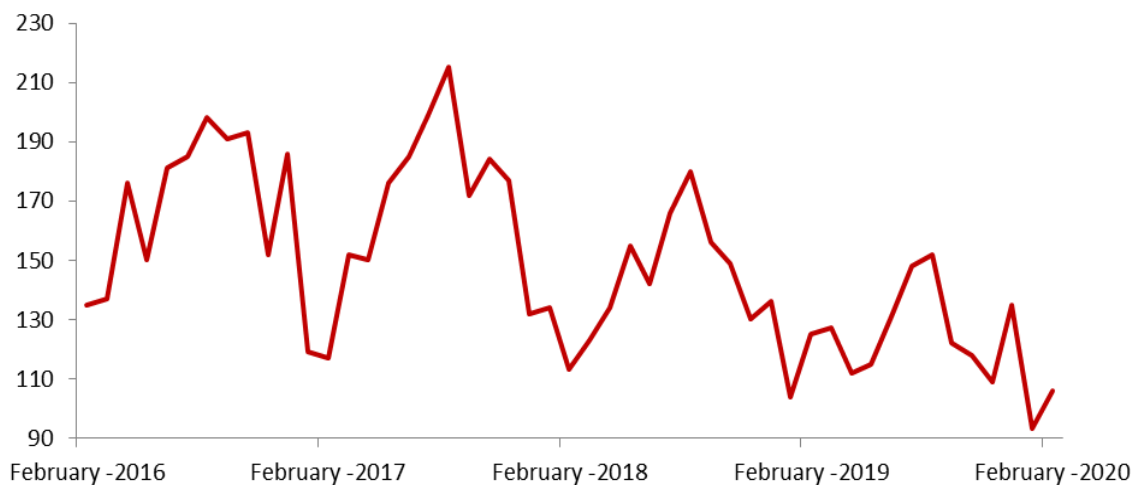


# Road accidents

## February 2020

**Tirana, 18 March 2020:** In February 2020, are counted 106 road accidents, from 125 accidents occurred in February 2019, decreasing by 15.2 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the first two months of 2020, are counted 199 road accidents, from 229 accidents in the first two months of 2019, decreasing by 13.1 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

**Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, February 2016 – February 2020**



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

In February 2020, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 144 from 154 persons in February 2019, decreasing 6.5 %. In the first two months of 2020, the number of casualties is 266 from 307 persons, decreasing by 13.4 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In February 2020, road accidents, in 78.3 % 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 26.4 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 22.2 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the first two months of 2020, road accidents, in 21.1 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 16.7 % compared with the same of the previous year.

**Tab. 1 Road accidents**

Period	Total Accidents	Killed persons		Injured persons	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
February - 2019	125	2	7	38	107
February - 2020	106	4	8	45	87
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>-15.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>-18.7</b>
January - February 2019	229	7	17	87	196
January - February 2020	199	10	19	82	155
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>-13.1</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>-5.7</b>	<b>-20.9</b>

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

**Tab. 2 Road accidents, by users of road**

Period	Accidents by		Killed persons by	
	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian
February - 2019	103	22	9	0
February - 2020	83	23	9	3
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>-19.4</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-</b>
January - February 2019	193	36	23	1
January - February 2020	157	42	22	7
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>-18.7</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>600.0</b>

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

**Tab. 3 Road accidents, by driver's age**

Period	0 - 24	25- 34	35- 44	45-59	60+ years old	Left the accident scene
	years old	years old	years old	years old		
February - 2019	23	36	22	22	13	9
February - 2020	13	28	21	24	9	11
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>-43.5</b>	<b>-22.2</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>-30.8</b>	<b>22.2</b>
January - February 2019	46	66	45	40	17	15
January - February 2020	24	52	35	48	21	19
<b>The annual progressive change (%)</b>	<b>-47.8</b>	<b>-21.2</b>	<b>-22.2</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>26.7</b>

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

**Tab. 4 Road accidents, by regions**

Period	Accidents		Killed		Accidents		Killed persons	
	February-2019	February-2020	February-2019	February-2020	Jan.-Feb. 2019	Jan.-Feb. 2020	Jan.- Feb. 2019	Jan.-Feb. 2020
<b>Albania</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>28</b>
Tiranë	58	51	2	1	58	51	4	8
Durrës	14	11	3	2	14	11	5	2
Shkodër	1	2	0	1	1	2	1	3
Elbasan	7	5	1	3	7	5	3	4
Fier	8	11	0	2	8	11	5	3
Vlorë	9	3	0	0	9	3	1	0
Korçë	5	4	1	1	5	4	1	1
Lezhë	11	6	0	0	11	6	1	3
Berat	2	0	0	0	2	0	1	1
Kukës	4	2	1	0	4	2	1	0
Dibër	1	6	1	0	1	6	1	1
Gjirokastrë	5	5	0	2	5	5	0	3

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

# Metodology

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](#).*