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 January 2020.

As per media clippings, a total of 196 firearm-related incidents that took place in the region were recorded on the AVMP.

Weapon seizures (90) accounted for almost half of all firearm-related incidents (196) in January.

*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).
The misuse of firearms in criminal context was most frequently reported in BiH (11) and North Macedonia (10).

In almost 11% of all firearm-related incidents, firearms were used in accidents, hunting incidents and celebratory shooting.
Perpetrators

Total number of perpetrators was 198, of whom 195 were men and 3 were women.*

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

**Women**

2% 

**MEN**

98%

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

Victims

In all incidents in January, the total number of victims was 100. In the incidents for which the sex of the victims was reported, 69 were men and 22 were women.

**Women**

24% 

**MEN**

76%

Injury was the most common outcome of firearm-related incidents in January.
Outcome for Victims

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

*Not applicable shall refer to a) 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); b) all incidents where the firearm was discharged but the outcome for the victim is not specified.

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 killing of animals, etc.
Macro location of the firearm-related incidents

Three quarters of firearm-related incidents were committed in the urban areas.