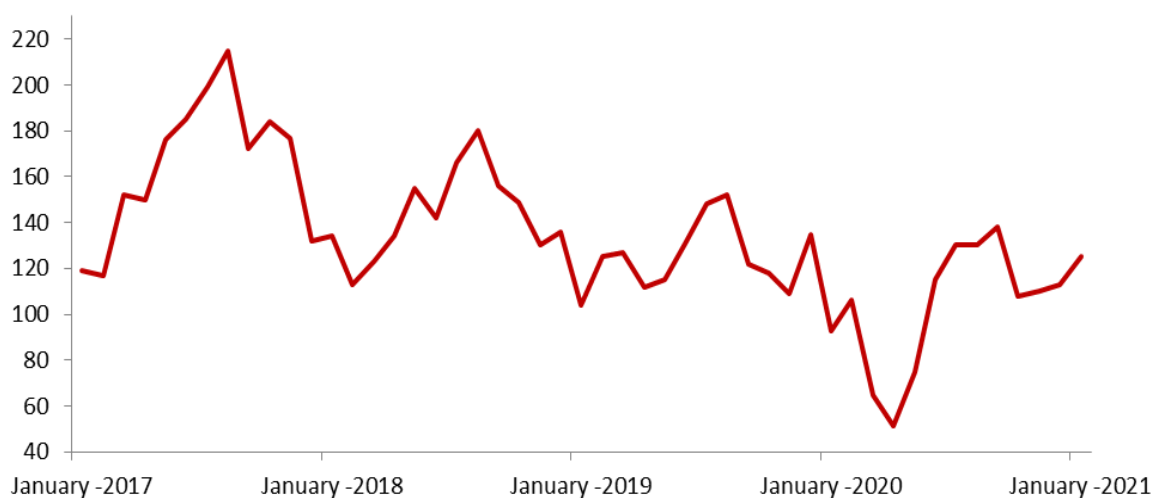


# Road accidents

## January 2021

**Tirana, 20 February 2021:** In January 2021, are counted 125 road accidents, from 93 accidents occurred in January 2020, increasing by 34.4 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

**Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, January 2016 – January 2021**



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

In January 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 165 from 122 persons in January 2020, increasing 35.2 %.

In January 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 22 persons from 17 killed persons in January 2020.

In January 2021, road accidents, in 80.0 % 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 28.0 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have increased by 45.8 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

**Tab. 1 Road accidents and number of casualties by gender, January 2021**

Period	Total Accidents	Killed persons		Injured persons	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
January - 2020	93	6	11	37	68
January - 2021	125	4	18	45	98
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>34.4</b>	<b>-33.3</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>44.1</b>

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

**Tab. 2 Road accidents and number of killed persons by users of road, January 2021**

Period	Accidents by		Killed persons by	
	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian
January - 2020	74	19	13	4
January - 2021	100	25	21	1
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>-75.0</b>

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

**Tab. 3 Road accidents by driver's age, January 2021**

Period	0 - 24 years old	25- 34 years old	35- 44 years old	45-59 years old	60+ years old	Left the accident scene
January - 2020	11	24	14	24	12	8
January - 2021	28	35	28	12	11	11
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-50.0</b>	<b>-8.3</b>	<b>37.5</b>

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

**Tab. 4 Road accidents and number of killed persons by regions, January 2021**

Period	Accidents		Killed persons	
	January- 2020	January-2021	January-2020	January-2021
<b>Albania</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>
Tiranë	49	56	7	1
Durrës	5	13	0	2
Shkodër	3	3	2	2
Elbasan	2	7	1	1
Fier	6	6	1	4
Vlorë	2	4	0	3
Korçë	6	5	0	2
Lezhë	9	15	3	6
Berat	1	3	1	0
Kukës	0	4	0	0
Dibër	5	2	1	0
Gjirokastër	5	7	1	1

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 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