

# Road Transport Statistics

## First Quarter, 2023

**Tirana, 28 April 2023:** The length of the road network in use during the first quarter of 2023, is 3,606 km referring to different categories, such as motorway, interurban or urban and local roads. Secondary interurban roads occupy about 74.2 % of the length of the road network.

During the first quarter of 2023, a total of 14,460 new vehicles were registered, of which 27 different types and 276 brands. In the category of new road vehicles by type, the largest percentage of the total number of road vehicles is occupied by "Passenger Cars" (83.5 %) and "Motor vehicles" (6.8%). The highest number of vehicles the new road vehicle was registered in the district of Tirana, accounting for 39.4 % of the total road vehicles registered in the country in the first quarter of 2023.

The counties with the smallest number of new road vehicles are Dibër county with 2.1 % and Gjirokastër with 1.3 % of the total road vehicles.

**Tab 1: New road vehicles by type registered for the first time**

Period	Q1-2022	Q1-2023	Change in %
Passenger cars	11,120	12,080	8.6
Mixed transport vehicles	557	500	-10.2
Motor vehicles	1,122	986	-12.1
Truck/Lorries	148	165	11.5
Buses	83	93	12
Special transport vehicles	126	116	-7.9
Special purpose vehicles	86	59	-31.4
Trailer for freight transport	29	24	-17.2
Other Category	417	437	4.8

**Source:** General Directorate of Road Transport Services, calculations by INSTAT

**Tab 2: New road vehicles by prefecture registered for the first time**

Period	Q1-2022	Q1-2023	Change in %
<b>Albania</b>	<b>13,688</b>	<b>14,460</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Berat	535	565	5.6
Dibër	293	297	1.4
Durrës	2,113	2,210	4.6
Elbasan	924	919	-0.5
Fier	1,518	1,338	-11.9
Gjirokastrë	154	191	24.0
Korçë	421	529	25.7
Kukës	335	319	-4.8
Lezhë	629	597	-5.1
Shkodër	872	816	-6.4
Tiranë	5,100	5,701	11.8
Vlorë	794	978	23.2

*Source: General Directorate of Road Transport Services, calculations by INSTAT*

The "Volkswagen" brand has the highest circulation in the country in the category of new road vehicles with 20.4%, followed by the "Mercedes Benz" brand with 16.3%.

**Tab 3: New road vehicles by brand registered for the first time**

Period	Q1-2022	Q1-2023	Change in %
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,688</b>	<b>14,460</b>	<b>5.6</b>
VOLKSWAGEN	2,657	2,951	11.1
MERCEDES BENZ	2,387	2,352	-1.5
AUDI	998	1,371	37.4
FORD	963	903	-6.2
TOYOTA	846	857	1.3
DAIMLER CHRYSLER	637	536	-15.9
FIAT	443	491	10.8
BMW	463	445	-3.9
OPEL	399	340	-14.8
OTHERS	3,895	4,214	8.2

*Source: General Directorate of Road Transport Services, calculations by INSTAT*

# Methodology

The Transport Statistics publication presents the results on the transport of goods and passengers by type, as well as the export and import of goods by mode of transport, on a monthly basis. The data are administrative. The main source of information is the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and General Directorate of Customs.

## Definitions

**Transport:** Movement of people and / or freights using various means of transport. Transport is carried out by rail, land, sea and air.

**Road transport:** Any movement of goods using a road vehicle on a defined road network.

**Passenger Car** - motor vehicle of road transport intended for passenger transport, in which the number of seats (including the driver) does not exceed the number 9.

**Bus** - motor vehicle of road transport intended for passenger transport with the number of seats (including driver's seat) with more than 9 seats.

**Lorry/Truck:** Rigid road motor vehicle designed, exclusively or primarily, to carry goods.

**Motorcycle-** A motor vehicle, with two, three or four wheels not exceeding 400 kg of unloaded weight.

**Trailer:** Goods road vehicle designed to be hauled by a road motor vehicle.

**Mixed transport vehicles (ATP)** - includes vehicles that have a total full load weight not exceeding 3.5 tons, or 4.5 tones when there is battery traction; are intended for the transport of people and goods with a maximum capacity of nine seats, including the driver's seat.

**Special transport vehicles (ATV)** - means of transport intended for the transport of certain goods or people under special conditions and is characterized by the equipment jointly, with special mechanisms that serve this purpose.

**Special purpose vehicles (APV)** - vehicles permanently equipped with special mechanisms and generally intended for the transport of these mechanisms; on these vehicles is allowed the transport of personnel and materials related to the operational cycle of these mechanisms, as well as the transport of people and goods related to the destination of use of these mechanisms.

**Exports:** Goods destined to a third country, placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

**Imports:** Goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed, or are left in warehouse, under customs procedure of release for free circulation, inward processing or processing under customs control.

**Nomenclature of Transport Statistics (NST 2007):** A statistical nomenclature for the goods transported by four modes of transport: road, rail, inland waterways and sea (maritime).

*The data of maritime, rail and air transport are preliminary and subject to revision. For more refer: [Statistical revision policy](#).*

For more information, please visit the website: <https://www.instat.gov.al/en/themes/industry-trade-and-services/transport-accidents-and-characteristics-of-road-vehicles/#tab3>

**Explanation of Symbols**

**0** - value less than half of unit of measure

- No value

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