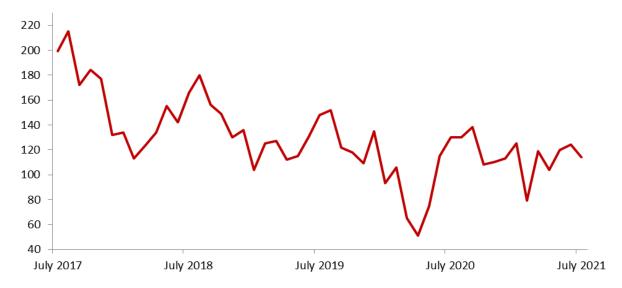


## **Road accidents**

### **July 2021**

**Tirana, 18 August 2021:** In July 2021, are counted 114 road accidents, from 130 accidents occurred in July 2020, decreasing by 12.3 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the seven months of 2021 is presented with an increase of 23.6 %, where 785 road accidents are counted from 635 accidents that occurred in the seven months of 2020.

Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, July 2017 – July 2021



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

In July 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 175 from 168 persons in July 2020. In the seven months of 2021, the number of casualties is 1,050 from 824 persons in the same period of the previous year.

In July 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 13 persons from 14 killed persons in July 2020. In the seven months of 2021, the killed from road accidents are 118 from 88 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In July 2021, road accidents, in 95.6 % 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

27.2 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 20.5 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In the seven months of 2021, road accidents, in 15.7 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 20.6 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents and number of casualties by gender

Period	Total	Killed pe	rsons	Injured persons	
renou	Accidents	Female	Male	Female	Male
July 2020	130	3	11	52	102
July 2021	114	3	10	51	111
The annual change (%)	-12.3	0.0	-9.1	-1.9	8.8
January-July 2020	635	16	72	232	504
January-July 2021	785	25	93	307	625
The annual progressive change (%)	23.6	56.3	29.2	32.3	24.0

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

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

	Acciden	ts by	Killed persons by		
Period	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	
July 2020	109	21	14	0	
July 2021	109	5	13	0	
The annual change (%)	0.0	-76.2	-7.1	-	
January-July 2020	533	102	79	9	
January-July 2021	662	123	104	14	
The annual progressive change (%)	24.2	20.6	31.6	55.6	

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

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
July 2020	18	39	26	24	16	7
July 2021	25	31	19	19	10	10
The annual change (%)	38.9	-20.5	-26.9	-20.8	-37.5	42.9
January-July 2020	86	197	109	132	69	42
January-July 2021	172	212	145	136	72	48
The annual progressive change (%)	100.0	7.6	33.0	3.0	4.3	14.3

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

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

Period	Accide	Accidents		Killed persons		Accidents		Killed persons	
	July 2020	July 2021	July 2020	July 2021	Jan-July 2020	Jan-July 2021	Jan-July 2020	Jan-July 2021	
Albania	130	114	14	13	635	785	88	118	
Berat	1	0	1	0	4	12	4	0	
Dibër	7	1	1	0	30	15	2	4	
Durrës	9	9	0	2	60	63	15	11	
Elbasan	8	3	1	2	31	37	10	13	
Fier	7	14	2	3	52	75	13	20	
Gjirokastër	7	7	0	0	24	48	3	3	
Korçë	7	3	0	0	34	30	2	4	
Kukës	4	1	0	0	11	27	1	2	
Lezhë	15	22	2	1	56	99	9	17	
Shkodër	3	5	2	3	12	15	8	9	
Tiranë	61	49	4	2	307	351	20	24	
Vlorë	1	0	1	0	14	13	1	11	

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

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# 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 road vehicle in motion on a public road or private road to which the public has right of access, resulting in at least one injured or killed person.

**Person killed:** It is considered any person killed immediately or dying within 30 days as a result of the accident, excluding suicides.

**Person injured:** Any person who as result of an accident was not killed immediately or not dying within 30 days, but sustained an injury, normally needing medical treatment, excluding attempted suicides.

The behavior of the driver: It implies when 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 implies when 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>.

#### **Explanation of Symbols**

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