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 May 2020.

As per media clippings, a total of 210 firearm-related incidents that took place in the region were recorded on the AVMP.

May has the greatest number of firearm incidents in 2020.

*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).
A rise in the number of incidents resulting from a public dispute was observed in May.

Types of incidents

- Weapon seizure: 69
- Other/unknown: 46
- Family or domestic violence: 31
- Criminal (gang, theft, money, drugs): 38
- Dispute with police, security, army: 7
- Public dispute or argument: 5
- Weapon used for defence: 1
- Accident, hunting, celebratory/misfire: 13

A rise in the number of incidents resulting from a public dispute was observed in May.
Perpetrators

Total number of perpetrators was 233, of whom 230 were men and 3 were women.*

1% WOMEN
99% MEN

May was marked with the greatest number of perpetrators recorded in 2020.

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

Victims*

In all incidents in May, the total number of victims was 102. In the incidents for which the sex of the victims was reported, 75 were men and 23 were women.

23% WOMEN
77% MEN

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

The largest number of female victims in 2020 was recorded in May.
Outcome for Victims

- **Death**: 13
- **Suicide**: 3
- **Threatened**: 37
- **Injury**: 29
- **No injury**: 16
- **Not applicable**: 4

*Not applicable refers 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).

The number of persons threatened with a firearm significantly increased in May.

Relationship between victims and perpetrators

- **Nuclear family**: 4
- **Strangers**: 25
- **Extended family**: 2
- **Friends/acquaintances/neighbors**: 9
- **Intimate partners**: 0
- **Other**: 124
- **Information unknown**: 46

*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

Majority of firearm incidents in May took place in urban areas.