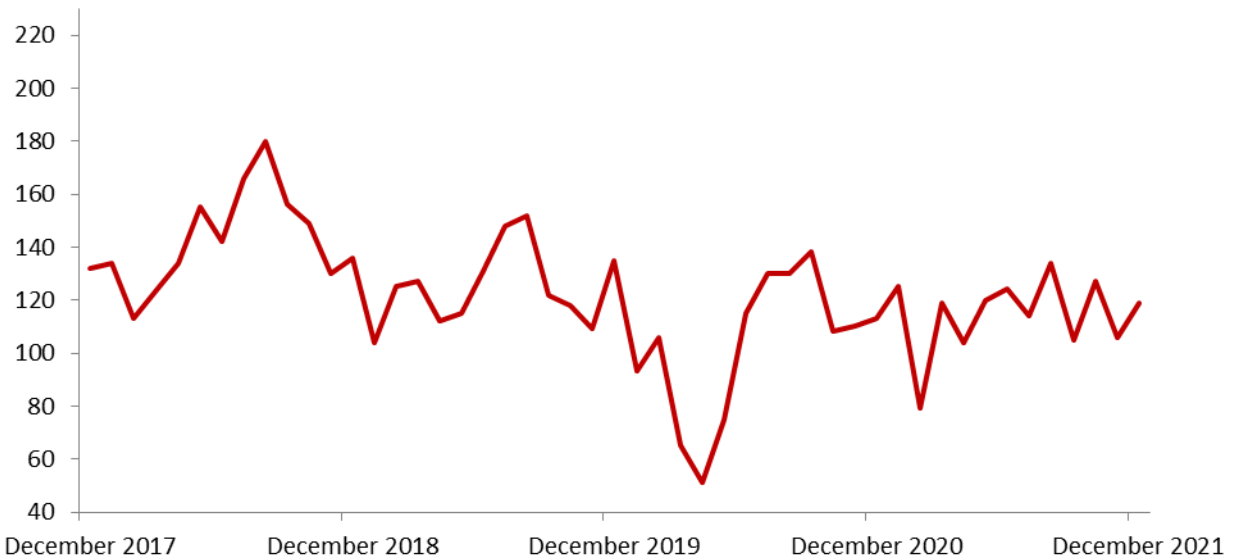


# Road accidents

## December 2021

**Tirana, 18 January 2022 :** In December 2021, are counted 119 road accidents, from 113 accidents occurred in December 2020, increasing by 5.3 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In year 2021 are counted 1,376 road accidents from 1.234 accidents that occurred in year 2020, increasing by 11.5 %. Compared to the year 2019, the number road accidents decreased by 8.1 %.

**Fig. 1 Monthly road accidents, December 2017 – December 2021**



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

In December 2021, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 134 from 147 persons in December 2020. In 2021, the number of casualties is 1,860 from 1,598 persons in the same period of the previous year. In 2019, the number of casualties (killed and injured) were 2,044.

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In December 2021, the number of killed from road accidents is 21 persons from 13 killed persons in December 2020. In 2021, the killed from road accidents are 197 from 181 killed persons in 2020 and from 227 killed persons in 2019.

In December 2021, road accidents, in 85.7 % 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 25.2 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 11.8 %, compared to the same period of the previous year.

In 2021, road accidents, in 15.3 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has increased 17.3 % compared to the same period of the previous year. Compared of year 2019, the number of accidents according to pedestrian behavior decreased by 3.7 %.

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

Period	Total Accidents	Killed persons		Injured persons	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
December 2020	113	4	9	29	105
December 2021	119	2	19	35	78
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>-50.0</b>	<b>111.1</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>-25.7</b>
January-December 2019	1,498	56	171	558	1,259
January-December 2020	1,234	41	140	409	1,008
January-December 2021	1,376	42	155	538	1,125
<b>The annual progressive change 2021/2020 (%)</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>11.6</b>

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

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

Period	Behavior of the driver	Accidents by		Killed persons by	
		Behavior pedestrian	Behavior of the driver	Behavior pedestrian	
December 2020	92	21	10	3	
December 2021	102	17	19	2	
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>-19.0</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>-33.3</b>	
January-December 2019	1,280	218	197	30	
January-December 2020	1,055	179	164	17	
January-December 2021	1,166	210	170	27	
<b>The annual progressive change 2021/2020 (%)</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>58.8</b>	

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
December 2020	23	34	19	13	15	9
December 2021	20	30	25	21	11	12
<b>The annual change (%)</b>	<b>-13.0</b>	<b>-11.8</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>-26.7</b>	<b>33.3</b>
January-December 2019	309	441	262	294	118	74
January-December 2020	200	370	212	250	124	78
January-December 2021	291	371	251	247	129	87
<b>The annual progressive change 2021/2020 (%)</b>	<b>45.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>11.5</b>

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

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

Period	Accidents		Killed persons		Accidents		Killed persons			
	December 2020	December 2021	December 2020	December 2021	Jan- December 2019	Jan- December 2020	Jan- December 2021	Jan- December 2019	Jan- December 2020	Jan- December 2021
<b>Albania</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1,498</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>197</b>
Berat	3	5	0	1	27	14	33	4	7	3
Dibër	2	2	2	1	16	52	22	6	5	5
Durrës	8	9	1	1	121	116	114	34	29	21
Elbasan	5	4	1	3	89	62	57	25	22	24
Fier	10	9	4	2	131	93	118	32	25	29
Gjirokastrë	6	6	0	0	60	47	86	4	5	9
Korçë	6	6	0	0	114	76	59	17	6	8
Kukës	3	2	0	0	34	30	49	5	5	2
Lezhë	11	9	1	6	163	122	168	22	21	30
Shkodër	2	3	0	3	26	26	26	20	14	17
Tiranë	56	64	3	4	642	574	627	50	34	36
Vlorë	1	0	1	0	75	22	17	8	8	13

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 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 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

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