

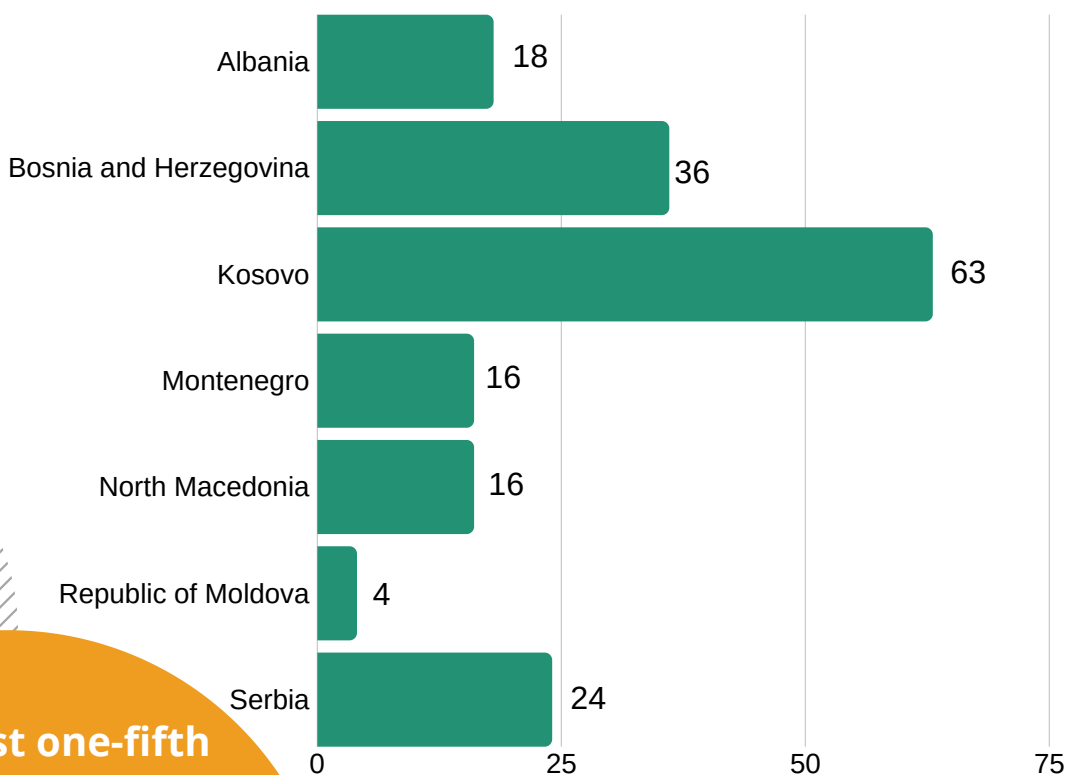
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# ARMED VIOLENCE MONITOR

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The information herein is extracted from the Armed Violence Monitoring Platform (AVMP) (<http://www.seesac.org/AVMP/>) showing the main data on the reported firearm-related incidents in South East Europe covering Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo\*, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Republic of Moldova and Serbia, as collected from media reports, for the period from 1 to 31 December 2019.

As per media clippings, a total of **177** firearm-related incidents that took place in the region were recorded on the AVMP.\*\*



