

# The results from FEMA's survey on historic motorcycles



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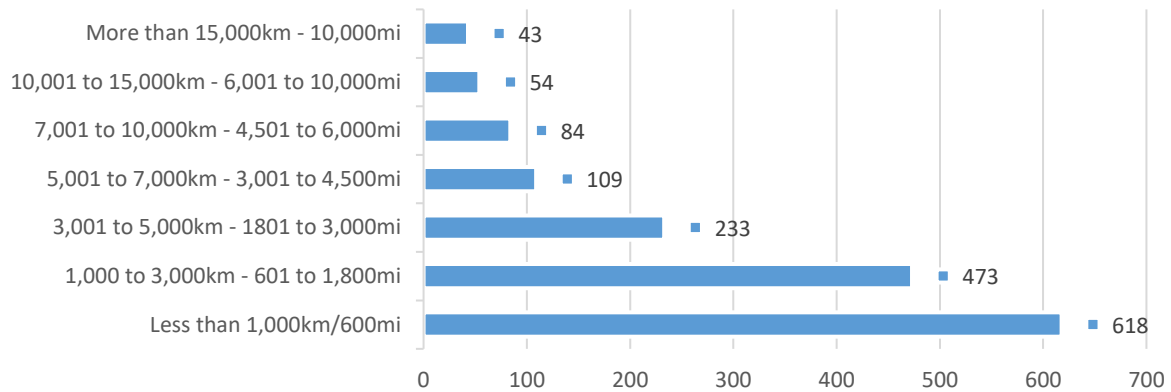
From 17 November until 2 December 2022 FEMA conducted an online survey on the use and definition of historic motorcycles.

## Why this survey?

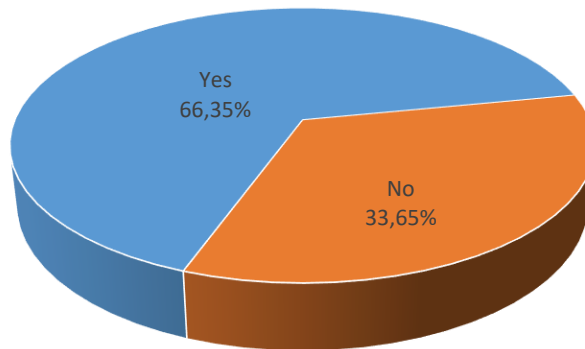
Different EU member states, other European countries, and the EU use different definitions to describe historic vehicles. For political purposes, especially when it comes to the position of motorcycles and other powered two-wheelers in both national and international legislation about road tax, low emission zones, periodical technical inspections et cetera, FEMA wanted to survey motorcyclists in Europe on the subject.

- 🏍️ 1.614 people from 31 countries responded to the survey.
- 🏍️ 95.61% of the respondents is male, 4.39% is female.
- 🏍️ The average age of the respondents is 56.07 years.
- 🏍️ The average age of the respondents' oldest motorcycle is 46 years.
- 🏍️ On average each respondent owns 3.48 motorcycles > 50cc
- 🏍️ 67.60% of the respondents ride less than 3.000km/1,800mi per year.
- 🏍️ 66.35% of the respondents has a special old-timer or historic motorcycle insurance.
- 🏍️ 34.57% of the respondents is a member of an old-timer or historic vehicle club.
- 🏍️ 50.50% of the respondents is a member of a national motorcyclists' organisation.
- 🏍️ 67.41% of the respondents think historic motorcycles should be exempt from mandatory periodical technical inspections.
- 🏍️ 86.92% of the respondents think historic motorcycles should be exempt from low and/or zero emission zones.
- 🏍️ 71.19% of the respondents think historic motorcycles should be exempt from road taxes.

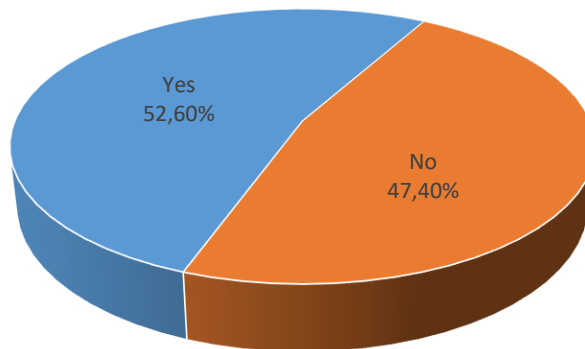
### How many kilometers/miles per year do you ride on your oldest motorcycle?



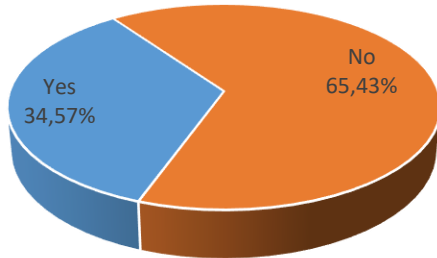
### Do you have a special oldtimer or historic motorcycle insurance?



