

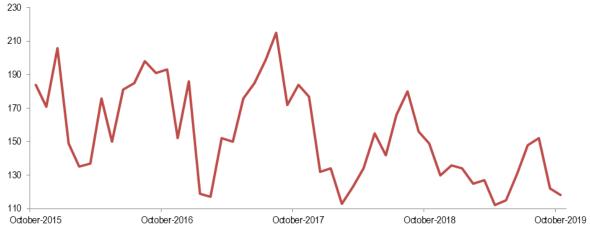


# **Road accidents**

### October 2019

**Tirana, 21 November 2019:** In October 2019, are counted 118 road accidents, from 149 accidents occurred in October 2018, decreasing by 20.8 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the ten months of 2019, are counted 1,254 road accidents, from 1,452 accidents in the ten months of 2018 decreasing by 13.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, October 2015 – October 2019



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

In October 2019, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 143 from 193 persons in October 2018, decreasing 25.9 %. In the ten months of 2019, the number of casualties is 1,713 from 1,958 persons, decreasing by 12.5 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In October 2019, the number of killed from road accidents is 25 persons from 16 killed persons in October 2018. In the ten months of 2019, the killed from road accidents are 182 from 168 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In October 2019, road accidents, in 83.1 % 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 22.9 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 28.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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In the ten months of 2019,road accidents, in 14.4 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has decreased 35.1 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents

	Total	Killed persons		Injured persons	
Period	Accidents	Female	Male	Female	Male
October - 2018	149	2	14	64	113
October - 2019	118	2	23	23	95
The annual change (%)	-20.8	0.0	64.3	-64.1	-15.9
January - October 2018	1,452	33	135	600	1,190
January - October 2019	1,254	49	133	449	1,082
The annual progressive change (%)	-13.6	48.5	-1.5	-25.2	-9.1

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Tab. 2 Road accidents, by users of road

Period	Accid	ents by	Killed persons by		
	Behavior of the driver	Rehavior nedestrian		Behavior pedestrian	
October - 2018	131	18	16	0	
October - 2019	98	20	20	5	
The annual change (%)	-25.2	11.1	25.0	-	
January - October 2018	1,173	279	132	36	
January - October 2019	1,073	181	161	21	
The annual progressive change (%)	-8.5	-35.1	22.0	-41.7	

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

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
October - 2018	31	38	26	32	12	10
October - 2019	24	27	21	22	15	9
The annual change (%)	-22.6	-28.9	-19.2	-31.3	25.0	-10.0
January - October 2018	299	401	255	301	106	90
January - October 2019	254	371	226	240	102	61
The annual progressive change (%)	-15.1	-7.5	-11.4	-20.3	-3.8	-32.2

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Tab. 4 Road accidents, by regions

	Accidents		Killed		Accidents		Killed persons	
Period	October- 2018	October- 2019	October- 2018	October- 2019	JanOctober 2018	JanOctober 2019	Jan October 2018	JanOctober 2019
Albania	149	118	16	25	1,452	1,254	168	182
Tiranë	60	52	3	3	621	535	36	41
Durrës	14	11	0	6	177	100	13	26
Shkodër	3	2	2	1	30	19	21	15
Elbasan	13	6	2	5	100	71	20	20
Fier	17	11	3	3	111	114	28	29
Vlorë	8	4	1	1	109	68	5	7
Korçë	10	11	1	2	74	95	6	15
Lezhë	8	12	2	4	113	138	14	15
Berat	2	3	1	0	37	21	5	2
Kukës	6	2	0	0	20	31	7	5
Dibër	2	2	1	0	26	12	8	5
Gjirokastër	6	2	0	0	34	50	5	2

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 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>.