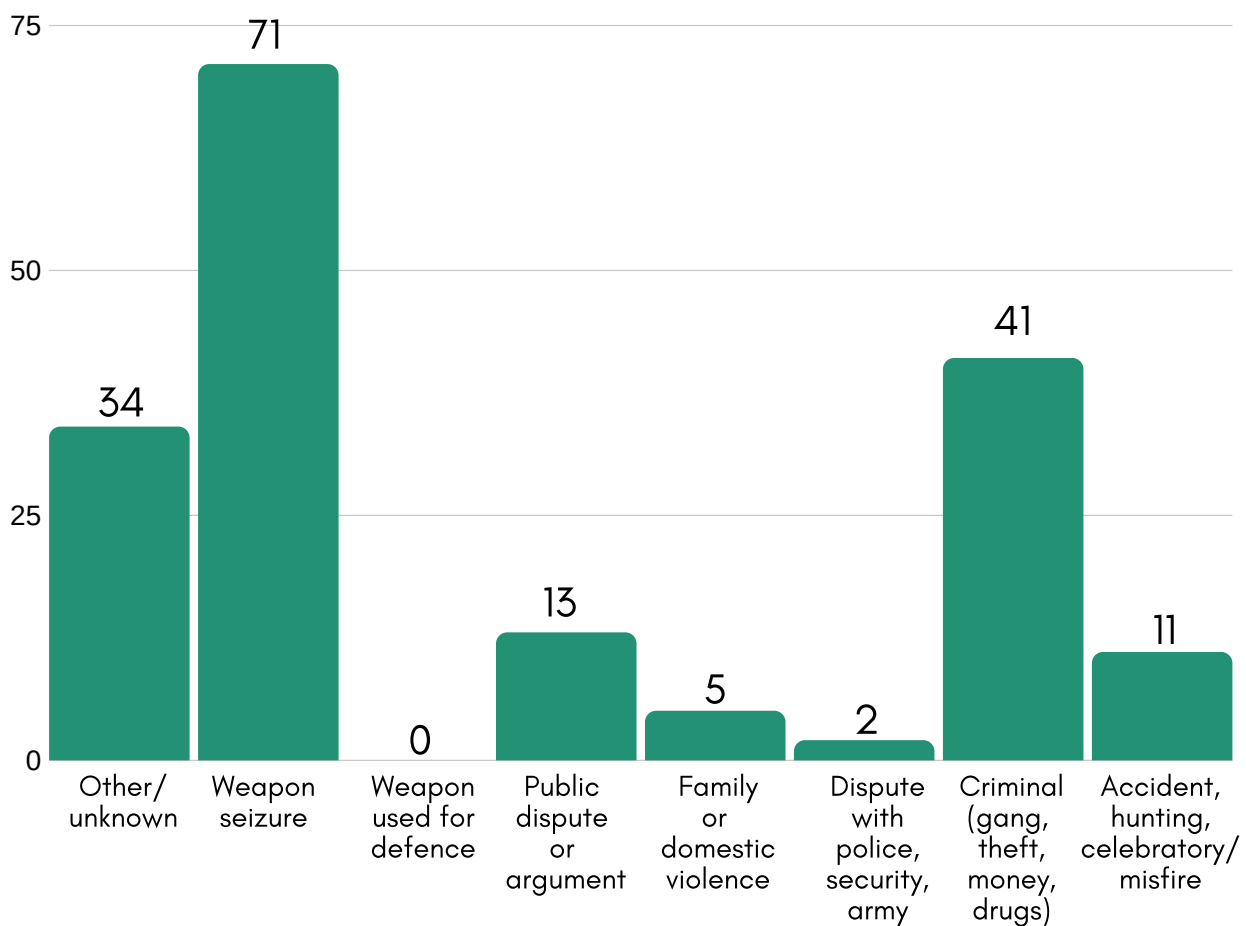
Almost one-fifth  
of firearm-related  
incidents in the  
region was  
committed in  
criminal context.

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

\*\*The information provided in this report is based on the AVMP data extracted on 10 January 2020.

The misuse of firearms in criminal context was most frequently reported in BiH, 18 out of 41 in total.

## Types of incidents

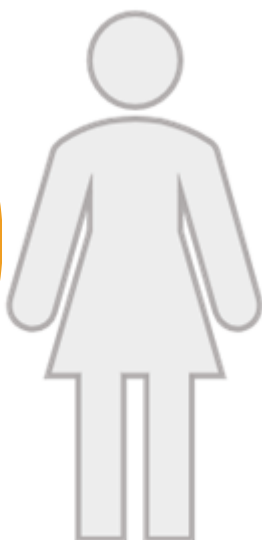


Weapons seizures continue to be the most prevalent type of incident (71) in the SEE, in particular in Kosovo, totaling 39.

# Perpetrators

Total number of perpetrators was **169**, of whom **165** were men and **4** were women.\*

While women accounted for **2%** of the perpetrators of firearm-related incidents, they made up **24 %** victims.



**2%**

WOMEN



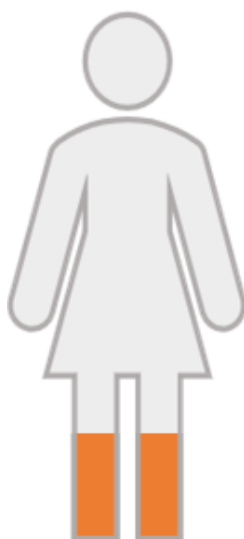
**98%**

MEN

\* Refers only to incidents for which the number and sex of the perpetrators was reported.

