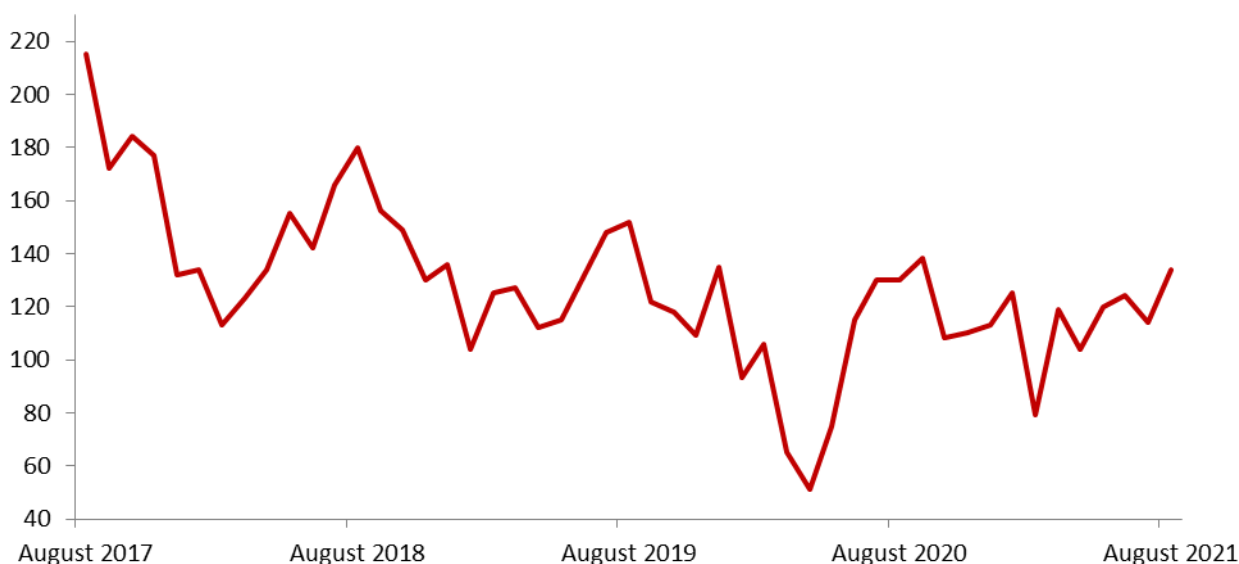


# Road accidents

## August 2021

**Tirana, 17 September 2021:** In August 2021, are counted 134 road accidents, from 130 accidents occurred in August 2020, increasing by 3.1 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the eight months of 2021 is presented with an increase of 20.1 %, where 919 road accidents are counted from 765 accidents that occurred in the eight months of 2020.

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



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

In August 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 200 from 156 persons in August 2020. In the eight months of 2021, the number of casualties is 1,250 from 980 persons in the same period of the previous year.

In August 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 26 persons from 26 killed persons in August 2020. In the eight months of 2021, the killed from road accidents are 144 from 114 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

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In August 2021, road accidents, in 84.3 % 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 25.4 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 3.0 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the eight months of 2021, road accidents, in 15.7 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 27.4 % compared to the same period 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
August 2020	130	4	22	34	96
August 2021	134	7	19	51	123
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>75.0</b>	<b>-13.6</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>28.1</b>
January-August 2020	765	20	94	266	600
January-August 2021	919	32	112	358	748
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>34.6</b>	<b>24.7</b>

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
August 2020	119	11	25	1
August 2021	113	21	17	9
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>-5.0</b>	<b>90.9</b>	<b>-32.0</b>	<b>800.0</b>
January-August 2020	652	113	104	10
January-August 2021	775	144	121	23
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>27.4</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>130.0</b>

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
August 2020	21	33	20	33	16	7
August 2021	28	34	29	25	16	2
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>-24.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-71.4</b>
January-August 2020	107	230	129	165	85	49
January-August 2021	200	246	174	161	88	50
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>86.9</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>-2.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.0</b>

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	
	August 2020	August 2021	August 2020	August 2021	Jan- August 2020	Jan- August 2021	Jan- August 2020	Jan- August 2021
<b>Albania</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>144</b>
Berat	1	4	1	1	5	16	5	1
Dibër	3	2	1	0	33	17	3	4
Durrës	14	11	4	3	74	74	19	14
Elbasan	8	8	4	5	39	45	14	18
Fier	5	9	2	1	57	84	15	21
Gjirokastrë	4	9	2	5	28	57	5	8
Korçë	10	7	1	3	44	37	3	7
Kukës	5	5	3	0	16	32	4	2
Lezhë	18	24	1	2	74	123	10	19
Shkodër	3	3	1	2	15	18	9	11
Tiranë	57	49	4	2	364	400	24	26
Vlorë	2	3	2	2	16	16	3	13

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 road vehicle in motion on a public road or private road to which the public has right of access, resulting in at least one injured or killed person.

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

**Person injured:** Any person who as result of an accident was not killed immediately or not dying within 30 days, but sustained an injury, normally needing medical treatment, excluding attempted suicides.

**The behavior of the driver:** It implies when 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 implies when 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

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