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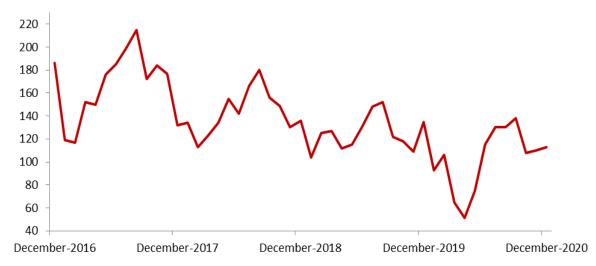


Road accidents

December 2020

Tirana, 20 January 2020: In December 2020, are counted 113 road accidents, from 135 accidents occurred in December 2019, decreasing by 16.3 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In 2020, are counted 1,234 road accidents, from 1,498 accidents in 2019, decreasing by 17.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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



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

In December 2020, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 147 from 187 persons in December 2019, decreasing 21.4 %. In 2020, the number of casualties is 1,598 from 2,044 persons, decreasing by 21.8 % compared to the previous year.

In December 2020, the number of killed from road accidents is 13 persons from 24 killed persons in December 2019. In 2020, the killed from road accidents are 181 from 227 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In December 2020, road accidents, in 81.4 % 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 30.1 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 2.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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In 2020, road accidents, in 14.5 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has decreased 17.9 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents and number of casualties by gender, December 2020

Period	Total	Killed pers	ons	Injured persons		
renou	Accidents	Female	Male	Female	Male	
December - 2019	135	2	22	62	101	
December - 2020	113	4	9	29	105	
The annual change (%)	-16.3	100.0	-59.1	-53.2	4.0	
January - December 2019	1,498	56	171	558	1,259	
January - December 2020	1,234	41	140	409	1,008	
The annual progressive change (%)	-17.6	-26.8	-18.1	-26.7	-19.9	

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

Tab. 2 Road accidents and number of killed persons by users of road, December 2020

Period	Accidents	Killed persons by		
	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian
December - 2019	124	11	21	3
December - 2020	92	21	10	3
The annual change (%)	-25.8	90.9	-52.4	0.0
January - December 2019	1,280	218	197	30
January - December 2020	1,055	179	164	17
The annual progressive change (%)	-17.6	-17.9	-16.8	-43.3

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

Tab. 3 Road accidents by driver's age, December 2020

Period	0 - 24 years old	25- 34 years old	35- 44 years old	45-59 years old	60+ years old	Left the accident scene
December - 2019	27	35	25	29	11	8
December - 2020	23	34	19	13	15	9
The annual change (%)	-14.8	-2.9	-24.0	-55.2	36.4	12.5
January - December 2019	309	441	262	294	118	74
January - December 2020	200	370	212	250	124	78
The annual progressive change (%)	-35.3	-16.1	-19.1	-15.0	5.1	5.4

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

Period	Accide	Accidents		Killed persons		Accidents		Killed persons	
	December- 2019	December- 2020	December- 2019	December- 2020	JanDec. 2019	JanDec. 2020	Jan Dec. 2019	JanDec. 2020	
Albania	135	113	24	13	1,498	1,234	227	181	
Tiranë	59	56	4	3	642	574	50	34	
Durrës	6	8	2	1	121	116	34	29	
Shkodër	5	2	4	0	26	26	20	14	
Elbasan	11	5	4	1	89	62	25	22	
Fier	10	10	1	4	131	93	32	25	
Vlorë	4	1	1	1	75	22	8	8	
Korçë	12	6	2	0	114	76	17	6	
Lezhë	17	11	4	1	163	122	22	21	
Berat	4	3	1	0	27	14	4	7	
Kukës	1	3	0	0	34	30	5	5	
Dibër	2	2	0	2	16	52	6	5	
Gjirokastër	4	6	1	0	60	47	4	5	

Tab. 4 Road accidents and number of killed persons by regions, December 2020

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 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> Policy.

Explanation of Symbols

- 0 value less than half of unit of measure
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