

Road accidents

May 2020

Tirana, 18 June 2020: In May 2020, are counted 75 road accidents, from 115 accidents occurred in May 2019, decreasing by 34.8 % compared to the same period of the previous year. In the first five months of 2020, are counted 390 road accidents, from 583 accidents in the first five months of 2019, decreasing by 33.1 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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



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

In May 2020, the number of casualties (killed and injured) is 86 from 143 persons in May 2019, decreasing 39.9 %. In the first five months of 2020, the number of casualties is 513 from 773 persons, decreasing by 33.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

In May 2020, the number of killed from road accidents is 10 persons from 14 killed persons in May 2019. In the first five months of 2020, the killed from road accidents are 59 from 76 persons compared to the same period of the previous year.

In May 2020, road accidents, in 92.0 % 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 32.0 % of the total number of accidents. Accidents in this age group have decreased by 22.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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In the first five months of 2020, road accidents, in 18.2 % of the cases, occurred as a result of pedestrian behavior. During this period, the number of accidents by the pedestrian behavior has decreased 21.1 % compared with the same of the previous year.

Tab. 1 Road accidents

Period	Total Accidents	Killed persons		Injured persons	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
May - 2019	115	3	11	42	87
May - 2020	75	1	9	19	57
The annual change (%)	-34.8	-66.7	-18.2	-54.8	-34.5
January - May 2019	583	22	54	209	488
January - May 2020	390	11	48	149	305
The annual progressive change (%)	-33.1	-50.0	-11.1	-28.7	-37.5

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
May - 2019	100	15	13	1
May - 2020	69	6	10	0
The annual change (%)	-31.0	-60.0	-23.1	-100.0
January - May 2019	493	90	70	6
January - May 2020	319	71	50	9
The annual progressive change (%)	-35.3	-21.1	-28.6	50.0

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Tab. 3 Road accidents, by driver's age

Period	0 - 24	25- 34	35- 44	45-59	60+	Left the accident scene
	years old	years old	years old	years old	years old	
May - 2019	26	31	18	21	8	11
May - 2020	9	24	12	18	10	2
The annual change (%)	-65.4	-22.6	-33.3	-14.3	25.0	-81.8
January - May 2019	123	167	109	110	42	32
January - May 2020	54	116	64	85	41	30
The annual progressive change (%)	-56.1	-30.5	-41.3	-22.7	-2.4	-6.3

Source: General Directorate of State's Police

Tab. 4 Road accidents, by regions

Period	Accidents		Killed		Accidents		Killed persons	
	May- 2019	May-2020	May-2019	May-2020	Jan.-May 2019	Jan.-May 2020	Jan.- May 2019	Jan.- May 2020
Albania	115	75	14	10	583	390	76	59
Tiranë	60	38	5	0	264	192	14	14
Durrës	7	5	2	2	53	39	12	12
Shkodër	0	0	0	0	9	6	8	4
Elbasan	8	6	1	2	34	17	9	6
Fier	6	5	3	2	40	35	11	8
Vlorë	7	4	1	0	34	12	4	0
Korçë	6	3	1	0	31	19	5	1
Lezhë	10	6	1	2	61	29	4	6
Berat	3	1	0	1	12	3	2	3
Kukës	2	2	0	0	13	5	1	0
Dibër	0	3	0	0	5	18	4	1
Gjirokastrë	6	2	0	1	27	15	2	4

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, please refer to: [Statistical Revision Policy](#).