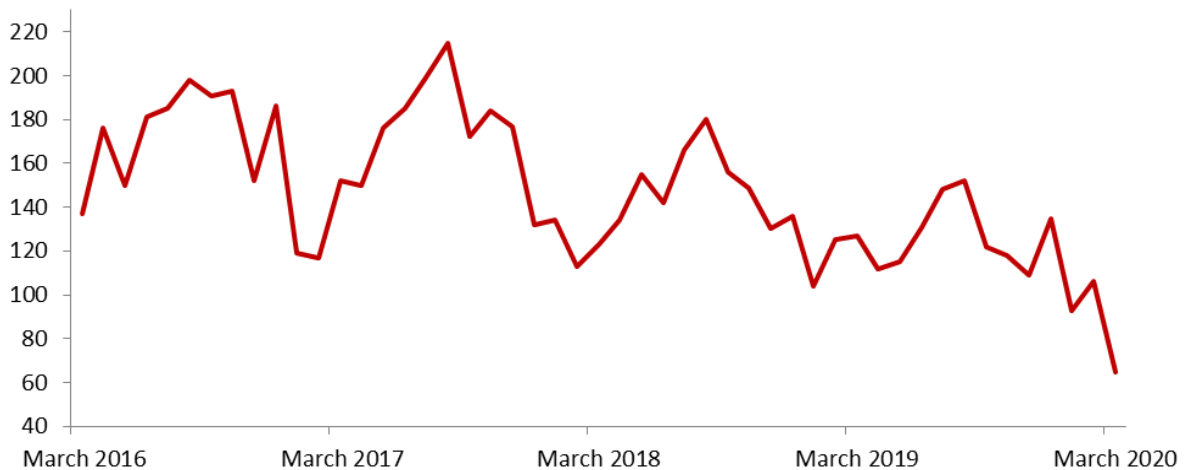


Road accidents

March 2020

Tirana, 21 April 2020: In March 2020, are counted 65 road accidents, from 127 accidents occurred in March 2019, decreasing by 48.8 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the first quarter of 2020, are counted 264 road accidents, from 356 accidents in the first quarter of 2019, decreasing by 25.8 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, March 2016 – March 2020



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

In March 2020, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 94 from 176 persons in March 2019, decreasing 46.6 %. In the first quarter of 2020, the number of casualties is 360 from 483 persons, decreasing by 25.5 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In March 2020, the number of killed from road accidents is 10 persons from 24 killed persons in March 2019. In the first quarter of 2020, the killed from road accidents are 39 from 48 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In March 2020, road accidents, in 76.9 % 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 35.4 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 28.1 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the first quarter of 2020, road accidents, in 21.6 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has decreased 1.7 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents

Period	Total Accidents	Killed persons		Injured persons	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
March - 2019	127	9	15	44	108
March - 2020	65	0	10	30	54
The annual change (%)	-48.8	-100.0	-33.3	-31.8	-50.0
January - March 2019	356	16	32	131	304
January - March 2020	264	10	29	112	209
The annual progressive change (%)	-25.8	-37.5	-9.4	-14.5	-31.3

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
March - 2019	105	22	21	3
March - 2020	50	15	8	2
The annual change (%)	-52.4	-31.8	-61.9	-33.3
January - March 2019	298	58	44	4
January - March 2020	207	57	30	9
The annual progressive change (%)	-30.5	-1.7	-31.8	125.0

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
March - 2019	31	32	27	25	11	1
March - 2020	11	23	10	11	5	5
The annual change (%)	-64.5	-28.1	-63.0	-56.0	-54.5	400.0
January - March 2019	77	98	72	65	28	16
January - March 2020	35	75	45	59	26	24
The annual progressive change (%)	-54.5	-23.5	-37.5	-9.2	-7.1	50.0

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Tab. 4 Road accidents, by regions

Period	Accidents		Killed		Accidents		Killed persons	
	March- 2019	March-2020	March-2019	March-2020	Jan.-Mar. 2019	Jan.-Mar. 2020	Jan.- Mar. 2019	Jan.-Mar. 2020
Albania	127	65	24	10	356	264	48	38
Tiranë	49	31	2	4	153	131	6	12
Durrës	12	9	3	5	33	25	8	7
Shkodër	4	0	4	0	6	5	5	3
Elbasan	6	1	2	0	19	8	5	4
Fier	9	6	3	0	29	23	8	3
Vlorë	11	2	2	0	22	7	3	0
Korçë	9	4	1	0	18	14	2	1
Lezhë	12	4	2	0	42	19	3	3
Berat	3	1	1	1	7	2	2	2
Kukës	2	1	0	0	8	3	1	0
Dibër	3	4	3	0	4	15	4	1
Gjirokastrë	7	2	1	0	15	12	1	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](#).

Explanation of Symbols

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