# Victims

In all incidents in December, the total number of victims was **93**. In the incidents for which the sex of the victims was reported, **70** were men and **20** were women.



**22%**

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**78%**

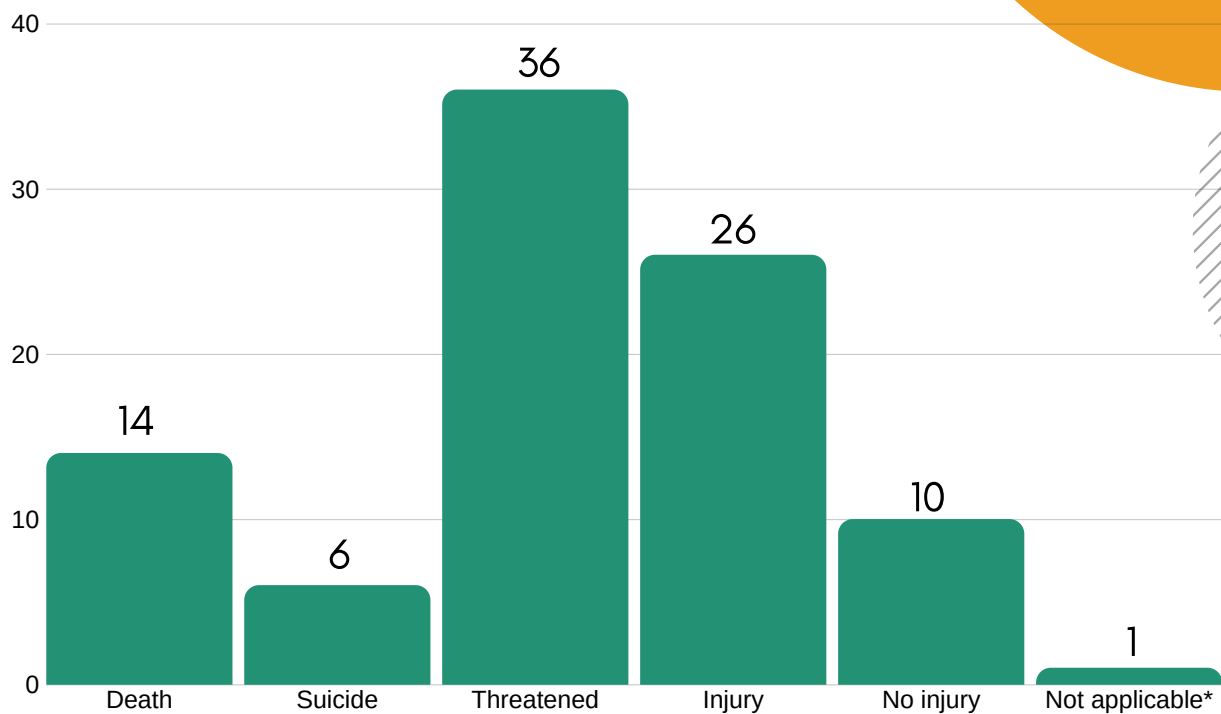
MEN

Twenty persons died of firearm-related incidents in December.

\* Victim refers to any individual who has been threatened, injured or died as a result of the use of a firearm.

