

# Increase road safety or reduce road danger: challenging the mainstream road safety discourse

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The following correction has been made to the article e000043, vol. 5, 2024, <https://doi.org/10.55329/vfer7646> (published on 5 March 2024, updated on 18 March 2024):

1. A supporting reference is provided to statement about Dorothee Bär, German Secretary for Traffic and Infrastructure, claiming the number of people affected by one traffic death.

The original text on page 9 is changed from:

As Dorothee Bär stated as German Secretary for Traffic and Infrastructure: ‘When somebody dies in a traffic crash, on average 11 family members, 4 close friends, 56 friends and acquaintances, and 42 rescue workers are permanently affected by this heavy fate.’

to:

As Dorothee Bär stated as German Secretary for Traffic and Infrastructure: ‘When somebody dies in a traffic crash, on average 11 family members, 4 close friends, 56 friends and acquaintances, and 42 rescue workers are permanently affected by this heavy fate’ ([Bormann, 2017](#)).

The author acknowledges that while the reference confirms the fact of public speaking and announcing these numbers, it does not provide any information on the underlying research that produced them.

## References

Bormann, C. (2017), ‘113 Personen sind betroffen, wenn im Straßenverkehr ein Mensch stirbt [113 people are affected if a person dies in traffic]’, *DVR Report: Fachmagazin für Verkehrssicherheit*, 2, [https://www.dvr.de/fileadmin/downloads/dvr-report/DVR-report\\_2017-02.pdf](https://www.dvr.de/fileadmin/downloads/dvr-report/DVR-report_2017-02.pdf).



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