Other National-level Policy	
Multi-Modal Transport Policy	
Urban Plan	
Gender-focused Strategy	
SDG-focused Policy	
Road Infrastructure and Operations Policy	
Rail Policy	
Shipping/ Inland Water Transport Policy	
Aviation Policy	
Logistics Policy	
Active Transport Policy	
Automotive Policy	
Climate Change Strategy	
Energy Plan	
Air Pollution Strategy	
Road Safety Strategy	

Policy document	Year	Gender-specific policy measures
8th Five-Year National Socio-Economic Development Plan (2016-2020)	2016	Ensure gender equality in economic opportunities, including access to resources such as land, funds, technologies and basic infrastructure (electricity, roads, markets).

## Notes



(\*) Policy measures and targets were extracted from policy documents as listed in the ATO National Transport Policies Database

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