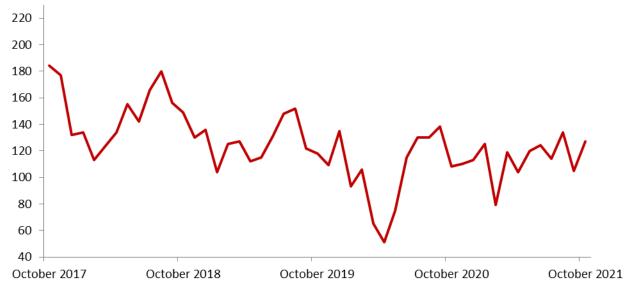


## **Road accidents**

### October 2021

**Tirana, 18 November 2021:** In October 2021, are counted 127 road accidents, from 108 accidents occurred in October 2020, increasing by 17.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the ten months of 2021 is presented with an increase of 13.8 %, where 1,151 road accidents are counted from 1.011 accidents that occurred in the ten months of 2020.

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



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

In October 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 179 from 148 persons in October 2020. In the ten months of 2021, the number of casualties is 1,570 from 1,312 persons in the same period of the previous year.

In October 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 14 persons from 15 killed persons in October 2020. In the ten months of 2021, the killed from road accidents are 165 from 153 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In October 2021, road accidents, in 85.8 % 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 27.6 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have increased by 9.4 %, compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the ten months of 2021, road accidents, in 15.5 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 24.5 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents and number of casualties by gender

Period	Total Kille		rsons	Injured p	Injured persons	
renou	Accidents	Female	Male	Female	Male	
October 2020	108	5	10	33	100	
October 2021	127	2	12	53	112	
The annual change (%)	17.6	-60.0	20.0	60.6	12.0	
January-October 2020	1,011	31	122	344	815	
January-October 2021	1,151	38	127	453	952	
The annual progressive change (%)	13.8	22.6	4.1	31.7	16.8	

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

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

	Acciden	nts by	Killed persons by		
Period	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	
October 2020	92	16	13	2	
October 2021	109	18	13	1	
The annual change (%)	18.5	12.5	0.0	-50.0	
January-October 2020	868	143	139	14	
January-October 2021	973	178	140	25	
The annual progressive change (%)	12.1	24.5	0.7	78.6	

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

Tab. 3 Road accidents by driver's age

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Period	0 - 24 years old	25- 34 years old	35- 44 years old	45-59 years old	60+ years old	Left the accident scene
October 2020	18	32	16	31	6	5
October 2021	31	35	23	20	9	9
The annual change (%)	72.2	9.4	43.8	-35.5	50.0	80.0
January-October 2020	155	308	170	220	99	59
January-October 2021	250	316	209	202	108	66
The annual progressive change (%)	61.3	2.6	22.9	-8.2	9.1	11.9

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

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

Period	Accidents		Killed p	Killed persons		Accidents		Killed persons	
	October 2020	October 2021	October 2020	October 2021	Jan- October 2020	Jan- October 2021	Jan- October 2020	Jan- October 2021	
Albania	108	127	15	14	1,011	1,151	153	165	
Berat	1	6	1	1	9	25	7	2	
Dibër	8	1	0	0	46	19	3	4	
Durrës	9	13	4	2	98	96	24	17	
Elbasan	4	4	2	2	52	52	20	21	
Fier	8	10	2	3	73	100	19	25	
Gjirokastër	0	13	0	1	33	73	5	9	
Korçë	9	6	1	1	62	50	5	8	
Kukës	3	6	0	0	23	41	4	2	
Lezhë	11	15	2	3	100	148	17	23	
Shkodër	2	1	1	1	21	21	13	12	
Tiranë	53	51	2	0	474	509	29	29	
Vlorë	0	1	0	0	20	17	7	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 pedestrain 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: <u>Statistical Revision</u> <u>Policy</u>.

### **Explanation of Symbols**

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