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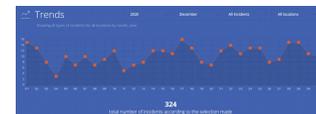
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## 324 firearm-related incidents were reported in the region in December 2020: The highest number EVER recorded on AVMP!

The Armed Violence Monitoring Platform (AVMP) recorded 324 firearm-related incidents that took place in the region during December 2020.

These are some of the highlights captured on our platform:



### About the AVMP

The Armed Violence Monitoring Platform (AVMP) monitors firearms-related incidents happening in South-East Europe. Established in 2014, the AVMP collects detailed data from the media reports and reports of public institutions where available, covering Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, North Macedonia and Kosovo.\*

The collected data range from the type of incident, firearms used, age and gender of the victim and the perpetrator, outcome of the incident. etc. Basic data analysis is also provided for various data sets aiming to discover trends related to the incidents.

The purpose of the AVMP is to make essential data available to all interested parties working on small arms and light weapons control. The AVMP can serve as an informative tool for interventions with the overarching goal of a more effective arms control framework and the reduction of their negative impact on civilians.

The AVMP is supported with funding from EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2111 of 9 December 2019 in support of SEESAC disarmament and arms control activities in South-East Europe reducing the threat of illicit small arms and light weapons and their ammunition.

\*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).

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