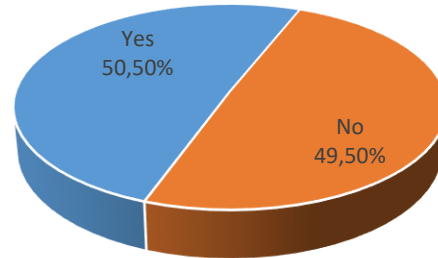
### Do you take a winter break from riding?



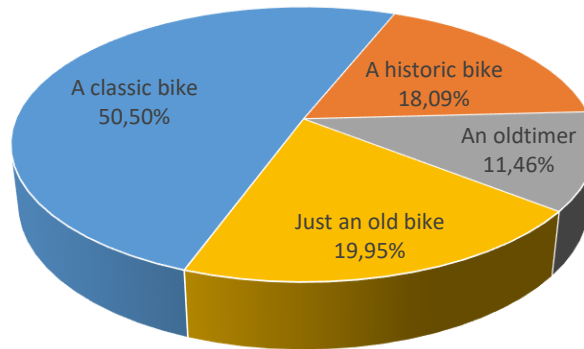
Are you a member of an oldtimer or historic vehicle club?



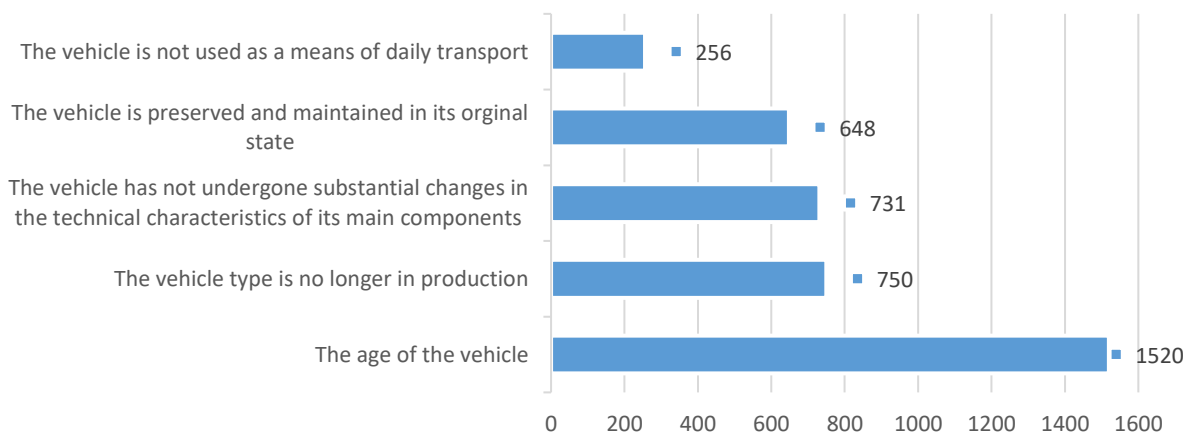
Are you a member of a national motorcyclists' organisation?



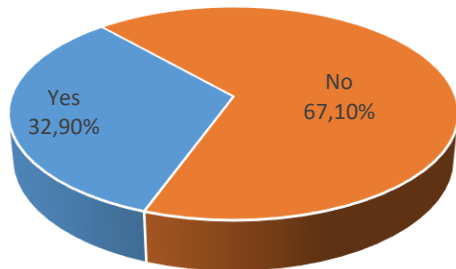
What would you call your oldest motorcycle?



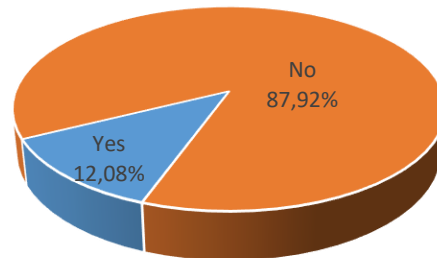
What do you think should be part of the label 'historic vehicle'?



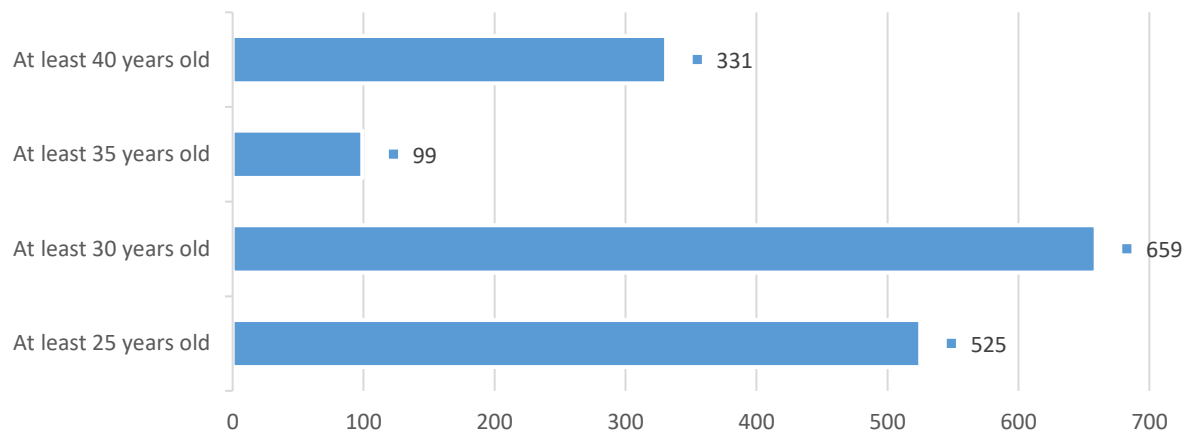
Is your motorcycle officially registered as a historic vehicle?



