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#### **ABSTRACT**

In recent years, the annual rising number of traffic accidents is becoming a major problem in Egypt. It makes the situation of road traffic safety more and more severe. So, Egypt is in a great need to find how to control this severe situation and finding the appropriate countermeasures to be taken to improve road traffic safety by preventing or at least by reducing road traffic accidents.

Road traffic accidents result from the disorder of the complex dynamic road traffic system, which consists of people, vehicles, roads and environmental conditions. This study introduces traffic accidents prediction model with respect to vehicles factor, without considering the other three factors of people, roads and environmental conditions.

After collecting traffic data from Traffic Police Department, Ministry of Interior in Egypt, this study carries out quantitative statistical analysis of these data and finally, explores a linear regression between the number of road traffic accidents and the road traffic composition, and another linear regression between the number of road traffic accidents and the accidents vehicles types.

The collected traffic data represents the situation of traffic accidents and traffic composition in Egypt during the period from 2006 to 2010. Quantitative statistical analysis is carried out for finding the correlation between the number of road traffic accidents and the number of licensed vehicles of different types (passenger cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, etc.). After finding this correlation, some types of vehicles which have a significant correlation with the number of road traffic accidents are chosen for building the linear regression model between the number of road traffic accidents and the traffic composition. Data processing is mostly done by Excel and SPSS.

As a case study, quantitative statistical analysis is carried out for the collected traffic data of Cairo – Suez Highway and Cairo – Alex Desert Highway in Egypt which represents the number of road traffic accidents, the accidents vehicles types, the number of fatalities, and the number of injuries during the period from 2010 to 2011.

The quantitative statistical analysis found the correlation between the number of road traffic accidents and the accidents vehicles types (passenger cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, etc.). After finding this correlation, some types of accidents vehicles which have a significant correlation with the number of road traffic accidents are chosen for building the linear regression model between the number of road traffic accidents and the accidents vehicles types.

With the same sequence, the quantitative statistical analysis found the correlation between the number of each of fatalities and injuries and the accidents vehicles types (passenger cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, etc.). After finding this correlation, some types of accidents vehicles which have a significant correlation with the number of each of fatalities and injuries are chosen for building the linear regression model between the number each of fatalities and injuries and the accidents vehicles types. Data processing is mostly done by Excel and SPSS.

According to the found linear regression between the number of road traffic accidents and the traffic composition fro Egyptian roads, the found linear regression between the number of road traffic accidents and the accidents vehicles types, and the found linear regression between the number of each of fatalities and injuries and the accidents vehicles types Cairo – Suez Highway and Cairo – Alex Desert Highway in Egypt, this study will give some advice to the relative administration authorities, which can help for the improvement of the situation of road traffic safety in Egypt.

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