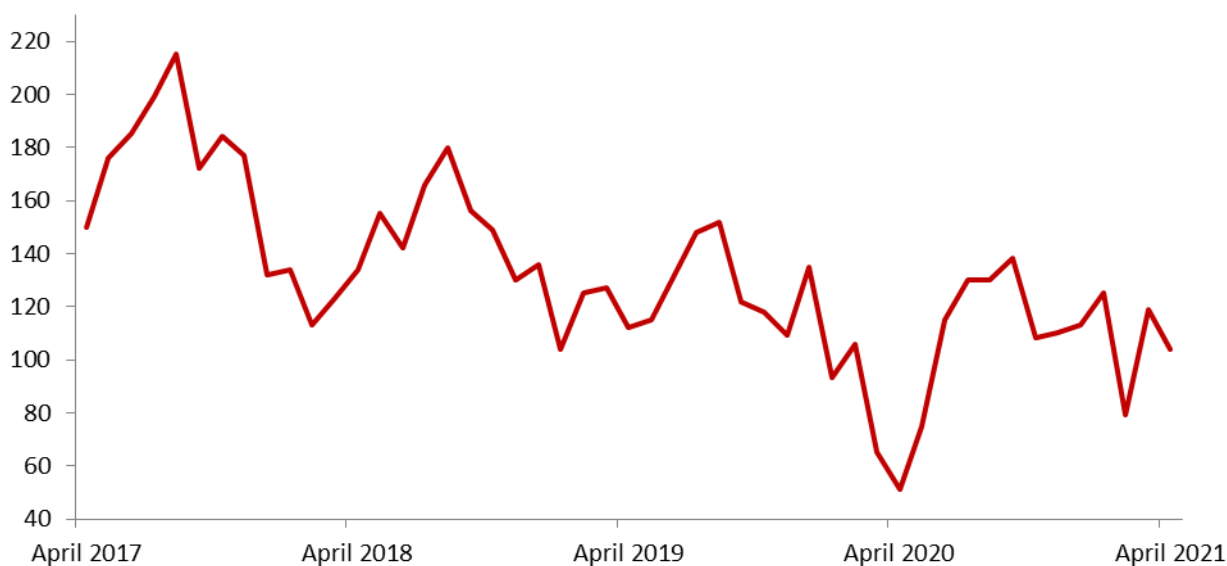


Road accidents

April 2021

Tirana, 18 May 2021: In April 2021, are counted 104 road accidents, from 51 accidents occurred in April 2020, increasing by 103.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year. Due to the lockdown in 2020, the decline in accidents was large. So the comparison with this abnormal year due to the pandemic has brought a high increase during this month. In the first four months of 2021, are counted 427 road accidents, from 315 accidents in the first four months of 2020, increasing by 35.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, April 2017 – April 2021



Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT calculations

In April 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 145 from 67 persons in April 2020, increasing 116.4 %. In the first four months of 2021, the number of casualties is 563 from 427 persons, increasing by 31.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In April 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 12 persons from 10 killed persons in April 2020. In the first four months of 2021, the killed from road accidents are 70 from 49 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

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In April 2021, road accidents, in 82.7 % of cases, occurred as a result of the driver's behavior. The highest number of accidents in this month was carried out by the age group of 25-34, accounting for 24.0 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have increased by 47.1 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the first four months of 2021, road accidents, in 19.2 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 26.2 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents and number of casualties by gender

Period	Total	Killed persons		Injured persons	
	Accidents	Female	Male	Female	Male
April 2020	51	0	10	18	39
April 2021	104	4	8	43	90
The annual change (%)	103.9	-	-20.0	138.9	130.8
January-April 2020	315	10	39	130	248
January-April 2021	427	13	57	154	339
The annual progressive change (%)	35.6	30.0	46.2	18.5	36.7

Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT's calculation

Tab. 2 Road accidents and number of killed persons by users of road

Period	Accidents by		Killed persons by	
	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian
April 2020	43	8	10	0
April 2021	86	18	10	2
The annual change (%)	100.0	125.0	0.0	-
January-April 2020	250	65	40	9
January-April 2021	345	82	60	10
The annual progressive change (%)	38.0	26.2	50.0	11.1

Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT's calculation

Tab. 3 Road accidents by driver's age

Period	0 - 24 years old	25- 34 years old	35- 44 years old	45-59 years old	60+ years old	Left the accident scene
April 2020	10	17	7	8	5	4
April 2021	22	25	19	23	11	4
The annual change (%)	120.0	47.1	171.4	187.5	120.0	0.0
January-April 2020	45	92	52	67	31	28
January-April 2021	92	116	82	71	36	30
The annual progressive change (%)	104.4	26.1	57.7	6.0	16.1	7.1

Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT's calculation

Tab. 4 Road accidents and number of killed persons by regions

Period	Accidents		Killed persons		Accidents		Killed persons	
	April 2020	April 2021	April 2020	April 2021	Jan-April 2020	Jan-April 2021	Jan-April 2020	Jan-April 2021
Albania	51	104	10	12	315	427	49	70
Berat	0	0	0	0	2	7	2	0
Dibër	0	4	0	1	15	10	1	2
Durrës	9	6	3	1	34	30	10	7
Elbasan	3	3	0	0	11	22	4	5
Fier	7	10	3	4	30	36	6	12
Gjirokastrë	1	8	0	0	13	25	3	2
Korçë	2	5	0	1	16	18	1	4
Kukës	0	0	0	0	3	13	0	1
Lezhë	4	15	1	1	23	48	4	10
Shkodër	1	3	1	1	6	7	4	3
Tiranë	23	49	2	3	154	201	14	17
Vlorë	1	1	0	0	8	10	0	7

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Methodology

The purpose of the monthly publication of accidents is to present the results and indicators of road accidents such as: the change in the number of monthly accidents, number of killed and injured persons by road accidents classified by gender, the behavior of road users, age and counties in the country comparing with the same period a year ago. The General Directorate of State Police is the institution that provides INSTAT with a comprehensive system of information on road accidents.

Definitions

Accidents: Unwanted or unintended sudden event or a specific chain of such events which have harmful consequences.

Injury accident: Any accident involving at least one vehicle in motion, resulting in at least one killed or injured person. Accidents in workshops, warehouses and depots are excluded.

Person killed: It is considered any person killed immediately or dying within 30 days as a result of the accident.

Person injured: It is considered any person not killed but who sustained an injury as a result of an injury accident. normally needing medical treatment.

The behavior of the driver: It means if the driver does not comply with the traffic rules according to the "Road Code" as sudden braking, ignores signs (signaling) traffic, disregard the speed limit, etc.

Pedestrian Behavior: It means if pedestrian does not comply with the traffic rules according to the "Road Code" as crossing the road carelessly, etc.

Source of data: The data are provided by Ministry of Internal Affairs/General directorate of State's Police.

The data of a last month on killed persons by road accidents are preliminary and subject of revision. For more: [Statistical Revision Policy](#).

Explanation of Symbols

- 0 value less than half of unit of measure
- no value
- (...) missing data