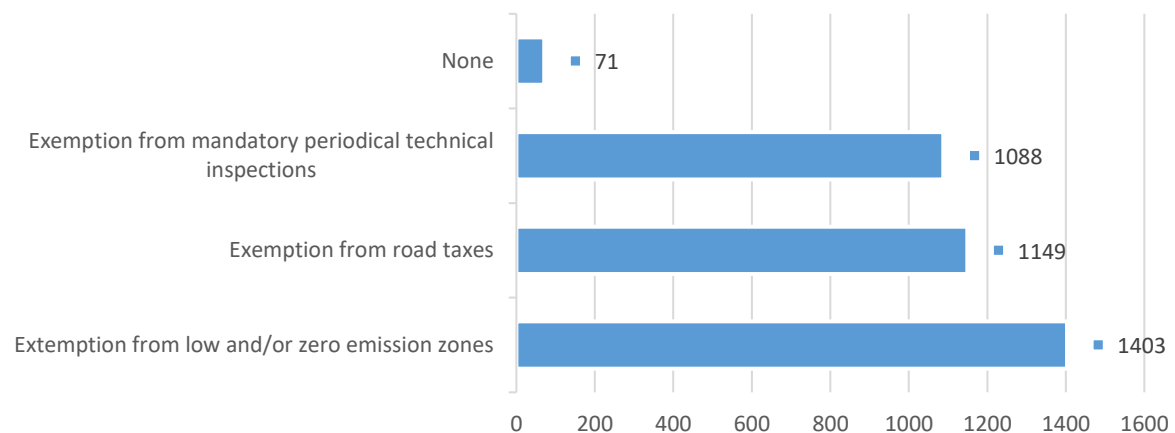
Does your motorcycle have a special registration plate, marking it as a historic vehicle?



How old do you think a motorcycle should be to call it 'historic'?



What benefits would you like to see for historic motorcycles?

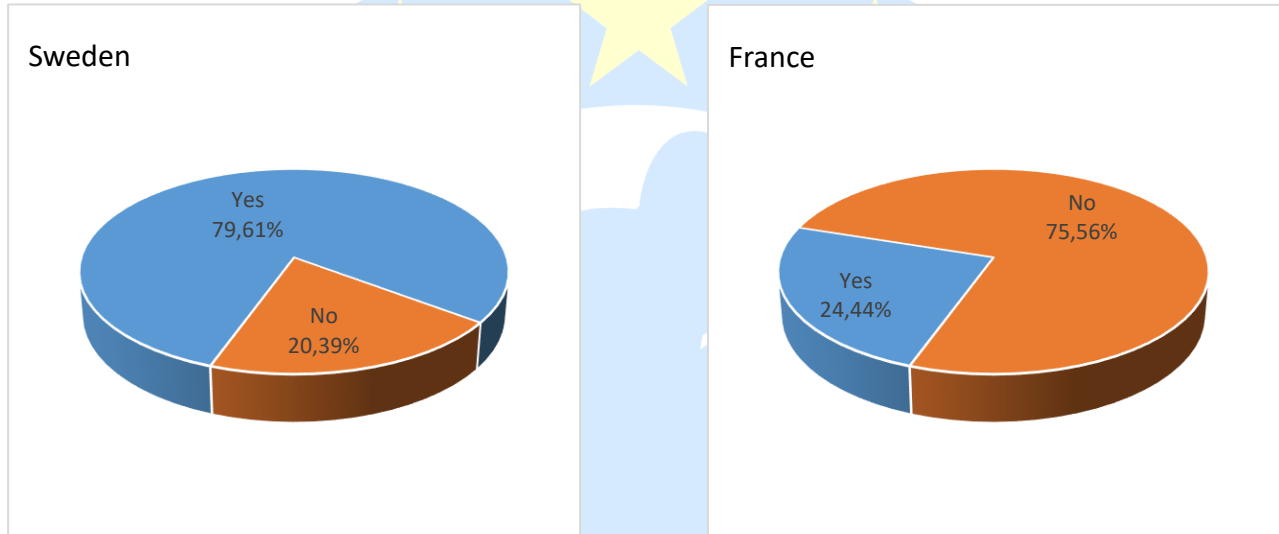


## National differences

With our survey we collected results from all over Europe, presenting us with an overall view of the issues concerning historic motorcycles. Motorcycle culture and of course climatic circumstances can result in a significantly different outcome. A few examples:

### **Do you take a winter break from riding?**

Overall results: 52.6% yes, 47.4% no.



### **Are you a member of a national motorcyclists' organisation?**

Overall results: 50.5% yes, 49.5% no.