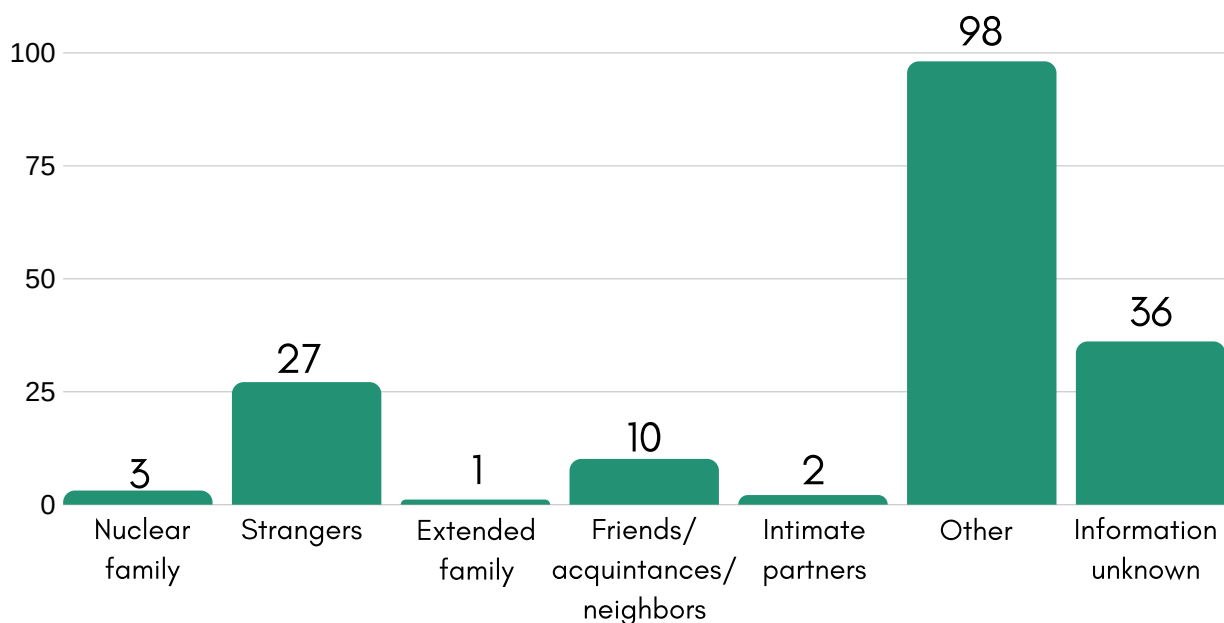
There were no reported cases of the use of a firearm in self-defence.

## Outcome for Victims



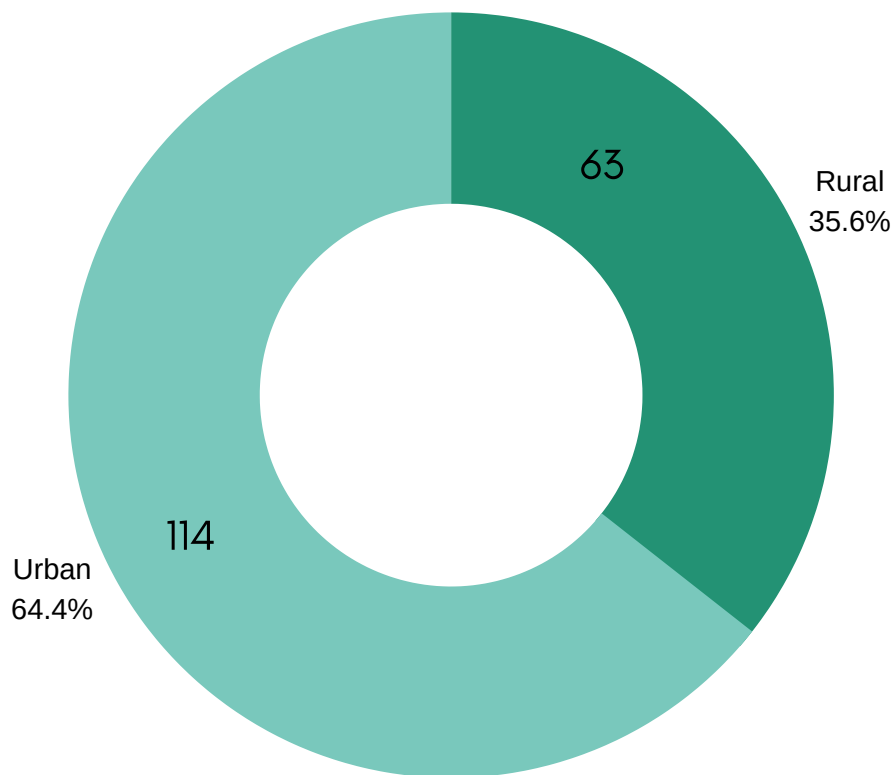
\*Not applicable shall refer to all incidents where a firearm was present but was not discharged nor used for inflicting injuries and threatening (for example, a theft of a firearm).

## Relationship between victims and perpetrators



\*Other refers to all relationships that cannot be classified under any of the above categories, as well as to weapons seizures, suicides, self-injury, non-hunting-related shooting of animals, etc.

# Macro location of the firearm-related incidents



**Almost two-thirds of firearm-related incidents were committed in the urban areas.**



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